

Jagannath Hall
in last eight

SPORTS REPORTER

Jagannath Hall moved into the quarterfinals of Shaheed President Ziaur Rahman Gold Cup Cricket Tournament with a nine-wicket win over Surya Sen Hall in the opening match at the Jagannath Hall ground yesterday.

National captain Habibul Bashar inaugurated the 12-team inter-hall meet of Dhaka University.

Surya Sen Hall scored 111-9 in stipulated 20 overs after winning the toss with Sabuj contributing 21.

In reply, Jagannath Hall easily reached the target of 112 in 11.5 overs for the loss of one wicket. Opener Pushpen made unbeaten 39.

Debashish Kumar, who grabbed 1-17, made unbeaten 37 to be adjudged man-of-the-match.

Farashganj blank
Bachelor

SPORTS REPORTER

Farashganj Sporting Club got off to a fine start in the Green Delta First Division Hockey League when they inflicted a 5-0 defeat on Bachelor Sporting Club at the Maulana Bhashani National Stadium yesterday.

The winners led the first half 2-0.

In the day's other match, Mukta Bihanga Tarun Sangha also earned a comfortable 4-1 victory over Victoria Sporting Club after dominating the first half 3-0.

Div I cricket

SPORTS REPORTER

Sonargaon Cricketers and Eskaton Sabuj Sangha won their respective matches in the First Division Cricket League at different venues yesterday.

Sonargaon Cricketers defeated Rupali Bank by five wickets at the Fatullah Cricket Stadium.

The bankers thrived on half centuries by Mohammad Rana (66) and Sumon Bhuiyan (65) to score 204-9 in stipulated 50 overs after deciding to bat first.

In reply, Sonargaon reached 209-5 in 40.1 overs, thanks to Neaz Ahmed (52) and Adil Ahmed (61).

At BKSP, Eskaton also earned a five-wicket victory against Azad Sporting Club.

In reply to Azad's 139, Eskaton made 141-5 in 41.2 overs.

Fletcher to stay

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"He's young and exciting, I challenge him and he challenges me," Jennings said. "He sent me a text message yesterday saying: 'Coach, you're a champion'.

"The team's passion has been good, and our catching and ground fielding has improved.

"I will speak to the players and if they want me as a leader I will apply, it's all about the players."

Smith, asked to clarify his comments, told reporters: "I don't want to discuss it, I just want what's best for the team."



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Vice-Chancellor of Dhaka University Professor SMA Faiz (C) inaugurates the Shaheed President Ziaur Rahman Gold Cup Cricket Tournament yesterday.

Himel breeze on Day 2

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RAJSHAHI-CHITTAGONG

Chittagong crashed to 168-7 in their first innings after Rajshahi posted a handsome first-innings total of 327 on a green-top wicket at the Shaheed Chandu Stadium in Bogra.

Faisal Hossain saved the blushes of Chittagong with a fine 69 after the visitors were reduced to 49-4 with Sumon Saha capturing three early wickets.

Left-hander Faisal, a prolific scorer in the National League, hit nine fours and one six before being run out. He shared 63 runs with skipper Azam Iqbal (28) for the fifth wicket after Nazimuddin (20) and national cap Aftab (16) fell cheaply.

Earlier, Rajshahi survived 20 overs in the morning, adding 41 runs to their overnight 286-7.

KHULNA-BARISAL

Barisal took an overall lead of 148 runs with five second-innings wickets intact against Khulna at the Khulna Divisional Stadium when they crawled to 88-5 at stumps.

Jamaluddin Babu top-scored with 34 as the hosts, overnight 15-0, were shot out for 134 in their first innings in reply to Barisal's 194. Left-arm spinners Nadir Chowdhury (3-33) and Mosharrif Hossain (2-31) shared five wickets as Khulna lost wickets at regular intervals and were all out inside 60 overs.

Khulna hit back with national paceman Mashrafee Bin Mortaza (2-16) and experienced left-arm seamer Manjurul Islam (2-10) reducing the visitors to 20-4 but Shahin Hossain, fresh from his 63 in the first innings, fought with a valiant 40 not out that featured five hits to the fence.

Arafat Salauddin was batting on two.

SCOREBOARD

Scorecards of the three matches on the second day of the 6th Ispahani Mirzapore Tea National Cricket League yesterday:

DHAKA-SYLHET

DHAKA: First innings (overnight 261-6)

Tareq	11	3	35	3
Rashed	17	2	53	1
Sabbir	4	0	32	0
Faisal	29	8	63	0
Aftab	20	5	30	2
Masum	8.1	3	13	1

CHITTAGONG: First innings

Masum c Shahzada b Forhad	2
Nazimuddin c naeem b Sumon	20
Ehsanul c Jahurul b Sumon	6
Aftab c Naeem b Sumon	16
Azam c Rosel b Saifullah	28
Faisla run out	69
Sabbir c Naeem b Shahzada	11
Kuntal batting	8
Extras: (b2, lb1, w5)	8
Total (For 7 wkts in 66.4 overs)	168
Fall of wickets: 1-2, 2-27, 3-32, 4-49, 5-112, 6-145, 7-168.	

Bowler O M R W

Shahzada	24	9	36	1
Forhad	9	3	30	1
Sumon	15	6	55	3
Saifullah	16.4	3	40	1
Nuruzzaman	2	0	4	0

Bowler O M R W

Sadat b Anis	15
Shafiqul b Salauddin	11
Sajid b Arman	17
Asadullah b Nadir	7
Manzarul c Imran b Nadir	13
Mashrafee lbw b Nadir	5
Salim c Shahin b Nadir	7
Jamal not out	34
Razzak lbw b Humayun	13
Manjurul b Mosharrif	0
Dollar run out	0
Extras: (b1, lb7, nb3, w1)	12
Total: (All out in 59.3 overs)	134
Fall of wickets: 1-18, 2-42, 3-50, 4-58, 5-76, 6-79, 7-98, 8-133, 9-134.	

Bowler O M R W

Anis	16	4	27	1
Sonnet	10	5	21	0
Mosharrif	12	3	31	2
Arman	3	2	1	1
Salauddin	6	3	11	1
Nadir	11	3	33	3
Humayun	1.5	0	2	1

BARISAL: Second innings

Imran b Manju	4
Hannan b Mashrafee	9
Humayun c Manzarul b Manju	0
Shahin batting	40
Nasiruddin c Manzarul b Mashrafee	0

RAJSHAHI-CHITTAGONG

RAJSHAHI: First innings (overnight 286-7)

Naeem c Sabir b Tareq	7
Jahurul lbw b Tareq	51
Rafiqul c Masum b Alamgir	5
Nuruzzaman lbw b Alamgir	2
Forhad c sabir b Aftab	99

Mashud c Kuntal b Tareq

Rosel c Kuntal b Aftab	62
Anisur c Ehsanul b Masum	2
Shahzada c Kuntal b Rashed	32
Saifullah not out	6
Sumon run out	10

Bowler O M R W

Alamgir	21	2	69	2

RAJSHAHI: First innings (overnight 125-5)

Shahzada c Kuntal b Rashed	32
Saifullah not out	6
Sumon run out	10
Extras: (b12, lb12, nb10, w2)	36
Total: (All out in 110.1 overs)	327

Bowler O M R W

Alamgir	21	2	69	2

RAJSHAHI: Second innings