

Pepsi h'ball

UNB, Dhaka

Bangladesh Ansars and BJMC reached the final of the Pepsi 14th Women's handball competition winning their respective semi-finals at the Faridpur Stadium yesterday.

The two teams meet in the final today at 3 pm at the same venue.

BJMC booked their seat in the final outplaying Dhaka 14-3 in the first semis while Bangladesh Ansars beat Panchagar 23-11 in the second semis.

Magura cricket

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Magura

Patriot Sporting Club defeated Bhitashayer Sporting Club by six wickets in the Econo Cricket League at the Magura Stadium on Friday.

Winning the toss, Bhitashayer batted first and collected 142 runs all out in 28.4 overs.

In reply, Patriot scored 144 runs for four wickets in 28 overs.

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correct answers

1. How many ODI matches did Sachin Tendulkar play to score 11000 runs?

Ans: 284

2. Who won the Australian Open title?

Ans: Capriati

3. Who became National Women's chess champion?

Ans: Shabana Parveen

4. Who won the man-of-the-series award in the Bangladesh-Pakistan one-dayers?

Ans: Abdur Razzak

5. Which team clinched the Victory Day hockey title?

Ans: Abahani

Sourav ponders

FROM PAGE 13 Ganguly said that anybody could be subject to a move but refused to speculate on whether that could include star-man Tendulkar.

"We have to look at this because the bottom line is winning, which is everything in this game," Ganguly concluded.

Meanwhile, Rahul Dravid, whose name had been linked with the captaincy before confirmation of Ganguly's extension, will lead India A against the touring Zimbabweans at Vijayawada on Friday.

Dravid missed the one-day series against England due to a shoulder injury but has been pronounced fit to return after a rigorous rehabilitation programme.

The team includes left-arm seamer Ashish Nehra and Tinu Youhannan who impressed on his Test debut against England at Mohali before Christmas.

Pak home after few hiccups



AFP, Sharjah

Pakistan fought off a spirited challenge from the West Indies to record a tense four-wicket win in the first of three one-day internationals here on Thursday.

Defending a modest total of 190, the West Indians reduced their rivals to 110 for five before an unbeaten 46 off 41 balls from Abdul Razzak saw Pakistan home in the 47th over.

Pakistan were taken by surprise by the rejuvenated West Indies, whom they had thrashed by huge margins in the two Test matches preceding the one-day series.

If only Carl Hooper's men had put up a better batting performance, it would have been the Caribbeans going into Friday's second match with a 1-0 lead.

Pakistan were in shambles at 15 for three in the eighth over before Yousof Youhana (39) restored calm with two useful partnerships.

Youhana put on 47 for the fourth wicket with Shahid Afridi (35) and 48 for the fifth with Rashid Latif (47).

But when Latif was sixth out in the 40th over, sweeping Hooper to Corey Collymore at fine-leg, Pakistan still required 38 more.

Razzak, who went before television cameras before the start of play to clarify that his first name was Abdul not Abdur, stayed till the end to see Pakistan home in the company of Wasim Akram (13 not out).

Razzak sealed the hard-fought win by taking 14 runs off Collymore in the 43rd over, including a six over the long-off fence.

The second ball dismissal of Naved Latif, caught behind off Mervyn Dillon was followed by Younis Khan's run out in the next over.

Inzamamul Haq groped for 20 deliveries to score one when he pulled Cameron Cuffy to Darren Ganga at square-leg and open up the middle-order.

Earlier, the West Indies wasted a sound start to be shot out for less than 200 after Hooper won the toss and elected to bat.

Chris Gayle hammered a brilliant 50 off 53 balls and Hooper made 45, but the West Indies lost eight wickets for 93 runs after cruising at 97 for two in the 19th over.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the first one-day international between Pakistan and the West Indies at the Sharjah Cricket Stadium on Thursday:

WEST INDIES: 190 all out in 48.3 overs (Chris Gayle 50, Carl Hooper 45, Ridley Jacobs 25; Abdul Razzak 2-24, Saqlain Mushtaq 2-28)

PAKISTAN
Naved c Jacobs b Dillon 0
Afridi c Collymore b Brown 35
Younis run out 1
Inzamam c Ganga b Cuffy 1
Youhana c and b Hooper 39
Rashid c Collymore b Hooper 47
Razzak not out 46
Wasim not out 13
Extras: (lb-2, w-7, nb-2) 11
Total: (For 6 wkts in 46.1 overs)193
Fall of wickets: 1-1, 2-3, 3-15, 4-62, 5-110, 6-153

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Dillon	9.1	1	32	1
Cuffy	10	1	31	1
Collymore	9	1	37	0
Brown	5	0	31	1
Hooper	10	1	44	2
R Hinds	3	0	16	0

Result: Pakistan won by four wickets.
Man-of-the-match: Abdul Razzak.

Halim leads Dhaka's way

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Mustadir	16	4	56	0
Imran	13	2	45	1
Mahbub	5	2	10	2

Dhaka v Khulna
Venue: Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium

KHULNA: First innings 190 all out in 73.5 overs (Jamaluddin 54 n.o., salim 41, Razzak 21, Rafique 3/26, Fahim 3/44)

DHAKA: First innings (overnight 58 for 1 in 16 overs)
Rashedul c Razzak b Jamaluddin 33

Ashrafuc Asad b Russel	24
Jahangir c Salim b Russel	13
Aminul c sub b Jamaluddin	46
Halim Shah batting	71
Sajjad c & b Jamaludin	26
Rafique batting	5
Extras: (nb-5, nb-1, w-3)	9
Total: (For 5 wkts in 106 overs) 227	
Fall of wicket: 1-48, 2-60, 3-74, 4-161, 5-201.	

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Al-Amin	21	6	50	0
Russel	15	5	43	2
Razzak	16	7	28	0
Jamaluddin	31	9	70	3

Nahidul	1	1	0	0
Tamim	22	7	31	0

Chittagong v Sylhet
Venue: Sylhet Stadium

SYLHET: First innings (overnight 191 for 3 in 96 overs)

Parvez lbw b Enamul	121
Kapali b Suja	41
Rana lbw b Enamul	5
Nasirul st Mortuza b Sabir	50
Rajin c & b Enamul	19
Nayeem run out	7
Hasibul lbw b Enamul	0
Taposh not out	10
Imon lbw b Enamul	9
Mistu c Shafuddin b Sabbir	16
Extras: (b-4, lb-7, nb-8, w-2)	21
Total: (All out in 159.1 overs) 303	
Fall of wickets: 1-7, 2-96, 3-111, 4-223, 5-231, 6-264, 7-264, 8-264, 9-277.	

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Ashique Shafuddin	27	11	73	1
Suja	48	26	68	1
Enamul	49	21	84	5
Sabbir	25.1	5	57	2
Azam	1	0	4	0
Minhazul	3	1	4	0

CHITTAGONG: First innings
Hakim run out 4
Nazimuddin lbw b Hasibul 1
Nafees batting 18
Minhazul batting 24
Extras: (b-5, lb-1, nb-3) 9
Total: (For 2 wkts in 26 overs) 56
Fall of wickets: 1-3, 2-7.

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Hasibul	11	2	29	1
Taposh	6	2	7	0
Parvez	3	2	3	0
Nayeem	6	3	11	0

Friendly cricket

BSS, Dhaka

Jatiya Press Club defeated British American Tobacco Bangladesh by six wickets in a friendly match at BATB ground yesterday.

Winning the toss, British American Tobacco collected 160 for six wickets in the stipulated 30 overs.

In reply, Press Club scored 161 for four wickets in 27.3 overs.

Korean Cup Golf

Shibab, Young emerge champs

SPORTS REPORTER

Shibab Rahman and Young Hee Yi won the respective men's and ladies' titles in the prestigious Korean Cup Tournament at the Kurmitola Golf Club on Friday.

The annual golf event organised by the Korean Embassy and sponsored by the Korean community in Bangladesh, attracted a total of 332 golfers. Among them included 24 lady players.

Earlier, Chief of Air Staff Air Vice Marshal M Rafiqul Islam teed off the participants. He later gave away the prizes at the Club House.

OTHER RESULTS

Senior Winner: Maj Gen (retd) Mustafa Kamal Uddin, **Junior Winner:** Min Gu, **Best Gross:** Gurmest Singh, **Ladies' Best Gross:** Jun Kim, **Second Best Gross:** Sadiq Qudus, **Runner-up:** Sajjad S Ahmed, **Second Runner-up:** Brig Gen Mollah Fazle Akbar, **Front Nine Winner:** Brig Gen Anwar Farid, **Back Nine Winner:** Syed Ashikur Rahman, **Nearest to Pin:** Brig Gen (retd) Zahid Latif, **Longest Drive:** Faisal Khan, **Nine Hole Winner:** Group Captain Ashraful Azhar, **Nine Hole Runner-up:** Siraj Uddin Ahmed.

Schools cricket

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Result: Gaibandha High School won by 63 runs

Sher-e-Bangla High School (Natore) v BB Hindu Academy (Rajshahi)
Venue: Kurigram Stadium

SHER-E-BANGLA HIGH: 132 all out in 30.4 overs (Himel 26, Reza 22, Robin 3/18)

BB HINDU ACADEMY: 119 all out in 32 overs (Mamun 25, Romel 3/20)

Result: Sher-e-Bangla High School won by 13 runs

GK Pilot School (Sherpur) v Laboratory School (Mymensingh)
Venue: Sherpur Stadium

GK PILOT SCHOOL: 121 all out in 34.2 overs (Abhijit 28, Krishna 2/11)

LABORATORY SCHOOL: 124 for 8 (Rahat 57, babu 2/18)

Result: Laboratory School won by two wickets

Aminuddin High School (Madaripur) v SM Model School (Gopalganj)
Venue: Gopalganj Stadium

AMINUDDIN HIGH: 63 all out in 25.5 overs (rajb 17)

SM MODEL: 65 for 3 in 14 overs (Adnan 21, Ashik 16)

Result: SM Model School won by seven wickets



Chief of Air Staff Air Vice-Marshall M Rafiqul Islam (3rd from L) is seen with the participants of the Korean Cup golf tournament at the Kurmitola Golf Club on Friday.

Condon vows clean WC



AFP, Sharjah

An estimated one billion dollars are bet on key cricket matches, the sport's top security official said on Friday while promising a corruption-free World Cup next year.

Paul Condon, chief of the International Cricket Council's (ICC) Anti-Corruption Unit (ACU), said he was confident the evil of match-fixing was on the verge of being uprooted.

"World cricket is on top of corruption," Condon told a media conference here before the start of the second one-day international between Pakistan and the West Indies.

"Our investigations have shown that, at an average, 150 million dollars are at stake in legal and illegal gambling during cricket internationals around the world.

"The figure rises to around a billion dollars in important games where there is a lot of interest.

"But I am certain the challenge from corrupt influences has been suppressed. Cricket is much cleaner now where the outcome is

decided on merit and not by grubby, seedy deals," Condon said.

The ACU was established in the year 2000 after the match-fixing scandal rocked cricket and led to life bans being imposed on three former captains, Mohammad Azharuddin (India), Hansie Cronje (South Africa) and Salim Malik (Pakistan).

Condon, visiting this desert venue to oversee the new security measures in place for the ongoing Pakistan-West Indies series, said he was certain that no match-fixing had taken place anywhere in the world for the last 18 months.

"I can say with absolute authority and certainty that no event-fixing has taken place since September 2000 when the ACU began its investigations," Condon said.

"Of course, some attempts have been made to fix games, but these attempts have been foiled by our investigators with the co-operation of the respective cricket boards around the world.

"We have a database of potential trouble-makers, but I will tell them to take a holiday when the next World Cup is played in South Africa a year from now.

"They will not have a chance to corrupt players or influence results." The 1999 World Cup in England

was marred by allegations of some Pakistan matches being fixed, but Condon said the problem will not arise at the next event in February-March 2003.

"The measures being put in place in South Africa and around the cricket world will ensure that the World Cup is played entirely on merit," he said.

"There will be sensible, but stringent security regime in place, which will act as a major deterrent to would-be corruptors.

"At the same time it will be as unobtrusive as possible, as far as players and spectators are concerned."

And in a major boost to organisers of matches in Sharjah, Condon described the venue as "clean with excellent facilities".

"Sharjah has acted swiftly and decisively in acting on upon the security recommendations of my unit," Condon said.

India, a major crowd-puller here, has refused to take part in Sharjah tournaments in recent times on the pretext that matches here were played under the influence of bookmakers.

TV GUIDE

BTV

3:10 News Headline (Bangla)
3:15 Patriotic songs
3:20 Health program
3:45 Kheladhula: Sports program
4:00 News
4:10 Unmesh: Program by new artists

4:30 Live transmission of the 2nd session of 8th National Parliament

5:00 News Headline (Bangla)
5:05 Computer
5:30 Family Planning program

6:00 News in Bangla
6:10 Nibedan: Regional cultural program

6:35 Program from BTV (Chittagong)
7:00 News Headline (English)

7:05 Memorial program on General Osmany
7:30 Geetimala: Tagore songs

8:00 News in Bangla
8:30 Weekly drama: Faand
9:00 News Headline (Bangla)

10:00 News at ten
10:25 Ekush amar ahankar
11:20 Drama serial: Sensitive samurai

11:30 News (Bangla/English)
11:45 Close

EKUSHEY TV

12:00 Ekushey Headlines
12:05 Ajker Potriky
12:20 Mukto Khobor

12:50 Bolte Chai
1:20 Classic Cartoons
2:00 Toyota World of Wildlife

2:30 Ei Shoptaho
3:00 Ekushey Headlines
3:05 Jatra Pala

5:30 Shoptaho Ghura Deshjure
6:00 Ekushey Headlines

6:05 Serial: Alif Laila
6:55 Ekushey Headlines
7:00 Kena Kata

8:00 Ekushey News
8:30 Bangla Film: Sheash Shongreem

10:00 News: Simulcast from BTV
10:30 Bangla Film: Sheash Shongreem

11:00 Ekushey Late Night News

ATN

5:30 Islamic prog:
Children Cholo Gan Gai

7:35 Motamot
8:00 ATN Bangla News
8:25 Musical prog

9:00 Meril Tumar Janne Gan
9:35 Manazine prog. Muktho Katha

10:10 Business Line
10:50 Bengali feature film: Tume Amar Bhalobasa

12:00pm ATN Bangla News
6:07 Children Prog Shapla Saluk

6:45 Viewers request fim songs prog. Anurodher Assor

7:00 ATN Bangla Evening News

7:35 Drama serial. Todontho Cholche

8:10 Reporting prog. Ghotona Probaha

8:45 Drama Serial : Chomok Vila

9:20 Special prog. Bango Ber General Usmani

10:00 ATN Bangla News
10:35 Drama : Durotho

11:05 Film Magazine : Bolivooder Khobor

11:30 ATN Bangla News
12:00 Bengali feature film : Raja Mestry

BBC WORLD

6:00 BBC News
6:30 World Business Report

7:00 BBC News
7:30 Asia Today/World Business Report

8:00 BBC News
8:30 Asia Today/World Business Report

9:00 BBC News
9:30 Asia Today/World Business Report

10:00 BBC News
10:30 Talking Movies

11:00 BBC News
11:30 Hospital

12:00 BBC News
12:30 Click Online

5:30 This Week

HBO

7:00 Havana

10:00 Nadine

1145 The Chamber

2:00 Reality Bites

4:00 Darkman II : The Return of Durant

6:00 Mother

8:00 Look Who's Talking Too

10:00 Practical Magic

12:15 Idle Hands

2:00 Glory

4:30 The Chamber

STAR GOLD

7:30am Satyakam (Dharmendra, Sharmila Tagore)

10:30 Bollywood News

11:00 Geet Bahar

12:00pm Nagin (Pradeep Kumar, Vyjayantimala)

3:00 Bollywood News

3:30 Himmat (Sunny Deol, Tabu, Shilpa Shetty)

7:00 Geet Bahar

7:30 Saturday Special : Khuda Gawah

11:00 Hit Film:in Hit Sangeet

9:30 Fox Kids

10:25 Kya Film Kya Geet

10:30 Family Fortunes

11:00 Amul Best of Surabhi

11:30 Chalti Ka Naam Antakshari

12:00 Eena Meena Deeka

1:30 Tu Tu Main Main

1:30 Gharwali Uparwali

2:00 Hit Film:in Hit Sangeet

2:30 Bol Baby Bol

3:00 The Price is Right

3:30 Sarhad (Raj Babbar, Farha Khan)

6:30 Fox Kids