



Did U Know?

Hockey is known for its violence, and many players have suffered serious injuries. Only one player, however, was ever set on fire during a game. In a 1930 Quebec Junior Amateur Game, goalie Abie Goldberry, was hit by a flying puck that ignited a pack of matches in his pocket, setting his uniform on fire. He was badly burned before his teammates could put the fire out.



Jagmohan Dalmiya
(Indian cricket chief)
"Crowd disturbances at cricket grounds anywhere in the world are condemnable. It is against the spirit of the game."



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India vs West Indies

Second ODI, Highlights

Same Day Delay at 11:00 pm

Primera Liga

Valencia vs Betis

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STAR Sports

Australia vs England

First Test, Day Three

Live at 5:57 am

South Africa vs Sri Lanka

First Test, Day Two

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Seniors versus Dev kids

Mashud back at the national helm



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After a demoralising draw with the A team on Thursday, the national team will take on Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) Development squad in the last first round match of the Challenge Trophy at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium today.

The four-day match will start at 9:15 am.

The seniors failed to earn any point from their previous match against the second string side as the latter ran away with two points by virtue of having one-run lead in the first innings.

The A team, gathering mostly veteran Test hopefuls, have already booked their berth in the November 14 final by registering an outright win against the Development squad in the first match of the Trophy.

This will be a crucial match for the other two teams as any of them

with an outright win or a first innings lead can now make it to the final.

Bangladesh captain Khaled Mashud, who missed the previous match to attend his ailing mother, will play in today's match.

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B'desh men taste defeat



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After two stunning victories against much stronger opposition, the Bangladeshi men's team crashed to earth with a 2.5-1.5 defeat at the hands of Lithuania in round 12 of the 35th Chess Olympiad in Bled on Thursday.

Their female counterparts kept the flag raised though scoring a 2-1 win over hosts Slovenia C selection.

It was only their fourth win in as many matches.

With two rounds still to play the men have slipped to 35th collecting 27 points while the ladies are in 37th spot with 19 points.

Against the Lithuanians, Grand Master Zlaur Rahman opened with a draw on the first board and International Master Reefat Bin Sattar defeated another GM Vidmantas Malisauskas.

However that was end of their successes as IMs Abdullah Al Rakib and Enamul Hossain both lost.

In the penultimate round they face the Czech Republic on Friday.

Alok Kapali. The three young players got injured in a road accident on Wednesday and were ruled out for the match.

Tushar Imran, who escaped the accident with minor cuts and bruises, is sure to play in the match.

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A senior NSC official, opting anonymity, stressed that the plan was still very much in the initial stages.

"It is still premature to say that a final decision has been made," he said yesterday.

In fact, he believed the whole issue regarding the Sher-e-Bangla Stadium needed to be evaluated.

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"Firstly, it needs VIP stands in the northern and southern parts of the gallery. Then a portion of the gallery requires renovation on the eastern and western sides in order to give it an oval shape."

Then there is the question of installing floodlights, let alone the shifting of the running tracks itself. So all these require a huge expenditure," he added.

State Minister for Youth and Sports Fazlur Rahman was not available for comments on the issue.

Board president Ali Asghar has however welcomed the initiative.

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Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) under-17 side lost their opening one-day match against Cricket Association of Bengal (CAB) by one wicket at the Rajdanga ground in Kolkata yesterday.

Chasing BCB under-17's 214, the home side reached home in the last ball of the 50 overs contest.

Opener Debraj Roy led the CAB chase with a fine 69 off 112 balls that included eight boundaries. Middle-order Debu chipped in with a 33-ball 44.

Earlier, electing to bat first, BCB under-17 scored 214 for eight.

Captain Ashiqur Rahman hammered an unbeaten 70 off 72 balls with two sixes and four boundaries. Golam Rahman and Tanveer added 28 and 26 runs respectively.

The visitors will face their CAB counterparts in a three-day match at the FD Block ground in Salt Lake from today.

Kallis' burst ended a fightback by the tourists, who struggled against South Africa's all-pace attack on a pitch with pace and bounce.

Kallis made a crucial breakthrough when he had Mahela Jayawardene caught behind off a ball which lifted sharply and moved away from the batsman.

Jayawardene, who top-scored with 39, put on 51 for the fourth wicket with skipper Sanath

Cricket on way to Mirpur?

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If National Sports Council goes ahead and converts the Mirpur Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium into a full-fledged cricket stadium it can only spell financial trouble for the government.

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SAY SOMETHING: Neither national coach George Kottan nor any of the players called up for the SAFF Championship seem to be in a mood to talk or even exchange pleasantries yesterday.

Masud Rana not interested

24 meet Kottan



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not possess the right mental attitude to complete at the highest level.

"I fail to understand why he did not join today. He is still a talented left-back and," said Kottan adding that the players would undergo medical tests before heading for the BKSP in the afternoon.

As part of their build-up Bangladesh would be playing a few practice matches against Myanmar from November 17 to 23.

Following players have been selected:

Goalkeeper</b