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Mohammedan ace Alfaz Ahmed (R) heading is the equaliser for his side against Abahani yesterday. — Star photo by Amran Hossain

## Tie-break heartbreak for Abahani

Sports Reporter

Mohammedan Sporting Club sent Abahani further behind the title race when the holders pulled off a sensational 4-3 tie-break win over their arch-rivals in the last first round match of the National Bank Premier Football League at the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday.

The Dhaka derby, which drew an almost packed audience at the big bowl, rolled into shootout after the teams played out a 1-1 draw during the regulation 90 minutes.

Although Abahani custodian Biplob was reputed of being a penalty-stopper rather than his Mohammedans counterpart Nizam, it was the latter who in fact proved decisive.

Abahani's Ghanaian forward Kennedy scored the first shot, sending Nizam the wrong way. Nizam responded for Mohammedan in the same fashion.

Nizam redeemed himself by stopping the second spot-kick taken by Abahani's central defender Partha.

The delight of the Mohammedan supporters however was interrupted as Biplob saved Rakib's shot, diving to his right.

Mohammedan regained the initiative when Abahani's left-winger Kanchan drove the ball wide of Nizam's left-hand post.

And after Alfaz and Shaol

### POINTS TABLE

Teams	M	W	W/T	L	L/T	GF	GA	Points
Muktijoddha	9	7	1	1	-	17	2	24
Mohammedan	9	7	1	1	-	20	4	23
Abahani	9	6	-	2	1	18	5	19
Rahmatganj	9	4	1	4	-	9	10	14
Dhamondi	9	2	-	3	2	10	16	12
Araubagh	9	2	-	4	1	5	11	11
Farmashganj	9	2	1	3	3	8	12	11
Brothers Union	9	2	1	4	2	4	10	10
Badda	9	3	-	6	-	7	7	9
Victoria	9	-	1	8	-	8	2	2

**Hattricks:** Nakib (Mohammedan) against Dhamondi Club; IM Vijayan (Muktijoddha) against Rahmatganj; Manju (Dhamondi) against Victoria SC and Askar Babu (Farashganj) against Dhamondi.

**Leading goalscorers:** 9 goals - Nakib (Mohammedan); 8 goals - Kaneddy (Abahani); 6 goals - Moni (Rahmatganj); Manju (Dhamondi); 5 goals - Alfaz (Mohammedan); 4 goals - Asif (Muktijoddha); Sohel (Victoria); Don (Abahani); 3 goals - IM Vijayan (Muktijoddha).



Mohammedan custodian Nizam (R) being embraced by coach Hasanuzzaman Khan after his heroics in the tie-breaker against Abahani yesterday. — Star photo

## Dull draws

Sports Reporter

The latest round of matches in the six-a-side football competition of the Dhaka Reporters Unity produced draws at the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday.

Sangram and Muktakant shared points after a goalless encounter in Group C. The same was the case when Inqulab and BNS met in Group D. In another game Jugantar earned a walkover against Al-Amin when the latter did not turn up.

The Daily Star begins their Group C campaign against Ajker Kagoj today at 10 am at the same venue.

## Salgado blames Anelka

MADRID, Oct 6: Real Madrid and Spain defender Michel Salgado had a dig at former teammate Nicolas Anelka on Friday, saying the France striker should have "told the truth" about his unhappy year at the club, reports AFP.

Salgado told La Razon daily it was high time someone gave Real's side of the story after Anelka's account of how badly he was treated in Spain before going home to join Paris-Saint-Germain.

But Salgado said the players would have helped him to settle if he had only confided in them.

"The dressing room never turned its back on him because he didn't like us," insisted Salgado.

"He never told us about his problems. If he had the players would have helped him."

"He acted badly in refusing to train or play - though he was pardoned for that. But if you then stay in your corner you don't then ask for the help of others."

"He should show the club more respect and tell the truth. In reality he didn't feel at home in Madrid, he didn't adapt and he was not happy. It's not other people's fault," Salgado added.

Anelka moved back to first club PSG for 31 million dollars in July after a tumultuous season in which he was suspended for 45 days in March and fined 300,000 dollars for refusing to train.

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## PCB wants total neutrality

KARACHI, Oct 6 (Internet report): Pakistan will push for the appointment of neutral umpires at both ends in Tests during the International Cricket Council (ICC) meeting scheduled in Nairobi on October 16 and 17.

Pakistan Cricket Board chairman Lt Gen Taufiq Zia said in Lahore on Wednesday that they had already moved a proposal with the ICC in July suggesting appointment of two neutral umpires for a Test match.

In Nairobi we'll carry the matter further and try to convince the others that this is a feasible idea,"

Pakistan have of late complained about substandardumping in the Test series during their tours to the West Indies and Sri Lanka earlier this year and they believe the solution to ending these controversies is in having neutral umpires at both ends.

Taufiq stated that initially the ICC had responded to the Pakistan proposal by stating that it was too expensive a proposition.

"We then told them that if it

was not possible to have neutral umpires, they should seek more help from technology."

He explained that Pakistan would stress in Nairobi that with the advancement in technology,

"We showed the world the benefits of having an international panel of umpires and we don't see anything wrong with pushing for Test matches to be controlled totally by neutral umpires."

He believed umpires had to be told there was nothing wrong with seeking technological assistance to rule on close decisions. At the same time, he said, Pakistan had no problems with Australian umpire Darrell Hair supervising their October 8 match with Sri Lanka in Nairobi or coming to Pakistan in November to stand in the first Test against England.

"Yes I know the Sri Lankans have lodged a protest over Hair's appointment, but we've done nothing at all and we don't plan to do anything similar."

The PCB chief stated that he was still undecided about attending the ICC meeting in Nairobi owing to his professional duties and if he was unable to make it, director cricket operations Yawar Saeed would represent Pakistan.

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