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Enamul bamboozles Metro

GREEN DELTA NAT'L CRICKET LEAGUE
Dhaka Metro v Chittagong

A fantastic seven wicket haul by veteran left arm spinner Enamul Hogue enabled holders Chittagong take control against co-leaders Dhaka Metro in their second leg home match of the Green Delta National Cricket League yesterday.

Chittagongs left arm pacer Anisur Rahman gave them an early break-through removing national opener Mehrah Hossain for a duck. Then Enamul took over and ran through the Metropolis batting.

Only national captain Naimur Rahman stood tall as wickets tumbled at the other end. But Naimur was sent back only one shy of what would have been a deserving hundred.

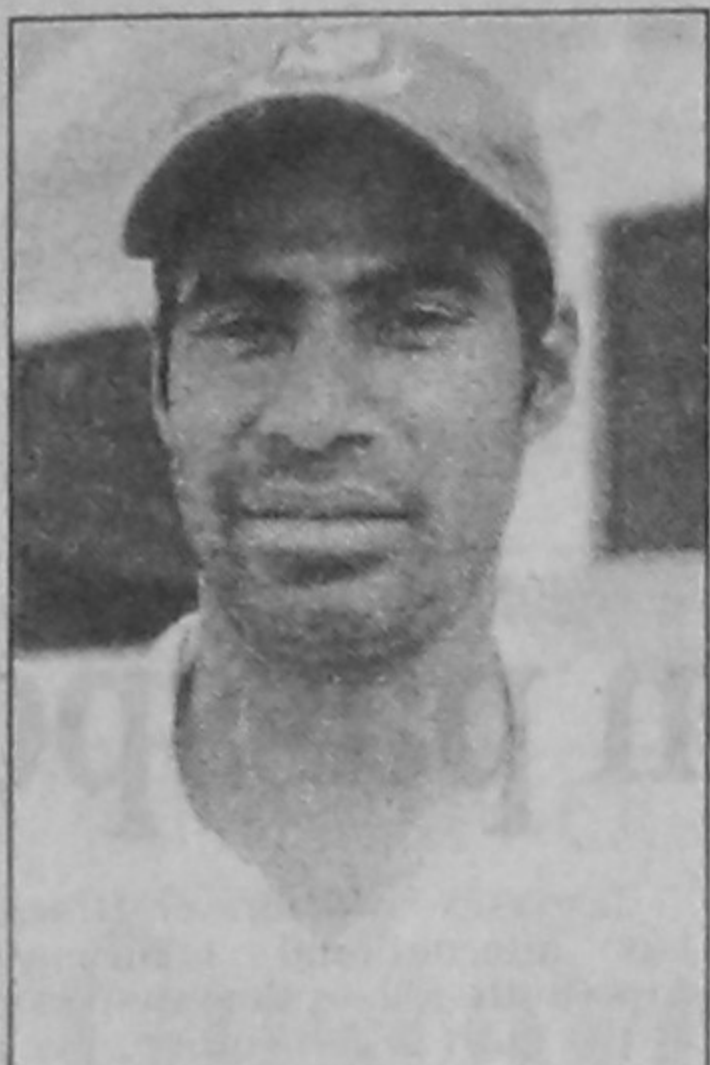
Naimur who came in with his side three down for 30, featured in an important 79-run partnership with Neeayamur Rashid for the seventh wicket to help his side reach respectability.

Naimur, who scored 106 in his previous innings against Binan last week, was denied his second century in a row when he became the fifth victim of Enamul on 99.

In his 143-minute vigil, Naimur faced 119 balls and snore 19 boundaries.

Naimur apart, Masudur Rahman(26) and one down Al-Shahriar(22) were the other notable run getters for Dhaka Metropolis.

Enamul's wicket tally in the league reached 41 after his exploits yesterday.



ENAMUL HAQUE... 774

Extras: (b-4, lb-7, nb-1, w-2) 14
Total (all out in 60 overs) 217
Fall of wickets: 1/1, 2/28, 3/30, 4/74, 5/102, 6/107, 7/196, 8/202, 9/214

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Aus	9	1	23	1
Shafiquddin	13	3	30	1
Enamul	21	4	74	7
Sabbir	9	1	42	0
S Mehmod	6	0	30	1
Mimhazul	2	0	7	0

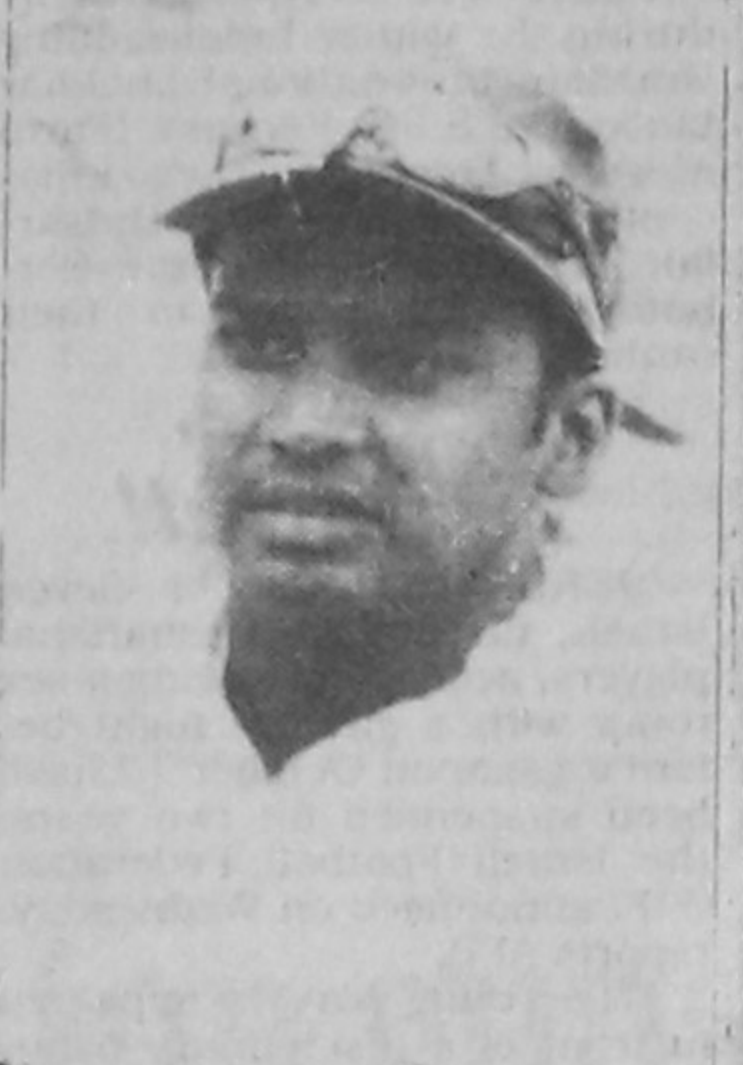
SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard on the first day of the four-day Green Delta National Cricket League match between Dhaka Metropolis and Chittagong at the Comilla Stadium yesterday.

DHAKA METROPOLIS: First innings
Ashraf c Rezaul b Enamul 8
Mehrab c Elsamul b Aus 0
Al-Shahriar lbw b Enamul 22
Sajjad c b Enamul 15
Naimur c Sabbir b Enamul 99
Halim Shah c Moruza b S Mehmod 8
K Mahmud c Enamul b Shafiquddin 4
Neeayamur c Moruza b Enamul 19
Masud s Moruza b Enamul 26
Anwar c Shafiquddin b Enamul 2

CHITTAGONG: First innings
Azam not out 60
Nafees c Neeayamur b Naimur 23
Ehsanul s Halim Shah b Ashraf 4
Mimhazul b Masud 21
Rezaul not out 0
Extras: (b-11) 1
Total (for 3 wts in 36 overs) 109
Fall of wickets: 1/49, 2/72, 3/109

Bowler	O	M	R	W
K Mahmud	7	1	13	0
Neeayamur	5	0	19	0
Naimur	5	0	25	1
Saikat	7	2	7	0
Ashraf	9	2	32	1
Masud	3	2	2	1



NAIMUR... 99

Booters play Bosnia today

Bangladesh will get a rare taste of European football when the national team line up against Bosnia in the opening Group A match of the Sahara Cup at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium in Cochin today. The match will kick off at 8 pm (BST). DD Sports of India will cover the game live.

The only team to field a full strength national squad, Bangladesh will be led by ace national forward Alfaz Ahmed against a team our players has no knowledge of.

The match will also be the first acid test for the newly appointed Austrian coach George Cottan.

Cottan, who took over from Briton Mark Harrison only a month ago, has termed the 15-team meet as an ideal platform to get much-needed experience for the 2002 World Cup qualifiers. Bangladesh will travel to Saudi Arabia in the first week of February to play the World Cup qualifier.

Placed in the toughest group, Bangladesh will play their next and final group league match against pre-tournament favourites Yugoslavia on January 16.

Earlier that date was scheduled for their third match against Iraq, who pulled out at the last moment.

Khulna start strongly

GREEN DELTA NAT'L CRICKET LEAGUE
Binan v Khulna

Khulna continued their reputation as the gate-crashers of the Green Delta National League when the unheralded boys of national left-arm seamer Monjurul Islam followed up their fantastic victory against holders Chittagong with an equally impressive first day against Bangladesh Binan at the Bangladesh Krira Shikkha Protisthan (BKSP) yesterday.

The surprise package in the four-team final phase scored 225 for six at stumps on the opening day of the four-day match.

Salahuddin hammered a superb 96 as the visitors recovered from a shaky start to send the Binan on the back foot at the end of the day.

Coming in to bat at number four with Khulna limping at 36 for two, the young right-hander held the bat together.

He hammered 13 fours in his 187-ball vigil at the crease, but was denied a maiden century of the league by four runs when Anisur Islam caught him off off-spinner Shariful Hogue.

Opener Sajjadul Islam scored 33 with the help of five boundaries.

Jamaluddin Babu, the most consistent performer for Khulna, was again in the thick of things.

The young lower middle-order bat was 41 not out when the stumps were drawn.

On a day where youthful exuberance stole a march over experience, Sharif took three wickets for the national airline outfit.

The right-arm seamer a discovery of this year's league, took two wickets with the new ball. He had left-handed opener Nalidul Hogue caught by Ziaur for 12 and then dismissed wicketkeeper Raju Parvez for a first-ball duck.

Off-spinner Shariful celebrated a rare call in the playing eleven with two for 32 off his 14 overs. Although Pakistani leg-spinner Manzoor Akhter bowled



Ali Haider of Chittagong Titans straight drives on way to making 46 not out against Barisal Maroons in their Milo Under-13 match at the Dhanmondi Club ground yesterday. - Star photo by Anisur Rahman

SPORTS TALK

Romario
(Brazilian star footballer)
"I'm the No 1 fan of Maradona. For me, he's one of the best ever. But when you talk about soccer, you have to talk about Pele."

Grameen Phone U-17 results

Sports Reporter

BKSP, Chittagong Karnaphuli and Dhaka Rangers won their first round Grameen Phone under-17 cricket tournament matches held in Dhaka and Memensingh yesterday.

In Group B matches held in Mymensingh, BKSP beat Khulna Rupsha by three wickets at the Circuit House ground while Dhaka Rangers trounced Chittagong Titans by ten wickets at the local stadium.

In the other match, Chittagong Karnaphuli recorded a three-wicket win over Sylhet Surma in a Group A meeting at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium.

The following are the brief scores:

BKSP v Khulna Rupsha
Khulna Rupsha: 132 all out in 31.2 overs (Kowshik 32, Rana 23, Bashir 2/18, Roiy 2/9)
BKSP: 136 for 7 in 38.1 overs (Zico 45, Shakil 31, Dipu 2/14, Sumon 2/16)
Result: BKSP won by three wickets.

Chittagong Titans v Dhaka Rangers
Chittagong Titans: 88 all out in 31.5 overs (Anzam 25, Rashed 4/8, Bipul 3/17)
Dhaka Rangers: 91 for no loss in 14.3 overs (Arif 52 n.o., Rashed 23 n.o.)
Result: Dhaka Rangers won by ten wickets.

Chittagong Karnaphuli v Sylhet Surma
Sylhet Surma: 175 for 7 in 45 overs (Imtiaz 55, Sumit 50, Afab 2/28)
Chittagong Karnaphuli: 17 for 7 in 41.4 overs (Rana 58, Badshah 31, Imtiaz 3/29)
Result: Chittagong Karnaphuli won by three wickets.

Stiff target set for Sri Lanka

JOHANNESBURG, Jan 11 (Intermet report) South Africa have set Sri Lanka a target of 291 runs to win the fourth one-day international at Newlands in Cape Town.

Jacque Kallis smashed a scintillating 82 off 106 balls as the hosts raced on to post 290 for seven in their allotted 50 overs.

After 40 overs South Africa had 216 runs for the loss of three wickets.

Kallis and Rhodes scored at a run a ball for most of their partnership with Rhodes's 50 coming off only 45 balls. Rhodes also became the first south African batsman to score five successive 50s in one-day internationals. Kepler Wessels and Gary Kirsten each scored four successive 50s for their country.

Exceptional batting by Boeta Dippenaar helped carry South Africa through one hundred runs after just 16 overs.

Dippenaar first went through his half-century from 59 deliveries, hitting six fours and a six. Thereafter, together with Nicky Boje, he dragged SA through 100 runs.

Second 3-dayer today

From Abdul Wadud

RAJSHAHI, Jan 11: The touring Commonwealth Bank Cricket Academy of Adelaide, arrived today in the sports loving northern city to play a three-day and a limited-overs match at the local stadium.

The home team under the banner of Board President's Eleven and led by local hero and national wicketkeeper Khaled Masood also reached Rajshahi on the same flight.

The three-day match will start tomorrow at 9 am. The 16,000 capacity district stadium, which will host both the matches, as well as the surrounding areas have been decorated with colourful flags, banners and festoons to welcome the first Australian team to visit this part of the world.

State Minister for Youth and Sports Obaidul Quader is expected to grace the opening ceremony.

Meanwhile, Khaled Masood on arrival at the Rajshahi Airport said that his boys were looking forward to the match since they were playing good cricket in the National League.

"The academy is an excellent team but if we can play our own game then there is a chance of upsetting them," said a confident Masood.

The famous sports academy, run by legendary Rodney Marsh, drew their opening match at the BKSP with Shaun Marsh hammering a brilliant century in the three-day affair.

Before the visitors leave here they will play a one-day match on January 15.

TEAMS
BOARD PRESIDENT'S ELEVEN: Khaled Masood (captain), Shahriar Hossain, Nasirul Alam, Rajin Saleh, Mushfiqur Rahman, Fahim Muntasir, Mosaddek Hossain, Anisur Islam Jr., Anisur Rahman, Rafiqul Islam, Hasibul Hossain and Bikash Ranjan Das.
CBCA: Nathan Hauritz (captain), Luke Williams, Chris Hartley, Aaron O'Brien, Shane Stanton, Andrew MacDonald, Tim Welsford, Daniel Harris, Adam Voges, Shaun Marsh, Sumit Panda and G Chaitra.

Sahara Millennium Cup

It's all messed up

NEW DELHI, Jan 11: The Sahara Millennium Cup, touted as India's biggest football event, threatened to become a farce on Thursday as teams dropped out like nine pins and chaos reigned supreme, reports AFP.

Of the 16 countries scheduled to take part, three are non-starters, a fourth is stranded at home without confirmed tickets and a fifth's baggage has been misplaced.

The FIFA-sanctioned tournament began on Wednesday with an unscheduled match in Calcutta between Japan and Uzbekistan, who were hurriedly summoned to take the field even though their clash was fixed for Thursday evening.

The organisers drew up a revised schedule, but as problems kept piling up, announced another "proposed revised schedule" on Thursday - with no surety that this too would be changed.

After Iraq withdrew two days before the start due to unavailability of top players, Olympic champions Cameroon pulled out on Wednesday night demanding an undisclosed appearance fee.

Indonesia, which declined to field a national team and instead sent a club team comprising seven foreigners, were politely told to go home.

The All India Football Federation (AIFF) learnt that Hong Kong were stranded at home as the squad failed to get confirmed tickets for the Indian flight.

To add to the organisers' woes, the baggage of the Chilean team was misplaced at Johannesburg airport, forcing the South Americans to train with borrowed kits.

AIFF president Priyaranjan Das Munshi said he had come to the tournament with just 13 teams.

"We will go to the top to put forward our views," a harried Das Munshi said after the tournament was left with just 13 teams.

Even the participating nations are not aware of the revised schedule.

"We were supposed to play Chile on the first day, what happened?" complained Bahrain's German coach Wolfgang Sidka.

"I don't know when we will take the field...if at all. It is all so incredible."



Sabrina Sultana, who won gold in the SAF Shooting Championship in Pakistan last year, receives a gift cheque from State Minister for Youth and Sports Obaidul Quader at the NSC yesterday. -Star photo

Big wins for Rangers, Karnaphuli

Sports Reporter

Dhaka Rangers and Chittagong Karnaphuli won their respective Milo under-15 first round matches yesterday.

Dhaka Rangers handed Chittagong Titans a humiliating 10-wicket defeat in a Group B match at Railway ground in Rajshahi while Chittagong Karnaphuli outplayed Sylhet Surma at the Satkhira Stadium in a Group A clash.

The following are the brief scores:

Chittagong Titans v Dhaka Rangers
Chittagong Titans: 136 all out in 42.4 overs (Iqbal 55, Subrata 30, Monir 2/22, Obayedul 2/26)
Dhaka Rangers: 138 for no loss in 22.1 overs (Osman 60 n.o., Arman 43 n.o.)
Result: Dhaka Rangers won by ten wickets.

Chittagong Karnaphuli v Sylhet Surma
Chittagong Karnaphuli: 232 all out in 45 overs (Russell 50, Walid 33, Masum 4/25)
Sylhet Surma: 145 all out in 39.1 overs (Rahman 74, Shahjahan 3/52)
Result: Chittagong Karnaphuli won by 87 runs.

Good day for CTG sides

Sports Reporter

Chittagong Karnaphuli and Chittagong Titans won their respective first round matches of the Milo under-13 cricket tournament at different venues yesterday.

Chittagong Karnaphuli registered a 55-run win over Sylhet Surma in a Group A match at the Abdul Aziz Stadium in Chittagong while Chittagong Titans beat Barisal Maroons by 94 runs at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium in a Group B clash.

The following are brief scores of the matches:

Chittagong Karnaphuli v Sylhet Surma
Chittagong Karnaphuli: 142 all out in 25 overs (Babu 59, Tanim 36, Fahmid 6/42)
Sylhet Surma: 87 all out in 26.3 overs (Tiplu 3/14, Maruf 2/14)
Result: Chittagong Karnaphuli won by 55 runs.

Chittagong Titans v Barisal Maroons
Chittagong Titans: 179 all out in 35.3 overs (Haider 46, Riaz 26, Karim 3/38, Sonet 2/33)
Barisal Maroons: 85 all out in 26.4 overs (Arif 4/11, Sony 3/5)
Result: Chittagong Titans won by 94 runs.

Unchanged Windies

MELBOURNE, Jan 11: Australia handed out a 74-run drubbing to the West Indies in a one-sided opening clash in the sunnier's Carlton re-inauguration one-day series at the Melbourne Cricket Ground on Thursday, reports AFP.

Chasing Australia's total of 267 for six, the Windies scored an abysmal 16 runs in a first 11 overs and never threatened to turn the game a contest before finishing at 193 for seven.

The game was so boring that the 56,000 crowd amused themselves by performing the Mexican wave for most of the night and cheering pitch invaders.

However, at least the crowd did not halt play by hurling rubbish on to the field, as they did the corresponding night in the past two years in matches against England and India.

While Australia came into this match on the back of a world record 15 successive Test victories, including a 5-0 whitewash of the West Indies, their recent one-day record had been poor.

The team had won two of their past eight limited-overs matches and had lost their opening tri-series match for the past three years.

And with Australia fielding their most undermanned attack of the summer, with pace ace Brett Lee and Jason Gillespie sidelined and Nathan Bracken making his debut as well as Shane Warne returning after a broken finger, there was widespread belief that the home team would face a contest.

But the Windies' bowlers were unable to contain the Australian batsman as Ricky Ponting made 73 and combined with Mark Waugh (51) for a match-winning 111-run second-wicket partnership.

The visitors did not help their cause with some dreadful fielding — at least five catches went to ground.

Ponting later awarded the man-of-the-match prize, was dropped twice before Ricardo Powell took a superb diving catch at deep mid-wicket.

However, Powell blotted his copybook later by dropping a sitter at deep cover to give Andrew Symonds one of three lives during his short, punishing innings.

Symonds made the Windies pay, smashing 38 not out off only 26 balls and combining for a 74-run partnership in only 52 balls with Damien Martyn (42).

The Windies' run chase never built up momentum, partly because of a fine debut by Bracken, a sharp left-arm bowler.

Bracken conceded only 13 runs in his first six overs and claimed vice-captain Sherwin Campbell for four.

He was ably supported by Test star Glenn McGrath, who removed Waugh's Hinds for one and conceded only seven runs in his first six overs.

Once the enigmatic Brian Lara went for 28, caught behind after edging a near-unplayable ball from medium-pace Ian Harvey, the Windies virtually surrendered.

The major exception was Marlon Samuels, the 19-year-old who showed much promise in the Tests. He made 57 before being one of three players to fall to Symonds in the 41st over. Also in the over, the off-spinner's ninth, he removed Ridley Jacobs (24) and Mahendra Na-



MAN-OF-THE-MATCH: Star Australia batsman Ricky Ponting follows through on a cover-drive during the opening match of the Carlton one-day series against West Indies at MCG yesterday. -Internet photo