

to victory

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Nairobi vesterday.

target.

The Bangladesh A team ended

their short tour of Kenya on a

winning note when they posted a

comprehensive ten-wicket victory

innings of the three-day game,

cruised to the required 39-run

Rafiqul Islam remained unde-

side, forced to follow on after being

all out for 248, batted more respon-

sibly in the second innings before

being dismissed for 294 in 76

The national second-string

team, who began with a drawn

three-day game but lost a three-

match limited-overs series, are

Football meeting

expected to fly home today.

overs, a lead of 38 runs.

eight wickets.

today

PHOTO: STAR

feated on 17 and 13 respectively.

Openers Hannan Sarkar and

Earlier in the morning, the home



In 1921, Pierre de Coubertin, founder of the modern Olympic Games, borrowed a Latin phrase from his friend, Father Henri Didon, for the Olympic motto: Citius, Altius, Fortius ("Swifter, Higher, Stronger").



ESPN

Pakistan vs Autralia Triangular Tournament Second ODI Live at 12:25 pm Sportscentre Hindi Sport News Live at 8:30 pm Real Madrid vs Fevenoord UEFA Super Cup Final Live at 12:30 am (Saturday) **STAR Sports** English Premier Football League Blakburn Rovers vs Liverpool Taped Version at 12:30 pm Sportsline Tonight

Sport News Live at 8:00 pm US Open Men's Second Rd/Women's 3rd Rd Live at 8:30 pm





Diego Maradona (Argentine soccer legend) "It doesn't matter how I sing, whether



Rahmatganj's Selim (C) trying to go past Mohammedan's Hassan (R) during their National Bank Premier Division Football League encounter at the Bangabandhu National stadium yesterday.

MSC ride on Kanchan

Rana on the top of the box.

were busy defending their own fort

against a menacingly-poised

Rahmatganj attacking trio of

Nepalese Basanta Thapa,

Rahmatganj restored parity five

Rahmatganj were unfortunate of

taking the lead early in the second

half when Basanta drove the ball

twice straight to Mohammedan

custodian Nizam from an advanta-

geous position and with all the time

Slam win streak to 16 matches.

Evert and Martina Navratilova.

our goal," Serena Williams said. "I

don't think we're there the way

Martina and Chris were. We are

working hard. Venus motivates me.

She makes me want to go home

and work hard. Seeing her do this

well make we really want to go out

Serena fired 16 winners and took

Sibling rivalry took over as

and work."

Football

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An 85th goal by Rokonuzzaman Kanchan let Mohammedan Sporting Club off the hook against Rahmatganj Muslim Friends Society, who went down fighting 1-2 in a see-saw National Bank Premier League match at the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday.

Sahajuddin Tipu and Mojibur The victory also enabled Rahman Ritu. Mohammedan to regain the top Mohammedan midfield was spot with 19 points from seven totally out of sorts in absence of Joy, matches. who was serving a one-match ban

Kanchan headed home a dipafter receiving three yellow cards. bing corner from dead-ball specialist Masud Rana when the black and minutes from the lemon break whites appeared to be heading for through a glancing Tipu header. another shootout after their Tipu celebrated his fourth League tiebreak defeat against goal from a well-crafted corner that Muktijoddha in the previous game. came by his way via a Faisal head Kanchan's fifth goal in the from the far post. League and his most important

effort under pressure let the popular Motijheel get away against a spirited Rahmatgani, who created more chances than their colourful opponents in a keenly fought con-



ble attacker scored his second He stood firmly under the bar League goal with a curling shot against a desperate Rahmatganj after being nicely fed by Masud during the last few minutes fisting away a beefy attempt from Tipu and But apart from the early goal parried off a Basanta shot in the Mohammedan without their injury time. midfield workhorse Arif Khan Joy

It was Mohammedan's sixth win. They are now leading holders Abahani Krira Chakra and Muktijoddha by two points.

The defeat on the other hand was a blow for Rahmatganj to win a place in the Super Five. Finished third last year, the old town outfit remained glued to their previous collection of six points after seven matches.

Yellow cards: Hasan, Farhad (Mohammedan) and Basanta (Rahmatgani).

TEAMS

MOHAMMEDAN SC: Nizam, Jewel, Masud Rana, Titu, Hasan, Abdullah Salisu, Faisal, Monwar (Tushar/Anwar), Farhad (Sentu), Kanchan and Nakib

RAHMATGANJ MFS: Anwar, Apu (Shoaib), Deen Mohammad, Abu Faisal, Narayan, Selim, Shamim, Basanta, Taiu, Ritu and Tipu

Pakistan's rusty start BD A cruise

Cricket

BBC. Nairobi

Pakistan made hard work of beating Kenya by four wickets in the open-

against the Kenyan Cricket Association Development team in ing match of the triangular series in Nairobi on Thursday. Chasing just 134 to win after Sanwar Hossain's men. after scoring a massive 504 in their first

dismissing the hosts in 30.3 overs, Pakistan lost two wickets in the first four overs. Further wickets tumbled before

Inzamamul Haq and Rashid Latif saw Pakistan home, Latif hitting a six to finish the match in the 34th over of the reply

Latif ended 28 not out off 22 balls, while Inzamam was 14 not out in an unbeaten partnership of 37 the highest of the innings.

Abdul Razzaq and Wasim Right-arm seamer Taposh Akram were the best of the visiting Baishya captured another fourbowlers, Razzaq taking four for 35 wicket haul to finish the match with and Akram three for 29 after the Kenyans had been put into bat.

Opener Kennedy Otieno Obuya top-scored with a battling 36 for the

Pakistan skipper Wagar Younis began the rout, trapping Ravindu covering for Yousuf Youhana. who Shah leg before in the fourth over was sent home on Monday. for only two runs.

Wasim then claimed three quick Pakistan play Australia, the third wickets, including star batsman and team in the competition, on Friday. skipper Steve Tikolo Ibw for a duck The teams face each other third ball, leaving Kenya on 30 for twice, with the top two battling it out four in the ninth over. in the final on 7 September.

Obuya and Hitesh Modi then SCOREBOARD steadied the innings and increased Scoreboard in the triangular onethe run rate, taking home side past day series match between Kenya 100 in the 19th over.

and Pakistan on Thursday: But Modi was forced off the field KENYA after being hit on the finger by fast K Obuya b Razzag bowler Shoaib Akhtar. R Shah Ibw b Waqar

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S Tikolo Ibw b Wasim Akram

T Odovo Ibw b Wasim Akram

D Obuya c Waqar b Razzaq

J Angara b Azhar Mahmood

Extras: (lb-5, nb-7, w-18)

H Modi c Rashid Latif b Razzaq34

C Obuya c Rashid Latif b Razzaq1

Total: (All out in 30.3 overs) 133

Fall of wickets: 1-16; 2-19; 3-30; 4-

30; 5-102; 6-104; 7-107; 8-107; 9-

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Fall of wickets: 1-0; 2-22; 3-42;

Did not bat: Wagar Younis,

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Man-of-the-match : Abdul

Next match : August 30 --

Pakistan v Australia Nairobi

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Akhtar

Razzaq

Mahmood

PAKISTAN

Modi had made 34 off 32 balls as he and Obuya shared a partnership of 71.

Razzaq bowled Kennedy Obuya in the 24th over, and Modi came back on to the field but was caught behind by Latif off the same bowler one over later without adding to his score.

But Pakistan's reply was equally chaotic, with Saeed Anwar was out for a duck in the first over and Imran Nazir bowled for 13 shortly afterwards. Shahid Afridi blasted a quickfire

27, including two huge sixes and three fours, but became Martin Suji's second victim when he was caught in the ninth over. Anwar came back into the side.



PHOTO:AFP Pakistan all-rounder Abdul Razzaq (2nd from L) celebrates with teammates after taking a Kenyan wicket during the tri-series match yesterday.

BCCI on sticky wicket

Razzaq.

Deadline unacceptable out with the ICC."

team currently touring England refused to sign the ICC contracts. On Wednesday, Sourav Ganguly's team offered "for the sake of cricket" to take part in the 18-day

Dalmiya will put forward India's case when the executive board of the ICC meets in an emergency

rnament

plan of sending the team to Thailand before the Busan Asiad in doubt. Bangladesh meet arch-rivals

September 27.

The latest situation puts BFF's

But rescheduling of fixtures has

finish before September 7.

India in their inaugural match on

U-13 camp

The Bangladesh Cricket Board on Thursday called up 36 under-13

AFP, New Delhi The second-phase camp, which

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Cricket players for training.

The BFF had earlier planned to

the first round.

RASHIN

The meeting that has been called

be suspended. start the national camp in the first week of September on completion of

SPORTS REPORTER With a view to starting the national team's preparations for the Asian Games football competition, a joint

meeting of the BFF, DMFLC and ten Premier Division clubs will be held this evening.

by BFF president SA Sultan is expected to set a convenient date for the National Bank Premier League to

meant the preliminary round will not

it's bad or good I'm just doing it for the kids. I really hope the song can help cure a child."

After he and a Buenos Aires pop group presented a music CD to raise funds for a children hospital.





National Bank Premier Football League Arambagh KS v Victoria SC (3:30 pm) Brothers Union v Farashganj SC (5:30 pm) Venue: BNS

Mohammedan took an eighth

the world.

Nizam, who conceded only two Referee: Ehsanul Huq

Serena, Sampras sail



World number one Serena Williams and 13-time Grand Slam champion Pete Sampras advanced with ease here Wednesday at the US Open, while third seed Tommy Haas struggled to win and surrendered

the shirt off his back. It was that sort of strange day at the year's final Grand Slam tournament, one which ended in rain with four matches being postponed to Thursday, including the one fourth seed Lindsay Davenport led 6-4, 2-2 over Hungary's Petra Mandula. Reigning Wimbledon and French Open champion Williams

routed Russia's Dinara Safina 6-0, 6-1 to reach the third round while four-time US Open winner Sampras blasted Spain's Albert Portas 6-1, 6-4, 6-4, in a first-round affair. Germany's Haas, who has

battled forearm tendinitis the past two weeks, had the best match of the blustery day, outlasting 61stranked Spaniard David Sanchez 7-6, 3-6, 3-6, 6-4, 7-5 in three hours and 23 minutes.

Haas tried to wear a sleeveless shirt for the match but US Tennis Association officials would not allow it, forcing a change just before the start.

"I was looking forward to it," Haas said. "I'm the kind of guy that these sleeves annoy me for a long time.

Eight double faults proved more bothersome. In the final game, Haas double faulted three times in a row, twice on match points, but came back and claimed the match with a service winner.

"He handed it to me and I almost gave it back to him. It's just crazy," Haas said. "My legs were cramping up. And I'm a horrible wind player. I'm lucky to win. I wasn't playing my best tennis. The first set I won was really lucky."

Williams needed only 40 minutes to oust the 16-year-old sister of 2001 US Open men's champion Marat Safin and stretch her Grand

from Safina, but failed to match the Serena and sister Venus, the "double bagel" blanking Venus and second-seeded defending cham-Jennifer Capriati imposed on rivals pion, hope to meet for the fourth a day earlier.

"I've never done it in my career. I time in the past five Grand Slam finals -- trying to create a dynasty to guess maybe it's not going to haprival that of the glory days of Chris pen for me," Williams said.

Sampras, who has not won a title "We're trying to get there. That's since setting the all-time Slam singles record in Wimbledon at 2000, fired 10 aces and 33 winners to oust Portas in 93 minutes.

The 31-year-old American admits he has concentrated more upon his family and the upcoming birth of his first child more than the sport that once consumed his life.

"After the 13th major, something definitely came out of me a litle bit," SEE PAGE 15 COL 5



PHOTO: AFP COME ON: An expressive Pete Sampras in his match against Albert Portas on August 28.

a part of Board's de ment programme, begins in the capital India was headed for a confronta-

from September 2 to 5 under the tion with cricket's world governing supervision of Sri Lankan coach body Thursday after officials Malcolm Perera.

refused to accept a deadline to Those called up are: Syed hame the team for next month's Maidul Alam, Mostafa Kamal, Imran Champions Trophy. The International Cricket Council Hossain, Mohammad Sajib, Asadur Rahman, Naved Al-Shahriar, Khalid

ICC) had set Friday as the last date Mahmood, Mahfuzur Rahman by which the 12 participating nations (Barisal), Mahmudur Rahman, had to submit team lists for the Nobojit Das, Kawsar Ahmed imited-overs tournament in Sri (Sylhet), Amit Majumder, Shahed M Lanka from September 12-29.

Adnan, Kazi Atiq Ahmed, Taposh But Indian officials, faced with Kumar, Azizul Islam, Sajid Hasan, he refusal of senior players to sign Sajjad Hossain, Sohag Gazi sponsorship agreements set by the (Khulna), Hamidul Islam, Fazle ICC, said the deadline could not be Rabbi, Mukter Ali, Moshiur Rahman,

Rashidul Islam, Rezwanul Haq, "The issue is beyond our con-Sanjamul Islam (Rajshahi),Syedul trol," admitted Jagmohan Dalmiya, Bashar, Mustafizur Rahman, president of the Board of Control for

Kamrul Hasan, Ferdous Kabir, ricket in India. Ruhul Azad, Ashraful Aziz "We will select the team only (Chittagong), Shovon, Abdul after discussions have been carried Bashar and Shams Arefin (Dhaka)



JAGMOHAN DALMIYA

session in Dubai on Saturday and Sunday.

India is the only country not to have picked their Champions Trophy squad after the entire Test

agreements. They said they would also urge their personal sponsors to put advertisement campaigns on hold during that period.

But the players stress they will not sign the contracts that prohibit them from advertising for companies which are rivals of official sponsors for the Champions Trophy for 30 days either side of the event.

The ICC, however, was equally adamant that only those cricketers who sign the agreement in its totality by Friday can take part in the Champions Trophy.

"Since ICC is the author of the document, only it can change it. I don't have any authority. We will do what ICC tells us." Dalmiva said before leaving for Dubai.

over England at Headingley which

With several years of interna-

tional cricket left in him, the sky is

the limit for the 29-year-old player

who hails from a middle-class

neighbourhood in Bombay's Bandra

only way I can describe him," says

his captain Saurav Ganguly.

crazy India would agree.

from mischief.

"He is simply amazing, that's the

Millions of adoring fans in cricket-

Tendulkar's metamorphosis from

a young prankster to Indian cricket's

elder statesman has not come

without its share of blood and sweat.

ing trees once too often as a child

that his brother. Aiit, took him to the

cricket ground to keep him away

tennis for six hours a day, Tendulkar

rode pillion on a scooter to bat at

Soon, he was leading a busy life.

Playing both cricket and table

SEE PAGE 15 COL 1

It was after he was caught climb-

ended on Monday.

suburb.

There was no immediate reac SEE PAGE 15 COL 5

Next Century Man

Cricket

REUTERS, New Delhi

win against the Pahartali Ekadash in the Siraj Mahanagari Kishore Football League at the Dampara Police Lines ground on Thursday.

Siraj soccer

In the other game, reigning champions Madarbari Muthakantha steamrollered Halishahar Ekadash 5-0. Monir Chairman custodian

Manik pulled off three saves in the shootout after the normal time ended 2-2.

Youhana affair over

BBC/AFP, Lahore

Pakistan's cricket chief has played down differences with Yousuf Youhana, who was sent home from Kenya for disciplinary reasons.

'The whole incident was a bit overblown," Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) chief Tauqir Zia said in a statement after a meeting with the batsman in Lahore.

"I am told that Youhana disobeyed the doctor and the captain, but my personal view is that it was not a big issue and should have been sorted out in Kenva." Zia told AFP.

team's management to send back SEE PAGE 15 COL 5

centuries in one-day cricket, both world records, and has 8,351 runs and 30 hundreds in tests

more than 11,000 runs and 33



SACHIN TENDULKAR

He surpassed Australian Don Bradman's total of 29 Test centuries thanks to a handsome innings of 193 in India's series-levelling victory

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ayer	Score	Against	Venue	Year
olin Cowdrey	104	vAustralia	Birmingham	1968
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ec Stewart	105	v West Indies	Manchester	2000
				Source: CricInfo

The scene is repeated in city after city. Sachin Tendulkar walks into an airport lobby, fixed glare and head-

phones firmly in place until a young fan shouts: "Hev Sachin!" His face softens and his mouth breaks into a smile, revealing the

human side of the best-run machine in cricket. When Tendulkar made his debut as a 16-year-old in 1989, cricket pundits predicted he would break every batting record. Thirteen years

later, he has lived up to his promise. As he goes into what will be an emotional 100th Test for India at The Oval against England next week. Tendulkar can look back with satisfaction at all that he has achieved.

But, more importantly, he can also look ahead. Tendulkar has already smashed

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"I have given full authority to the