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SMART WORK: Dhaka Metropolitan wicketkeeper Anwar dislodges the bails as an off-balance Biman batsman Manzoor Akhtar trying in vain to regain his ground during their Green Delta National Cricket League fixture at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium yesterday.

Sanwar settles Biman's nerves

Sanwar Hossain scored superb unbeaten century as Bangladesh Biman recovered from a terrible start to pile up a commanding total on their first day of their four-day Green Delta National League match at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium yesterday.

The lithe right-hander scored a composed 111 not out, his first ton in the National League, as Biman brushed aside the first hour's disappointment to end the day on a high with 349 for eight.

The resumption of the league after the Eid vacation, however, was not as inspiring for the national airline outfit as they had enjoyed during the first phase, where they finished top with 32 points.

Rather they looked a bit rusty and susceptible except for the bold decision of their captain Faruque Ahmed, who won the toss and decided to bat first. But the decision seemed to have backfired when they were reduced to 85 for four at the stroke of the lunch break.

Biman's solid top-order collapsed even before the early morning due had vanished. Faruque was clean bowled by his Dhaka Metropolitan counterpart Khaled Mahmud for four. Compulsive stroke-maker Habibul Bashar edged an attempted drive off right-arm seamer Naimur Rashid to Mehrab at the third slip, leaving Biman eight for two.

National captain Naimur Rahman, playing in his first match of this year's League, got rid of his predecessor Aminul Islam for 10 with his first delivery. The ball turned sharply and Aminul on the back foot happily watched his unguarded stumps rattling.

Opener Javed Omar was playing confidently on 37 before he got carried away by the sudden rush of blood and was

SPORTS TALK



Anaida
 (Indian pop singer)
 "I love watching the Aussie captain playing. And I admire him for all the charity work he's doing in Calcutta. There's more to the man than the game."
 About Steve Waugh.

Richie's role kicks up row

JAMAICA, Jan 2 (Internet report): The appointment of former West Indies captain, Richie Richardson, to captain a composite youth team in the Busta Cup, has come under further fire in the Caribbean.

Already, Joel Garner has suggested that Richardson's appointment will be a factor in his intended resignation as a West Indies selector.

The chorus of disapproval has been reinforced by criticism from Lennox John, president of the Windward Islands Cricket Board of Control.

Richardson, aged 38, used to be captain of the Leeward Islands and the West Indies. He was given the job of captaining the West Indies B team ahead of Keith Arthurton.

John believes that the captaincy should have gone to one of the young players (all of whom are under-23). This would have given a youngster the opportunity to show his worth as a leader, with Richardson as player-coach on hand to supply advice.

Trist rejects 'negative' theory

TAUPO, New Zealand, Jan 2 (Internet report): New Zealand coach David Trist yesterday hit back at accusations by Australian captain Steve Waugh that the Kiwis did not rate winning as first priority in Test match cricket.

Waugh pointed to New Zealand's pedestrian first innings batting effort in the drawn Christmas Test against Zimbabwe in Wellington when illustrating his theory that Australia was the only team prepared to chase a win from the outset.

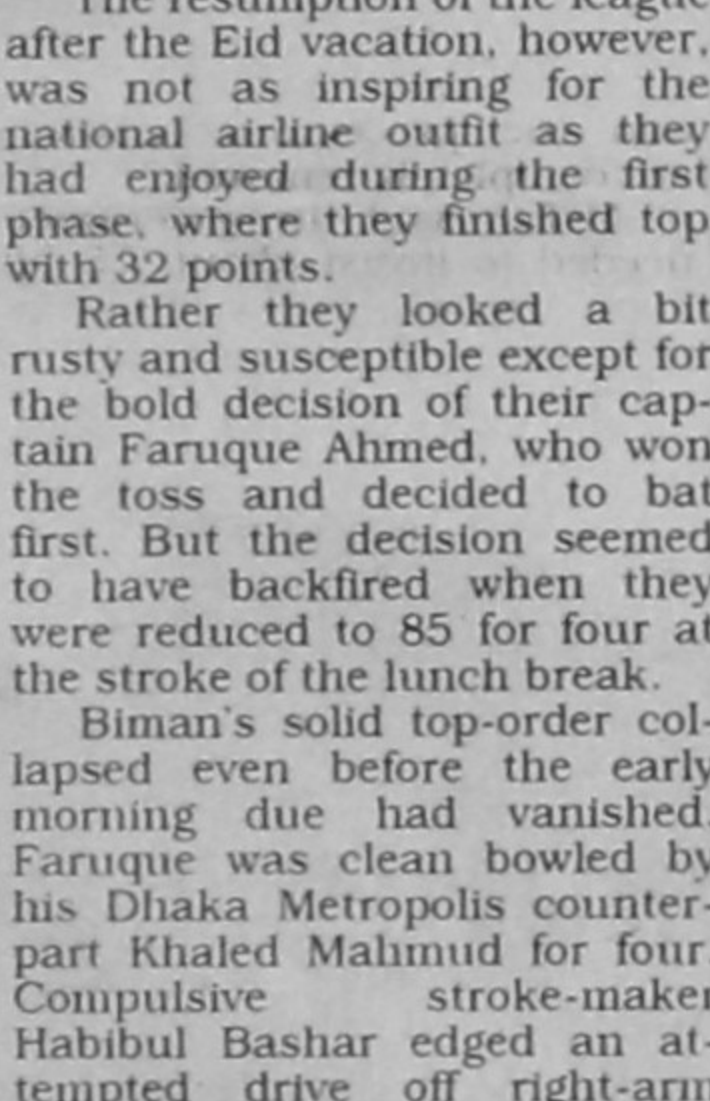
New Zealand spent the first day of the Test crawling to 4-190 and batted most of the second day to end of 7-487 declared, giving itself three days to bowl Zimbabwe out twice.

Waugh said New Zealand and other Test playing nations were spoiling Test cricket by adopting a safety-first mentality.

Their approach is unless they're safe they won't go for a win.

"They've got a responsibility to go out there and play for wins," he said.

Trist said Waugh should not forget last summer's Test series between New Zealand and Australia.

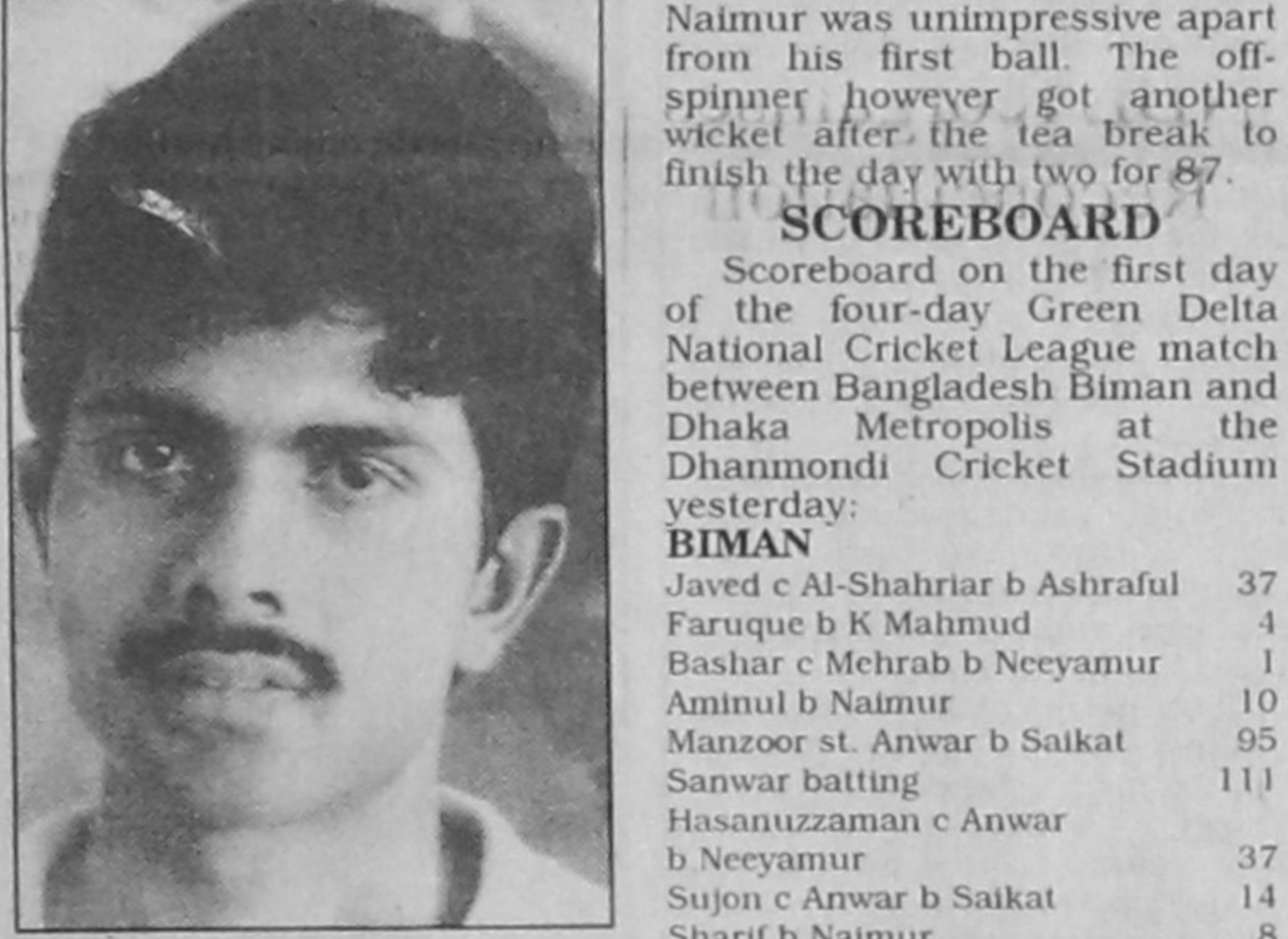


SANWAR ... 111 not out

foot against Naimur in the 100th over of the day.

Sanwar hammered 12 fours in his unconquered 280-minute vigil at the crease.

Manzoor, a very useful Pakistani recruit of Biman, however fell five runs short of his first century of the season. A perfectly straight delivery from left-arm spinner Saikat deceived the Pakistani all-rounder, attempting a committed front foot drive. Unsettled Manzoor missed the



Steve 2nd

SYDNEY, Jan 2: Australian captain Steve Waugh made his 132nd Test appearance in the fifth and final Test against West Indies at the Sydney Cricket Ground today to become the second most capped player in history, reports Reuters.

West Indian fast bowler Courtney Walsh made his 127th appearance in the same match to move into fourth place on the all-time list.

Former Australian captain Allan Border holds the record with 156 Test appearances.

Most appearances in Test match cricket:

- 156-Allan Border (Australia)
- 132-Steve Waugh (Australia)
- 131-Kapil Dev (India)
- 127-Courtney Walsh (West Indies)
- 125-Sunil Gavaskar (India)
- 124-Javed Miandad (Pakistan)
- 121-Vivian Richards (West Indies)
- 119-Ian Healy (Australia)
- 118-Graham Gooch (England)
- 117-David Gower (England)

MacGill mystifies WI

SYDNEY, Jan 2: Stuart MacGill, in his position under threat from the return of Shane Warne, revelled on a spinner's pitch to undermine the West Indies' brightest start of the series and secure a familiar ending to the opening day of the fifth cricket Test here on Tuesday, reports AFP.

The 29-year-old leg-spinner undermined the tourists' record opening partnership, leaving them hanging on at the stumps, 256 for nine.

MacGill, who has taken centre stage while Australia's leading wicket-taker Warne recovers from a fractured bowling finger, claimed 7-92 off 35 overs to spin Australia back into the game.

Warne was making his return to first-class cricket later Tuesday, playing for Victoria in a one-day domestic match in Perth and the pressure was on MacGill on the spin-friendly SCG pitch to take wickets.

"Particularly bowling at the SCG and when people talk about it being a spinner's paradise there is extra pressure there because you feel obliged to take wickets," said MacGill.

The other thing is that I came into the team to replace Andy Bichel who got five wickets in the last Test and you almost feel out of respect for him that you have to do a good job or you would be letting him down.

I looked so much different earlier in the day before a 40,000 full house when the West Indies finally stood up



YET ANOTHER DISAPPOINTMENT: West Indies superstar Brian Lara is broken as he walks back to the dressing room on the first day of the last Test against Australia yesterday.

Enam mans Ctg fort

GREEN DELTA NAT'L CRICKET LEAGUE
 Khulna v Ctg

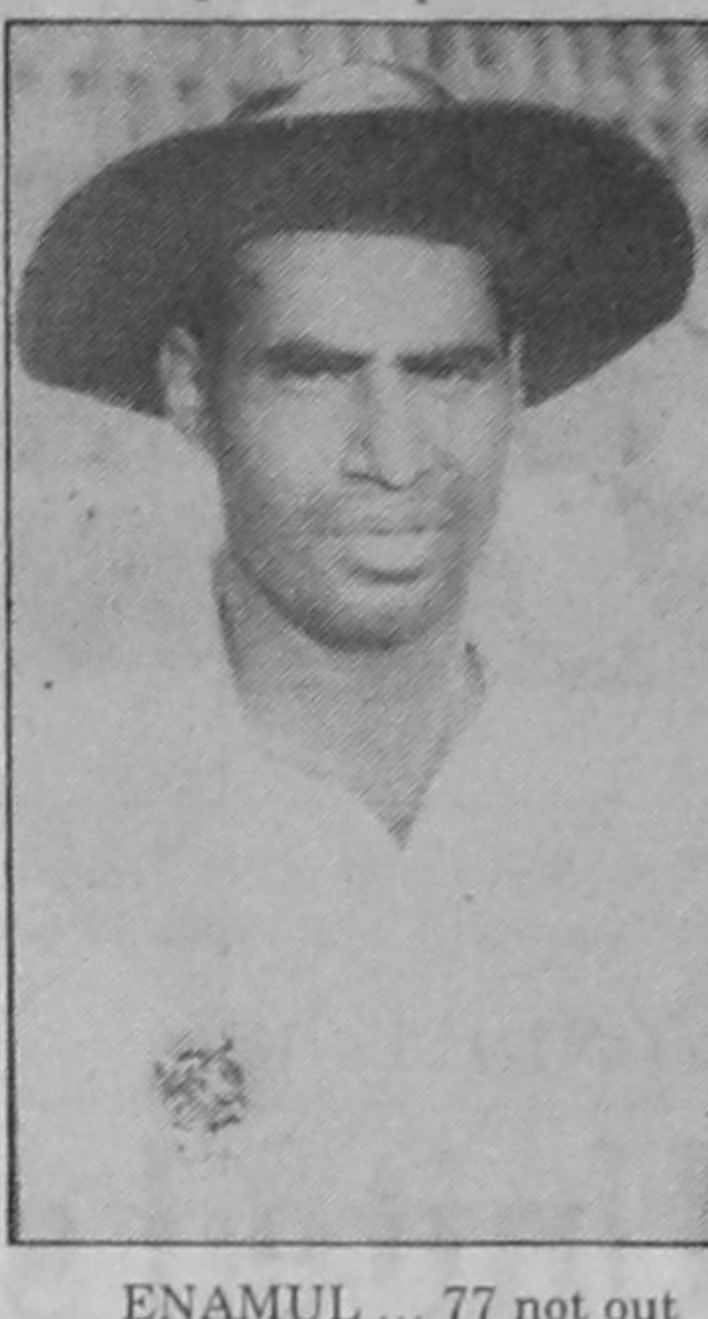
A defiant half-century by veteran all-rounder Enamul Hoque rescued holders Chittagong from a precarious position in their Green Delta National Cricket League second leg match against Khulna at the Shamsul Huda Stadium in Jessore yesterday.

On the first day of the four-day match, the tailender was unbeaten on 77 as Chittagong reached 222 for eight at stumps.

After Chittagong were reduced to 95 for seven in the 44th over, Enamul walked on to the crease but soon lost Shahed Mehmud (24) with the score exactly 100.

The seasoned southpaw then found a wily comrade in wicketkeeper Golam Mortuza to dig the defending champions out of danger dominating an undefeated 122-run partnership. Riding on an early let-off by Al-Amin, he occupied the crease for about two hours, faced 151 balls and hit a six and eight fours. His young number ten partner also showed remarkable maturity under pressure producing an unbeaten 30 off 133 balls.

Opting to bat first, Chittagong plunged into a deep



ENAMUL ... 77 not out

trouble losing six wickets for only 44 runs in 25.2 overs. Khulna pacer Al-Amin tore apart the vaunted batting lineup of the tourists claiming four for 36 in his 18 overs.

In company of Pakistani Shahed Mehmud, one-down Ehsanul Haque tried to repair the innings extracting 51 runs for the seventh wicket. The partnership came to an end

when Sohail Islam outfoxed Ehsanul with a perfect off-spinner while he was on 55. In his three-hour vigil, Ehsanul clobbered eight fours off 137 balls.

Al-Amin apart, left-arm seamer Monjurul Islam, off-spinner Jamaluddin, Sohail and spinner Manzoorul Islam captured one wicket apiece.

SCOREBOARD
 Scoreboard on the first day of the Green Delta National Cricket League match between Khulna and Chittagong at the Shamsul Huda Stadium in Jessore yesterday.

CHITTAGONG: First innings
 Azam c Selim b Monjurul 0
 Nafees c Selim b Al-Amin 5
 Ehsanul c Selim b Sohail 55
 Rezaul c Selim b Al-Amin 0
 Minhazul c Selim b Al-Amin 6
 Akram c Nahidul b Al-Amin 0
 Sabbir c Sajjadul b Manzoorul 8
 S Mehmud c Al-Amin b Jamaluddin 24
 Enamul not out 77
 Mortuza not out 30
 Extras: (b-10, lb-5, nb-2) 17
 Total (For 8 wks in 96 overs) 222

Fall of wickets: 1/0, 2/6, 3/6, 4/16, 5/24, 6/44, 7/95, 8/100

Bowler O M R W
 Monjurul 25 8 72 1
 Al-Amin 18 10 36 4
 Manzoorul 17 4 32 1
 Jamaluddin 17 5 23 1
 Sohail 16 2 34 1
 Nahidul 3 0 10 0

Lanka at Pollock peril

CAPE TOWN, Jan 2: South African captain Shaun Pollock took six for 30 as Sri Lanka crashed to 95 all out on the first day of the second Test at Newlands here on Tuesday, reports AFP.

South Africa were 28 for one at tea, with Herschelle Gibbs, recalled after a six-month ban from international cricket, caught behind for nought off the second ball he faced from Chaminda Vaas.

The Sri Lankans were virtually defenceless against a bombardment of short-pitched bowling after Pollock ripped the heart out of their batting with a spell of four wickets for no runs in 13 deliveries.

Mfuneke Ngam took three for 26 as he and Pollock exploited a pitch with good bounce and some lateral movement after Sri Lanka won the toss and batted.

All 10 Sri Lankan batsmen were caught, seven in the cordon between wicketkeeper and gully.

Pollock started the Sri Lankan slide after Marvan Atapattu and skipper Sanath Jayasuriya had reached 12 in the fifth over without seeming in any difficulty.

The South African captain made a ball seam away from Atapattu who edged a simple catch to Jacques Kallis at second slip.

Pollock produced a superb delivery in his next over which moved away from the left-handed Jayasuriya, who edged a catch to wicketkeeper Mark Boucher.

Mahela Jayawardene, the tourists' most successful batsman in South Africa and who scored 98 in the first innings of the first Test, lasted only three balls.

He too fell victim to Pollock.



POLLOCK ... 6/30

although umpire Ian Howell called for a television replay to confirm that a low edge had carried to Kallis at second slip.

Russel Arnold was caught off bat and pad at short leg as Sri Lanka crashed to 13 for four.

Kumar Sangakkara, who saw three partners dismissed before he scored his first run, put on 20 with Tillekeratne gloves from Kaluwitharana.

Gunawardene had played in only one previous match on tour, a one-day match against KwaZulu-Natal in which he scored three runs.

Pollock also held three catches, one off his own bowling when Nuwan Zoysa top-edged an attempted pull.

Gibbs returned to the South African team in place of Boeta Dippenaar after completing a six-month suspension from international cricket for conspiring in match fixing but he pushed tentatively at Vaas to give Sangakkara an easy catch.

SCOREBOARD
 Scoreboard at the end of the Sri Lankan first innings on the first day of the second Test against South Africa at Newlands Tuesday.

SRI LANKA: First innings
 Atapattu c Kallis b Pollock 5
 Jayasuriya c Boucher b Pollock 8
 Sangakkara c Cullinan b Ngam 32
 Jayawardene c Kallis b Pollock 0
 Arnold c Kirsten b Pollock 0
 Dilshan c Pollock b Kallis 5
 Gunawardene c Kallis b Ngam 7
 Vaas c Pollock b Ngam 24
 Zoysa c and b Pollock 7
 Fernando not out 0
 Muralitharan c Ntini b Pollock 0
 Extras: (w, nb, 3) 95
 Total: (all out in 38.4 overs) 95

Fall of wicket: 1/12, 2/13, 3/13, 4/13, 5/33, 6/66, 7/84, 8/95, 9/95.

Bowler O M R W
 Pollock 13.4 6 30 6
 Ngam 13 3 26 3
 Kallis 6 2 19 1
 Ntini 6 2 20 0

Time of innings: 180 minutes.

SOUTH AFRICA: S. Pollock, G. Kirsten, H. Gibbs, J. Kallis, D. Cullinan, N. McKenzie, L. Klusener, M. Boucher, N. Boje, M. Ntini, M. Ngam.

Umpires: I. Howell (RSA) and E. Nicholls (WI). TV umpire: W. Diedericks (RSA). Match referee: Raman Subba Row (Eng).

Warne on right track

MELBOURNE, Jan 2 (Internet report): Shane Warne took another step towards a return to Test cricket with an encouraging performance for Victoria.

Playing his first state match since breaking the spinning finger on his right hand in late October, Warne took three wickets in a one-day match against Western Australia in Perth.

After a rusty start to his ten overs, he recovered to claim the wickets of Simon Katich, Tom Moody and Brendon Julian.

He began unconvincingly, with three boundaries, coming off his first two overs and his first four overs cost 25.

But the end of that fourth over brought the breakthrough. Katich, in seeking to hit over the top, misused to Paul Reiffel at mid-on.

Moody hit him for another couple of boundaries, before Warne lured him down the pitch to have him stumped.

Julian fell in similar fashion as Warne finished with figures of three for 48.

Warne, who has taken 366 wickets in 84 Tests, is aiming to prove his fitness before the Australian squad to tour India in February and March is named.

He is however facing tough competition for a place in the national side touring India in February after Stuart MacGill's success against the West Indies.

The ACB have not yet decided whether they will take two or three spinners to the sub-continent.

They will have to push their claims in one-day matches with Warne hoping to squeeze back into the squad for the triangular series against the West Indies and Zimbabwe.

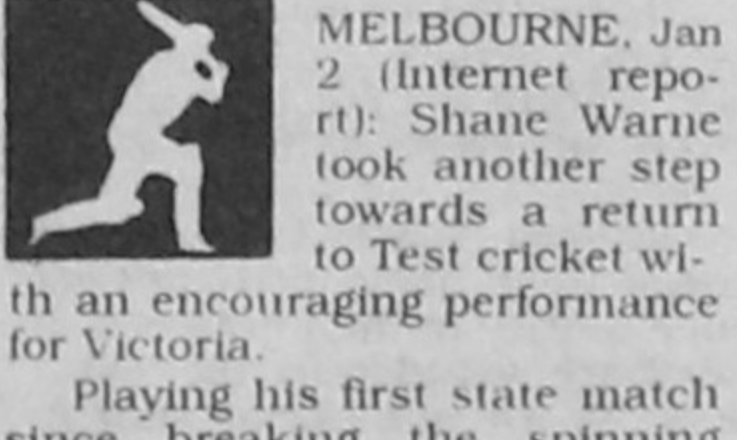
But national chairman of selectors Trevor Hohns said it was too early to speculate on Warne - Australia's greatest Test wicket-taker.

"That's all in the future because Shane has to get some cricket under his belt," he said.

"We're obviously going to take more than 12 (players) to India for the Tests and it's fair to say there will be a couple of spots up for grabs.

"We've got a fair idea of the type of player required for India and the type of player who can perform there."

MacGill and Warne both made the last Indian tour along with off-spinner Gavin Robertson, who played in all three Tests.



SHANE WARNE



Mymensingh cricket
 MYMENSINGH, Jan 2: Abahani Krira Chakra defeated arch-rivals Mohammedan Sporting Club by 2 wickets in the First Division Cricket League here today, reports UNB