SL shrug off T-ton

SHARJAH, Oct 21: Sachin Tendulkar scored his 26th oneday century for India but failed to stop Sri Lanka from clinching a comfortable five-wicket victory in the Sharjah triangular series opener on Friday, reports

Tendulkar, playing his 254 limited-overs international. stroked 101 off 140 balls with three fours and one six to consolidate a faltering Indian innings marred by four run outs.

Sri Lanka, chasing a modest 225 for victory, built their reply around Russel Arnold and skipper Sanath Javasuriva after paceman Venkatesh Prasad struck twice in his first two overs to leave them on 21 for

Jayasuriya and Mahela Jayawardene did the repair work with a stand of 73 for the third wicket. Javasuriya, the most aggressive of the two. hit 48 off 53 balls which included seven fours while Jayawardene chipped in with 38 off 57 balls.

Their dismissals slowed Sri Lanka's scoring rate, but Kumar Sangakkara and Arnold remained unruffled and prospered in a fifth wicket stand of 95 to guide the team home.

Arnold top-scored with 59 off 70 balls while Sangakkara made 40 not out off 64. Tendulkar held centre stage earlier, lifting the Indian in-

nings which was tottering at 102 for four by the 24" over. With Robin Singh. who chipped in with a patient 35. the master batsman added 100

for the fifth wicket in 133 balls. Tendulkar completed his century in the 46" over but ran himself out in the next by failing to beat a direct throw from Arishka Gunawardene.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the Champions Trophy triangular series match between India and Sri Lanka on Friday:

INDIA: 224 for eight wickets in 50 overs (Tendulkar 101 Robin Singh 351 SRI LANKA

Javasuriva c Y Singh b Agarkar 48 Gunawardene c Dahiya b Prasad S Atapattu e Dahiya b Prasad Jayawardene b Kumble Sangakkara not out Arnold c Dahiya b Agarkar Kaluwitharana not out Extras: (b-4. lb-2. nb-5. w-11) Total: (For five in 43.5 overs) 225

Did not bat: Chaminda Vaas, Muttiah Muralitharan. Kausalya Weeraratne, Nuwan Zovsa.

Fall of wickets: 1-17: 2-21: 3-94: 4-113: 5-208

Bowler	0	M	R	W
Z Khan	8.5	1	36	()
Prasad	8	1	48	2
Agarkar	8.	0	39	2
Kumble	10	1	50	1
Tendulkar	5	0	22	0
Ganguly	1	0	-13	0
R Singh	3	0	11	0

Result: Sri Lanka won by five wickets.

India plans big for 2003 WC

LONDON. Oct 21 (Internet report): India will tour South Africa in October 2001, playing three Tests and six one-dayers in an attempt to help the team acclimatise for the 2003 World Cup to be held in the Republic.

United Cricket Board of South Africa (UCBSA) communications manager Bronwin Wilkinson confirmed the plans to Gulf News, saying that the dates are yet to be finalised She also mooted the possibility of playing a three-nation tournament involving India. South Africa and Kenva. One of the Tests is expected to be played in AFP. Potchefstroom, which saw its first international action on Friday, when New Zealand and I South Africa opened their oneday series.

It is believed that most of the venues for the tour are ones in which the World Cup matches will be played. India toured England prior to the 1983 World Cup and it stood them in good stead as the team led by Kapil Dev went on to an upset tournament win - so far their only World Cup triumph.

Relations between India and South Africa have been strained since Delhi police filed charges of match-fixing against four of the visiting side, including then-captain Hansie Cronje. last April following a one-day series between the sides. The countries have worked together. however, in the investigations which followed.

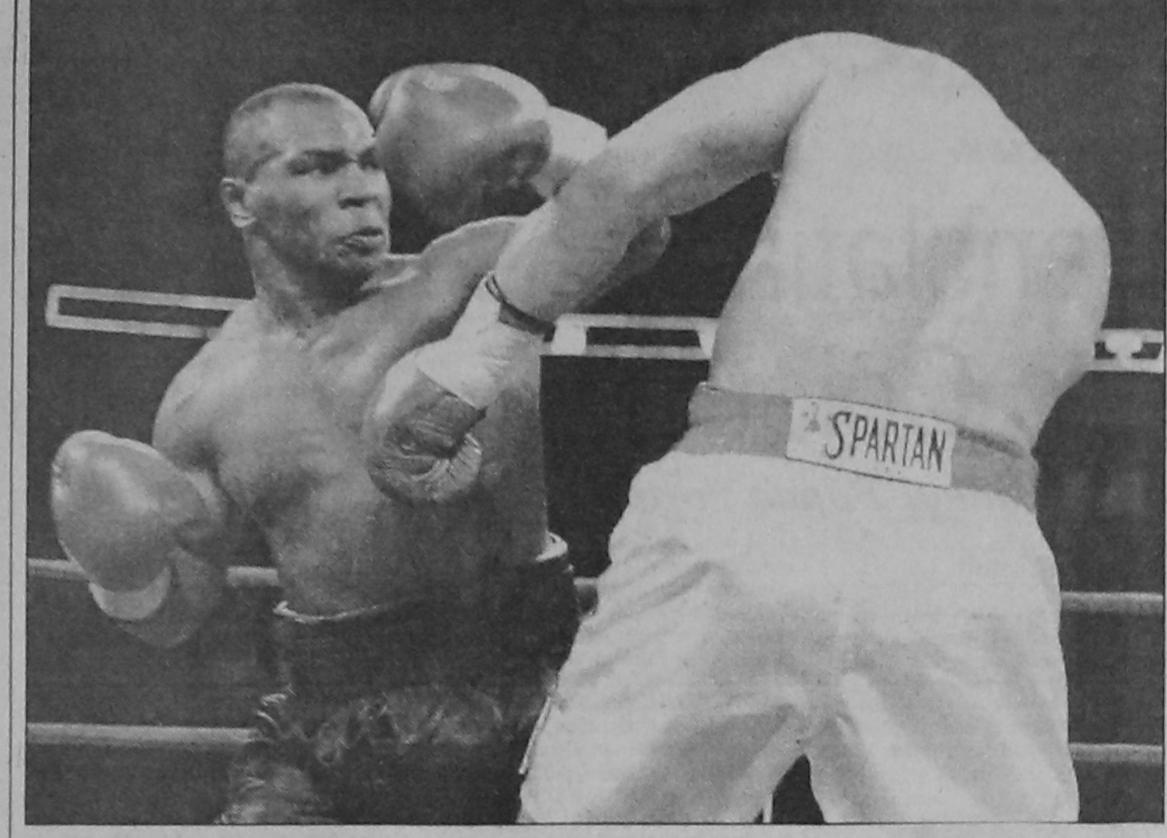
Lindsay, Venus move into semis

LINZ. Austria, Oct 21: Top seed Lindsay Davenport breezed into the semifinals of the Linz women's tournament on Friday while her weary American compatriot Venus Williams struggled at first before reaching the last four, reports Reuters.

Davenport went through after Austrian rival Barbara Schett retired with a foot injury at 6-2. 4-1. while Olympic champion Williams beat Russian Elena Likhovtseva 6-3, 6-

World number two Davenport next faces Czech player Kveta Hrdlickova, who surprisingly knocked out fourth seed Nathalie Tauziat of France 6-3.

Williams set up a semifinal with another American, fifth seed Chanda Rubin. Rubin. who won this tournament in 1997, beat Slovak qualifier Henrieta Nagyova 6-4, 6-4.



TAKE THAT: American Mike Tyson (L) lands a blow on his Polish opponent Andrew Golota in their 10-round heavyweight bout in Michigan on October 20. Tyson scored a TKO after -- AFP photo Golota failed to respond to the bell in round three.

lyson wins a farcical fight



Michigan, Oct 21: world heavyweight

boxing champion Mike Tyson beat Poland's giant Andrew Golota with a technical knockout in their 10-round non-title fight

here Friday, reports AFP. And then, as with most Tyson or Golota fights, the fun

overhand rights in the first two the ability to fight. rounds and Golota refused to answer the bell for the third, post-fight news conference. angering about 16,000 fans.

ended. Golota trudged back to work and did what he was suphis corner and would not take posed to do. instructions from trainer Al 40 Certo

Certo tried to force the mouth- having one in that round."

away from the ring as the crowd He can beat guys out there.' threw beverages at him.

pelt him with beer, popcorn and lion dollars. soft drinks as he walked back to his locker room.

Man-of-the-match: Sachin | ree did not respond. Everyone round bout. says I'm a dirty fighter. I don't When he finally relented and third time when he toyed with know why there was no repri- entered the ring, the bout be- Hector Quiroz for seven rounds mand," said Golota.

who count on me. It wasn't my heavyweight champion had day today. I was dizzy. I slipped little trouble connecting with a cause of excessive swelling and

AUBURN HILLS. very very difficult sport and I'm sorry for all my fans who came down here. I have to give myself a very heavy talk."

> Asked if he would retire. Golota said: "I don't know." After the fight he was taken to a hospital.

Brooks said of Golota's performance: "The guy was in there eve. trying to make a living for his family. Seriously, he needs to Tyson landed with a series of get help psychologically. He has Tyson did not attend the round

"I think (Tyson) fought well." When the second round said Brooks. "Mike put in his

"That's the first time I've ever seen that (referring to Golota). I After the bell rang for the never would have guessed that third round. Golota refused to from Andrew. I still believe Antake his mouthpiece despite drew is not a coward. I think pleads of his cornermen. He that he suffers from anxiety

Golota proceeded to stalk ability ... I know he can do it. According to reports, Tyson It was an embarrassing per- was paid 10 million dollars formance and fans continued to while Golota got about 2.5 mil-

Officially ruled a third-round TKO, the fight was virtually Golota said he could not over before it started. Golota continue to fight because of a (36-5) delayed his entrance to cut over his eye and claimed the ring when he refused to don Tyson head butted him several the Everlast boxing gloves that boxing. the Michigan Boxing Commis-"I was head butted, the refe-sion had sanctioned for the 10- Judah successfully defended

gan with Tyson taking the ini-"Im sorry to all my friends tiative. The former two-time the eighth. and I fell down. Boxing is a steady dose of vicious overhand

rights, flooring Golota with a devastating short right in the waning moments of the first round

Tyson (49-3, 1 no contest, 43 KOs), who entered this fight claiming it would be his last kept up the attack in the sec-Tyson's trainer Tominy ond, drawing blood from a small cut above Golota's left

> Tyson fought a hard, clean fight and even seemed to offer his glove to Golota after the two butted heads in the second

He then delivered a textbook overhand right over a feeble jab by Golota in the closing seconds of the first round. Golota crumbled to the canvas, rising almost immediately before referee Frank Garza checked his eves to see if he could continue.

Perhaps best remembered for a pair of disqualifications in title fights with former heavyshook his head several times as attacks and he was probably weight champion Riddick Bowe, Golota did not seem interested Certo said: "The guy has in throwing any purpose punches. He offered no resistance to

> Tyson's attack, and when he did offer a lame combination. Tyson consistently found an opening for a big right. Touted as a fight between

> two unpredictable, enigmatic and at times emotionally disturbed fighters, the bout proved to be the latest black eye for

On the undercard, Zab his IBF welterweight title for the before the fight was stopped in The fight was cut short be-

a cut under Quiroz's right eve.

Wenger praises Vieira



Arsenal boss Arsene Wenger insisted here Friday that Patrick Vieira had finally shed his bad-hov image ahead of Saturday's potentially explosive.

clash with West Ham, reports Vieira was fined 45.000 (67,500 dollars) and banned for seven matches after the corresponding fixture last season after spitting at then West Ham

defender Neil Ruddock and tangling with a police officer in the player's tunnel following his sending-off. Already, the red mist has descended twice on the Frenchman with consecutive

opening games of the season. That led to a five-match domidfielder showed a welcome maturity on Tuesday night when he was a model of dignified restraint despite outra-

geous racist abuse from some



PATRICK VIEIRA sendings-off against Sunder- Lazio fans and in particular land and Liverpool in the their Yugoslav defender Sinisa

Mihajlovic. "He behaved very well," said mestic ban but the Arsenal Wenger. "They tried to upset him but he has learned and is always improving.

Arsenal will again be without captain Tony Adams at Upton Park, the England defender still struggling with his troublesome back injury. But goalkeeper David Sea-

man has shaken off the back problem that saw him miss Tuesday's draw in the Olympic Stadium. 39-year-old John Lukie dropping back down to the bench. Meanwhile Wenger con-

firmed that the deal to bring Brazilian star Edu to Highbury is back on after the midfielder appears to have resolved his embarrassing passport prob-

Edu was detained at Heathrow Airport and turned away after being caught with a fake Portuguese passport but now seems to have obtained genuine documentation through his Portuguese grandfather.

"If he has the right passport he could be the right player for us," said Wenger of the 22-yearold Corinthians midfielder. "He was destroyed when that happened. he did not try to cheat, he was cheated by people who pushed the passport in his



WINNING STREAK: Retired boxing legend Thomas Hearnes (L) raises the arm of Laila Ali after she stopped Kendra Lenhart in the sixth round in Michigan on October 20. The daughter of Muhammad Ali notched up her eighth successive victory. -- AFP photo

World Jr Athletics

Pittman on course

SANTIAGO, Oct 21: Australia's Jana Pittman completed the first leg of her bid for a gruclling one-lap double when she won the 400 metres at the World Junior Athletics Championships on Friday, reports "Now I have a chance of AFP.

making history," said Pittman, who is also hoping to win the 400 metres hurdles.

ahead of the Poland's Aneta Lemiesz, who set a national jumor record in second place. Colombian Norma Gonzalez was third in 53.30.

event, today.

On Friday, the Australian of the race - her fourth in as many days - and came into the finishing straight some 12 metres clear of her closest challenger, Jamaica's Kareen Gayle. But as Gayle blew out. Pittman came under attack in the last 80 metres from Lenni-

The teenager from Sydney who celebrates her 18th birthday in three weeks' time - responded to come home in front, the finishing time perhaps reflecting the rigours of a week's hard racing. Her personal best on the flat is 51.76.

"I was feeling so tired today," she admitted. "I never slept well at all last night." The second Australian bid-

ding for double gold. Georgie Clarke, found one other runner just a little better than her in the 800 metres final. Kenya's Jebet Langat ran the

legs off 16-year-old Clarke, and thus completed a full set of world junior medals.

Langat, 19, had won her first world junior medal, a bronze, four years ago, and took silver in Annecy at the 1998 championships.

Langat clocked 2 minutes 01.51 seconds after leading from the gun. Clarke was never able to get

on terms with her older rival, finishing in 2:02.28. The bronze was won by Lucia Klovoca, of the Slovak Re-

public, in a personal best

2:04.00. A miserable championships for the American team was compounded in the men's 200 metres semi-finals, when Rae Edwards fell to the track with a thigh strain 50 metres from the

It meant that the United States failed to have a finalist in any of the sprint events. By the end of the fourth day of the sixday meeting, they remained without a medal.

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Moya, Rios reach last four

Marcelo Rios signalled their return to form when they qualified for the last four of the men's Toulouse Grand Prix tennis tournament on Friday.

Spain's Moya, the 1998 French Open winner, beat fifth-seeded American Jan-Michael Gambill 6-7, 7-6, 6-4 in two hours.

Chile's Rios, the third seed. dismissed lucky loser Juan Albert Viloca of Spain 6-4, 6-4. In the semifinals Rios will

meet top seed Alex Corretja of Spain, who beat Sweden's Mikael Tillstrom 7-5, 6-3.

Napoli boosted

NAPLES, Oct 21: Argentine defender Mauricio Pineda arrived at ailing Napoli Friday after making a loan switch from Italian Serie A rivals Udinese. reports AFP.

Pineda - full name Hector Mauricio Pineda - arrived at the newly-promoted club, without a point after two matches, in the company of his agent Jorge Czysterpiller, who was formerly the manager of Argentinian great and former Napoli star Diego Maradona.

"Before I was at Udinese I was a midfielder," said Pineda. "But I am quite happy to play at left-back."

"I am sure Pineda will do very well in this city which is close to my heart." said Czys-

Pineda, aged 25, is expected to make his debut in Sunday's home match with Bologna at the San Paolo Stadium.

There was less good news for Napoli's Czech coach Zdenek Zeman in the injury that has ruled out Portuguese midfielder Vidigal for three months.

Laila's eighth in a row

AUBURN HILLS, Michigan, Oct 21: Laila Ali, the 22-yearold daughter of boxing legend Muhammad Ali, ran her pro-fessional ring record to 8-0 with a tough six-round decision over a game Kendra Lenhart on Friday, reports Reuters. Ali, by far the more disci-

the early rounds and was the superior boxer. But the 32-year-old Lenhart was very determined, landing looping punches to Ali's head. If she had been able to throw straighter punches she very

well may have done consider-

plined puncher of the two.

landed the hardest punches in

able damage to Ali. With her famous father watching from ringside. appeared to be getting more than she had bargained for in the Lenhart. who managed to rock Ali several times with windmill punches to the head.

Lenhart is now 6-8-1.

Four lifters expelled



Mirroring the tainted Sydney in 52.45 seconds 0.33 seconds mittee (IPC) Saturday expelled five drug cheats were nabbed. victory celebrations. three male and one female lifter three for steroids. who were exposed by extensive out-of-competition testing.

Pittman runs in the final of Marina Diakonova, Iranian Ali bronze. Great Britain followed Africa. the 400m hurdles, her preferred Mahmoudikordkheili and Bul- with 12 gold, 5 silver and 11 garian Radko Radev. powered through the first half from the Games and would not bronze. be allowed to compete in any

> Berbec was found to have final in 24.14 seconds. traces of an anabolic steroid

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four years, including the 2004

SYDNEY, Oct 21: retic/hydrochlorothiazide); The shadow of Mahmoudikordkheili tanabolic final in 1:04.58. drugs fell on the steroid/methandienone) and

Sydney Paralym- Radev (diuretic/chlorthalidone). scored from a free kick in the lifters named, shamed and the Sydney Paralympics, which win over Australia in the footbanned for taking performance- feature some 4.000 athletes ball. enhancing substances, reports from 121 countries competing in 18 sports.

The IPC said they were Ro- the third day of competition beating Canada's Jeff Adams bronze. China came in at third The four would be expelled with 12 gold, 4 silver and 5 the women's air pistol with a

Spaniard Jose Antonio Exposito won the men's long jump final with a Games record 7.00 Athens Paralympics, the IPC metres, while Enrique Sanchez- of Iran. Guijo took out the men's 200m

stanozolol: Diakonova (diu- Spain's Jesus Collado won gold

in the men's 100m butterfly

Captain Santiago Lopez About 600 random drug 55th minute to give Atlanta with four power tests will be conducted during bronze medalists Spain a 1-0

Thai wheelchair athlete Prawat Wahoram. 19. streaked About 300 drug tests were away to take gold in the men's Olympic weightlifting competi- conducted at the last Paralym- 10.000 metres. He proudly tion over three weeks ago. the pics in Atlanta but none re- waved a picture of the mother Pittman took the gold medal International Paralympic Com- turned positive. In Barcelona. of the king of Thailand during

Frenchman Claude Issorat Meanwhile on the medals won the men's 400m wheelcount. Spain led the way after chair final in 48.58 seconds manian Aurel Berbec. Russian with 13 gold. 10 silver and five and Ernst van Dyk of South

Isabel Newstead won the gold medal for Great Britain in world record score of 474.6 points from 40 shots at a 10 metre range, beating China's Hai Yan Lin and Naygereh Akef

Jonas Jacobsson of Sweden set a new Paralympic record to In the swimming pool, win gold in the final of the men's 3x40 Free Rifle.

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reach last four PARIS. Oct 21: Former world number ones Carlos Moya and Marcelo Rios signalled their Chilavert retaliates

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-- AFP photo

Chinese Paralympian Qiming Dong shows off her gold medal

after winning the 200m individual medley in Sydney

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(Reuters/Interneth: Paraguay captain Jose Luis Chilavert threatened on Friday to stop playing for his country in protest at interference from politicians he described as

"leeches and parasites". Chilavert, who refused to play in last year's Copa America because he said his country could not afford to host the tournament, was livid at a proposal by the Paraguayan Congress to interfere in the national soccer federation (APF).

"The only thing that these leeches and parasites in the Congress want to do is steal money from the Paraguavan people and destroy the work we are doing," said the outspoken goalkeeper, who once said he wanted to be president of his

The Paraguavan Congress has announced that it is setting up a commission to investigate the handling of money from the Pan-American Sports Network (PSN), a cable television station that has the rights to show Paraguay matches.

It is also proposing a law forcing Paraguay's matches to be shown on terrestrial televi-

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"There is nothing wrong in "There are so many more sethe association, they work in an rious problems, because here organised manner and are gen- there are people who are dving erating their own resources." of hunger and the only happi-Chilavert, who plays for Argen- ness this people has is its natine club Velez Sarsfield, told an tional soccer team. "If they (Congress) interfere,

> I'm not playing any more." Chilayert, 35, is one of the world's top goalkeepers and a hugely influential member of the Paraguay team. His mere presence on the field appears to boost his side and intimidate the opposi-He has scored more than 50

goals from penalties and free kicks in an often explosive professional career.

Although Paraguay is only a small, landlocked country of around 5.6 million people, the national soccer team is capable of giving the best teams in the world a run for their money.

the 1998 World Cup in France, progressing from their first round group at the expense of Spain, and beat Brazil in a World Cup qualifier earlier this Paraguay are third in the

They reached the last 16 of

South American World Cup qualifying tournament and well placed to reach their second successive finals.

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NBW WSIAHPB XBFSSWA Yesterday's Cryptoquip: THE FAILED GYMNAST PITIFULLY SOBBED, "I'M NOTHING BUT A FLIP FLOP. Today's Cryptoquip Clue: S equals N

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.