

M'singh cricket

OUR CORRESPONDENT, M'singh

Asit Memorial Club defeated Shaheed Ratan Sangsads by eight wickets in the Premier Division Cricket League at local stadium yesterday.

Batting first, Shaheed Ratan scored 171 runs all out in 44 overs.

In reply, Asit Memorial made 172 losing two wickets in 38 overs.

In another match at Circuit House ground, Al-Helal AC beat Shapla Krira Chakra by 50 runs.

Al-Helal batted first and made 170 runs all out.

In reply, Shapla Krira Chakra scored 120 runs all out.

Zia's reign

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Golden

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Ace forward Rafiqul Islam Kamal struck twice while Tayeb Reza, Ashiquzzaman and Shamsuddin Tuhi added one each. On the other hand, Russell Mahmud and Sultan Mahmud reduced the margin for the sports institute.

In the other match of the day, Dhaka University came from behind to defeat Bangladesh Air Force 2-1.

Omar Ali put the airmen in front after 22 minutes. But goals from forward Ariful Haque Prince in the 39th minute and his partner Moududur Rahman Shuvu in the 61st minute saved the blushes of the university team.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Opening Ceremony (4 pm)

Venue: BNS

HANDBALL

BDR v Natre (10:20 am)

Dhaka v Faridpur (11:30 am)

Venue: Handball court.

VOLLEYBALL

BJMC v Khulna (9:30 am)

Ansars v Rajshahi (9:30 am)

Venue: Volleyball court.

BADMINTON

Venue: Wooden floor Gymnasium (9 am)

BASKETBALL

Army v Patuakhali (8 am)

Navy v Brahmanbaria (9:30 pm)

Police v Munshiganj (11 am)

BDR v Rajshahi (4:30 pm)

Dhaka v Chittagong (6 pm)

Venue: Dhanmondi Basketball Gymnasium.

CYCLING

120 km Road Race (6 am)

50 km Road Race (6 am)

Venue: Shaharwary Uddyian

GYMNASIICS

Venue: NSC Gymnasium (9 am)

Sourav-spurred India



REUTERS, Mohali

Skipper Sourav Ganguly top-scored with a sparkling 83-ball 86 as India amassed 319 for six wickets in their allotted 50 overs in the second one-day international against Zimbabwe on Sunday.

India piled up their highest-ever total against their African opponents by surpassing their previous best of 306 for five after Ganguly chose to take first strike on a good batting pitch in the day-night game.

The left-hander showed no ill-effects of a knee injury to lead the early batting assault to score his 45th one-day fifty, and fourth in consecutive games.

Ganguly and fellow left-hander Dinesh Mongia dominated a wayward Zimbabwe pace attack to raise a rapid 109-run opening partnership.

He then joined the wristsy Vangipurappu (52) to add another 81 runs for the second wicket after Mongia was dismissed for a 52-ball 45, which included nine fours.

Rahul Dravid then lashed an unbeaten 66 from 59 balls in an unusually aggressive effort to lift India past the 300-run mark and keep their grip on a struggling bowling attack until the end.

Zimbabwe's bowlers added to their woes by bowling as many as 25

wides in a huge tally of 34 extras. Young paceman Travis Friend alone sent down 10 wides, including five in an 11-ball over.

Ganguly hit eight fours and three huge sixes down the straight field during his 83-ball effort before he was run out nearing his 19th one-day century.

He failed to beat an accurate throw from squareleg fielder Heath Streak after playing paceman Travis Friend off his pads.

Both Ganguly and Mongia went after the pace trio of Streak, Friend and Gary Brent, scoring freely on both sides of the wicket to maintain a run rate of over six an over.

The two brought up India's 100 in just 84 deliveries and on Mongia's dismissal, driving Douglas Marillier's fast off-break to mid-on, Ganguly and Laxman continued to rapidly build the innings.

Zimbabwe's leading paceman Streak bore the brunt of the Indian batsmen, going for 72 runs in his 10-over spell.

Only Marillier, whose batting exploits helped Zimbabwe pull off a sensational one-wicket victory in the first game, showed some consistency to return 1-51 from his full quota of overs.

Laxman's 72-ball effort ended in the 40th over when he edged an attempted pull against Friend to point, but Dravid took over to remain unbeaten until the end.

Dravid hit six fours after completing his 36th one-day fifty and found good support from Mohammad Kaif

(15) and Harbhajan Singh (15 not out), who both added quick runs into the final overs.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the Indian innings against Zimbabwe in the second one-day international against on Sunday:

INDIA

Mongia c Friend b Marillier	45
Ganguly run out	86
Laxman c Ebrahim b Friend	52
Dravid not out	66
Kaif b Flower	15
Agarwala c Marillier b Brent	6
Bangar c Wishart b Brent	0
Harbhajan not out	15
Extras: (b-2, lb-5, w-25, nb-2)	34
Total: (For 6 wkts in 50 overs)	319

Fall of wickets: 1-109 2-190 3-243 4-276 5-290 6-291

Did not bat: Ajay Ratra, Anil Kumble, Zaheer Khan

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Streak	10	0	72	0
Friend	10	0	57	1
Brent	9	0	60	2
Marillier	10	0	51	1
Flower	9	0	56	1
Campbell	2	0	16	0

ZIMBABWE: Stuart Carlisle, Heath Streak, Alistair Campbell, Dion Ebrahim, Andy Flower, Grant Flower, Travis Friend, Tatenda Taibu, Craig Wishart, Gary Brent, Douglas Marillier.

Umpires: Aloke Bhattacharjee and Shavir Tapare.

England comes next

AFP, Lahore

Sri Lanka captain Sanath Jayasuriya said he is setting his sights on England after clinching the Asian Test title with an emphatic eight-wicket win over Pakistan on Sunday.

"Winning the Asian Test Championship is definitely a morale boost for us ahead of our tour to England and we will do our best to win that series as well," Jayasuriya told reporters here.

Sri Lanka tour England in May to play their first full three-Test series. "We had a point to prove before the Asian Test final since we had won all our previous eight Tests on home grounds and I am happy we have won this match," Jayasuriya, 32, said.

Sri Lanka beat India in the last Test of their home series in July followed by clean sweep of West Indies and Zimbabwe in three-match series.

"The boys know what is expected of them in international cricket and it's always a team effort and my team is gaining experience with each game they play," he said.

The Sri Lankan captain denied off-spinner Muttiah Muralitharan had been put off by remarks over his bowling action.

"Muralitharan is mentally very strong and such things never distract him," he said.

Indian spinner Bishen Singh Bedi and West Indian pacer Michael Holding reigned Muralitharan's bowling action controversy, saying he had a suspect action.

Jayasuriya-led Sri Lanka also beat Pakistan 2-1 in their three-match Test series in 1999-2000 but lost their return series at home four months later.

"We didn't play well when Pakistan beat us on our home ground but it's always in the game," he said.

"Here we batted well, bowled well and I'm happy that Kumar Sangakkara hit a double hundred and Chaminda Vaas and Muttiah Muralitharan bowled well throughout the match."

Coach Dav Whatmore laughed when asked if he had a magic stick to guide Sri Lanka to victory.

A team

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Hinds	4	3	7	0
BANGLADESH	A:	Second	innings	
Nanthan not out	8			
Ehsanul b Powell	7			
Mazharul not out	0			
Total: (For 1 wkt in 5 overs)	15			

Bowler	O	M	R	W
McGrath	14	3	30	0
Gillespie	12	4	34	0
Warne	26	5	77	1
Lee	11	2	55	1
McGraw	5	2	22	0
Nanthan	2			

SOUTH AFRICA: Second innings Gibbs c Ponting b Warne 39
Kirsten lbw b Lee 87
Smith not out 63
Kallis not out 27
Extras: (lb-2, w-2) 4

Total: (For 2 wkts in 68 overs) 220

Fall of wickets: 1-84, 2-183

To bat: Neil McKenzie, Ashwell Prince, Mark Boucher, Andrew Hall, Paul Adams, Makhaya Ntini, Dewald Pretorius.

Bowler	O	M	R	W
McGrath	14	3	30	0
Gillespie	12	4	34	0
Warne	26	5	77	1
Lee	11	2	55	1
McGraw	5	2	22	0
Breese	1	1	0	0

Fall of wicket: 1-9

Bowler	O	M	R	W
D Powell	2	1	1	1
Lawson	1	0	8	0
Bernard	1	0	6	0
Breese	1	1	0	0

McGraw lbw b Ntini 2

McGraw lbw b Lee 0

Lee lbw b Ntini 0