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Dhaka jive with Jahangir

ISPAHANI MIRZAPORE TEA 3rd National Cricket League

SPORTS REPORTER

In-form Jahangir Alam blasted yet another cracking half-century as Dhaka posted their sixth win to consolidate their claim for the Ispahani National Cricket League title yesterday.

The former national opener smashed 79 off just 30 balls as the hosts, needing 203 in the second innings to win on the final day against Rajshahi, raced to 206 in just 41.1 overs with seven wickets in hand at the Mymensingh Stadium.

With that seven-wicket win, Dhaka almost confirmed the championship by raising their tally to 36 points from seven matches, 16 ahead of the second-placed Rajshahi, who have earned 20 points playing in six matches.

Dhaka now need only a win from their remaining three matches.

Coming in to bat at number three, Jahangir lost two partners -- Sajjad Ahmed (39) and Rafique (1) -- quickly. But that did not deter the determination of Jahangir as he went on to plunder 103 runs for the undefeated fourth wicket with former national captain Aminul Islam, whose contribution was only 14.With this 79 not out, Jahangir became the second highest run-getter (462 runs) in the League after former national captain and Chittagong mainstay Minhazul Abedin, who has scored 780 runs so far.

Opener Rashedul Haq however gave Dhaka a solid start with a 72-ball 54 that included a couple of sixes and four boundaries.

Together with Sajjad, Rashed put on 102 for the opening stand before being bowled by Nuruzzaman in the 23rd over of the day.

Away in Jessore Stadium, hosts Khulna registered their maiden victory beating Barisal by six wickets.

Needing only 69 to win, they reached home in just 13.4 overs, losing four wickets in the process.

Middle-order Salaudding was unbeaten on 23 while Asadullah Khan, who scored 108 in the first innings was not out on 22.

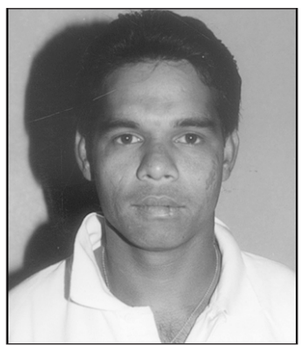
The hosts were forced to bat again after Sanwar Hossain carved a brilliant century for the League's bottom side.

Resuming on 11, the Test cap went on to score a gutsy 103 off 147 balls inclusive of 16 sweetly-timed hits across the rope. He shared 125 runs for the fifth wicket with Saleh Ahmed, who made 53.

But despite Sanwar's brave knock, it did not stop Barisal from succumbing to their sixth consecutive defeat.

The other match between Chittagong and Sylhet ended in a draw. Chittagong, however, walked away with two bonus points by virtue of their 107-run lead in the first innings. They are third in the table with 16 points from seven matches.

The significant aspect of the match was Enamul Hoque's 10-wicket haul. The veteran left-arm spinner entertained his home crowd with six wickets in the first innings



JAHANGIR ... whirlwind 79

and four in the second.

But the visiting team thwarted the port city outfit by batting throughout the day with opener Tanna making 78.

Sylhet's eighth wicket pair of captain Hasibul Hossain and Nayeem dug deep for nearly two hours and added 10 runs.

SCORECARDS

Final scoreboards of the three Ispahani National League matches held at different venues on Sunday:

Chittagong v Sylhet
Venue: Comilla Stadium.

CHITTAGONG: First innings 327 all out in 114 overs (Nazim 110, Minhaz 99; Kapali 4/102, Hasibul 2/35, Imran 2/66)

SYLHET: First innings 220 all out in 92.1 overs (Hasibul 51, Parvez 47, Taposh 34; Enamul 6/64)

CHITTAGONG: Second innings 167 all out in 61 overs (Enamul 44, Minhaz 30; A Kapali 3-29, Imran 3-27, Nayeem 2-14

SYLHET: Second innings

Tanna lbw b Enamul	78
Joy b Safiuddin	1
Parvez c Khan b Safiuddin	6
Hadi lbw b Khan	20
Rajin c Minhaz b Enamul	18
Kapali c Minhaz b Enamul	19
Nasirul c Debabroto b Enamul	0
Nayeem not out	14
Hasibul not out	9
Extras: (lb-11, nb-1)	12
Total: (For 7 wickets in 105.1 overs)	177

Fall of wickets: 1-2, 2-14, 3-112, 4-122, 5-138, 6-138, 7-167

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Debabroto	5	1	16	0
Safiuddin	18.2	9	27	2
Enamul	45.1	23	59	4
Minhazul	2	0	2	0
Khan	31.4	15	55	1
Hossain	2	0	6	0

Result: Match drawn.

Barisal v Khulna
Venue: Jessore Stadium

BARISAL: First innings 196 all out in 88.2 overs (Sanwar 63, Kamal 44, S Shahed 31, Razzak 3/46, Jamaluddin 3/55)

KHULNA: First innings 393 all out in 141.3 overs (Asadullah 108, Razzak 57, Nahidul 55; Saleh 4-94, Anis 3-52, Mukul 2-84)

BARISAL: Second innings (overnight 87 for 4 in 36 overs)

Imran c Salim b Tushar	18
Harun b Al-Amin	6
S Shahed c Nahidul b Jamal	28
Monir b Tushar	8
Sanwar c Raju b Tushar	103
Saleh b Jamal	53
Kiron b Razzak	14
Kamal c Salim b Jamal	15
Rahman c Niaz b Tushar	0
Anis c Nahidul b Jamal	2
Ashfaq not out	6
Extras: (b-3, lb-3, nb-7)	13
Total: (All out in 89.2 overs)	266

Fall of wickets: 1-7, 2-61, 3-67, 4-78, 5-203, 6-220, 7-247, 8-247, 9-259

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Al-Amin	15	6	30	1
Hasan	6	0	23	0
Razzak	23	4	54	1
Jamal	28.2	2	90	4
Tushar	16	4	57	4
Nahidul	1	0	6	0

KHULNA: Second innings

Sajjad c Sanwar b Ashfaq	0
Nahidul c Kamal b Ashfaq	5
Parvez c Tinku b Ashfaq	4
Uzzal not out	23
Hasan c Tinku b Anis	9
Asadullah not out	22
Extras: (b-4, lb-3, nb-2, w-1)	10
Total: (For 4 wickets in 13.4 overs)	73

Fall of wickets: 1-0, 2-9, 3-9, 4-36

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Ashfaq	7	1	39	3
Anis	6	0	23	1
Sanwar	0.4	0	4	0

Result: Khulna won by 6 wickets.

Dhaka v Rajshahi
Venue: Mymensingh Stadium.

RAJSHAHI: First innings 330 all out in 135.2 overs (Nuruzzaman 1 0 7 ,

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BFF kept waiting

SPORTS REPORTER

The Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) has not yet received the copy of AFC's (Asian Football Confederation's) letter that recommended FIFA to lift suspension on Bangladesh.

As per the prediction of Harunur Rashid, the back-to-power BFF general secretary, a copy of the letter should reach by now. But BFF executive secretary Shankar Shikdar said yesterday that he was expecting the copy to reach here by Monday.

"We assume that because of the weekend AFC could not send it," he said.

Meanwhile, the first meeting of the reinstated executive committee has been deferred by a day.

The meeting, which was earlier scheduled for Monday evening, will now be held on Tuesday because of the unavailability of president SA Sultan, MP.

Rahmatullah, New Model in last four

Standard Chartered 20th National School Cricket 2001-2002

SPORTS REPORTER

Rahmatullah Model High School and New Model High School advanced into the final round of Standard Chartered Bank 20th National School Cricket Championship after confirming their berths in the Dhaka Zonal qualifying round semifinals on Sunday.

An unbeaten half-century from opener Motaleb propelled Rahmatullah Model High School to an easy ten-wicket win over Muslim High School at the Bangabandhu National Stadium.

Chasing Muslim's 106 in 35 overs, Motaleb hammered an unbeaten 76 off just 36 balls. He hit a six and fifteen boundaries as the winners reached 107 in just 9.3 overs. His partner Kibria chipped in with 25.

Earlier, put into bat, Muslim High School were bundled out for 106 in 32.4 overs with Mr Sundries contributing highest 22.

Kibria took three wickets for 12 runs.

In today's semifinals at the same venue, the winners will take on New Model High School who beat Government Laboratory High School by four wickets in the other quarterfinal at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium.

Opener Ashiq scored 64 while middle-order Raihan Ali scored an unbeaten 54 as the winners, chasing Government Laboratory's 189 in 35 overs, reached the target in 32.5 overs.

The other semifinal will be played between Barnamala Adrasha High School and T and T High School at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium.

BRIEF SCORES

Rahmatullah Model v Muslim High School
Venue: BNS

MUSLIM HIGH SCHOOL: 106 all out in 32.4 overs (Extras 22, Faisal 18, Kibria 3/12, Nasir 2/12)

RAHMATULLAH MODEL: 107 for no loss in 9.3 overs (Motaleb 76 n.o., Kibria 25 n.o.)

Result: Rahmatullah Model High School won by 10 wickets.

New Model v Government Laboratory High School
Venue: DCS

GOVT LABORATORY: 189 all out in 33.1 overs (Kamrul 62, Jubin 52, Akid 3/2, Raihan 2/43)

NEW MODEL:193 for 6 in 32.5 overs (Ashiq 64, Raihan 54 n.o., Jubin 3/26)

Result: New Model High School won by four wickets.

CTG GOVT HIGH EMERGE CHAMPS

Our Ctg Correspondent adds: Chittagong Government High School clinched the Chittagong

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BD A thwart T & T

Cricket

SPORTS REPORTER

Bangladesh A drew their first match on their tour of West Indies when the visitors held favourites Trinidad and Tobago at the Shaw Park in Tobago on Saturday.

The second string national side had earlier lost their first two Busta Cup engagements against West Indies B and Leeward Islands.

Trinidad, set to score 239, recovered from a shaky start to reach 121 for four on the rain-interrupted final day.

When rain prevented play for the entire pre-lunch session and part of the afternoon session, it rendered a result almost impossible. Further afternoon rain made the draw inevitable.

The Busta Cup leaders at one stage were in trouble at 25 for three with Tariq Aziz and Alamgir enjoying success with the new ball.

But a half-century from captain Richard Smith and 43 by Samuel Badree rescued the home side. They put on 89 runs for the fourth wicket.

Bangladesh's Mushfiqur Rahman was later named man-of-the-match.

The result ensured Bangladesh's first innings points. They have now collected 10 points in the competition. However, Trinidad still leads the standings with 21 points.

Bangladesh A will take on Guyana in their next match, starting at Bourda on February 15.

SCORECARD

Final Scoreboard of the Busta International Shield match between Bangladesh A and Trinidad and Tobago at the Shaw Park in Tobago on Saturday:

BANGLADESH A: First innings 238 all out in 87.5 overs (Mushfiq 57, Mazhar 37, Ahsanullah 35; M Persad 3-61)

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO: First Innings 205 all out in 75.5 overs (Keon Mason 52, Lincoln Roberts 37; Ahsanullah 3-50, Naimur 3-69)

BANGLADESH A: Second innings 359 all out in 101.5 overs (Hannan 69, Mazhar 46; Asadullah 37; Black 3-65)

TRINIDAD & TOBAGO: Second innings

IJan b Tareq	0
Jackson c Anwar b Tareq	8
L Roberts b Alamgir	9
R Smith not out	50
S Badree c Mushfiq b Ehsanul	43
Kanhai not out	1
Extras: (b-7, nb-3)	10
Total:(For 4 wickets in 44 overs)	121

Fall of wickets: 1-7, 2-16, 3-25, 4-114

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Tareq Aziz	11	4	26	2
Alamgir	5	1	15	1
Naimur	9	2	22	0
Mushfiq	4	0	8	0
Ahsanullah	9	3	23	0
Mazharul	1	0	11	0
Ehsanul	3	0	5	1
Akram	2	0	4	0

Result: Match drawn.
Man-of-the-match: Mushfiqur Rahman.

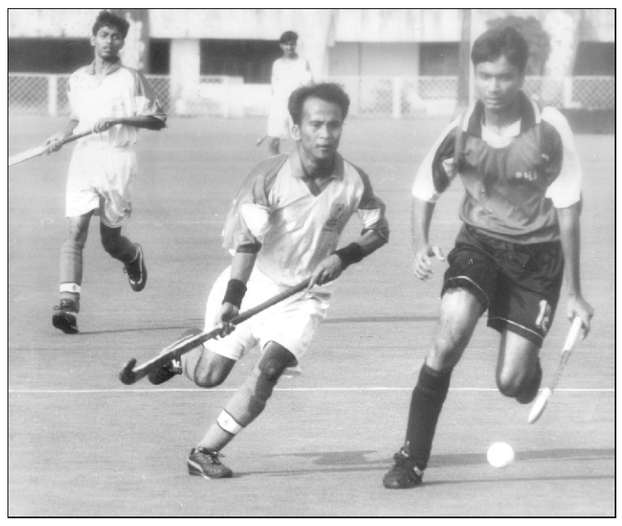

PHOTO: STAR

Action from yesterday's Jamuna Bank Club Cup hockey tournament match between Ajax Club and Dhaka Wanderers at the Maulana Bhasani Stadium.

Ajax whack Wanderers

SPORTS REPORTER

Ajax Sporting Club recorded a 6-2 win over Dhaka Wanderers Club in one of the two Jamuna Bank Club Cup hockey tournament matches at the Moulana Bhasani Stadium on Sunday.

The winners led the first half 2-0.

Giasuddin Rubel and Proshanto struck twice while Biaka Lusai and Rajib added one each for the winners. Imran and Rashed reduced the margin of defeat by slotting in one apiece.

In the other match of the day, Bangladesh Sporting Club defeated Barnak Samaj by 2-1.

Taleb and Nader scored for the winners while Tariqul pulled one back for Barnak Samaj.

Premier Division champions Mohammedan Sporting Club will take on Dhaka Railway at 3:15 today. The first match between Sonali Bank and Sadharan Bima will start at 1:45 pm.

BAF volleyball

BSS, *Tangail*

The annual volleyball championship of the Bangladesh Air Force got underway at the BAF Base Pahar Kanchanpur at Tangail yesterday.

In the opening match, BAF Base Matiur Rahman beat Air Headquarters (Unit) of 25-15, 25-10, 18-25 and 25-16 points.

Earlier, the local Base Commander declared the meet open.

Magura cricket

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Magura*

Shaheed Dilip Smriti Sangha defeated Confidence Sporting Club by six wickets in the Econo Cricket League at the Magura Stadium on Sunday.

Winning the toss, Confidence batted first and scored 125 all out in 26.4 overs.

In reply, Shaheed Dilip Smriti made 128 runs for four wickets in 16 overs.

Int'l junior tennis

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Rajshahi*

A total of 28 matches in both boys and girls categories were decided Rajshahi International Under-18 ITF Junior Championship (Group-3) at the Rajshahi Tennis Complex on Sunday.

The winners moved into the second round of the main draw.

WC ticket prices given

Cricket

AFP, *Johannesburg*

South African economic conditions have been taken into account for calculating the prices for next year's cricket World Cup, the event supremo Ali Bacher said Saturday.

In total, there are some 920,000 seats available for the matches to be played in South Africa, Zimbabwe and Kenya but Dr Bacher, executive director for the tournament, says the sale of 800,000 would be the target.

"That will yield around 25 million rand (2.2 million dollars), most of which will be returned to the provinces", Bacher told the South African Press Association (SAPA).

Prices will vary from ground to ground as the different economic realities in different geographic areas in South Africa played a part in how the prices were set for each venue.

"We believe that the prices are very reasonable for the South African market," said Dr Bacher of the tickets, ranging from 25 rand for the cheapest seat at pool matches, to 350 rand for the most expensive at the final.

"A great deal of thought went into this whole process.

"Some people might have thought it justified to go high on the prices because this is a World Cup, after all, but we took cognisance of the South African market and its economic realities.

"While we might get 50,000 overseas visitors who would be prepared to pay far higher prices for tickets, our aim is to look after local supporters first," Bacher said.

He added however that the tournament organisers had decided "against having different pricing policies for the South African market and the overseas market".

He emphasised that the very affordable prices for overseas visitors should encourage large numbers to attend the tournament to the overall benefit of the tourist industry and the country's economy.

Tickets will be also be sold as packages, with two types being made available to the public, the "Stadium Package" and the "Follow the Team Package".

The first gives the public the opportunity to watch all the World Cup matches played at a particular ground, the second gives one the option of watching all the pool matches of a particular team.

For example, if one wants to buy a Stadium Package for the Wanderers, it will cost between 675 and 1,000 rand, depending on the seat, to see the Australia v Pakistan match, South Africa v New Zealand, Kenya v Bangladesh, a Super Six play-off match and the final.

A Team package for Australia for example would cost between 505 and 680 rands to see all their pool matches against Pakistan in Johannesburg, India at Centurion, Holland and Namibia in Potchefstroom, Zimbabwe in Bulawayo and England in Port Elizabeth.

Bacher also reiterated that 50,000 tickets would be taken out of the system and given on a carefully allocated basis to bona fide cricketers in disadvantaged areas.

Tickets go on sale from July 15, when booking will open on the internet, the call centre and at the match venues.

The World Cup kicks off on February 8, 2003.

PHOTO: STAR

Players and officials of Rajbari women's team show V-signs after they won the Pepsi Inter-District volleyball competition yesterday.

Khulna, Rajbari Pepsi v'ball champs

UNB, *Dhaka*

Khulna clinched the men's title of the Pepsi inter-district volleyball competition beating Rajshahi 20-25, 25-20, 14-25, 25-22, 15-13 in the nail-biting final at the Volleyball Stadium yesterday.

Rajbari became champions in the women's group beating Rangpur 25-11, 26-24, 25-17 points.

In the third position deciding match in the men's group, Dhaka beat Kushtia 25-22, 23-25, 28-26, 25-19 while Rajshahi beat Tangail by 25-17, 25-16, 24-26, 25-23 in the women's group.

Waqar the wrecker

Cricket

AFP, *Sharjah*

Pakistani captain Waqar Younis grabbed 4-44 on his way to joining the 350-wicket club to lead a 244-run rout of the West Indies in the second cricket Test here on Sunday.

Set an improbable victory target of 434, the West Indians paid for poor batting and two dubious umpiring decisions to be shot out for 189 at the stroke of stumps on the fourth day.

Pakistan, who won the first Test by 170 runs, swept the two-match series that was shifted to this desert venue after the West Indies declined to play in Pakistan due to security reasons.

Waqar, the 78-Test veteran paceman, ended the series with 352 wickets, becoming the third Pakistani after Wasim Akram (414) and Imran Khan (362) to reach the landmark.

All-rounder Abdur Razzaq chipped in with 3-33 as the beleaguered West Indies lost their last five wickets for 28 runs to crash to a 23rd defeat in their last 27 overseas Tests.

Pakistan, enjoying a first innings lead of 208, made 225-5 in their second knock when Waqar declared three overs after lunch.

In the absence of three top batsmen, including the injured Brian Lara, few expected the West Indies to set a world record and successfully chase the fourth innings target of 434.

The highest a team has scored batting last to win was 406-4 made by India against the West Indies at Port-of-Spain in 1976.

But the inexperience of the top-order and critical umpiring decisions diffused any slim hopes the West Indians may have entertained on a good batting wicket.

Waqar struck in his second over, trapping Chris Gayle leg-before to pick up his 349th Test wicket.

It should have been wicket number 350 two overs later when Wavell Hinds edged an out-swinger to third slip, but Shahid Afridi spilled the comfortable waist-high catch.

The score moved to 46-1 when Darren Ganga (21) was given out leg-before by Australian umpire Darrel Hair even though television replays showed Shoaib Akhtar's ball missing the leg-stump.

One run later, bigger tragedy struck the West Indies when captain Carl Hooper, who top-scored with an unbeaten 84 in the first innings, was declared leg-before off Saqlain Mushtaq.

Replays indicated the ball pitched outside the off-stump and turned only marginally, but Pakistani umpire Shakeel Khan raised his finger as soon as the bowler appealed.

Wavell Hinds appeared to battle it out, making 34 when he was

WAQAR ... 350 Test wkts

deceived by Saqlain's straight ball and edged a catch to substitute wicketkeeper Taufiq Umer.

Umer was standing in temporarily for Rashid Latif, who was hit on the forehand by a ball from Danish Kaneria which bounced off Hinds' pads.

Ryan Hinds hit 46 and Ridley Jacobs an unbeaten 35 to prolong the innings, before Waqar and Razzaq ran through the tail to seal Pakistan's victory.

Earlier, resuming at their overnight score of 130-1, Pakistan lost three quick wickets in the morning session which ended with Waqar's men on 204-4 in their second knock.

Yousuf Youhana remained unbeaten on 52 when Waqar declared soon after lunch.

The stands, virtually empty during the first Test and the previous three days of this match, came alive on Sunday morning with the presence of 1,500 school-children drawn from Sharjah and nearby Dubai.

The children were given free entry for the morning session by organisers hoping to attract spectators for the first Test series at this venue.

Pakistan and the West Indies will play three one-day internationals here on February 14, 15 and 17.

SCOREBOARD

Final scoreboard of the second and last cricket Test between Pakistan and the West Indies on the fourth day at the Sharjah Stadium on Sunday:

PAKISTAN: First innings 472 (Y Khan 153, S Afridi 107, A Razzaq 64 not out, Y Youhana 60; C Cuffy 4-82)

WEST INDIES: First innings 264 (C Hooper 84 not out, D Ganga 65; S Akhtar 4-63, S Mushtaq 3-75)

PAKISTAN: Second innings (overnight 130-1)

Afridi c Jacobs b Dillon	0
Umer lbw b Dillon	69
Younis c Ganga b Dillon	71
Inzamam c sub (Brown) b Collins	6
Youhana not out	52
Razzaq run out	16
Latif not out	2
Extras: (lb-6, w-1, nb-2)	9
Total: (For 5 wkts decl in 76 overs)	225

Fall of wickets: 1-0, 2-144, 3-145, 4-175, 5-216

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Dillon	18	2	57	3
Cuffy	20	4	52	0
Collins	14	2	56	1
R Hinds	12	3	15	0
Ramnarine	12	1	39	0

WEST INDIES: Second innings

Ganga lbw b Shoaib	21
Gayle lbw b Waqar	4
W Hinds c Umer b Saqlain	34
Hooper lbw b Saqlain	1
Chanderpaul lbw b Razzaq	19
R Hinds lbw b Waqar	46
Jacobs not out	35
Dillon lbw b Razzaq	0
Ramnarine lbw b Razzaq	0
Cuffy b Waqar	15
Collins b Waqar	0
Extras: (b-2, lb-6, nb-6)	14
Total: (All out in 61 overs)	189

Fall of wickets: 1-19, 2-46, 3-47, 4-84, 5-114, 6-161, 7-162, 8-162, 9-189

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Waqar	10	2	44	4
Shoaib	8	3	23	1
Razzaq	11	2	33	3
Saqlain	19	8	42	2
Afridi	2	0	14	0
Kaneria	11	2	25	0

Result: Pakistan won by 244 runs to take the series 2-0.
Man-of-the-match: Younis Khan.
Men-of-the-series: Mervyn Dillon and Abdur Razzaq.
Umpires: Darrel Hair (Australia) and Shakeel Khan (Pakistan).