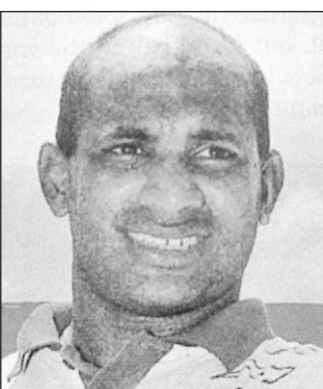




Like Test cricket, one-day internationals also originated at the same venue. Melbourne was lucky the city to hold the record of hosting both the maiden Test and the one-dayer.



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**English Premier Football League**  
Man United vs Tottenham Hotspur  
Live at 7:50 pm &  
Arsenal vs Derby County  
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**STAR Sports**  
World Cup Soccer Mix  
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**Primera Liga**  
Highlights at 5:30 pm  
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Int'l Sports News  
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**Primera Liga**  
Highlights at 10:30 pm



**Sanath Jayasuriya**  
(Sri Lankan cricket captain)  
"I consider myself as a batsman who can bowl. I enjoy bowling and whenever the occasion demands, I am there for Lanka."

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3. Who became the new Australian Cricket Board chief?	Dennis Rogers	Bob Merriman Geoff Marsh
4. What was the result of the South Africa and Zimbabwe Test series?	2-0	1-0
5. Who became Shanghai Open champion?	Chang	Schuttler Agassi
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## BOA draws up rough plan

### SPORTS REPORTER

Bangladesh Olympic Association (BOA) plans to use as many as 19 venues for the seventh Bangladesh Games, scheduled to commence on November 7 in the capital.

The country's biggest sporting festival, supposed to be held in October last year, was not on BOA's agenda this year also. BOA has decided to hold the meet to make up for the postponed 9th SAF Games last week.

The seven-nation biennial SAF meet, slated for an October 6 start in Islamabad was called off in the wake of possible US attack on neighbouring Afghanistan as a revenge of New York tragedy.

Talking to The Daily Star Sport, BOA secretary general Zafar Imam revealed on Friday that although they announced that the 7th Bangladesh Games would run from November 7 to 11, but the date might be shifted again once the new political government takes over power in October.

Zafar also informed that the number of disciplines has been increased from 23 to 24 because of the split of the Judo and Karate Federation. The number of events, 211 in 1996, would also go up as a result. In the sixth Bangladesh Games, there were as many as 436 golds for both men and women.

Zafar however did not give any details about the budget for the Games and said it would be finalised after the October 1 election.

He only hinted that it would be around Taka one crore and they would collect half of the amount from sponsors. BOA owes nearly Taka one crore to the government.

This amount was given for the participation in the 9th SAF games.

Following are the disciplines and the venues of the 7th Bangladesh Games:

Disciplines	Venue
1. Athletics	Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium
2. Badminton	Suhrawardy National Indoor
3. Body Building	BCICA Auditorium
4. Boxing	Mohammad Ali Boxing Stadium
5. Cycling	T&T Ground, Mahakhali
6. Football	Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium
7. Gymnastics	NSC Gymnasium
8. Hockey	Maulana Bhashani Stadium
9. Handball	Sultana Kamal Women Sports Complex
10. Judo	Suhrawardy National Indoor
11. Kabadi	Kabadi Court
12. Shooting	Gulshan Shooting Complex/BKSP
13. Squash	Dhaka Club
14. Rowing	Gulshan Lake
15. Swimming	National Swimming Complex
16. Table Tennis	Wooden Floor Gymnasium
17. Tennis	National Tennis Complex
18. Volleyball	Volleyball Stadium
19. Weight Lifting	Mohammad Ali Boxing Stadium
20. Wrestling	NSC Gymnasium
21. Kho Kho	Paltan Maidan
22. Karate	NSC Gymnasium
23. Taekwondo	NSC Gymnasium
24. Basketball	Dhanmondi Basketball Gymnasium

## Dalmiya v Muthiah

### BCCI elects new president today



### AFP, Madras

World cricket's controversial former chief, Jagmohan Dalmiya, hopes to wrest control of the Indian board this weekend in a bitter election that has caught the attention of political heavyweights.

Dalmiya, 62, is vying for the presidency of the cash-rich Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) against incumbent AC Muthiah in the high-profile annual elections here on Saturday.

The election will also determine the future of irrepressible BCCI secretary Jayawant Lele, whose working relationship with Muthiah hit a low ebb after he publicly conceded Dalmiya was "his leader".

Dalmiya, whose three-year term as president of the International Cricket Council ended last year amidst the match-fixing furor, is embroiled in a federal investigation over unfair deals in awarding television rights for major events.

But that has not deterred the canny Calcutta-based businessman from attempting to oust Muthiah and realise his long-held ambition of heading the richest sports body in the country.

Dalmiya has never held the top post in the BCCI although he was in absolute control of it's affairs as secretary until 1998, when he took over as ICC president.



JAGMOHAN DALMIYA

BCCI bigwigs are hosting dinners to discuss how the secretary and treasurer should be stopped from attending the elections."

Among those expected to attend



AC MUTHIAH

against arch-rivals Pakistan.

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## ACB allows NZ more preps

### Kiwis may tour Pakistan next year



### REUTERS/AFP, Wellington

New Zealand Cricket will seek to tour Pakistan next year after calling off a planned three-Test series due to security concerns relating to the attacks in America earlier this month.

The cancelled Pakistan tour, which was due to start on September 16, might now take place next year prior to the ICC Knockout Tournament in September, NZ Cricket chief executive Martin Sneddon said in a statement on Friday.

"We have acknowledged that under the International Cricket Council future tours programme we are obliged to reschedule the Pakistan tour as soon as it is reasonably possible," he said.

Meanwhile, additional warm-up games in Australia have been organised to help replace the Pakistan games in the lead up to a scheduled three-Test series versus Australia in November and December.

New Zealand will get three extra lead-up matches ahead of the first Test in Brisbane in November after their Pakistan tour was finally abandoned Friday.

The Australian Cricket Board has agreed to the matches to give the Kiwis more match practice following the cancellation of the Pakistan tour amid safety fears in the wake of the US attacks.

New Zealand's tour of Australia was originally due to start on November 1 with a match against Queensland but it will now start on

October 16 with a four-day match against Queensland Second XI.

The Kiwis will also play an ACT Invitation XI at Canberra on October 21-23 and a Queensland President's XI on October 26-28.

The Tests are at Brisbane on November 8-12, Hobart on November 22-26 and Perth on November 30-December 4, followed by a triangular one-day international series against the hosts and South Africa in January.

After the Australian Test series, New Zealand will host Bangladesh for a two Test series, followed by a three Test home series versus England.

**KIWIS' TOUR SCHEDULE**  
Fixtures for New Zealand's cricket tour of Australia:

**Oct 16-19:** v Queensland Second XI at Brisbane

**Oct 21-23:** v ACT Invitation XI at Canberra

**Oct 26-28:** v QCA President's XI at Brisbane

**Oct 31-Nov 3:** v Queensland at the Gabba, Brisbane

**Nov 8-12:** v Australia, First Test at Gabba

**Nov 16-19:** v South Australia at Adelaide Oval

**Nov 22-26:** v Australia, Second Test at Bellerive Oval, Hobart

**Nov 30-Dec 4:** v Australia, Third Test at WACA, Perth

**Dec 6:** v Prime Minister's XI at Canberra

**One-Day Tri-series**  
**Dec 8:** v Australia A at Gabba (D/N)

**Dec 11:** v Australia at MCG, Melbourne (D/N)

**Dec 13:** Australia v South Africa at MCG (D/N)

**Dec 15:** v South Africa at Bellerive Oval

**Dec 17:** v Australia at SCG, Sydney (D/N)

**Dec 19:** v South Africa at Gabba (D/N)

**Dec 20:** Australia v South Africa at Gabba (D/N)

**Dec 22:** Australia v South Africa at SCG (D/N)

**Dec 23:** v Australian Country XI at Bowral, NSW

**Dec 26:** v Australia at Adelaide Oval (D/N)

**Dec 27:** v South Africa at Adelaide Oval

**Jan 29:** v Australia at MCG (D/N)

**Feb 1:** v South Africa at WACA (D/N)

**Feb 3:** Australia v South Africa at WACA, Perth

**Feb 6:** First final at MCG (D/N)

**Feb 8:** Second final at SCG (D/N)

**Feb 10:** Third final at SCG (D/N)

**Feb 12:** Third final at SCG (D/N)

**Feb 14:** Third final at SCG (D/N)

**Feb 16:** Third final at SCG (D/N)

**Feb 18:** Third final at SCG (D/N)

**Feb 20:** Third final at SCG (D/N)

**Feb 22:** Third final at SCG (D/N)

**Feb 24:** Third final at SCG (D/N)

**Feb 26:** Third final at SCG (D/N)

**Feb 28:** Third final at SCG (D/N)

**Mar 1:** Third final at SCG (D/N)

**Mar 3:** Third final at SCG (D/N)

**Mar 5:** Third final at SCG (D/N)

## U-14 Asian meet draw in Oct

### SPORTS REPORTER

The draw for the Asian Youth (under-14) Football Festival 2001 will be held in Kuala Lumpur during the Asian Football Confederation (AFC), starting from October 8 to 11.

Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) assistant general secretary Sirajul Islam Bachchu revealed it Friday.

This is for the first time the AFC is going to organise the under-14 football meet across Asia, split in three regions-- South East, South and West. Apart from Dhaka, Thailand and Tehran will host the festival simultaneously.

The tournament in Dhaka gets underway at the Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium in Mirpur from October 25.

Although 12 teams initially made their entries for the South Asian zone, but four countries-- Sri Lanka, Pakistan, Kazakhstan and Bhutan-- have pulled out of the tournament later.

The eight participating countries in Dhaka meet are-- India, Maldives, Nepal, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, Kyrgyzstan, Laos and hosts Bangladesh.

Bachchu also informed that AFC, which promised to pay 100,000 US dollars to organise the festival, would now pay 80,000 US dollars as less number of teams is going to participate now.

## Hockey probe report submitted

### SPORTS REPORTER

The three-member probe committee, formed to investigate the reasons behind Bangladesh's horrendous performance in the 10th Men's World Cup qualifiers, submitted its report to Bangladesh Hockey Federation (BHF) president Air Vice Marshall M Rafiqul Islam on Thursday. But the committee, headed by BHF vice-president Mirza Farid Ahmed Milu, is yet to provide a copy of their report to BHF general secretary Shamsul Bari.

Talking to The Daily Star Sport, Shamsul Bari confirmed that the report has been handed over to the president but he has not seen the report and was not in a position to comment on it.

"I have not been given any copy as yet. I shall have to wait for another couple of days to get the report from my president," Bari said. Bangladesh finished last in the 16-nation qualifiers held in Edinburgh, Scotland, from July 17 to 29. Bangladesh lost all their eight matches, conceding 37 goals.

## Barbados bid to regain past glories

### REUTERS, Bridgetown

Barbados, the tiny West Indian island that has produced some of the world's finest cricketers, is seeking to recapture its past glories.

A four-year plan, presented by Barbados Cricket Association president Stephen Alleyne, aims at strengthening the game at all levels. It envisages developing cricket in schools and through an enhanced club structure with retainers for players representing the island.

"It's an ambitious plan, but Barbados has always been synonymous with cricketing excellence, so our plans needs to be ambitious," Alleyne told a news conference on Thursday.

"The standard of our cricket and our ability to produce world class cricketers with a capacity to compete successfully at the highest level has been impaired."

The decline in West Indies cricket, which has accelerated over the past six years since they were deposed by Australia as unofficial world champions, has been blamed on the distractions of US sports and a failure to invest in the game.

"The reasons cited for this decline by observers are many and varied," Alleyne said. "We may never be able to create the same societal influences that helped to fashion our greats."

## WHIZZ KID-158 correct answers

- Who became National Bank Premier League football champions? Ans: Abahani.
- Who won the US Open men's singles title? Ans: Hewitt.
- What was Ashraf's score in his century innings against Sri Lanka in the Asian Test Championship? Ans: 114.
- What was the result of the Test series between India and Sri Lanka? Ans: 2-1.
- Former West Indies fast bowler Andy Roberts comes from which island? Ans: Antigua.

## Muktis march into quarters



### SPORTS REPORTER

Federation Cup champions Muktiyoddha Sangsad Krira Chakra moved into the quarterfinals of the 107th IFA Shield Football Tournament with a 1-0 win over the Indian Under-19 team at the Mohun Bagan ground in Kolkata on Friday.

Nigerian striker Emeka Achilefu scored the all-important goal two minutes before half time in their last Group C match.

Muktiyoddha skipper Hasan Al-Mamun created the chance for the lanky West African to grab his third goal in the tournament.

However, the final scoreline could have been much wider had the all-reds converted three relatively easy scoring opportunities in the second half.

Muktiyoddha's second win in as many outings not only meant they topped the group with full six points, but also avoided meeting Brazilian

second string side Palmeiras in the knockout stage of the prestigious competition.

The Dhaka giants will instead meet Group D runners-up Tata Football Academy in the third quarterfinal at the Howrah Stadium on October 3.

Vietnam's Nam Dinh FC, who finished behind the Muktis with three points, will have to hear the samba beat in the day's other game.

Meanwhile, local giants Mohun Bagan raised the possibility of a premature Kolkata derby against East Bengal after being held to a 1-1 draw by FC Kochin in their last Group B match on Thursday.

If Kochin can beat mediocre outfit Ever Ready by a margin of three goals and East Bengal, who earlier trashed Tollygunge Agragamee 4-1 in their first match, draw against Mohammedan Sporting, then that sets up Bagan for a tussle against their arch-rivals in Tuesday's first quarterfinal at the Salt Lake Stadium.

## SA, Zim meet in 2nd ODI today

### REUTERS, Harare

All-rounder Gary Brent and batsman Stuart Carlisle were named on Friday in Zimbabwe's team to face South Africa in the second one-day international in Harare on Saturday.

They replace batsman Craig Wishart and fast bowler Travis Friend from the side that was thrashed by 153 runs in the first match in Bulawayo on Sunday, when Friend conceded 73 runs off just seven overs.

South Africa will name their team before the start of play.

The final match of the series is due to take place in Harare on Sunday.

### TEAMS

**SOUTH AFRICA** (from): Mark Boucher, Boeta Dippenaar, Herschelle Gibbs, Claude Henderson, Jacques Kallis, Justin Kemp, Gary Kirsten, Shaun Pollock (captain), Lance Klusener, Neil McKenzie, Andre Nel, Makhaya Ntini, Justin Ontong, Jonty Rhodes.  
**ZIMBABWE:** Dion Ebrahim, Alistair Campbell, Hamilton Masakadza, Stuart Carlisle, Andy Flower, Grant Flower, Guy Whittall, Heath Streak (captain), Paul Strang, Gary Brent, Muleki Nkala.

## Verdict on ban reserved

### Cronje can commentate, do journalism



### REUTERS, Pretoria

Former South African captain Hansie Cronje is free to work as a journalist in cricket. But Pretoria High Court Judge Frank Kirk-Cohen has reserved judgement on his attempt to overturn a life ban imposed on him by the United Cricket Board (UCB) of South Africa.

After two days of legal arguments, Judge Kirk-Cohen said on Thursday: "Both counsels have very strong heads of argument which doesn't make my job any easier."

There was no indication when he would deliver his decision.

Cronje is attempting to overturn the ban imposed upon him after he admitted to the King Commission in June last year that he accepted around 130,000 dollars from illegal bookmakers.

But it emerged on Thursday Cronje could work in the media -- within certain limits.

Senior counsel Wim Trengove confirmed that there was nothing to stop Cronje entering cricket grounds as a spectator, and he could therefore work as a print journalist.

And although he cannot work as a broadcaster from inside grounds, the ban did not prevent him commenting on cricket from TV or radio studios.

Trengove told the hearing:

"Cronje is free to practise as a journalist by attending a cricket match as a spectator and then returning to his office to report on it for the print media. He can also work as a studio commentator."

But he argued access to the media centre at a match was entirely at the discretion of the UCB.

"He may apply for media accreditation from the UCB, but the UCB have every right to refuse his request because journalists are treated as guests of the UCB."

"The media centre is also the property of the UCB and as such they can decide who may be given

access and who may not."

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HANSIE CRONJE

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## France prey on Super Eagles



TRINIDAD & TOBAGO 2001

### AFP, Port-of-Spain

The monotony of France's footballers appearing in practically ever final at any age group continued here Thursday as their Under-17 side came from behind to beat

Argentina 2-1 here to reach Sunday's final.

The French, for whom Liverpool-bound Anthony Le Tallec scored their first, will meet two-time champions Nigeria in the climax of the competition after the unconvincing Nigerians won the battle of Africa downing Burkina Faso 1-0 thanks to a third minute penalty Femi Opubunmi.

However Nigeria, known as the Golden Eagles, will fancy their chances to capture the trophy for the third time as they beat France 2-1 in the group stage.

The French showed great resolve when they went behind to Carlos Tevez' goal after a rare Argentine counterattack in the 48th minute.

Le Tallec, who was snapped up by Liverpool manager Gerard Houllier from Le Havre earlier this season, levelled seven minutes

later for his second goal of the tournament.

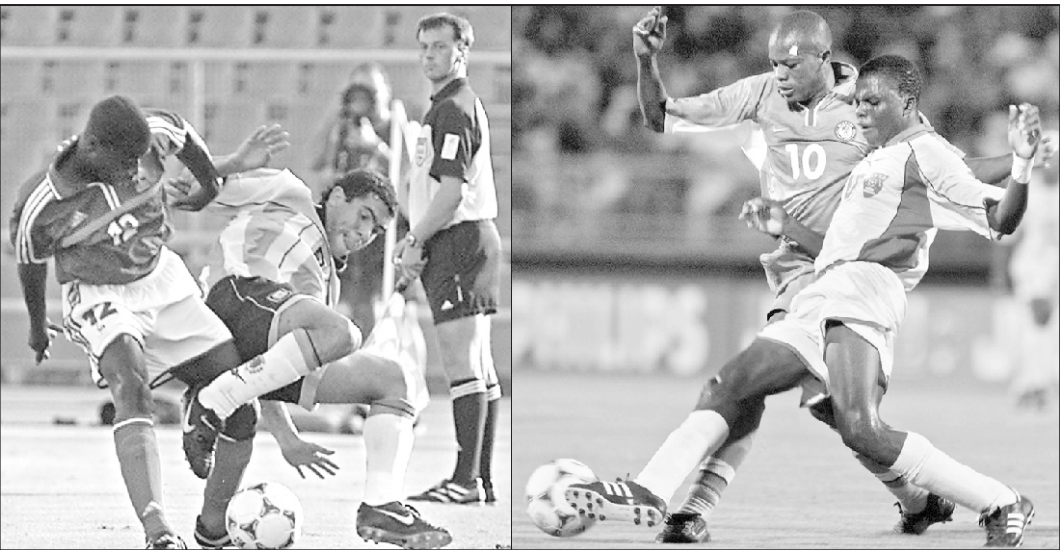
The French took advantage of a rattled Argentine defence just two minutes on when defender Jeremie Berthod's diving header at the back post crashed into the net.

The Argentines never recovered and were fortunate not to go down to a heavier defeat as the competition's leading scorer Florent Pongolle hit the bar with a crashing shot, which the French claimed had come down and crossed the line but the referee put the youngsters in their place and said no.

The South Americans disappointing evening reached its nadir when striker Maximiliano Lopez was sent-off late in injury-time.

Nigeria, who won the trophy in 1985 and 1993, took an early lead when Dominican referee Samuel

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**BATTLES FOR POSSESSION:** A combo picture shows (L) Emmers Fae (L) of France and Argentine Carlos Tevez fight for the ball while (R) Nigerian Victor Brown (L) and Sanou Wilfred of Burkina Faso try to gain control during their respective semifinals in the Under-17 World Football Championship in Trinidad and Tobago on September 27.