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(FIFA president) "Gheorghe Hagi is a touching player. He is a very temperamental player, maybe too much sometimes. But this is an ingredient that makes the difference between a good player and a great one."

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Hello from Harare

Cricket

AL-AMIN from Harare

At 36, Enamul Haque is the oldest Bangladeshi to make his Test De-

If he belongs to the 'never too late' club then there's another too early' proverb.

Mohammed Ashraful who made his debut in the first Test at Bulawayo is 17, less than half of Enamul's age.

BASHAR MARRIED TO BATTING!

Habibul Bashar is an attacking batsman who likes to dictate terms on the field. But he is a totally different individual off it.

He in a very private person and seldom talks unless spoken to. Wednesday was an eventful

day for him because it was his marriage anniversary. But our Bashar was too shy to share the joy of the occasion with others! Rather, Bashar was busy pre-

paring for the Test match on hand. He admits he enjoys his time at the batting crease more than anything in the world. "Nothing gives me more pleas-

ure then when I'm batting", said Bashar.

ENAMUL'S SURPRISE

Enamul Hoque, despite being the most successful bowler in the domestic first class season, didn't fancy his chances of playing a Test on the tour as the seaming pitches in Zimbabwe didn't give the team management enough courage to risk a slow left-arm bowler in earlier matches.

So it came as a pleasant surprise to the 36-year-old when he was named in the first XI for the Harare Test.

Even on Wednesday, Enamul seemed to have given up on playing here and was looking forward to making his first Test appearance at home or on the spinning tracks of India or Pakistan.

" I think I'm a good enough blower to play on the slow wickets in the sub-continent", Enamul had remarked in the afternoon.

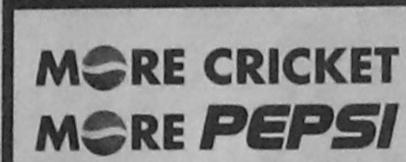
The selectors took unusually long to announce the team and newsmen here anxiously waited

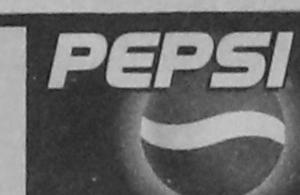
8pm local time. "We believe this wicket is dif- Rafique, Chappell said: ferent to the Bulawayo one and also from the tracks on which we

spinner", said coach Trevor Chappell after the toss on Thursday.

On why Enamul was chosen before the names were revealed at ahead of hard-hitting batsman and fellow left-armer Mohammed

"Enamul gives the ball more played one-dayers here. It is tweak which I think could be probably a bit a slower and we handy because the pitch will be who has already proved the 'never think it will take turn towards the slower. kafique does not tweak as third and fourth day. That's why hard and that was the thinking we picked Enamul as the main behind opting for Enamul.





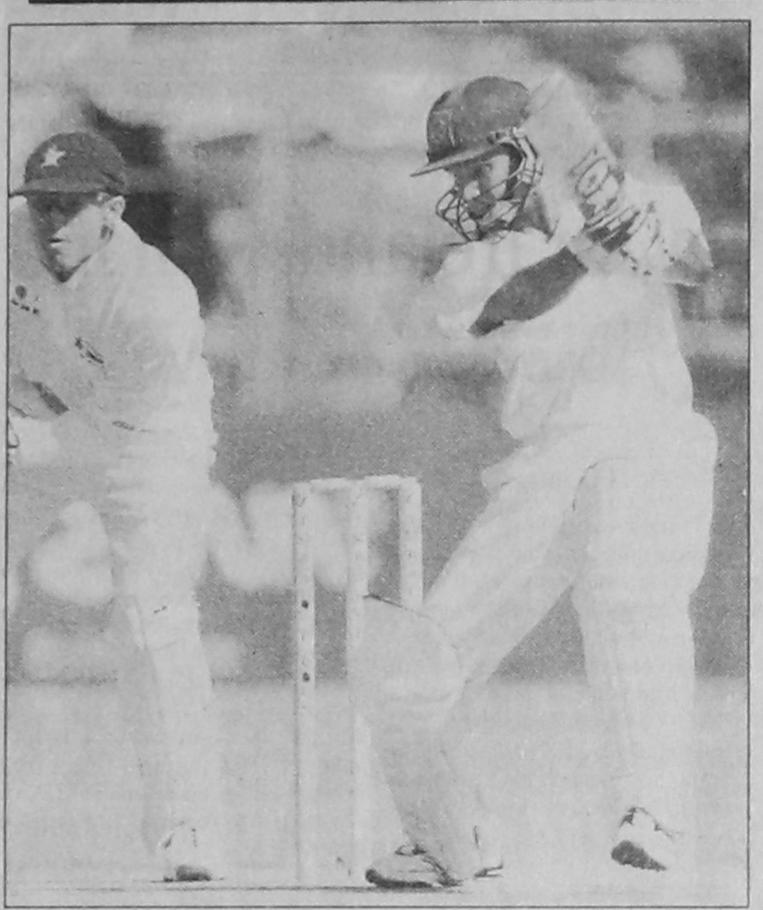


PHOTO: BANGLADESH CRICKET BOARD Habibul Bashar, who scored a brilliant 64 on the opening day of the second and final Test against Zimbabwe at Harare yesterday, here square-cuts one.

Jadeja goes to Bollywood

Cricket

AFP, Bombay

Stylish batsman Ajay Jadeja, banned for five years on charges of cricketing career for acting. match-fixing, unveiled his plans Thursday to co-star in a Bollywood Hindi film along with one of India's leading actors.

The 30-year-old cricketer, who played in 15 Tests before being banned by India's cricket board last year, said his foray into Bollyharboured.

wanted to make sure I get a good role and was very careful while choosing this movie," Jadeja said, after the ceremonial first shots at a Bollywood studio here.

Prabhakar were suspended for five batsman Ajay Sharma were banned for life for their alleged Lahore. role in fixing international

matches in India and abroad. runs with six centuries in 196 lim- to host India at the same time. ited overs international matches, has challenged the ban imposed visit to Pakistan in 1999 because by the domestic cricket board after the timing of the tour clashed with can of worms last year.

The former national player did not give details of the film which will also co-star Bollywood's version of Bruce Willis, Sunil Shetty, but said he would not give up his

PCB's quest to bring Windies

REUTERS, Karachi

wood was an ambition he had long Pakistan has asked the International Cricket Council (ICC) to "Since it is my debut film, I intervene and convince West Indies to undertake a scheduled tour early next year, an official said on 300 Hindi films.

and have asked them to use their Indies to go-ahead with next year's years while former Indian captain tour to Pakistan," Pakistan Cricket Mohammad Azharuddin and Board (PCB) director Munawwar Rana told this news agency from

West Indies, who are scheduled to visit Pakistan in February and Jadeja, who has scored 5,359 March 2002, have instead decided

West Indies also cancelled a federal investigators opened the their domestic one-day competi-

"Cricket has been my first love and will always be so," Jadeja said, adding the role offered to him in the so far untitled film by debutant director Yusuf Khan would not be difficult.

"I am playing a character who behaves and talks the way I do in real life although I had to learn quite a bit while preparing for the

"Most people who come to films have undergone acting classes..., but in my case I have to start from the beginning and have a lot to learn," Jadeja said, opening his account in Bollywood, which annually churns out more than

Director Khan said Jadeja was "We have written to the ICC suitable for the role offered to him "He has charm and charisma. Jadeja and compatriot Manoj good offices to convince the West have seen him in advertisements and feel he has the neccessary

> screen presence," Khan said. Indian detectives directed their probe against national players after Delhi police in April last year filed criminal cases against disgraced South African skipper Hansie Cronje and three of his teammates for fixing match results to

rake in money. Salim Durani, Sandeep Patil and national icon Sunil Gavaskar are the other former cricketers who have acted in Hindi films.



Banned Indian cricketer Ajay Jadeja (L) seems to be taking a few acting tips from Indian film star Sunil Shetty before the ceremonial first shots of a film he will be co-starring in at a Bombay studio on Thursday.

BD-ZIMBABWE SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard at the close of play on the opening day of the second Test between Zimbabwe and Bangladesh on Thursday:

BANGLADESH: First innings Javed Omar c Blignaut b Streak 1 Mehrab c Carlisle b Price Al-Shariar c G Flower b Streak Aminul c Campbell b Price Bashar st A Flower b Price Akram not out Naimur Ibw b Price Mushfigur not out Extras: (lb-4, nb-2, w-2)

Total: (For six wickets in 90 overs) 198 To bat: Enamul Hoque, Manjurul Islam, Mohammed Sharif. Fall of wickets: 1-1; 2-23; 3-48;

4-162; 5-171; 6-196. Blignaut Watambwa Nkala Price ZIMBABWE: G Whittall,

Ebrahim, S Carlisle, A Campbell, A Flower, G Flower, H Streak, A Blignaut, R Price, M Nkala, B Watambwa.

Masood returns

SPORTS REPORTER

The injured Khaled Masood returned home Thursday morning from Zimbabwe.

The wicketkeeper suffered an injury to his right ankle during a practice session just before the start of the third day's play of the first Test against Zimbabwe in Bulawayo on April 21.

The team management in Zimbabwe, however, did not ask for any replacement.

Meanwhile Masood, upon his arrival said that it might require him another two months or so to get himself match-fit again.

For the time being, he will rest the damaged ankle and then gradually get into the recovery process which will include therapy and swimming.

BFF announces players' pool

SPORTS REPORTER

Premier Division League champions Muktijoddha have suffered the most as Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) on Wednesday night announced a new pool of 26 booters for the upcoming football sea-

Ten out of the selected 26 belong to the all-reds who will now have to release five of them because existing rule permits each club to register a maximum of five pool players.

Goalkeeper Aminul Haq, defenders Rajani, Prodeep, Sujon, Hasan Al-Mamun, midfielders Mintu, Liton, Tushar and forwards Amin Rana and Sourav Raju

played for Muktijoddha last year. Abahani will have to sacrifice one as six players from their last year's team - goalkeeper Biplab Bhattacharya, defenders Firoz Mahmud Hossain Tito, Nazrul, midfielders Iqbal, Sentu and forward Kanchan - have been

Mohini Mohan ride on Anwarul

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SPORTS REPORTER



Anwarul hit a brilliant century as Mohini Mohan Biddyapith of Ku shtia recorded an exciting fourrun win over Aga Khan High School of Khulna in a first round match of the Standard Chartered 19th National School Cricket Championship at the Narail Stadium Thursday.

Anwarul scored exactly 100 as Mohini Mohan, batting first, scored 200 for eight in the allotted 35 overs. In reply, Aga Khan High School

were restricted to 196 for eight in their innings with Sayeed hammering highest 40. In another match, Manikganj Government High School regis

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Premier Division Cricket Super

Dhanmondi Club v Surjo Tarun (Bangabandhu National Stadium) Premier Division Cricket Relegation League

Sadharan Bima v Young Cricketers (Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium)



Bangladesh paceman Mohammad Sharif obliging autograph hunters during the second Test against Zimbabwe at the Harare Sports Club on Wednesday.

Majed murders Abahani

Cricket

SPORTS REPORTER

Pakistani batsman Majed Sayeed smashed his back-to-back century to guide title aspirants Biman to an emphatic four-wicket win over defending champions Abahani in a Premier Division Cricket Super League match at the Bangabandhu National Stadium on Thursday.

The outcome of the match de-

lighted Mohammedan Sporting Club the most as the co-leaders Abahani slipped to the second position, giving their arch-rivals a solo lead in the six-team Super League with a collection of 24 points from 14 matches. Abahani, still 2 points clear of the thirdplaced Biman, earned 22 points off 14 matches

Majed, who scored an unbeaten 105 against Dhanmondi on Tuesday, took over where he had left off to blast a scintillating 162 not out. The national airliners, chasing Abahani's commanding 273 in 50 overs, raced on to 274 for the loss of six wickets and with 17

over, the right-hander produced yet another explosive innings, studded with two sixes and twenty boundaries off only 139 balls. The strokemaker batted for more than three hours under the hot midsummer sun to ensure Biman's tenth win and his third hundred in 14 matches.

of 89.90, toppling Mohammedan's Kenyan star Steve Tikolo's score of Anis c K Mahmud b Saifullah

match from the grip of Abahani. The stand was broken on 264,

Iqbal after scoring 41 off 50 balls with the help of one six and three K Mahmud

Coming in to bat at number mad Hussain and Azam Iqbai three after Biman lost their first gave Abahani a solid start scoring

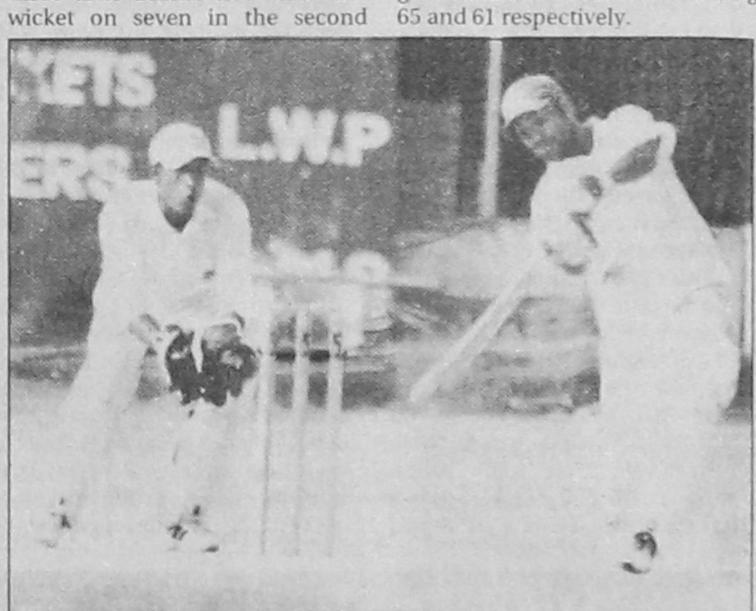


PHOTO: STAR Bangladesh Biman's Majed Sayeed slices the ball during his century knock against Abahani in the Premier Division Cricket Super League at

Hussain's 51-ball knock included one six and eight fours while Azam's 64-ball innings produced 11 hits to the fence. SCOREBOARD

With yesterday's 162, Majed dium on Thursday: also became the leading scorer in ABAHANI the League with 901 at an average

Together with his captain Asad not out Khaled Mahmud after Biman lost their fifth wicket on 160, Majed Masud b Saifullah shared a match-winning 104-run Salim lbw b K Mahmud partnership to run away with the Extras: (lb-1, w-5)

ten run away from victory mark. when Mahmud was caught by Anisur Rahman at point off Azam Athar

Earlier, electing to bat first, Abahani piled up a commanding Manzoor 273 for seven, with Asaduzzaman topscoring with an unbeaten 77 off 84 balls. Two openers -- Moham-



Monammedan	14	12	6	24
Abahani	14	11	3	22
Biman	14	10	4	20
Kalabagan	14	6	8	12
Dhanmondi	13	6	7	12
Surjo Tarun	13	6	7	12

Lance lances Jamaica

Cricket

AFP, Kingston

South African all-rounder Lance Jonty Rhodes (49) set up a com-West Indies off to a good start at in a 72-ball innings. One-day spe-Sabina Park Wednesday.

the Bangabandhu National Stadium on Wednesday.

23 runs, then scored an unbeaten when he had four, slashing a hard 42 as South Africa cruised to a six- chance to Jamaican captain Robwicket win over Jamaica in a ert Samuels at backward point off warm-up for a seven-match one- Laurie Williams. day international series which starts at the same ground Satur- fore being lbw one short of his

medium pace after sending down in nine innings in the Tests. mainly slow cutters during the Tests. On a breezy day, he made the ball swing sharply.

Then Klusener made his high- Africa Wednesday: est score of the tour, an unbeaten JAMAICA 42 off 64 balls with four fours. Inexperienced opening bats- Bernard lbw b Klusener

rounder Ricardo Powell slammed Cuff c Gibbs b Ontong arm spinner Paul Adams before Williams b Klusener being last man out for 52.

Uncapped Justin Ontong Sinclair b Klusener bowled a tidy mixture of legspin McKenzie c Pollock b Adams

his first outing in a South African Extras: (b-6, lb-7, w-7, nb-2) with a straight six. Herschelle Gibbs (54) and

Klusener bounced back from a fortable run chase for South Africa. disappointing Test series to get his Gibbs continued his fluent Telemachus 6.4 3 team's one-day campaign in the form of the tour, hitting six fours Nel cialist Rhodes, who arrived in Ja-Klusener took five wickets for maica last Friday, was dropped

He quickly found his form be-

half-century. Klusener, one of the best one- A solid platform enabled day all-rounders in the world. Klusener to play himself back into went back to bowling at fast- the runs after scoring only 75 runs

scoreboard

Scoreboard of the one-day match between Jamaica and South

Garrick e Gibbs b Ntini man David Bernard made 59 for Hinds c Ontong b Klusener Jamaica and international all- Powell run out (Ontong) three huge legside sixes off left- Samuels c Rhodes b Ontong Rose b Klusener

shirt, then hit the winning runs Total: (All out in 46.4 overs) 185 Fall of wickets: 1-35, 2-58, 3-

> 182, 9-183. Bowler Klusener Ontong Adams SOUTH AFRICA Gibbs c Cunningham b Bernard

Kirsten b Rose Dippenaar c Powell b Cunningham 13 Rhodes lbw b Hinds Klusener not out Ontong not out Extras: (lb-1, w-7, nb-2)

106, 4-167. Did not bat: S Pollock, R Telemachus, P Adams, M Ntini, A

Nel. Bowler Williams 0.4 0 Garrick Result: South Africa won by 6

wickets.

Scoreboard of the Premier Division Cricket Super League match between Abahani and Biman at the Bangabandhu National Sta-Hussain c Athar b Saifullah Azam c & b Zia

Javed run out Neeyamur c Majed b Saifullah Total: (For 7 wkts in 50 overs) 273

Fall of wickets: 1/124, 2/132, 3/135, 4/151, 5/173, 6/177, 7/273 Bowler Aminul jr Saifullah Athar lbw b Neevamur Favaz c Salim b Neevamur

Hasan b Arman Halim c & b Anis K Mahmud c Anis b Azam Zia not out Extras: (w-12) Total: (For 6 wkts in 47.1 overs) 274 Fall of wickets: 1/7, 2/33,

162

Bowler Morshed Neevamu Hussain Arman Hasan

Azam Result: Biman won by four wickets.

SUPER LEAGUE TABLE

and offspin to take two for 38 in Cunningham not out 102, 4-121, 5-141, 6-176, 7-180, 8-

Total: (For 4 wkts in 45.4 overs) Fall of wickets: 1-16, 2-45, 3-

59 McKenzie 52 Cunningham 10 7 Bernard 9 Powell 9 Hinds