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TALK TURKEY



Alex Ferguson
(Man United manager)
"I can't believe he has reached 500 appearances. It's incredible. He has had a lot of injuries but he has reached a great landmark. He has lived his life the right way. He is a credit to himself and his family."
On Ryan Giggs



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- Who won the Kremlin Cup tennis title?
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- In which event did Bangladesh win silver medal in the 14th Asian Games?
Kabaddi Hockey Shooting
- Who is Asia's fastest woman?
Jayasinghe Netalya Darsha
- How many Test matches will West Indies play against Bangladesh in November-December?
Two Three Four
- How many goals did Ronaldo score on his Real Madrid debut?
One Two Three

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The name of Brothers Union is shown being shown during the draw ceremony for the Federation Cup yesterday.

New draw for no reason

Football

SPORTS REPORTER

The controversy-happy Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) came up with a new kind of draw system for no reason only yesterday and decided to introduce it for the 18th Federation Cup.

The BFF officials, who remained outrageously oblivious when Bangladesh keeps sliding down the FIFA ranking for years, failed to say why they have introduced the new system during the draw ceremony at the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday.

None of the federation officials

could however say as to how they are going to the combat the ominous match-fixing practice during this season. Results of most of the matches in the recently concluded leagues were alleged to have rigged.

The BFF chose not to follow the traditional practice of considering defending champions and runners up as first two teams in the 16-team draw. Instead, the federation has rated the teams as per their standings in the Premier Division Football League.

The tournament that involves ten Premier Division clubs, champions, runners-up of First Division League and four service teams will start at the Sher-e-Bangla National

Stadium in Mirpur from October 23.

And as per the new draw format, BFF has placed Premier Division champions Mohammedan Sporting Club in Group A, overlooking the tradition of putting the reigning champions Muktiyoddha Sangsad. League runners-up Abahani will top Group B while Muktiyoddha and Arambagh Kirra Sangha will lead Group C and D basing on their league positions.

After picking up the four top seeded teams, the BFF distributed the rest of the 12 teams in the four groups as per their rankings through a partial draw.

"This is a new format we have adopted since there is no perma

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Agarkar in for Zaheer

REUTERS, Madras

Ajit Agarkar is to replace fellow pacerman Zaheer Khan in the 14-man Indian squad for the third Test against West Indies in Calcutta from October 30.

Zaheer, 24, is being rested to tend to a troublesome knee in the only change made to the squad for the first two Tests, Indian board secretary Karunakaran Nair said.

"Zaheer has been advised two weeks rest to undergo active rehabilitation by doctors," Nair said.

The left-arm pacerman has had trouble with his right knee since the recent tour of England and had a scan in Madras. The injury will be reviewed in two weeks and a decision made whether to include him for the one-dayers starting on November 6.

Agarkar played in the England test series which ended last month in a 1-1 draw. He will be the third seamer alongside Javagal Srinath and left-arm Ashish Nehra.

SQUAD
Saurav Ganguly (captain), Sanjay Bangar, Virender Sehwag, Rahul Dravid, Sachin Tendulkar, Vangipurappu Laxman, Parthiv Patel (wk), Ajit Agarkar, Anil Kumble, Harbhajan Singh, Javagal Srinath, Ashish Nehra, Amit Mishra, Shiv Sundar Das.

AFC U-20 Football Championship Four more for BD

SPORTS REPORTER

Bangladesh suffered a 0-4 defeat at the hands of Saudi Arabia in their second Asian Football Confederation (AFC) Under-20 Championship Group B clash in Doha on Saturday night.

The defeat came hot on the heels of their disgraceful first match against India. Bangladesh had now conceded ten goals in two matches and looked set to swallow down more when they face title aspirants Japan, who beat Saudi Arabia 2-1, in their last match tomorrow.

However, totally oblivious of this age of technology, the Bangladesh tour management tried to make a different story out of the match.

According to team manager Sayeed Hasan Kanan's faxed message, Bangladesh played far better than in the first match and the result could have been altogether different had not their forwards missed out on so many opportunities.

An Internet report meanwhile told a different tale. Bangladesh hardly put up any credible resis-

tance in the match. They lacked a game plan and if there was one, it was to keep the scoreline as low as possible.

The Saudis took the lead as early as in the second minute with Eisa Mahyani tapping the ball home, capitalising on a mistake from Bangladesh custodian Mustafiz.

With Bangladesh offering only meek resistance, Saudi Arabia pressed for more goals. Theyab Majrashi scored in the 38th minute, Khader Al Zarhani in the 75th minute and Saad Aboud in the 78th.

In the other match of the day, Japan beat India 2-1 to confirm their berth in the quarterfinals.

Japan are now leading the Group with maximum six points from two matches while Saudi Arabia and India are in the second place with three points each, leaving Bangladesh at the bottom with none.

Teams	M	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Japan	2	2	0	0	4	2	6
India	2	1	0	1	7	2	3
S Arabia	2	1	0	1	5	2	3
Bangladesh	2	0	0	2	0	10	0

Vintage Steve show

Cricket

AFP, Sharjah

Australian captain Steve Waugh roared back to form with a spectacular century as the world champions left Pakistan facing defeat in the final Test here on Sunday.

Waugh hit an unbeaten 103, his 28th Test century and the first after 16 barren innings, as Australia amassed 444 and then reduced Pakistan to 163-6 by stumps on the second day.

Pakistan, facing a 3-0 rout in the series, still need 82 runs to avert the follow-on with four wickets in hand. Their hopes rest on the two batsmen at the crease, Hasan Raza and Saqlain Mushtaq, who have so far put on 63 for the seventh wicket.

Raza, playing his third Test, was unbeaten at stumps on 37. Saqlain was on 27.

Leg-spinner Shane Warne, who claimed 19 wickets in the first two Tests, once again destroyed Pakistan with three for 57.

Fast bowler Glenn McGrath picked up two for 29, taking his overall tally to 398 wickets and almost certain to touch the 400-mark before the match is over.

Waugh, under pressure to retain the captaincy for the upcoming Ashes series against old foe

England, struck timely form to hit 13 boundaries and two sixes.

Stranded on 82 when last man McGrath joined him, the 37-year-old smashed leg-spinner Danish Kaneria for 20 runs in one over to race to his century.

After sweeping two boundaries, Waugh smote two sixes off success-

sive deliveries over long-on and then raised his bat in delight amidst loud cheers from team-mates in the dressing room.

Waugh overtook former team-mate Allan Border to move to fourth place in the list of leading centurions behind Indians Sunil Gavaskar (34)

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Asghar picks his helping hands

SPORTS REPORTER

Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) President Ali Asghar yesterday formed a ten-member Advisory Committee which will assist him in running the Board.

The BCB chief, who has been empowered by the High Court to run the board alone through a ruling on August 11, also named two selection committees for the national senior and junior teams.

Following a hearing on a writ petition, the High Court suspended the activities of BCB's Board of Directors and issued a show-cause notice asking why it had violated the National Sports Council (NSC) Act of 1974. As per the act, all the sports federations must have a president appointed by the government and an elected executive committee.

The ten-man Advisory Committee includes four members of the suspended Board of Directors. They are Mahbubul Anam, Afzalur Rahman Sinha, Aziz Al-Kaiser and Jalal Yunus.

Arafat Rahman, the youngest son of Prime Minister Khaleda Zia, whom Asghar appointed as the chairman of the BCB's Development Committee in place of former BCB president Saber Hossain Chowdhury last year, has also been included in the list along with BNP lawmaker Shah Nurul Kabir Shaheen, Victoria Sporting Club president Shafiqur Rahman Munna, Riazuddin Al-Mamun of City Club, Shahed Asghar Chowdhury from Chittagong and Prof. Rahman of Khulna District Sports Association.

The senior team's selection committee includes former Abahani captain Ailul Islam, national all-rounders Jahangir Shah Badshah and Omar Khaled Rumi. On the other hand Sadrul Alam Khan, Rezwan Ahmed and former national wicketkeeper Nasir Ahmed will perform the role of junior selectors.

U-17s in SL Lanka post good total

SPORTS REPORTER

Bangladesh were 22 without loss at close of the second day's play of their three-day match of the under-17 tri-nation tournament against Sri Lanka in Colombo yesterday.

Earlier, the home side, resuming the day with their overnight score of 149 for six, put a commanding 229 before being all out in 127 overs.

Rakibur Rahman was the pick of Bangladesh bowlers with four for 81.

Openers Naem (5) and Pavel (16) extracted 22 runs in 12 overs.

Bangladesh lost their first match to India by ten wickets.

Kallis being pragmatic

REUTERS, East London

Jacques Kallis defended South African captain Mark Boucher's declaration on the second day of the first Test against Bangladesh.

Boucher declared his side's first innings closed on 529 for four, leaving Kallis marooned on 75 not out. Bangladesh were 153 for seven in reply at stumps.

Kallis said the team's interests came before his chances of scoring what could have been his 10th Test century.

"I was party to the decision (to declare), and it was the right thing to do - the team comes first," Kallis told reporters on Saturday.

The day was still a memorable one for Kallis, who became the fifth player and the first South African to complete the double of scoring 4,000 runs and taking 100 wickets in test matches.

West Indians Garfield Sobers - who reached the milestone in the fewest Tests, 43 - and Carl Hooper, Kapil Dev of India and Englishman Ian Botham are the other players in the group.

"It will be good to look back one day and know that I have achieved this," Kallis said.

Fast bowler Makhaya Ntini, who was the chief destroyer in Bangladesh's innings with figures of three for 13, said he was helped by his knowledge of the local conditions.

Green Delta hockey

BSS, Dhaka

Shishu Kishore Sangha defeated Combined Sporting Club 2-0 in the Green Delta Insurance Second Division Hockey League at the Maulana Bhashani National Stadium yesterday.

Dilkusha Sporting Club beat Tejaon Agragami by a solitary goal after the scoreless first half in the second match.

Bangladesh follow on

Cricket

AFP, East London

Bangladesh opening batsman Al-Shahriar hit an attacking half-century but South Africa remained on course for a big victory on the third day of the first Test at Buffalo

Park Sunday.

At tea, Bangladesh were 150 for three in their second innings, still needing 209 to avoid an innings defeat after being forced to follow on.

But Al-Shahriar lifted the spirits of the touring team with a dashing display, hitting a career-best 71 off 93 balls with 11 fours, hitting some

wristy on-side strokes as well as fluent coverdrives.

Al-Shahriar and Habibul Bashar put on 56 in 41 minutes for the second wicket, including 46 off 46 balls immediately after lunch.

The stand was ended when Bashar was caught at fine leg off a top-edged hook against Mornantau Hayward for 21.

Al-Shahriar and Sanwar Hossain continued to attack the bowling, with Al Sahariar going to his fourth half-century in 12 Tests and going past his previous best of 68 against Zimbabwe in Harare last season.

The first hour after lunch brought 84 runs for one wicket in 15 overs.

The return of fast bowler Makhaya Ntini brought the wicket of Al Sahariar.

Bowling with a strong north-easterly wind behind him, Ntini fired an angled, lifting delivery into the batsman's midriff from where it was deflected into the stumps.

Ntini had earlier taken two of the last three Bangladesh wickets in the first innings to finish with five for 19, his second five-wicket haul in Tests.

It took South Africa 50 minutes to wrap up the innings after Bangladesh had resumed at 153 for seven.

Ntini and Terbrugge then took the new ball at the start of the second innings but failed to make a breakthrough and were rested after three overs each as Javed Omar and Al Shahariar made a solid start.

Hayward, who opened the bowling in the first innings, took a wicket in his fourth over when he came on as first change, getting Omar to play away from his body and edging a sharp catch to Herschelle Gibbs.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard at tea on the third day of the first Test between South Africa and Bangladesh at Buffalo Park on Sunday:

SOUTH AFRICA: First innings 529-4 dc
 BANGLADESH: First innings (over

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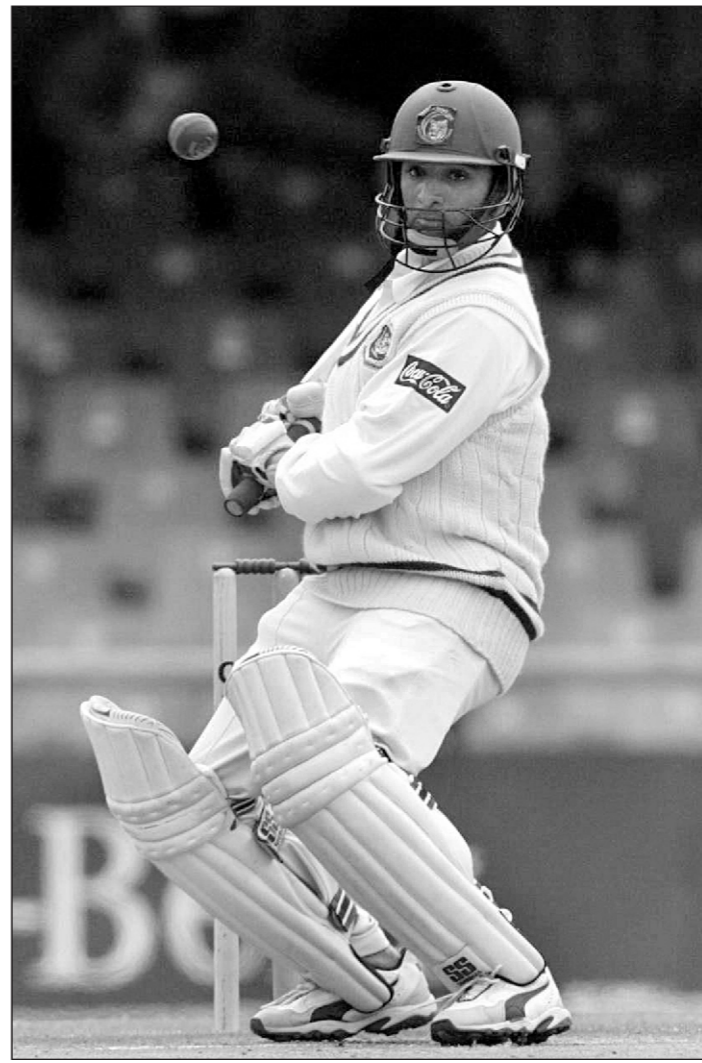


PHOTO: AFP

Bangladesh opener Javed Omar lets the ball go through during the third day's play of the first Test against South Africa yesterday.

Harbhajan baffles WI India clinch series

Cricket

AFP, Madras

India ended a 23-year wait when they clinched a three-match series against the West Indies with an emphatic eight-wicket victory on the

fourth day of the second Test here on Sunday.

India, who won the opening match by an innings and 112 runs at Bombay, made 81-2 to wrap up the first Test series against the West Indies since 1979 when Sunil Gavaskar's team triumphed 1-0 in six home Tests.



PHOTO: AFP

Indian leg-spinner Anil Kumble (R) congratulates his spinning colleague Harbhajan Singh after the off-spinner bagged three West Indian wickets in the same over in Madras yesterday.

Chess war at stalemate

AFP, Manama

World champion Vladimir Kramnik won 700,000 dollars in prize-money from King Hamad Saturday after tying the eighth and final game of the tournament dubbed 'Brains of Bahrain' to draw with the world's most powerful chess computer, Deep Fritz, organisers said.

Kramnik's draw with the machine exceeded the performance of his predecessor as world champion, Garry Kasparov, who in 1997 was defeated by supercomputer Deep Blue in New York.

The final game was the shortest of the contest, with the 21 moves taking just under two hours.

After two wins each and four draws the final tally was 4-4.

"I am just exhausted," Kramnik told a post-match press conference. "It was a very difficult match as anything can happen when you are playing a computer."

"There has been some very dramatic play and it takes so much energy. I was trying my best, but today, I couldn't manage to do anything to beat Deep Fritz."

"I didn't sleep so well last night and if you cannot catch the computer out at the opening of the game, you don't stand much of a chance."

"The computer is so strong, it defended perfectly."

The world champion said he had been amazed by the strong performance of Deep Fritz through the tournament, which had been "incredibly much stronger" than chess programmes he had played even a year ago.

"It is stronger in a positional way," he said. "It is not just strong in terms of calculations, which is to be expected, but in terms of positional moves, it plays like a very strong human, these are human moves."

The Deep Fritz team said they had learnt a lot from the eight-match tournament with Kramnik, vowing to further refine their creation to make it even better.

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