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Arjuna afraid of player exodus

AFP, Colombo

Young cricketers may soon opt out of playing for their country because of the huge amounts of money available in the sport, Sri Lanka's cricket chief Arjuna Ranatunga said on Tuesday.

Ranatunga, Sri Lanka's World Cup-winning captain in 1996, said he was worried about the future of younger players who could be tempted to join the cash-rich Twenty20 leagues in India.

"It is India today, it could be another country tomorrow that will be offering large sums of money to players," said Ranatunga.

"I have no problem with senior players joining these leagues, but the younger players worry me.

"I have heard them say that there are ways of making money even if one does not get picked for the

national team." Top Sri Lankans like Sanath Jayasuriya, captain Mahela Jayawardene, Kumar Sangakkara, Muttiah Muralidaran, Chaminda Vaas, Chamara Silva and Tillekaratne Dilshan have all been contracted to play in the Indian

Premier League starting on April 18. Retired Test stars like Marvan Atapattu and Russel Arnold, who are playing for the rebel Indian Cricket league, have been banned from holding any post in the Sri Lankan

cricket establishment. IPL franchises bought players for the inaugural edition at prices ranging from 100,000 dollars to 1.5 million dollars a year for India's one-day and Twenty20 captain Mahendra Dhoni.

Harris counts

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"It looks drier than the Test match, though I wasn't here for the Test series. I think it will turn, especially in the second innings," he observed.

The tall spinner was also looking forward to the India tour to prove his worth.

"Conditions here are very similar to India; I am looking forward to it. It is going to be a challenging tour for our spin bowlers to bowl in India. But as I said, its good practice here. Bowling in India can only make me a better player. Hopefully I can go there and win some matches for my country," said Harris, who is already considered as a match-winning spinner for the Proteas after his impressive show in Pakistan.

South African skipper Graeme Smith was reluctant to speak with the reporters ahead of the second match rather they sent Hashim Amla, who made his one-day debut in Chittagong, Amla made it clear that his team will not be complacent with the 1-0 advantage.

"We came off a really good performance in the first game. We are 1-0 ahead and obviously we are not getting complacent and we want to make sure that we are doing the right things all the time," said Amla.

Amla also said that his side was not bothered with the pitch condi-

"The wicket seems to be taking a bit of turn. And as in the first game, it did really help our spinners. And it does really play a crucial role against Bangladesh and I am sure we will come across again, "he said.



American swim legend Johnny Weissmuller, the first to swim 100 metres in less than a minute, was a hero in real life too. He saved the lives of 11 people when an excursion boat capsized on Lake Michigan in 1927.

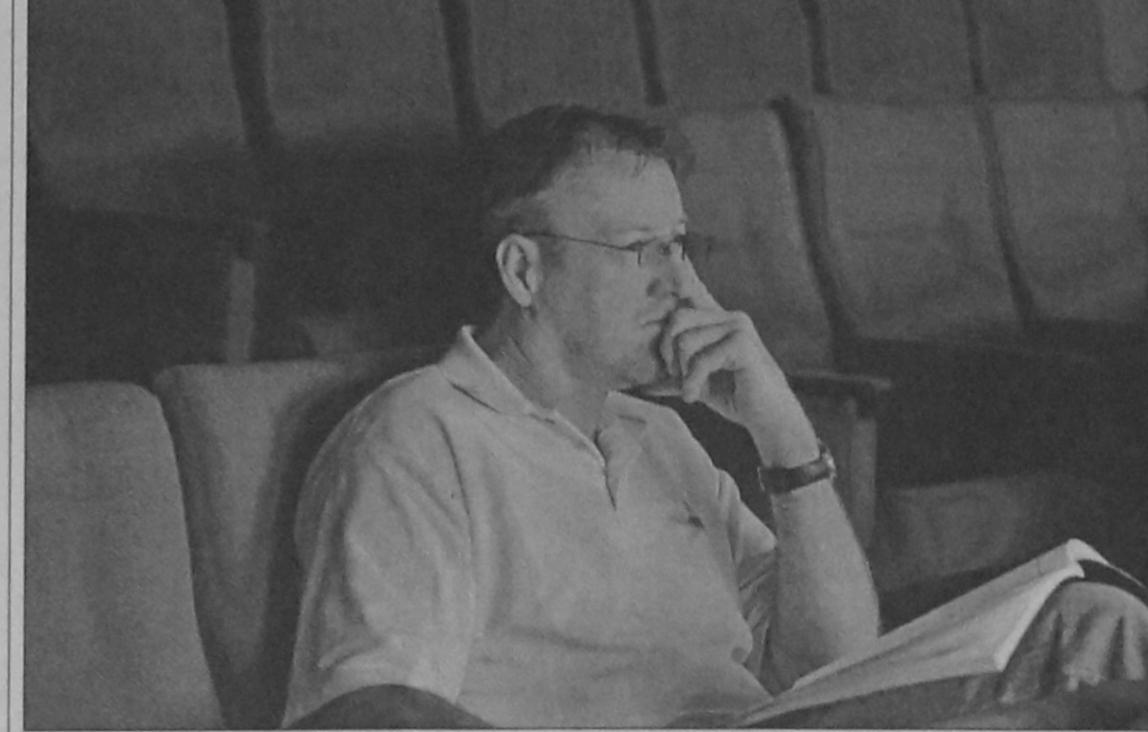




Serena Williams (American tennis star)

"It was so nice being in India and winning the title made it even better. A week back I was not even sure I will be able to play, so to win my first title of the year makes it a very special visit."

After winning the Bangalore Open on Sunday.



A visibly upset Pakistan coach Geoff Lawson watches a cricket match at the National Stadium in Karachi yesterday.

Lawson slams call-off

Cricket

AFP, Karachi

Pakistan cricket coach Geoff Lawson said Australia's decision to call off their tour over security fears on Tuesday was disappointing and unjustified.

Lawson, a former Australia cricket.' paceman, lashed out after the tour scheduled for March-April was cancelled following a double bomb attack in the eastern city of Lahore that killed at least 26 people.

are justified in postponing the series. I am living in Pakistan and feel secure," Lawson told reporters. "I am disappointed, although it

are not playing Australia at a time reporters. when they are beatable."

the venues where Australia were to Lawson, who took over as Pakistan coach in July following the death of Bob Woolmer during the World Cup in Jamaica a year ago,

March 29 and Lahore was one of

said the decision would have multiple effects on Pakistani cricket. "There is an immediate disappointment of not having the best chart," said Lawson. team in Pakistan and it's a loss for players, fans, administrators who

lose quality cricket," he said. "It may have a major effect in the short term and it's up to the PCB to assure that it will not have a major effect in the longer run," he

game after a good start from open-

ers Mehrab Hossain and Elias

Sunny, who added 60 for the first

wicket. Their chase looked set to

be fruitful after Mohammad

Humayun (48) and Arman

Hossain (43) were in cruise con-

trol. But it was the Pakistan-born

Munir who turned the tide

DOHS's way with a three-wicket

burst. The man-of-the-match

removed Arman, Sonargaon's

dangerous Pakistani recruit

Fahadullah and Saif to put DOHS

wicket as Old DOHS enjoyed their

second consecutive defeat while

Sonargaon lost their second game

Man-of-the-match Imtiaz

Hossain cracked nine boundaries

in his 117-ball 101 as

Mohammedan reached 225-9 in

Rashedul Haque (30), Ageel

Arshad (32) and Suharwardi

Shuvo (23*) gave Imtiaz good

support but Sabbir Rahman coun-

tered the giants with figures of 3-

MSC-YOUNG PEGASUS

Anisur Rahman took the last

back in the driver's seat.

out of three outings.

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Cricket Board.

"I think the Australians should have come here full steam ahead," Lawson told the Australian with the current scenario. Associated Press here.

argue with that. But they're focused on particular targets that have nothing to do with sport, and particularly nothing to do with the Australians given Pakistan'

The Pakistan coach said the only plus point was that the tour had been officially postponed instead of cancelled.

"Officially they have postponed he said. "I don't think they (Australia) the tour, which is better than cancelling it and hopefully between CA (Cricket Australia) and PCB they can find the dates to reschedule the tour, and we can't was expected. It is a shame that we do much about that," he told

Lawson said he hoped the The tour was due to begin on International Cricket Council (ICC) would give Pakistan the chance to play more Tests in future than it security reasons. currently has scheduled in the Test programme.

Pakistan are only set to play India at home early next year.

"Test cricket-wise it is a loss not playing Australia and we don't play very much Test cricket. So it's up to the ICC to put more Tests on our

Former Pakistan captain Rameez Raja -- whose house was damaged by one of the blasts in spokesman said from Dubai. Lahore on Tuesday -- said Pakistan cricket would lose out from the

added, referring to the Pakistan in a terrible way," said Raja.

But Young Pegasus were never

in the hunt after they lost their

batting mainstays by the 20th over

as Tareq Aziz and Shuvo took three

wickets each as the losing side

VICTORIA: 241-9 in 50 overs

(Farhad 48, Ehsanul 39; Alamgir 3-

BIMAN: 244-8 in 49.4 overs

(Sanwar 51, Sajjad 34, Alamgir 26*;

Result: Biman won by two wick-

(Hamidul 68, Monir 54, Saquib 40;

SONARGAON: 228 all out in 48.2

overs (Humayun 48, Arman 43,

Elias 32; Monir 3-55, Hossain 2-

Result: Old DOHS won by 12 runs.

MSC: 225-9 in 50 overs (Imtiaz

overs (Ashiqur 33, Nazmul 26*;

101, Ageel 32; Sabbir 3-30).

Tareq 3-30, Shuvo 3-10).

Result: MSC won by 79 runs.

Kamrul 2-61, Elias 2-41).

30 from seven overs.

scored 146-9 in 50 overs.

BRIEFSCORES

46, Mahbubul 2-36).

Jaffar 3-37).

Biman, DOHS soar high

"Pakistan cricket's television rights are up for sale next month and I fear they will be devalued

"Young Pakistani players will "Bombs do go off. You can't also get demotivated by this situation when no team is willing to play here," he added.

> current security image abroad. "The practical situation is get-

But he said that he didn't blame

ting worse and with major cities being targetted it is worrying for people who live outside Pakistan, Another former captain, Wasim

Akram, backed Australia's deci-

"Under the current scenario, Australia is justified to take this decision," said the retired Wasim, who did not take part when Pakistan were forced to play their home series against Australia at neutral venues in 2002, also for "But I see far-reaching implica-

tions for Pakistan cricket, both financially and in sporting terms.' The ICC meanwhile confirmed

the series could be rescheduled. "As per the agreement under the Future Tour Programmes, there is a provision for rescheduling a postponed series with the mutual consent of two countries and it has happened in the past," an ICC

The spokesman added that Australia would not be fined for pulling out of the series since the "It will impact Pakistan cricket decision was "by mutual consent of the two boards.'

Buchanan

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2007 before stepping down in April last year, was unveiled as coach of the Ganguly-led Kolkata in the eight-team franchise Twenty20 league due to start on April 18.

Ganguly dealt Buchanan's Australia a surprise defeat when he captained India to a memorable comeback test series win in

Each team franchise was sold for millions of dollars. The "Kolkata Knight Riders" were bought for 75.09 million dollars by a consortium that includes Bollywood star Shahrukh Khan. OLD DOHS: 240-9 in 50 overs

Young Indian paceman Ishant Sharma (950,000 dollars), West Indies opener Chris Gayle (800,000 dollars) and New Zealand wicketkeeper Brendon McCullum (700,000 dollars) were among the main picks by the team at a high profile auction last month which saw 75 players snapped up.

"It's a good opportunity for the YOUNG PEGASUS: 146-9 in 50 Indian players and young aspirants to work and gain experience from world's top players, Buchanan said.

SPORTS REPORTER

SPORT

Youngmen's Club Fakirerpool stayed atop the Senior Division Football League table after their second successive super six win yesterday.

Sabuj struck both the goals in the second half as title contenders Youngmen's edged Badda Jagarani 2-1 at the Bangabandhu National Stadium.

In the relegation league, Mohakhali XI blanked Agrani Bank 4-

0 with a brace from Golap. **JFACUP**

BKSP and Cox's Bazar won their respective matches in the final round of the 4th JFA Cup in Rajshahi. Sajib scored twice to give BKSP a 4-2 win over Khulna while Cox's Bazar blanked Moulvibazar 2-0 with goals from Ariful and Mohiuddin.

INTER-VARSITY CRICKET

Hosts Jahangirnagar University defeated Dhaka University by four wickets in an inter-university cricket match at the central playground. In reply to the visitors' 132-9 in the stipulated 25 overs, Jahangirnagar scored 133-6 in 23.4 overs. Home bowler Shoeb was adjudged man-ofthe-match for taking three wickets

JUSPORTS

Bangla department emerged champions in the inter-department handball of Jahangirnagar University defeating English 10-9 in an exciting final at the central playground. Zahid and Bappy scored four goals each for

In the JU women's club sports, Homaira Tasneem won the carom competition, Homaira and Nadira won the doubles carom title while the other winners were Masuma (chess), Nasrin (table tennis), Fazilatunnisa (card), Sanzida (ludo) and Sanzida-Shahnaz (ludo dou-

Vice-chancellor Khondokar Mustahidur Rahman distributed prizes among the winners of both competitions.

SCHOOLVOLLEYBALL Five matches of the South Breeze

school volleyball tournament were held at the Dhaka Volleyball Stadium BIT beat Motifheel Government High School 2-0, Green herald beat

BIS 2-0, South Breeze beat Green Dale 2-0 and St Joseph's beat Scholastica 2-0 in the boys' group while Scholastica won 2-0 against BIS in the girls' group.

HANDBALL

The Exim Bank 18th National Handball Championship men's semifinals will be held today at the Dhaka handball ground. Bangladesh Police will face Bangladesh Ansar at 3pm while BDR play Rajshahi at 4.10pm.

DRU CAROM

The Dhaka Reporters Unity singles carom competition will begin today at the DRU office. All the contestants have been requested to be present before the 11 am opening ceremony.

GAIBANDHA CRICKET

Gaibandha correspondent Braveheart Sporting Club handed 37-run defeat on Cricket Coaching Centre in the Naheed Cotton first division cricket league.

In reply to Braveheart's 168 Cricket Coaching Centre were bundled out for 131 here at the Gaibandha Stadium.

Razzak enters

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name came up earlier," he said. Razzak felt lucky that 'someone' remembered his good work in the Twenty20 World Championships and limited-overs performance in Mumbai and selected him.

"My recent ODI performance must have worked in my favour, admitted Razzak, who took seven wickets at an average of 17.28 in the World Twenty 20s last September.

BFF polls

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the federation's stubbornness for not holding an EGM, said they did not need to run to FIFA or AFC.

"The BFF could have had decided on an EGM, which we had been demanding for long. The federation officials simply refused to listen to our pleas. But everyone knows that any amendment in the constitution has to go through a general meeting, which we are having at last after wasting a lot of time," said Badal, who is the 'leader of the opposition' according to Sultan.

"The districts and divisions should be given a chance. We feel there is scope for that remaining inside the law.

stand united under one leadership and see a new and worthy executive committee in the future."

the rumour that a joint panel, possibly headed by a big corporate house owner, could be in the election scenes soon.

representatives if the councillors think so," Badal added. There would be no election for five posts -- general secretary, deputy general secretary, the assistant general secretaries and trea-

It was also learned that BFF's tive body.

LOCAL SNIPPETS Australia call tour off

Cricket

AFP, Melbourne

Australian cricket chiefs announced Tuesday that they had scrapped their upcoming tour of Pakistan, on the day two bombs tore through one of the cities where they had been

due to play. The tour, originally due to begin on March 29, had been in doubt for months amid questions about the level of security they would be assured in Pakistan, which has seen six major blasts since elections nearly a month ago.

Cricket Australia (CA) called it a postponement and said they hoped to fix new dates "in the near future."

But it will not be this year, with CA chief executive James Sutherland telling reporters in Melbourne that there were "a couple of windows" in 2009 and 2010 when the tour may be able to pro-

"We wish no loss to Pakistan Cricket Board and look forward to undertaking this tour in the near it as a joint decision between CA and safe.

O'Connor said in a statement after Pakistani officials earlier announced it had been cancelled.

choice but to postpone the tour said. until the security situation in

Pakistan "settled down".

"Right now, it's not appropriate for us to be playing cricket in Pakistan," he said.

He added CA acted on advice from the Australian government and its own advisers.

"Our absolute priority has been the security and safety of our players and our employees," Sutherland said. "We've left no stone unturned,

we wanted to play this tour." bombs ripped through the offices of said. a federal police agency and an advertising company in Pakistan's eastern city of Lahore, killing at least 26 people.

The Australian government, which has a travel advisory warning citizens against visiting Pakistan, welcomed the move, with Foreign Minister Stephen Smith portraying

future," CA chairman Creagh the Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB).

"The agreement reached between the two boards is a welcome outcome in light of the uncer-Sutherland said CA had little tainty surrounding the tour," he

> CA and the PCB said in a joint statement that officials from both countries would meet in Dubai next weekend to discuss possible new

> PCB chairman Nasim Ashraf said Pakistan was saddened by the deci-

"We are obviously very disappointed at this decision. I guess there is not much we could do and sincerely hope that the tour of Australia to Pakistan can materialise The announcement came as two at the earliest opportunity," Ashraf

> Several Australian players, including all-rounder Andrew Symonds and paceman Brett Lee had expressed reservations about

> touring the troubled country. Sutherland denied player pressure was behind the decision saying the tour would have proceeded if security assessments had deemed it

Steyn can't wait for India

Cricket

AFP, Dhaka

Tearaway South Africa speedster Dale Steyn is smacking his lips in anticipation of a battle royale with India's batsmen in the upcoming three-Test series.

Steyn, 24, taught Bangladesh a few lessons in fast bowling in the recent two-Test series from which he bagged 14 wickets, and is now training his guns on India who have recently returned from their Australia tour.

The last time he played against India in 2006-07, Steyn picked six wickets from two Tests but given his current form, it should come as no surprise if he betters his record. "I am looking forward to playing

against India, especially after their successful tour of Australia. It will be interesting going to India," Steyn told AFP here. "The good thing is we have been playing quite a bit of cricket on the sub-continent lately in Pakistan and

contest between two good teams." Steyn, who recently went past Allan Donald's record of the quickest South African to 100 Test wickets,

Bangladesh. We won both Test

series, so this will be an interesting

however admits that bowling to Indian batsmen in their own conditions will be a challenge. "It is going to be tough bowling to

any of the batsmen, particularly under conditions that they are used to. They have plenty of depth. The key will be to work on their weaknesses and take it from there." Steyn will also rely on his slower

ball to unravel the mighty Indian batting line-up during the series beginning March 26. "My slower ball really took off

of seasons ago. Polly (Shaun Pollock) told me that it was a vital weapon to have in my arsenal, particularly in sub-continent conditions. "It makes a big difference when you are bowling at 145 (kilometres

when we went to Sri Lanka a couple

gear to 110 or less," said the bowler who has 105 wickets from 20 Tests. Steyn added he saw nothing wrong with intimidating batsmen

an hour) and can suddenly change

with short balls. "It is never nice to see somebody get hit on a cricket field but the short ball is part of the game and, if you do hit somebody, it sends shivers down the rest of the batting line-up.

"If a top player can't handle a

charts, denies feeling any pressure as a result of the constant hype around him. "I don't feel I need to prove anything to anybody. If I do well, I am

"It is important to show aggres-

Steyn, ranked world number two

sion and let the batsman know that

among bowlers behind Sri Lanka's

Muttiah Muralidaran in official

you have got the upper hand."

quite happy. At the end of the day it is all about team performance and not about individual achievement. "There are 10 other guys playing with me and it is all about the team. "I am hoping that somebody else

in our team will come to India and

take 20 wickets in the series

because, if somebody is doing that, then we are winning as a team. The bowler, who will also be seen in action in the inaugural Indian Premier League in India in April-May, is excited about sharing the

dressing room with rivals. "I will have Mark Boucher and Jacques Kallis on my side which will be great but what will be really interesting will be having players like Rahul Dravid and Nathan

Bracken as team mates. "I believe I will learn quite a lot short-ball, then it is unlikely that from the experience. It should be athose down the order are going to lot of fun and it is great for the players to be so well paid."

Rumi remembered

fare any better.

BSS, Dhaka

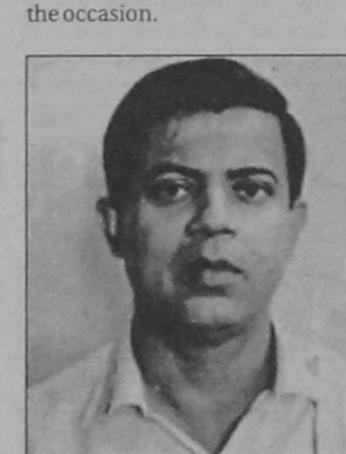
The life and works of renowned sports journalist and valiant freedom fighter Masud Ahmed Rumi was recalled by his colleagues, friends and relatives at a function marking his fifth death anniversary

vesterday. Bangladesh Sports Journalists Association (BSJA) organised the discussion and a milad mahfil at its office to pay tribute to Rumi, a symbol of sincere and honest professionalism in sports journal-

BSJA president Manzurul Haque and general secretary Syed Mohammed Mamun along with BSJA members, well-wishers and friends attended the milad mahfil and prayed for the eternal peace of the departed soul of Rumi.

Former MP and vice president of Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) Monirul Haque Chowdhury, valiant freedom fighter and celebrated judo organiser Hasanuzzaman Moni, Bangladesh Volleyball Federation president Golam Quddus Chowdhury, treasurer of Bangladesh Olympic Association (BOA) Monirul Haque Chowdhury, deputy secretary general of BOA Ishtiaq Ahmed,

former general secretary of sion, Manzurul Haque said Rumi Bangladesh Cricket Board Aminul was not only a renowned sports Haque Moni, former national footballers Badal Roy, Mosabber Hossain and Abdus Salam spoke on



MASUD AHMED RUMI

Elder sister of Rumi Prof Dilruba Afroze of Dhaka University and her husband Prof Dr Nazrul Islam, former national coach Jalal Ahmed Chowdhury and Fazlur Rahman Babul were present along with host of admirers of Rumi.

Earlier taking part in the discus-

reporter but also a very loveable

soul and guide to the juniors. "He took sports reporting to a new height by his excellent writing skill and knowledge, thus setting a trend for the beginners in this

field," he observed. "Rumi's untimely demise was not only a great loss for the BSJA and but also for the sports arena", said one of his friends adding that Rumi's contribution in the War of Liberation would always be remembered with pride and grati-

tude by the generations to come. Rumi, also a former president of the BSJA, died on March 11, 2003 following a heart attack at the age of

He joined Bangladesh Sangbad Sangstha (BSS) as a senior sports reporter in 1997 and continued there till his death. Earlier, he worked with the now-

defunct Dainik Bangla for 20 years from 1977. A brilliant student, Rumi was born in Naogaon on January 1, 1948 and passed the matriculation examination in 1964 with distinction as being one of the first batch examinees of Dhaka Government

Laboratory High School.

Dimitri first Englishman

FROM PAGE 17 Siddarth Kaul and Iqbal Abdullah. SQUADS

BANGALORE: Rahul Dravid (capt-IND), Jacques Kallis (RSA), Anil Kumble (IND), Cameron White (AUS), Zaheer Khan (IND), Mark Boucher (RSA), Nathan Bracken (AUS), Dale Steyn (RSA), Shivnarine Chanderpaul (WIS), Wasim Jaffer (IND), Misbah-ul Haq (PAK), Virat Kohli (IND), Abdur Razzak (BAN), Ross Taylor (NZL), Shreevats Goswami (IND). CHENNAI: Mahendra Singh Dhoni (capt-IND)), Jacob Oram (NZL), Suresh Raina (IND), Albie Morkel (RSA), Muttiah Muralidaran (SRI), Matthew Hayden (AUS), Michael Hussey (AUS), Stephen Fleming (NZL), Parthiv Patel (IND), Joginder Sharma (IND), Makhaya Ntini (RSA), Napoleon Einstein (IND), Abhinav Mukund (IND).

DELHI: Virender Sehwag (capt-IND), Gautam Gambhir (IND), Manoj Tiwary (IND), Mohammad Asif (PAK), Daniel Vettori (NZL),

(AUS), Abraham de Villiers (RSA), (PAK), Mohammad Hafeez (PAK), Tillekeratne Dicapt-IND)), Siddarth Kaul (IND), Iqbal Andrew Symonds (AUS), Rudra Abdullah (IND). Zoysa (SRI), Chamara Silva (SRI). JAIPUR: Shane Warne (capt-(AUS), Kamran Akmal (PAK), Ajitesh Argal (IND). Dimitri Mascarenhas (ENG), MUMBAI: Sachin Tendulkar Shane Watson (AUS), Morne (capt-IND), Sanath Jayasuriya Jadeja (IND).

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Pratap Singh (IND), Rohit Sharma MOHALI: Yuvraj Singh (capt-(IND), Adam Gilchrist (AUS), IND)), Irfan Pathan (IND), Brett Shahid Afridi (PAK), Herschelle Lee (AUS), Kumar Sangakkara Gibbs (RSA), Chaminda Vaas (SRI), Shanthakumaran Sreesanth (SRI), Scott Styris (NZL), Nuwan (IND), Mahela Jayawardene (SRI), Piyush Chawla (IND), Ramnaresh Sarwan (WIS), Simon Katich AUS)), Yusuf Pathan (IND), (AUS), Ramesh Powar (IND), Graeme Smith (RSA), Mohammad James Hopes (AUS), Luke Kaif (IND), Munaf Patel (IND), Pomersbach (AUS), Kyle Mills Younis Khan (PAK), Justin Langer (NZL), Tanmay Srivastava (IND),

Morkel (RSA), Sohail Tanvir (PAK), (SRI), Harbhajan Singh (IND), Taruwar Kohli (IND), Ravindra Robin Uthappa (IND), Shaun Pollock (RSA), Lasith Malinga KOLKATA: Sourav Ganguly (capt- (SRI), Loots Bosman (RSA), IND), Ishant Sharma (IND), Chris Dilhara Fernando (SRI), Ashwell Gayle (WIS), Brendon McCullum Prince (RSA), Saurabh Tiwary (NZL), David Hussey (AUS), (IND), Manish Pandey (IND).

Malik (PAK), Glenn McGrath Tatenda Taibu (ZIM), Salman Butt

(AGM) to take decision whether we can afford paid secretaries in districts in the coming term. We will try to convince the AFC or FIFA

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