

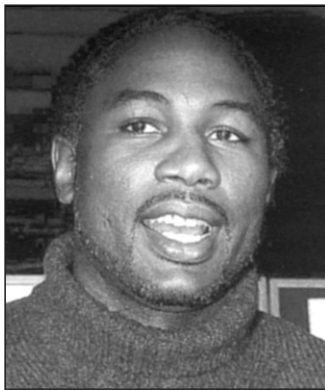
# Star SPORT

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## Did U Know?

'Colonel' is the nickname earned by former India batsman Dilip Vengsarkar for his half-dozen sixes in the Irani Cup match in 1975-76, which earned him Test selection. Critics compared him with Col C K Nayudu. The nickname stuck to the dashing batsman to his displeasure.



**Lennox Lewis**  
(World heavyweight champion)  
"He's a biter, and I'm a fighter."  
After Mike Tyson bit his leg during a scuffle marring a media promotion for their heavyweight title fight.



## What to WATCH

### ESPN

Western Union World Football  
10:00 am  
World Cup Soccer Mix  
11:30 pm  
**South Africa vs Australia**  
Third Test, Day One  
**Live at 1:55 pm**  
**Sportscentre Hindi**  
Sport News  
**Live at 3:00 pm**  
Cricket Programming  
Super Selector  
11:00 pm

### STAR Sports

**New Zealand vs England**  
First Test, Day Three  
**Live at 3:27 am**  
Sportsline Today  
Sport News  
10:30 am  
Sportsline Tonight  
Sport News  
**Live at 8:00 pm**  
Cricket Programming  
Super Selector  
10:00 pm



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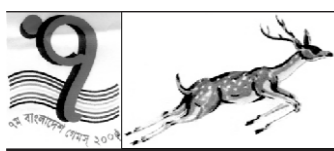
Competition closes at 8 pm  
March 15, 2002 and draw shortly afterwards

- Who won the U-19 cricket World Cup?  
Australia South Africa New Zealand
  - Who became African Nations Cup football champions?  
Cameroon Senegal Ghana
  - What was the result of the first ever Test series in Sharjah between Pakistan and West Indies?  
2-0 1-1
  - Who clinched the National junior chess title?  
Jamaluddin Sagar
  - Who won the Pan Pacific Open tennis title?  
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## NSU beat BRAC

North South University (NSU) outplayed BRAC University by 172 runs in the inter-private university cricket tournament at DOHS ground on Thursday. NSU scored 320 runs for seven wickets in 40 overs with captain Ethin scoring the highest 85, Sakib 74 and Qamrul an unbeaten 57. BRAC University, in reply, were all out for 148 in 29.2 overs.

## Maruf's golden double



### SPORTS REPORTER

Maruf Reza completed a dream double when the 20-year-old sprinter clinched the elusive 100m gold at the Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium in Mirpur yesterday.

A first year student of the Bangladesh Krira Shikkha Protishthan (BKSP), Maruf ran away with the most sought after glory in athletics following his triumph in the 200m sprint two days back.

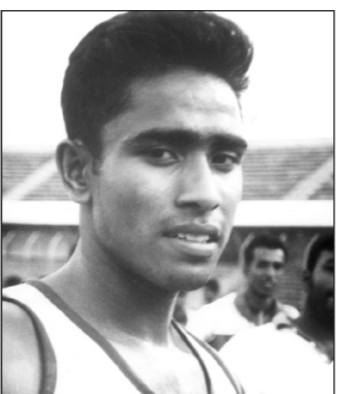
His feat would not have been more befitting as he became the fastest man in Bangladesh slicing off Bimal Chandra Tarafder's 7-year-old record of 10.57sec by .07sec.

Bimal, who defected to the United States during the Atlanta Olympics, set the record in the 1995 National Athletics Championship.

Maruf's fellow BKSP sprinter Fouzia Huda Jui also became new queen of track and field event when she finished with 12.18sec in 100m dash.

When Maruf was basking in glory, country's ace runner Mahbub Alam was trying to get over his disappointment by being philosophical.

"Let's put it like that...this year (2002) was a bad season for me," said a dejected Mahbub, tipped as top favourite, left the track in pain.



MARUF REZA ... fastest man

The Navy's number one sprinter, who also skipped the 200m race with a groin injury, however vowed to come back strong next year.

Knowing well about Mahbub's injury, Maruf did not consider the SAF Games gold medalist (in 200m) as his major threat.

Terming Mahbub as his idol,

Maruf said, "I was more worried about Army's Hymaun Kabir who got the silver."

Meanwhile, another new national record was set in men's high jump when Abu Tayeb of Navy cleared 1.97m, .01 metres more than the previous mark.

A total of twelve events and 35 out of 36 gold were decided so far. Men's marathon is the only event remaining undecided. It starts at 5:30 am today.

Out of 35 golds, Bangladesh Army won 14, BJMC 13, BKSP and Bangladesh Navy 4 each.

Team	G	S	B
BJMC	34	26	10
Army	26	20	13
Ansarand VDP	24	25	29
Navy	13	14	6
BKSP	9	12	14
Biman	4	4	4
BDR	2	8	13
Titas Gas	2	1	2
Dhaka University	2	0	3
Dhaka Rifle Club	2	0	1
Police	1	7	6
N'ganj Rifle Club	1	2	2
Dhaka	1	1	3
Bogra	1	1	0
ASA	1	0	0
Gulshan Shooting Club	1	0	0
Rangamati	1	0	0
Notrumps	1	0	0
Madaripur	1	0	0

## Pak-SL to start Sharjah Cup

AFP, New Delhi

Pakistan will clash with Sri Lanka in the opening match of the three-nation Sharjah Cup limited-overs tournament in the United Arab Emirates, organisers said on Thursday.

New Zealand are the third team in the tournament that runs from April 8 to 17, the Cricketers' Benefit Fund Series announced in a media release.

Each team will play the other twice in the preliminary league with the top two advancing to the final on April 17.

New Zealand will tour Pakistan at the end of the tournament for the rescheduled series of two Tests and three one-day internationals.

Sharjah, in the United Arab Emirates, has hosted more one-day internationals (184) than any other venue in the world. Last month it hosted the first ever Test series played at a neutral venue when Pakistan beat West Indies 2-0.

### SCHEDULE

Apr 8: Pakistan v Sri Lanka  
Apr 9: New Zealand v Sri Lanka  
Apr 11: New Zealand v Pakistan  
Apr 12: Pakistan v Sri Lanka  
Apr 14: New Zealand v Sri Lanka  
Apr 15: New Zealand v Pakistan  
Apr 17: Final

## Imran calls ICC 'impotent'

AFP, Dhaka

Former Pakistani cricket superstar Imran Khan Wednesday criticised international cricket's governing body for allegedly failing to solve match-fixing and umpiring problems.

"The ICC (International Cricket Council) could not solve the problems (of match-fixing and umpire issues) in a proper manner ... It is an impotent body," Khan told reporters in Dhaka.

The former Pakistani captain warned match-fixing was still a major blight on the modern game but admitted it was often difficult to prove.

The international cricket world was last year rocked by a series of scandals which ended the careers of several leading cricketers from South Africa, India and Pakistan.

"I believe that there is match-fixing in cricket but it is very tough to prove unless there is instance like Hanse Cronje," he said, referring to the former South African cricket captain who admitted match-fixing activities.

Khan, who was in Bangladesh to accompany his wife Jemima on a UNICEF child welfare project, is due to end his three-day visit to Bangladesh Thursday.

## 4 new faces on Windies team

AFP, Bridgetown

West Indies cricket selectors drafted in four new caps and recalled two players from the wilderness in a 22-strong squad named here Wednesday for the forthcoming one-day and Test series' against India.

Opening batsman Devon Smith, off-spin all-rounder Gareth Brees, along with fast bowlers Adam Sanford and Darrell Powell are the four newcomers picked for the five Tests and five limited-overs internationals against the Indians.

Opening batsman Stuart Williams and wicketkeeper-batsman Junior Murray, two players who have not featured in recent selections, have also been included in the squad that will be encamped in Trinidad between March 21 and 28.

Former West Indies captain Brian Lara and Ramnaresh Sarwan, two players who are fit again after recovering from injury, have been picked in the squad. Lara has only started net practice following a near three-month break from the game. The world record-breaking batsman had his right elbow dislocated during a limited-overs international against Sri Lanka last December.

Sarwan returned to cricket during Guyana's final preliminary match against Leeward Islands after a two-month break. The diminutive right-hander pulled out of the team's training camp just prior to the series against Pakistan with a back injury.

Williams, who was a member of the 1999 World Cup team, played the last of his 28 Tests against South Africa at Port Elizabeth four years ago.

### SQUAD

Carl Hooper (captain), Marlon Black, Gareth Brees, Shivnarine Chanderpaul, Pedro Collins, Cameron Cuffy, Mervyn Dillon, Daren Ganga, Chris Gayle, Ryan Hinds, Wavell Hinds, Ridley Jacobs, Brian Lara, Runako Morton, Junior Murray, Mahendra Nagamootoo, Darrell Powell, Dinanath Ramnarine, Ramnaresh Sarwan, Devon Smith, Adam Sanford, Stuart Williams.



Abu Tayeb of Bangladesh Navy clears 1.97 metres to set a new national record on Thursday.

## Kapali Barisal's destroyer

### ISPAHANI MIRZAPORE TEA 3rd National Cricket League

### SPORTS REPORTER

Alok Kapali finished with a fantastic seven-wicket haul to dash Barisal's hopes of winning their first point in the Ishpani national League.

The exploits of the Sylhet leg-spinner saw Barisal collapse to 151 on the second day of their four-day match at the Sylhet Stadium on Thursday.

Kapali finished with seven for 33. It was the second-best bowling performance in an innings in this year's first-class competition behind Chittagong pacesman Safiuddin Babu's eight-wicket haul.

Shaheen with 42 was the top-score for Barisal, who are yet to get a point in either competitions of the League.

Sylhet, who scored exactly 200 in the first innings, were 63 for no loss at stumps. They are now enjoying a lead of 113 runs going into the third day.

**Dhaka v Rajshahi**  
Champions Dhaka took a first innings lead of 126 runs against

hosts Rajshahi to assert their determination to end the campaign as the lone unbeaten team.

The visitors, who scored 299 in their first innings, bowled the home side out for 173 thanks a four-wicket haul by young leg-spinner Arafat Sunny.

Arafat finished with four for 33. Pacesman Mohammed Sharif and off-spinner Fahim Muntasir captured two wickets each.

**Chittagong v Khulna**  
At Comilla, Chittagong piled up a huge 325 against Khulna, who were stuttering on 51 for 3 at close.

The high point of the day's proceedings was Chittagong skipper Azam Iqbal's 71. The right-hander struck seven boundaries in his 190-ball knock before being dismissed by his Khulna counterpart Hasanuzzaman.

Incidentally, it was the highest individual score in the Chittagong innings after a belated correction in the scoreboard saw Minhazul Abedin's score being confirmed as 66.

Minhaz, who became the first player to make 1000 runs in the first-class competition on Wednesday,

was erroneously shown 83 not out yesterday. Actually, the experienced right-hander had remained unbeaten on 51 at stumps on the first day.

### SCOREBOARD

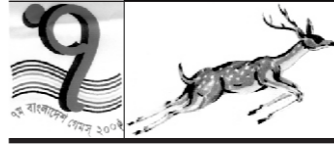
**Dhaka vs Rajshahi**  
Venue: Rajshahi Stadium  
**DHAKA:** First innings (overnight 296 for 9 in 92 overs)  
Rashedul c & b Al-Mamun 1  
Ashraf c & b Aminul jr. 7  
Jahangir c Kalim b Rana 33  
Halim c Nuruzzaman b Aminul jr. 1  
Mosarraf b Rana 18  
Shipon c Samimul b Rana 25  
K Mahmud st. Samimul b Imran 66  
Kadir lbw b Imran 34  
Fahim c & b Mahabub 52  
Sharif not out 36  
Arafat lbw b Al-Mamun 0  
Extras: (b-17, lb-4, nb-5) 26  
Total: (All out in 94.3 overs) 299  
Fall of wickets: 1-7, 2-17, 3-23, 4-55, 5-93, 6-104, 7-184, 8-215, 9-296  
**Bowler**  
Aminul jr. 12.5 2 15 2  
Al-Mamun 15.3 8 37 2  
Nuruzzaman 0.1 0 2 0  
Sohel Rana 19 3 83 3

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Interested cricketers of age groups-13, 15 and 17-gather at the Kalabagan Club compound to take a medical check-up.

## It's Karar-Doly tale again



### SPORTS REPORTER

Karar Samedul Islam of Bangladesh Navy continued to show his record breaking performance when he won 200m breaststroke yesterday following his triumph in 100m event only the previous day.

The country's top swimmer clocked 2min 27.87sec to shatter

has bagged four gold so far.

### FOOTBALL

The semifinals of the eight-team football competition will be held at the Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium in Mirpur today.

Defending champions Dhaka University will take on Chittagong in the first semifinal at 4 pm while the second semifinal between Dhaka Division and Bangladesh Army will start at 6 pm.

### HOCKEY

Hodlers Dhaka Division and Dhaka University moved into the hockey semifinals.

Both Dhaka and Dhaka University earned five points each after the first round while BKSP and BAF have two points apiece.

Dhaka emerged group champions with better scoring rate.

In tomorrow's semifinals, Dhaka will meet Faridpur while Dhaka University will encounter Bangladesh Army.

### TENNIS

Shifat Nurrat Baishakhi and Shathi Sarkar won the women's doubles gold yesterday.

In a one-sided final at the National Tennis Complex, Baishakhi and Shathi registered a straight set (61-, 6-2) victory over Ishrat Sultana and Asma Khatun to bag the gold.

The champion duo Baishakhi and Shathi will fight each other for the singles title.

### KABADI

Bangladesh Rifles (BDR), Khulna, Police and Army moved into the kabadi semifinals after winning their respective quarterfinals yesterday.

In the quarterfinals, BDR beat Satkhira 79-23, Khulna defeated Fire Services 65-47, Police outplayed Tangail 76-29 and Army thrashed Dhaka 105-68.

In today's semifinals, BDR will meet Khulna and Police will battle against Army.

### GOLD GRABBERS

**Athletics**  
Men: 100m- Maruf Reza (BKSP) 10.50 secs, 110m hurdles- Delwar Hossain (BJMC) 14.76 secs, 400m- Haider Ali (Army) 48.56 secs, triple jump- Alefuddin (Army) 14.68 metres, high jump- Abu Tayeb (Navy) 1.97 metres, 10,000m- Kafi Sarkar (army) 33 min 16.4 secs, 4x400m relay- Army 3 min 2.56 secs,  
Women: 100m- Fouzia Huda Jui (BKSP) 12.18 secs, 400m- Nazmunnahar Beauty (BJMC) 57.08 secs, 800m- Halima Khatun (BJMC) 2 min 22.41 secs, 4x400 relay- BJMC 4 min 12.2 secs, Discus- Shahin Azad (BJMC) 34.93 metres.

**Swimming**  
Men: 400m individual medley- Rubel Rana (Navy) 4 min 56.45 secs, 50m backstroke- Rubel Rana (Navy) 29.86 secs, 100m freestyle- Kazi Monirul Islam (Navy) 55.73 secs, 200m breaststroke- Karar Samedul Islam (Navy) 2 min 27.87 secs, 4x200m freestyle relay- Navy 8 min 30.70 secs.  
Women: 400m individual medley- Doly Akhter (BJMC) 6 min 31.11 secs, 50m backstroke- Doly Akhter (BJMC) 37.87 secs, 100m freestyle- Doly Akhter (BJMC) 1 min 11.74 secs, 200m breaststroke- Doly Akhter (BJMC) 3 min 11.20 secs, 4x200m relay- Ansar and VDP 11 min 21.15 secs.

**Wrestling**  
125 kg- Ashraf Ali (BDR), -97 kg- Giasuddin (BDR), -85 kg- Rabiul Awal (BDR), -76 kg- Kamal Hossain (Ansars), -69 kg- Alamgir (BDR), -63 kg- Kamal Hossain (Police), -58 kg- Anisur Rahman (BDR) and 54 kg- Lokman Hossain (Ansars).

### Athletics

Men's marathon (5:30 am)

### TODAY'S EVENTS

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PHOTO: STAR

Doly Akhter of BJMC powers her way to winning the women's 200m breaststroke on Thursday.

previous Bangladesh Games record of 2min 33.38sec and better another SAF Games record of Karar Mizanur Rahman.

On Wednesday, Samedul upstaged the 100m SAF Games breaststroke record of Mizanur. Mizanur, who is also hailed from Kishoreganj, set the record in 200m with 2min 32.05sec in the sixth SAF Games in Dhaka in 1993.

Like Karar, Doly Akhter is also going great guns in women's events. The BJMC swimmer, who shattered two national records in 50 butterfly and 100 breaststroke on Wednesday, ruled the pool taking four more gold yesterday.

The sensational swimmer grabbed gold in 400m individual medley, 50m backstroke, 100m freestyle and 200m breaststroke yesterday.

Doly set new national records in 200m breaststroke (3min 11.20sec) and 50 backstroke (37.87sec).

Navy's Rubel Rana was the other hero of the day winning the 400m medley and 50m backstroke. Rubel

On Thursday, Dhaka shared points with Bangladesh Air Force (2-2) in the day's first match. The next match between Dhaka University and BKSP also ended in an identical draw.



SAMEDUL ... 200m gold

## Herculean Hoggard



AFP, Christchurch

Matthew Hoggard surpassed the great Fred Trueman to put England on the road to victory in the opening cricket Test against New Zealand at Jade Stadium here Thursday.

He bettered his illustrious fellow Yorkshireman to produce the best performance by an English fast bowler in New Zealand, claiming 7-63 to skittle the Kiwis for 147 and seize an 81-run innings lead.

By stumps on the second day, England had pushed the lead out to 144 runs at 63 for two with Mark Butcher not out 22 and first innings centurion Nasser Hussain on six.

Forty years ago Trueman captured 7-75 to terrorise the Kiwis on this ground - on Thursday it was 25-year-old Hoggard's turn.

Given the flurry of 22 wickets over the first two days' play and barring a weather intervention, the match is expected to be over well inside five days.

Yorkshire's leading bowler Darren Gough may not be playing in the current series, but Hoggard signalled a coming of age in the England team with his stout-hearted display, bowling with verve and swing to destroy the Kiwis.

"This winter has been a big test for me and a big chance for me to prove myself," said Hoggard.

"Obviously with the absence of Darren Gough, especially in India where the conditions were a lot tougher than here and then again when you come to a place like this

with a helpful wicket, you have got the pressure on you to get the wickets.

"It's just one performance at the moment, I've got to put a few more performances under my belt before I can be recognised as a top-class bowler, hopefully I can keep on performing."

Hoggard toiled unchanged for 17 overs Thursday to take his first five wickets and then came back to finish off the Kiwis with two more wickets.

"It's a nice feeling to be told to lead the guys off and hopefully I can do it again in my career, but if it doesn't it's going to be a fond memory," he said.

Hoggard, playing in only his sixth Test, was well supported by the experienced Andy Caddick, who wrecked New Zealand's lingering hopes of a late-order resurgence with three key wickets in five balls.

The New Zealand-born Caddick removed Stephen Fleming (12) and Chris Cairns and Adam Parore for ducks to send the Kiwis diving from 115 for five to 117 for eight.

Caddick finished with 3-50 off 18 overs to take his Test career tally to 184.

New Zealand had some outside hope of making in-roads into the sizeable deficit with a typically pugnacious knock by Craig McMillan, but when he became Hoggard's sixth victim for 40, the end was swift and inevitable.

Earlier nightwatchman Daniel Vettori had frustrated England's efforts for a quick breakthrough with an aggressive knock of 42.

But then Hoggard struck, removing Matt Horne for 14 and Vettori to

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