

BANGLADESH-SL  
SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard in the Asia Cup Group A match between Sri Lanka and Bangladesh at the Gaddafi Stadium in Lahore on Wednesday.

## SRI LANKA

Jayasurya b Razzak	72
Sangakkara c Iqbal b Mahmudullah	101
Jayawardene b Razzak	6
Kapugedera c Mortaza b Razzak	74
Silva c Rahim b Kapali	19
Dilshan c Iqbal b Mortaza	29
Vaas c Iqbal b Mortaza	13
Kulasekera c Ashraf b Shahadat	1
Mendis not out	15
Muralidaran c Ashraf b Shahadat	5
Fernando not out	0
Extras: (lb-4, w-18)	22
Total: (For 9 wkt in 50 overs)	357
Fall of wickets: 1-116, 2-170, 3-211, 4-264, 5-303, 6-330, 7-336, 8-337, 9-347	

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Mortaza	10	0	53	2
Shahadat	7	0	62	2
Mahmud	3	0	49	0
Mahmudullah	10	0	62	1
Razzak	10	0	55	3
Kapali	10	0	72	1

## BANGLADESH

Iqbal b Kulasekera	28
Nazimuddin c Sangakkara b Vaas	1
Ashraf b Sangakkara b Fernando	8
Ragibul b Sangakkara b Muralidaran	35
Rahim c b and Muralidaran	44
Kapali c Jayasurya b Silva	30
Mahmudullah b Jayasurya	4
Mortaza not out	34
Razzak not out	22
Extras: (b-4, lb-6, nb-2, w-8)	20
Total: (For seven wkt in 50 overs)	226
Did not bat: Shahadat Hossain, Dolar Mahmud.	

Fall of wickets: 1-5, 2-35, 3-48, 4-126, 5-135, 6-142, 7-177.

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Vaas	6	1	16	1
Kulasekera	7	0	33	1
Fernando	8	0	53	1
Mendis	10	1	34	0
Muralidaran	10	0	37	2
Jayasurya	5	0	22	1
Silva	4	1	21	1

Result: Sri Lanka won by 131 runs.  
Man-of-the-match: Kumar Sangakkara.  
Toss: Bangladesh  
Umpires: Simon Taufel (AUS), Ian Gould (ENG)  
TV umpire: Zameer Haider (PAK)  
Match referee: Mike Procter (RSA)

BANGLADESH-UAE  
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**BANGLADESH:** 300 for eight 50 overs (Iqbal 40, Ashraf 109, Rokibul 83, Dolar 20; Shah 3-49, Khurram 2-78)

**UAE:** Javed Iqbal b Mortaza 10, Arshad Rokibul b Mahmudullah 41, Batuwitarachchi b Shahadat 0, Amjad c Kapali b Razzak 19, Saqib c Shahadat b Mahmudullah 10, Khurram c Rokibul b Razzak 78, Shetty b Razzak 7, Taqir b Rahim b Mahmud 18, Silva c & b Kapali 7, Shah not out 5, Alhashmi b Kapali 0, Extras: (b-1, w-8) 9, Total: (All out in 45.4 overs) 204

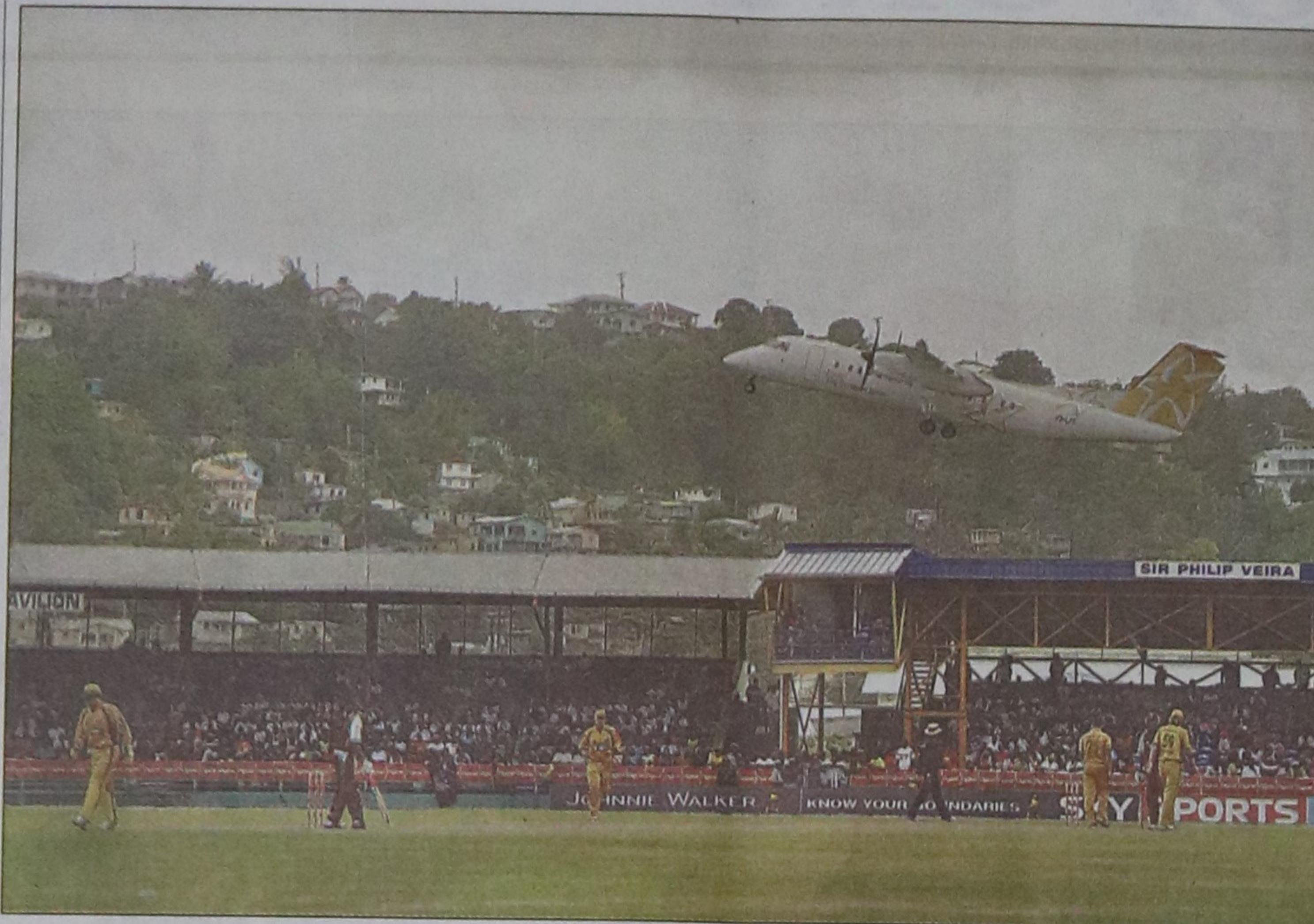
Fall of wickets: 1-15, 2-16, 3-48, 4-70, 5-117, 6-134, 7-181, 8-198, 9-198.

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Mortaza	7	1	47	1
Shahadat	4.5	0	24	1
Razzak	10	2	20	3
Mahmud	6.1	0	47	1
Mahmudullah	10	0	38	2
Kapali	7.4	0	27	2

Result: Bangladesh won by 96 runs.  
Man-of-the-match: Mohammad Ashraf.

Toss: Bangladesh  
Umpires: Simon Taufel (AUS), Ian Gould (ENG)

TV umpire: Zameer Haider (PAK)  
Match referee: Mike Procter (RSA)



A PRETTY SIGHT: An aircraft takes off from nearby ET Joshua Airport during the first one-day international between West Indies and Australia at the Arnos Vale ground in Kingstown on Tuesday.

## Marsh sets up win

## Cricket

AFP, Kingstown

Half-centuries from Shaun Marsh and Brad Haddin set the stage for Australia to complete an 84-run victory in the first one-day international against West Indies here on Tuesday.

Marsh scored 81 from 97 balls on his debut to earn the man-of-the-match award, and Brad Haddin hit an enterprising 50 off 52 balls, as Australia reached 273 for eight from their allocation of 50 overs after they were sent in to bat.

Gaining modest bounce and little sideways movement from the hard, easy-paced Arnos Vale Sports Complex pitch under cloudy skies, Australia, led by Nathan Bracken, bowled steadily to dismiss West Indies for 189 from 39.5 overs.

The victory gave Australia a 1-0 lead in the five-match series which continues on Friday at the Queen's Park Stadium in the Grenada capital of St. George's.

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over with a delivery that bounced and moved away from the opener - a similar delivery which got rid of Ramaresh Sarwan.

In between, Bracken had Chris Gayle lbw for 20 with a delivery that moved back from outside the off-stump.

Australia continued to apply the pressure, but Dwayne Bravo and Andre Fletcher added 51 for the fourth wicket to give the West Indies innings some backbone before three wickets fell for 31 runs in the space of 48 balls set the home team back further.

Australia were then put on the backfoot, when Sammy joined Denesh Ramdin to add 52 at a run-a-ball for the seventh wicket before the bottom of the boat fell out.

Bracken was the most successful Australia bowler with four wickets for 31 runs off 5.5 overs, and Lee captured two for 37 from nine overs.

Marsh had given Australia early momentum, when he shared 75 for the first wicket with Shane Watson, but the visitors' innings appeared to be at the crossroads, when they declined to 14 for the 31st over.

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## India's huge win

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completed his fourth one-day hundred off 90 balls. Dhoni hit six boundaries and six sixes during his innings.

Raina and Dhoni built on the platform provided by a fiery opening stand of 127 by Virender Sehwag (78) and Gautam Gambhir (51) who also thrashed the inexperienced Hong Kong bowlers.

Sehwag smashed 13 boundaries and two sixes during his 44-ball knock, while Gambhir hit seven boundaries in his 54-ball knock.

Hong Kong dismissed Sehwag, Gambhir and Rohit Sharma (11) within the space of 32 runs but their joy was short-lived as they ran into Raina and Dhoni.

Hong Kong captain Tabarak Dar said they were always in trouble against their stronger opponents.

"We were in a catch up situation all the time. The pitch had nothing for bowlers and once they scored so many runs we were under trouble," said Dar.

The previous best Asia Cup total was 343-5 by Pakistan against Hong Kong at Colombo in the 2004 Asia Cup.

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## ECB cuts ties

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British Prime Minister Gordon Brown had earlier Wednesday made it clear he wanted the Zimbabwe cricket team to be banned from touring England next year.

"We want to ensure that Zimbabwe does not tour England next year and we will call for other countries to join us in banning Zimbabwe from the Twenty20 international tournament," Brown said during Prime Minister's Question Time.

Zimbabwe, which effectively suspended itself from Test cricket because of a collapse in playing standards, could now be frozen out of the one-day game.

However, the issue of the Zimbabwe team will move on to the ICC agenda after the decision by South Africa on Monday to suspend cricket ties with its African neighbour.

If seven full members of the ICC board agree, Zimbabwe will be suspended from international cricket but it is by no means certain that will happen.

In its statement, the ECB added: "The ECB deplores the position in Zimbabwe and, like Cricket South Africa, finds this untenable. Therefore all bilateral arrangements are suspended with Zimbabwe Cricket with immediate effect."

"The ECB ... share the Government's concerns about the deteriorating situation and lack of human rights in Zimbabwe."

"ECB are now in detailed discussions to identify a replacement country to tour in the early part of the summer of 2009."

The venue and schedule of the 8th Asia Cup will be decided next month.

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