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- Who became Leipzig tennis champ?
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- Which club lifted NBL Div I soccer title?
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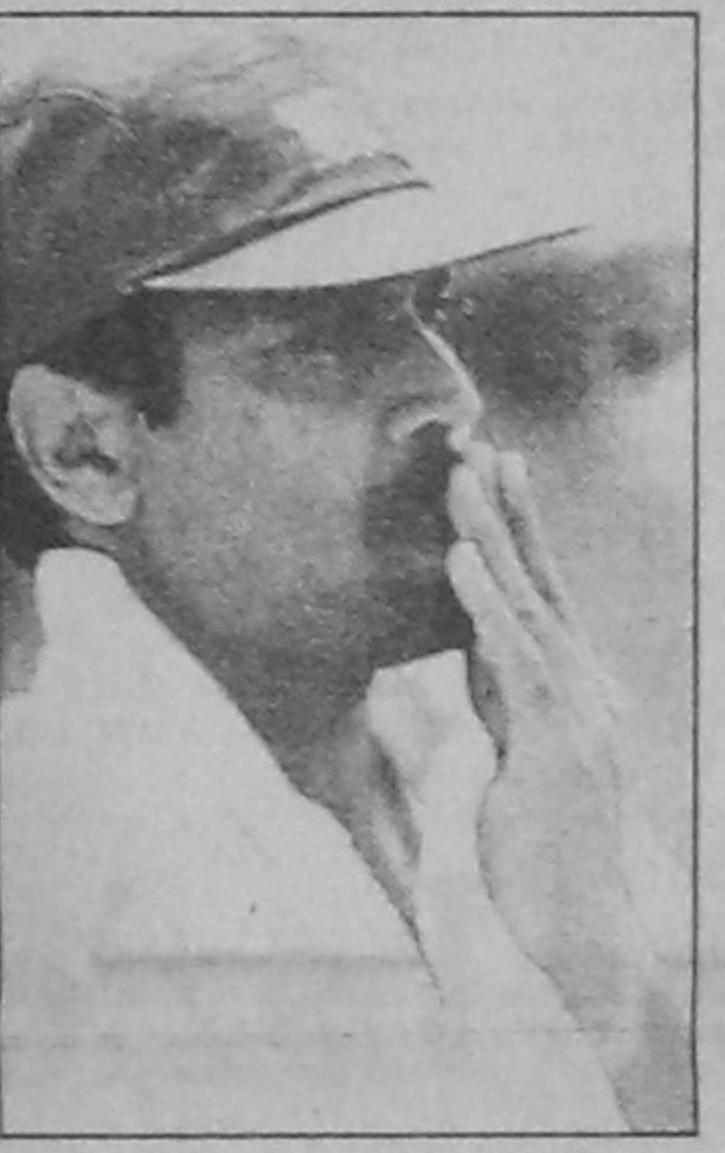
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SPORTS TALK



Kapil Dev
 (Former Indian cricket coach)

The media refused to believe me when I said I was innocent. They first tear my clothes off and now offer me new ones off to cover me.

After his name was not included in the CBI report on match-fixing.

Asadullah on song

Sports Reporter

NATL CRICKET LEAGUE

Barisal v Khulna

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The superlative effort of Asadullah, who played for Aba last year, helped Khulna post 292 for seven in response to a modest Barisal first innings score of 179. At close of play Khulna were maintaining a 100-run lead.

Coming in to bat at number seven with the hosts convincingly placed at 109 for five, he featured in a century partnership with Sohal Islam. Sohal scored a fine 57.

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SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard on the second day of the three-day Green Delta National Cricket League match between Khulna and Barisal at the Jessor Stadium yesterday.

BARISAL: First innings 179 all out in 83.2 overs (Imran 28, extras 32; Sohal 3/27, Monjurul 2/41, Rana 2/35)

KHULNA: First innings (overnight 19 for no loss in 11 overs)

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Setu c Hamman b A Hasan 0

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Parvez c M Babu b Safat 3

Sohal c M Babu b Tapan 51

Asadullah c Safat 90

J Babu not out 8

A Kumar not out 7

Extras (lb-9, lb-3, nb-2, w-1) 15

Total (For 7 wickets in 100 overs) 292

Fall of wickets: 1/24, 2/28,

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GOAL-BOUND: Mukti Joddha Sangsad's substitute striker Farhad (R) on way to scoring the lone goal against Mohammedan Sporting Club in their National Bank Premier Division Football League Super Four fixture at the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday.

Star photo

Abahani on fire

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Sport Reporter

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Holders Muktijoddha Sangsad handed them a solitary goal defeat in the last Super Four clash of the Premier Division football league at the Bangabandhu National Stadium last night.

Substitute Farhad scored the winner for the all-reds midway into the second half. The result put Muktijoddha 10 points back atop the four-team table.

On the other hand, the defeat pulled Mohammedan down to third place on goal difference from arch rivals Abahani, who trounced Rahmatganj 6-1 in the day's first match. Both teams have 33 points.

The three now move on to play the Super Three phase which starts on Sunday.

MUKTIJODDHA - 1;
MOHAMEDAN - 0

After a lacklustre start, Mohammedan almost conceded an own goal in the 25th minute when defender Jewel Rana's clearance on a Hasan Al-Mamun's cross rebounded off the post

with custodian Nizam completely beaten. However Jewel could have a sigh of relief as the linesman had already lifted the off-side flag.

After surviving the close call,

Mohammedan had their best chance to score two minutes later when Nakib got the ball unmarked inside the D box. But the experienced former national striker failed to keep his cool and sent the ball wide of the near post.

Muktijoddha showed more enterprise in the second half and were rewarded when Farhad, who replaced Shamsher early in the first period, found the net with a brilliant angular drive from the right corner in the 68th minute.

Mohammedan custodian Nizam should take the blame for the goal as he failed to read the path of the shot which went underneath his arm through a very acute angle.

In the remaining time Mohammedan tried their best and went close to scoring on a couple of occasions.

Skipper Alfaz's power-packed volley was parried by Muktijoddha goalkeeper Aniul in the 79th minute.

The last chance could have been decisive when Muktijoddha defender Rajani cleared the ball from a goal-mouth muddle with Mohammedan players

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STANDINGS

[M-Matches, W-Wins, W/T-Wins in tie-breaker(two points), L/T-Losses in tie-breaker(one point), GF-Goals for, GA-Goals against]

Team	M	W	W/T	L	L/T	GF	GA	Points
Muktijoddha	15	9	3	1	23	6	35	13
Abahani	15	10	1	3	1	40	13	33
Mohammedan	15	10	1	4	33	15	33	33
Rahmatganj	15	4	1	9	1	32	15	15

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ACC's call to India

The Asian Cricket Council (ACC) has appealed to the Indian government to reconsider its decision to postpone Indian team's scheduled tour of Pakistan next month, reports UNB.

If India do not change their decision, it is expected that Pakistan will visit Bangladesh to play two Tests and as many one-day internationals during the time.

A meeting of the ACC in Sharjah, UAE yesterday unanimously decided to appeal to the Indian government to clear the proposed tour in the region and use the sport as a medium of promoting regional harmony and cooperation.

The special general meeting further decided that a three-member delegation from the ACC would meet with appropriate levels in the Indian government to formally convey the decision.

BCB president Saber Hosain Chowdhury will lead the delegation which included Sri Lankan board president Thilanga Sumathipala and Tunku Imran, president of Malaysia Cricket Association.

Hosts Chittagong hit back with plentiful runs against Biman on the second day, leaving the three-day Green Delta National League match of the two worthy opponents wide open at the BKSP in Saver yesterday.

Chittagong scored 294 for four in 75.4 overs after Biman, resuming the day on 355 for two, finished their quota of 100 overs with 411 for five.

On an eventful day, Biman's Pakistani Imran Farah, 195 not out overnight, completed his double century. The left-hander scored 216 before holding out in the deep of the bowling of left-arm spinner Enamul Hoque. Biman captain Aminul Islam added only two runs to his overnight score of 55 before edging right-arm seamer Saffiuddin Babu to the wicketkeeper.

But the day will be remembered for a spectacular Chittagong counter offensive with skipper Minhazul Abedin leading from the front.

Chittagong were off to a rollicking start with openers Azam Iqbal and Nafiz producing 90 runs in 31 overs. Together the two added 86 runs off only 93 balls for the undefeated fourth wicket. Minhaz was batting on 70 while Akram on a run-a-ball 40 at the end of second day's play. If the two experienced campaigners could maintain the same tempo today, Chittagong have a bright chance of taking a much-needed first innings lead in the remaining 25-odd overs.

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Ehsanul Huq, a member of the national team that toured Kenya and South Africa, scored

20 runs in 10 overs.

RAJSHAHI, Nov 23: Hosts

Rajshahi took a crucial 23-run

first innings lead against Dhaka on