



Did U Know?

Colonel is the nickname earned by Indian batsman Dilip Vengsarkar for his half-a-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 him to his displeasure.



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Live at 6:00 pm
&
Fulham vs Liverpool
Live at 8:55 pm
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Live at 2:00 am (Sunday)

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Australia vs England
Second Test, Day Three
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First ODI
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Australia vs England
Second Test, Day Three
Highlights
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Bangladesh Cricket Board president Ali Asghar (L) and Brand Manager of Coca-Cola Soumendhra Sankar Das (R) display the logo of the forthcoming series between Bangladesh and West Indies at the BCB office yesterday.

BCB gets things rolling

Tk 1.75 cr earmarked for WI series



SPORTS REPORTER

The BCB (Bangladesh Cricket Board) has earmarked Taka 1.75 crore for the forthcoming tour of West Indies.

Board president Ali Asghar revealed this at a press conference arranged in connection with the tour that begins with a one-day international at the MA Aziz Stadium in Chittagong on November 29.

While giving out details of the tour, Asghar said the expenditure would be met through earnings from the title sponsorship, TV and other revenues. Coca-Cola, the title sponsor of the tour, will pay a little over Taka 50 lakh.

Apart from the official broadcaster ESPN-Star, a Hong Kong-based satellite TV production company, the Bangladesh Television will also provide the live

telecast and the Bangladesh Betar ball by ball commentary.

Asghar apart, two Board advisors Mahbubul Anam, Jalal Yunus and secretary of the media committee for the West Indies tour Rizwan-Faruque and Coca-Cola Brand Manager Soumendhra Sankar Das were present.

The West Indies, now touring India, are scheduled to arrive in Dhaka on November 26 to play in three one-day internationals and two Tests.

Two players, Daren Ganga and Daren Powell, will arrive in the capital from West Indies on November 25 and the rest of the 13-member tour party reaches here the next day. They will be flown straight to Chittagong for the first one-dayer.

The official media conference of both teams takes place in Chittagong on November 27.

The second and third one-dayers will be held under lights at the Bangabandhu National Stadium

on December 2 and 3.

The first Test will also be held at the Bangabandhu National Stadium from December 8 and the second Test ensues in Chittagong starting from December 16.

Clad in a red panjabi, Asghar also disclosed that the Board has invited West Indies great and now Board president Wes Hall to visit Bangladesh during the series. Hall, who played Test matches at the then Dhaka Stadium against Pakistan in 1954, has accepted the invitation.

Answering to another query, Asghar said that he would sit with the national cricketers in couple of days and formulate a new payment system for them.

He also said that his Board is still hopeful of a tri-nation series, involving South Africa and India next April and the Asia Cup later next year.

Later, Asghar unveiled the logo of the Coca-Cola series.

Sultan, Imam to see Munshi

SPORTS REPORTER

Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) president SA Sultan and his vice-president Zafar Imam could head for the Indian city of Kolkata, West Bengal, today to meet Indian Football Association boss Priyaranjan Das Munshi who is the new chairman of the Asian Football Confederation (AFC)'s Legal Committee.

The purpose of the BFF top brass' trip is to convince Munshi and buy more time before holding the election of the federation.

The AFC has directed the BFF to hold the election in December immediately after the Eid-ul-Fitr. The AFC directive also clearly states that a president has to be elected. That puts the BFF in a fix as it is bound by the controversial National Sports Council (NSC) act that says the president will be appointed by the Government.

Although the BFF has requested the NSC to amend the constitution, changes, if any, are impossible before a parliamentary session next year.

Sultan and Zafar will try to convey this situation during their meeting with Munshi.

"We have learnt that Munshi is now in New Delhi but is scheduled to get back to Kolkata soon. If we get the confirmation that he has returned, we will set off for India tomorrow. Otherwise we might wait for a day or two," said Zafar yesterday.

'CS' passes on

INTERNET, New Delhi

Cottari Subbanna Nayudu, the great cricketer of the Holkar era and younger brother of India's first Test captain CK Nayudu, passed away at a hospital in Indore early Friday morning.

The 88-year-old Nayudu was ailing for some time. He leaves behind two sons and two daughters. Born on April 18, 1914 at Nagpur, Nayudu or CS as he was known, made his Test debut at the relatively young age of 19 years and 262 days against England at Calcutta.

He was a much better player than his record suggests. He played 11 Tests in all (four against Australia and seven against England) scoring 147 runs at 9.18 while also claiming two wickets at 179.5.

In Ranji Trophy, he played for Central India, Baroda, Holkar, Andhra Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh in 56 matches, scoring 2575 runs at 30.29 and claiming 295 wickets at 23.47 by bowling his right-arm leg-breaks and googlies.

In 1944-45, he bowled 156.5 six-ball overs for Holkar against Mumbai which remains a record for the highest number of overs in a first-class match to date.

His cremation took place in the evening. The Madhya Pradesh Cricket Association officials and the cricketing fraternity of Madhya Pradesh have condoled his death.

Indian punters captured in Nepal

AFP, Kathmandu

Police in Nepal have arrested a group of Indian bookies who were organising illegal cricket betting, a report said Friday.

Four men were caught at their homes in Kathmandu while the betting was going on, the English daily Space Time Today said.

They were organising bets totalling 500,000 rupees (6,410 dollars) on Thursday's match between India and West Indies which took place in India.

"However, the deal goes to as far as one million rupees," the newspaper said. All betting is illegal in Nepal.

The men were using laptop computers, mobile phones and faxes to organise the bets, Rajendra Bhandari, superintendent of police in the crime investigation department, told the newspaper.

Strong start for NSW

AFP, Hobart

New South Wales, led by captain Simon Katich's 84, were 280 for six after the first day of their Sheffield Shield cricket match against Tasmania here on Friday.

Michael Bevan made 70 and Mark Waugh 48 on a day where fortunes fluctuated after NSW were sent in.

The big-name Blues appeared to have finally got on top late in the day as Katich and Waugh broke the shackles against an accurate Tasmanian pace attack.

But they fell within two runs of each other to leave honours about even.

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A change of heart



SPORTS REPORTER

Dropped in the evening, Khaled Mahmud was drafted in the reserve pool of cricketers for the forthcoming Coca-Cola series late in the Thursday night.

Selectors preferred spinner all-rounder Naimur Rahman to pacer all-rounder Mahmud when the selectors disclosed a 14-man Bangladesh squad and seven reserves for the one-day series against West Indies on Thursday.

But the three-man selection panel headed by Aliul Islam had a change of heart about the combative performer in the Challenge Trophy later and asked him to join the team.

"We in fact have added two in our reserve list of seven. One is Mahmud and the other is young left arm spinner Enamul Haque junior," said Aliul while talking to The Daily Star Sports last night.

"We have given a second thought about Mahmud and decided to see his progress in the training. That's why we called him back. But we will take decision that is best for the team."

"We can always make changes as being the home side. Besides, Mahmud is still in our consideration."

Aliul is learnt to have contacted the all-rounder on that night and asked him to join the national team's training. Mahmud instantly responded to the call and joined the training yesterday morning.



GONE YESTERDAY, HERE TODAY: Bangladesh captain Khaled Mahmud (C) and opener Al Shahrir (R) have a talk with all-rounder Khaled Mahmud during a practice session at the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday. Mahmud was omitted from the national cricket team on Thursday, but was again taken in as stand-by yesterday.

Aussies take charge



AFP, Adelaide

Ricky Ponting led Australia's charge towards a big total in the second Ashes Test here Friday as England surrendered their opening day initiative with another spectacular batting collapse.

Coming into the second day at

295 for four, the tourists, needing to avoid defeat here after losing heavily in Brisbane, undid all their good work of Thursday to unravel and be all out for 342, their last six wickets tumbling for 47 in 26.2 overs.

Australia made it look easy in reply as their top order hummed along at four runs an over to chip away at England's first innings total with every batsman getting a start

and silencing the boisterous Barry Army England following.

At the close, Australia were 247 for two - 95 runs behind England's total - with Ponting unbeaten on 83 and Damien Martyn, dropped twice by Alec Stewart, not out 48.

Front-line bowler Andy Caddick, needing to lift and lead an inexperienced attack, was toothless with his 10 overs conceding 61 runs with four no-balls and six wides.

"It's probably showed in the first two matches, they're all good quality players, but the plans we've got on all their players are close to spot on and it's just a case of executing them," said Australian paceman Jason Gillespie.

Ponting raised his 17th Test half-century following up his sweetly-struck 123 in Brisbane and his partnership with Martyn steadily put Australia in command, their 133-run stand came up in 159 minutes.

"We played some good cricket yesterday, we were in a good position and we hoped we would be well into the late-400s, but that's how it's gone, we have to put it behind us," said England coach Duncan Fletcher.

England had minor successes along the way. They removed in-form opener Matthew Hayden for a relatively cheap 46 and his partner Justin Langer for 48.

Yet up to then the two left-handers had bounded along to their seventh century partnership in 15 months. Their stand of 101 came up off just 72 balls in 99 minutes.

Hayden was man-of-the-match in Australia's comprehensive 384-run victory in Brisbane scoring 197 and 103, so getting him out for 46 on Friday was something of an achievement for the English.

Hayden threw his wicket away going after Craig White only to spiral a catch to Caddick at deep mid-off.

Langer fell 16 minutes later when he went to cut and appeared to bottom edge to keeper Alec Stewart giving off-spinner Richard Dawson his first wicket of the series.

Hayden was dropped twice in his typically-belligerent stay at the crease, offering Mark Butcher a difficult high chance at cover point when on 22 off Steve Harmison and

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