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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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- Who was declared man-of-the-match in the Bangladesh India inaugural Test?  
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## SPORTS TALK



### Colin Croft

(Former West Indies cricketer)

"The entire team has now become a joke. No side that was so great in the past has descended so quickly to such a low level."

After West Indies were bundled out for 82 in the first innings of the first Test against Australia.

## Waqar back in Pakistan fold

LAHORE, Nov 25: Pakistan Friday recalled experienced pacer Waqar Younis to the 15-member squad for the second Test against England starting in Faisalabad on November 29.

Younis, with 308 wickets in 67 Tests, was left out from the initial squad of 14 for the first Test.

Leg-spinner Mushtaq Ahmed was axed after he failed miserably in the first drawn Test in Lahore, taking one wicket for 164 runs.

"Ahmed disappointed in the first Test and Kaneria is included as we want to groom youngsters in the home series," chief selector Wasim Bari said.

Ahmed, who has taken only 27 wickets in his last 13 Tests, will be replaced by teenage leg-spinner Danish Kaneria who is likely to make his Test debut.

Off-spinner Arshad Khan is also back in the squad.

All rounder Azhar Mahmood, 12th man in the Lahore Test, twisted his ankle during practice on Friday and is out for six weeks.

### SQUAD

Moin Khan (captain), Inzamam-ul-Haq (vice-captain), Saeed Anwar, Shahid Afridi, Salim Elahi, Younis Youhana, Abdur Razzak, Wasim Akram, Danish Kaneria, Saqlain Mushtaq, Arshad Khan, Iqbal Nazir, Qaiser Abbas, Waqar Younis and Faisal Iqbal.

## Jason drafted for Perth Test

BRISBANE, Nov 25: Fast bowler Jason Gillespie was included Saturday in an Australian 12-man squad for next week's second Test against the West Indies in Perth, reports AFP.

Gillespie pulled out of the Australian squad with a hamstring strain and missed the 11th Test against the West Indies in the first Brisbane Test which ended Saturday after just two and a half days.

The second Test begins at the WACA Ground on Friday.

AUSTRALIA: Michael Slater, Matthew Hayden, Justin Langer, Mark Waugh, Steve Waugh (captain), Ricky Ponting, Adam Gilchrist, Brett Lee, Andy Bichel, Stuart MacGill, Glenn McGrath, Jason Gillespie.



Sylhet wicketkeeper Imon makes an unsuccessful attempt to stump Ashraful of Dhaka Metropolis during their Green Delta National League limited-overs fixture at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium yesterday.

## Ashraful in thick of things

Sports Reporter

### NAT'L CRICKET LEAGUE

Dhaka Metropolis v Sylhet

Young sensation Mohammad Ashraful was again in thick of things as Dhaka Metropolis completed a happy hunting yesterday against a beleaguered Sylhet in their first phase of the Green Delta National League.

Ashraful, who took five wickets to give Dhaka a crucial first-inning lead and an invaluable four points in the drawn three-day match, once again played the pivotal role in his side's impressive four-wicket win against the runners-up in the limited-overs match at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium yesterday.

The leg-spinner plus an exciting opening batsman took two wickets to help the hosts shot Sylhet out for a paltry 126 and then scored a courageous 22 to win the man-of-the-match award for the second successive time.

The visitors, without their regular captain and national right-arm seamer Hasibul Hossain, struggled on matting wicket and could last for only 38.2 overs with Rafique and Nayeem making 20 and 25 runs respectively. Rajin, who stood in for Hasibul, scored 10.

The introduction of artificial

wicket only in the limited-overs matches offered batsmen a taste of bouncy pitches.

Although Sylhet bowlers failed to make the most of the condition, Dhaka, who made four changes that played in the three-day match, found an unlikely wicket-taker in young right-arm seamer Ashiq, who took three wickets for 20 runs.

The idea of laying matting wicket saw the light for once when Ashraful executed the lone hook of the match, a superb shot that raced down to fine leg for four.

National middle-order bat Al-Shahriar also scored an impressive 22 and Sopu made an unbeaten 11 as Dhaka reached 129 for six in 41.3 overs.

With this win Dhaka Metropolis collected six points.

### SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the Green Delta National Cricket League one-day match between Dhaka Metropolis and Sylhet at the BKSP ground in Savar yesterday.

SYLHET				
Parvez c Shaheen b Matin	7			
Kabi c Sopu b K Mahmud	5			
Rajin c Shaheen b Ashiq	10			
Nahid c Sopu b Ashiq	6			
Aloke c Shaheen b Ashiq	4			
Nayeem c b Ashraful	0			
Rafique c Al-Shahriar b Mukul	25			
Imon not out	20			

Iqbal c Shaheen b K Mahmud	0			
Taposh lbw b Ashraful	18			
Imran c Ashraful b Matin	5			
Extras (lb-6, nb-6, w-14)	26			
Total (All out in 38.2 overs)	126			
Fall of wickets: 1/15, 2/29, 3/40, 4/46, 5/47, 6/66, 7/86, 8/97, 9/114				

Bowler				
K Mahmud	8	2	21	2
Matin	8	0	26	2
Ashiq	9	2	20	3
Ashraful	5	0	25	2
Sopu	3	0	15	0
Mukul	5	0	13	1

### DHAKA METROPOLIS

Ashraful c Parvez b Rafique 22  
Mehrab c Imon b Taposh 10  
Shipon b Rafique 3  
Al-Shahriar c Imon b Iqbal 22  
Halim c Imon b Rafique 9  
K Mahmud c Imon b Taposh 16  
Sopu not out 11  
Mukul not out 20

Extras (lb-4, lb-4, nb-14, w-13) 35  
Total (For 6 wks in 41.3 overs) 129  
Fall of wickets: 1/38, 2/54, 3/61, 4/75, 5/100, 6/120  
Bowler O M R W  
Nayeem 6.3 0 18 0  
Taposh 9 1 35 2  
Iqbal 8 0 21 1  
Rafique 10 2 23 3  
Parvez 2 1 5 0  
Aloke Kapali 3 0 8 0  
Imran Rahim 3 0 11 0

Result: Dhaka Metropolis won by 4 wickets.

Man-of-the-match: Ashraful (Dhaka Metropolis).

## Mazhar Dhaka's crisis man

From Our Correspondent

### NAT'L CRICKET LEAGUE

Dhaka v Rajshahi

Rajshahi, Nov 25: Dhaka put behind their disappointing defeat against hosts Rajshahi in the three-day match when the visitors recorded a massive 135-run victory in a limited-overs match at the local stadium here today.

In a striking reversal of fortune, Dhaka, who conceded a 212-run defeat only the previous day, turned the tables on Rajshahi with young middle-order bat Mazharul Haq hitting a fine half-century.

The beely right-hander from Narayanganj scored 69 off 110 balls that included seven fours and a couple of huge sixes as Dhaka, sent into bat, made 190 for nine in the stipulated 50 overs.

In reply, the hosts were shot out for a meagre 55 in the face of some controlled bowling from three Dhaka seamen Bikash Ranjan Das, Saiful Islam and Zakir Hasan. Taktung full ad-

vantage of matting wicket, introduced after quite a long time this year, they shared eight wickets.

But Mazharul's knock showed his character as it came under a huge pressure with Dhaka being reduced to four for 18. He put on 129 runs for the fifth wicket with wicketkeeper Sajjad Kadir, who scored an equally impressive 47.

Alamgir Kabir of Rajshahi was the other star performer of the day. The young right-arm seamer, responsible for the early collapse of Dhaka, took a stunning six wickets for only 29 runs in his ten overs. He was later adjudged joint man-of-the-match with Mazhar.

With this win Dhaka earned two points against Rajshahi's six in their opening fixture of the National League.

### SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the Green Delta National Cricket League one-day match between Dhaka and Rajshahi at the Rajshahi Stadium yesterday.

DHAKA

Shahriar b Aminul jr 2

Hann c Mustadir b Aminul jr	6			
Rashedul c K Masood b Alamgir	3			
Sohel c Anisur b Alamgir	2			
Sajjad c K Masood b Alamgir	47			
Mazharul run out	69			
Fahim c Rafique b Alamgir	4			
Sajjad lbw b Alamgir	4			
Biabul not out	13			
Bikash c Mushfiq b Alamgir	2			
Zakir not out	6			
Extras (lb-4, lb-4, nb-8, w-16)	32			
Total (For 9 wks in 50 overs)	190			
Fall of wickets: 1/9, 2/11, 3/18, 4/18, 5/147, 6/148, 7/156, 8/156, 9/162				

Bowler				
Aminul jr	10	1	47	2
Alamgir	10	2	29	6
Mushfiq	10	3	25	0
Nuruzzaman	10	3	28	0
Imran	7	1	28	0
Mustadir	3	0	25	0

### RAJSHAH

Rafique c Sajjad b Bikash 3  
Farid c Rashedul b Zakir 0  
Nuruzzaman c Mazharul b Zakir 1  
Kalini c Sajjad b Bikash 4  
Mustadir c Soheli b Rashedul 23  
Mushfiq c Shahriar b Rashedul 9  
K Masood c Bikash b Saiful 1  
Anisur not out 0  
Imran b Saiful 0  
Aminul jr c Fahim b Bikash 0

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Scene from yesterday's First Division Chess League engagements at the NSC. -- Star photo

## NBL Super Three

### MSC, Muktis match today

Holders Mohammedan SC will take on league leaders Muktiyoddha Sangsad KC today in a 'must-win' situation to retain NBL Premier Division Football League title, reports UNB.

The vital 'super three' match between two local powerhouse will kick-off at 4:30 pm at the Bangabandhu National Stadium.

Muktiyoddha have secured 35 points from 15 matches, two more than Mohammedan and Abahani.

Abahani meet Mohammedan on Tuesday while Muktiyoddha face Abahani on Thursday.

Meanwhile, in the Relegation League Badda Jagaram Sangsad recorded an academic 6-1 victory over Brothers Union yesterday.

Zillur Rahman Lajuk and Amar Pine struck twice each while Walid Khan and Masud Haider scored one each for the winners while Anwar Faisal Eco netted the consolation goal for the losers.

Despite the comfortable win, Badda failed to escape relegation like Victoria SC, but only managed to increase their total to 15 points from 16 matches.

Badda face Victoria today at 2:30 pm in the last league match.

## Barisal bag away points

Sports Reporter

### NAT'L CRICKET LEAGUE

Barisal v Khulna

Barisal earned two crucial away points when they defeated hosts Khulna by 21 runs in the one-day phase of the Green Delta National League at Jessore Stadium yesterday.

Skipper Hannan Sarker led the visitors from the front with an aggressive 43 in a low-scoring affair, where Barisal, defending 165, bowled Khulna out for 144 in 47.1 overs.

Khulna's defeat saw an all-round show from Sohail Islam, who followed up his two wickets with a defiant 32, go awry. Khulna now have a collection of four points earned on the advantage of having a first-innings lead against Barisal in the three-day match.

Hannan, who captained Bangladesh in the Youth World Cup in Sri Lanka early this year, hammered half a dozen fours in his 57-ball knock. Hannan apart, opener Imran and Mizanur Rahman made vital contributions of 20 and 24 runs respectively.

Although it was quite an attainable target, Khulna were never up to their chase once Barisal's Al-Amin removed both the openers - Shaon and Salim for ducks. The new-ball bowler finished with three for 34 runs in his 10 overs.

### SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the Green Delta National Cricket League

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## Niaz upset

Sports Reporter

Bangladesh Biman regained solo lead in the First Division Chess League beating Narayanganj District Chess Players Association 4-0 yesterday.

On completion of the 6th round at the NSC chess room, their collection to 21.5 points. Their three International Masters (IMs) Ziaur Rahman, Rezaul Karim and Abdullah Al Rakib and Fide Master Syed Tahmidur Rahman Biman won their respective boards against Santanu Laheri, Monir Hossain, Prosenjeet Dutt and Moniruzzaman Khan.

Titus Club, who caught up with Biman on Friday, fell behind when Leonine Chess Club handed them a 2.5-1.5 defeat yesterday. Both teams are now sharing the second place with 19 points each.

FM Enamul Hossain Razib of Titas caused the biggest upset of the day beating country's lone Grand Master Niaz Mursheed, Leonine however rallied back with IM Sankar Roy and Taibur Rahman Simon despite their other GM Igors Rausis drew with Saifuddin Lavlu.

Sankar and Taibur won against Rhondker Aminul Islam and Syed Rubul Kabir Shiplu respectively.

Bangladesh Ansars, now in the 3rd position with 17.5 points, beat Nakhilpara Yubo Kalpan Sangha 3-1.

In the day's other matches - Farashgonj Sporting Club (3-1) against Uttara Daba Sangha, Kamalapur Samajkalyan and Kira Sangha (4-0) against Rajshahi Daba Unnaon Sangha, Amushillan Daba Kira Chakra (3-1) against Uttara Central Chess Club and Mohakhali Prodip Sangha (3-1) against Annu Memorial Club emerged winners. Meanwhile, Dhaka University Chess Team registered only draw of the day against Sonali Bank.

The 7th round games starts at 2:30 pm at the same venue today.

## Biman up in the air

Sports Reporter

### NAT'L CRICKET LEAGUE

Chittagong v Biman

Bangladesh Biman clinched six out of a maximum eight points from their opening Green Delta National League fixture against defending champions Chittagong at the BKSP ground in Savar yesterday.

The national airline outfit, who followed up their crucial 14-run first innings advantage score in the three-day match against the port city outfit on Friday, maintained their brilliant run with an exciting one-wicket victory in the instant version stage of the League last evening.

Chittagong, with this close defeat, returned home empty handed after a four-day drama, where they narrowly missed out on the first innings lead at the same venue.

Biman, one of the two new entrants in the second edition of the League this year, however found an unlikely hero in wicket-keeper Atiar Rahman after their double century-maker Pakistan Imran Farhat in the previous match.

Coming in to bat at number seven Atiar scored a vital 37 as Biman successfully overhauled a fighting Chittagong total of 211 with one ball to spare.

Still, Biman however needed a very special effort from an unheralded Sharif, who was

holding the fort with 12 when Aminul's men reached the summit.

Atiar, adjudged man-of-the-match later, hammered five fours in his 64-ball knock. Veteran all-rounder Ziaur Rashid however led the charge scoring 40 off 73 balls. Together with Atiar, Ziaur put on 44 runs for the sixth wicket after Biman were reduced to 114 for five.

Earlier, the Chittagong total was built around a fine 67 from skipper Minhazul Abedin and 22 from opener Azam Iqbal. Minhaz and Azam put on 120 runs for the third wicket. But once the two set batsmen were out within a space of seven runs, Chittagong lost their way to give away seven wickets at the expense of only 44 runs.

Minhaz clubbed six fours in his 75-ball innings.

### SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the Green Delta National Cricket League

one-day match between Chittagong and Bangladesh Biman

at the BKSP ground in Savar

yesterday.

### CHITTAGONG

Azam c Anwar b Talukder 22  
Nafiz run out 9  
Ehsanul run out 17  
Minhazul c & b Bashir 67  
Akram c Imran b Anwar 10  
Jahangir not out 16  
S Mehmod c Sharif b Bashir 1  
Enamul c Aminul b Anwar 7  
Sabbir b Imran 3  
Zakir b Sharif 0

Saifuddin b Imran 4  
Extras (lb-5, lb-5, nb-1, w-15) 26  
Total (All out in 46.2 overs) 212

Fall of wickets: 1/26, 2/40, 3/160, 4/167, 5/181, 6/185, 7/199, 8/206, 9/207

Bowler				
J Talukder	7	1	18	1
Sharif	8	0	39	1
Anwar	10	0	41	2
Ziaur Rashid	4	0	19	0
Saifullah Khan	6	0	31	0
Imran Farhat	4	2	25	2
Habibul Bashir	7	1	29	2

### BIMAN

Javed c Jahangir b Saifuddin 5  
Farhat c Ehsanul b Zakir 12  
Bashir b Ehsanul 16  
Aminul c Jahangir b Ehsanul 18  
Hasanuzzaman c Saifuddin 22  
Ziaur run out 40  
Atiar c Nafiz b Enamul 37  
J Talukder c Enamul 11  
S Mehmod 11  
Sharif not out 22

Answer c Jahangir b S Mehmod 1  
Saifullah not out 5  
Extras (lb-7, lb-9, nb-3, w-15) 34  
Total (For 9 wks in 49.5 overs) 213

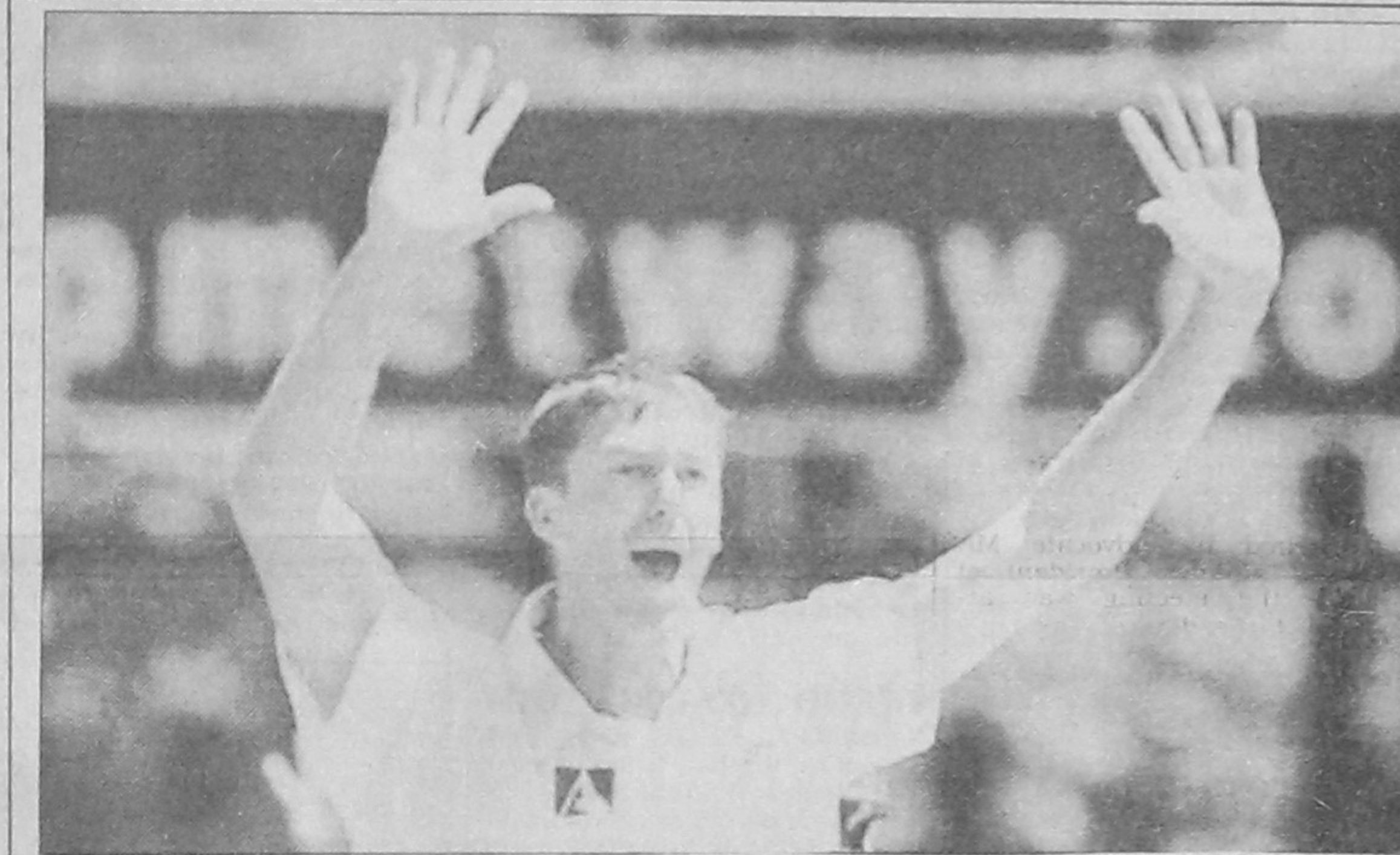
Fall of wickets: 1/20, 2/24, 3/66, 4/67, 5/114, 6/158, 7/192, 8/192, 9/197

### Bowler

Zakir Hossain	9.5	0	52	1
Saifuddin	8	0	40	1
Enamul Hoque	9	0	32	1
Ehsanul	3	0	12	2
Sabbir Khan	10	1	32	0
S Mehmod	10	0	29	3

Result: Bangladesh Biman won by 1 wicket.

Man-of-the-match: Atiar Rahman (Biman).



TORMENTOR: Australian strike bowler Glenn McGrath appealing for an lbw decision on the third day of the first Test against West Indies yesterday. He was adjudged man-of-the-match after claiming ten wickets.

--Internet photo

## Windies 'Aussie-hilated'

