



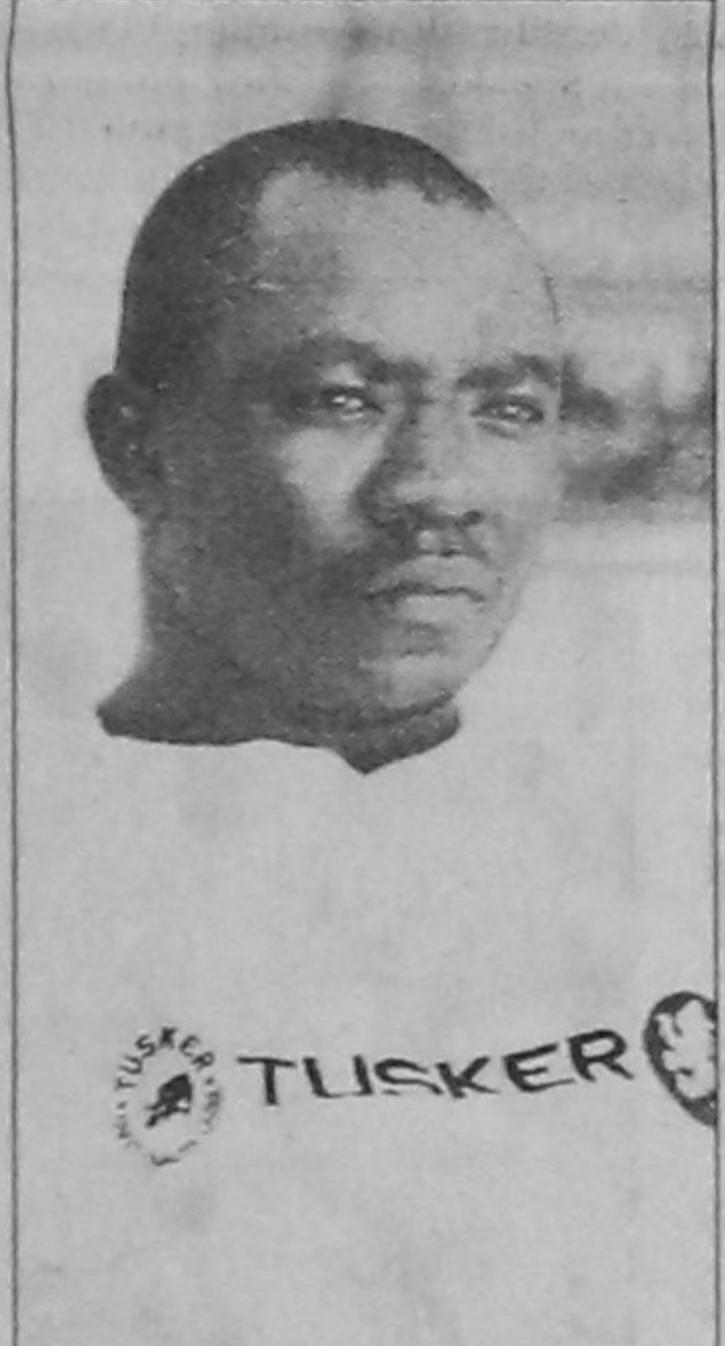
## Did U Know?

West Indies batsman Shivarine Chanderpaul once uprooted the stumps and was running off with them as souvenirs after New Zealand was bowled out in the second innings of the Barbados Test in 1996. To his great embarrassment, he was told to return the stumps, as West Indies still had to score 29 runs to win the match!



**What to WATCH**  
 ESPN  
 Cricket Magazine  
 The Cricket Archives 1905-1960  
 3:00 pm  
 Serie A  
 Highlights  
 1:00 pm  
 English Premiership  
 Man City vs Ipswich  
 9:00 pm  
 Football Focus  
 Live at 12:00 am (Wednesday)  
 UEFA Champions League  
 Leeds vs Valencia  
 Live at 12:30 am (Wednesday)

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 Star Sports  
 Harsha Online  
 Cricket Talk Show  
 1:00 pm  
 Primera Liga  
 8:30 pm



## TUSKER

Steve Tikolo  
 (Mahammedan's Kenyan star batsman)

"I consider the 150 as my best knock of this season. I was under a lot of pressure. But I kept a cool head and eventually succeeded in scoring what my team needed."

After his epic knock against Abahani in the Premier Division Cricket League's last match.

**Sports Whizz Kid**  
**Competition 149**  
 Tick the Correct Answers  
 Post to The Daily Star  
 Win attractive prizes  
 Competition closes at 8 pm  
 May 18, 2001 and draw shortly afterwards

1. Who clinched the Monte Carlo Tennis Masters Series title?  
 Agassi, Arzai, Kuerten

2. Who lifted the Ayr Gold Cup Sharjah tri-series cricket trophy?  
 New Zealand, Pakistan, Sri Lanka

3. What was the result of the South Africa and West Indies Test series?  
 4-1, 3-2, 2-1

4. Who was the man of the match in the Bangladesh and Zimbabwe first test?  
 Heath Streak, K. Masood, Javed Omar

5. How many Test wickets did Courtney Walsh capture when he retired?  
 536, 520, 519

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## Trading begins today

### Top three secured already

#### Football

SPORTS REPORTER

With the three local giants Abahani, Mohammedan Sporting Club and Muktiyoddha Sangsads having fortified their camps in advance, the three-day inter-club booters' transfer begins today at the Bangabandhu National Stadium without the usual euphoria.

The market organised by the Dhaka Mahanagar Football League Committee (DMFLC), will remain open from 5 to 8 pm for the first two days. However, on Thursday trading on the last day will continue until 9 pm.

Each of the ten Premier Division clubs are allowed to rope in five players from the 26-booter national pool that was announced by the Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) on April 26.

Despite losing playmaker Matiur Munna, Mohammedan have also managed to bolster their line-up with the inclusion of five star players in their ranks.

Skipper Alfaz Ahmed and de-

fender Faisal are joined by midfielders Monwar Hossain and Pavel from Badda Jagannath and Tushar of Muktiyoddha Sangsads.

Abahani, on the other hand, have made significant gains by adding Muktiyoddha defender Mohammad Sujon to their squad.

The promising defender was so impressive in his debut season in the elite league, that he forced his way into the national squad for the World Cup qualifying round.

Midfielder Iqbal Hossain, defender Nazrul, forwards Kanchan and Tito and the other four pool players who will continue with Abahani for the second successive season.

Following are the players who make up the national pool: Aminul Haq, Biplob Bhattacharya, Firoz Mahmud Hossain Tito, Prodeep, Nazrul, Pavel, Hasan Al-Mamun, Matiur Munna, Iqbal Hossain, Monwar Hossain, Faisal Ahmed, Rajani Kanta Barman, Liton, Parvez, Sujon, Sourav Raja, Kanchan, Selim, Khokon, Tushar, Senu and Kingshuk.

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### Bad news for Giles, Flintoff

REUTERS, undated

England spinner Ashley Giles is set to miss the first Test against Pakistan after failing to recover from a long-standing Achilles tendon injury.

The problem dogged the Warwickshire left-arter during England's recent tours of Pakistan and Sri Lanka.

Giles, quoted by the BBC, said: "I haven't started running yet, so playing at Lord's does look very unlikely."

The Lord's Test starts on May 17, with the second at Old Trafford beginning on May 31.

Giles came to prominence in topping the England bowling during the tour to Pakistan at the end of last year, taking 17 wickets to set up a 1-0 series win.

Meanwhile, all-rounder Andrew Flintoff has been injured again, a fortnight into the new English cricket season.

The 1.95 metre-tall Lancashire player, hoping to re-establish himself in the England side in the Test series against Pakistan and Australia, has torn a side muscle.

Lancashire coach Bob Simpson was quoted by the BBC as saying he would be sidelined for two weeks. Flintoff was injured while dismissing Yorkshire's Darren Lehmann in the Benson and Hedges Cup on Sunday.

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### BKSP, Blue Bird in quarters

SPORTS REPORTER



Bangladesh Krira Shikha Pro-tishthan (BKSP) and Blue Bird School of Sylhet moved into the quarterfinals of the Standard Chartered 19th National School Cricket Championship after winning their opening matches in Sylhet on Monday.

On the first day of the 16-team final round, BKSP handed Swarnakali High School of Gopalganj an eight-wicket defeat at the Sylhet Stadium.

Chasing Gopalganj's 55 in 35 overs, BKSP reached the target in only 15.5 overs with eight wickets in hand. Tanveer and Dhiman were not out on 15 and 14.

Earlier, Swarnakali High School were bundled out in 24.5 overs.

BKSP's Rubayat took four wickets for 12 runs.

The winners face either Rangpur High School or champions Mymensingh Zila School in the quarterfinals on May 11.

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were in serious condition from the tragedy, which left nearly 300 injured.

A local football federation official who asked not to be named told AFP that an angry mob tried to chase down government officials after the tragic collapse during a match between Tehran's Pirouzi and local side Shamushak.

He said security forces escorted the officials to safety as the mob broke windows at the grounds and attacked press and VIP areas, but denied that anti-riot police had been called in to restore order.

Eye-witnesses denounced match organisers and football officials for selling what they said was around 30,000 tickets while the stadium had a capacity of only

10,000-15,000.

Pirouzi, a perennial league leader with an enthusiastic nationwide following, were losing 2-0 at half-time to local first division competitors Shamushak in a do-or-die elimination cup match at the grounds.

Every two or three years when there's a major match like this, the situation is the same," a local merchant who asked not to be named said. "They were lucky because this could have been a catastrophe."

There was no immediate confirmation of reports coming out of Sari after the stadium collapse Sunday, which said players had

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### Shakil on a roll

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Abu Sufian Shakil won his second and third round matches in the World Chess Championship zonal qualifying round held in Sri Lanka on Sunday, according to an e-mail received on Monday.

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### Gloucs glide into qtrs

REUTERS, London

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