

Windies edge Kiwis in one over play-off

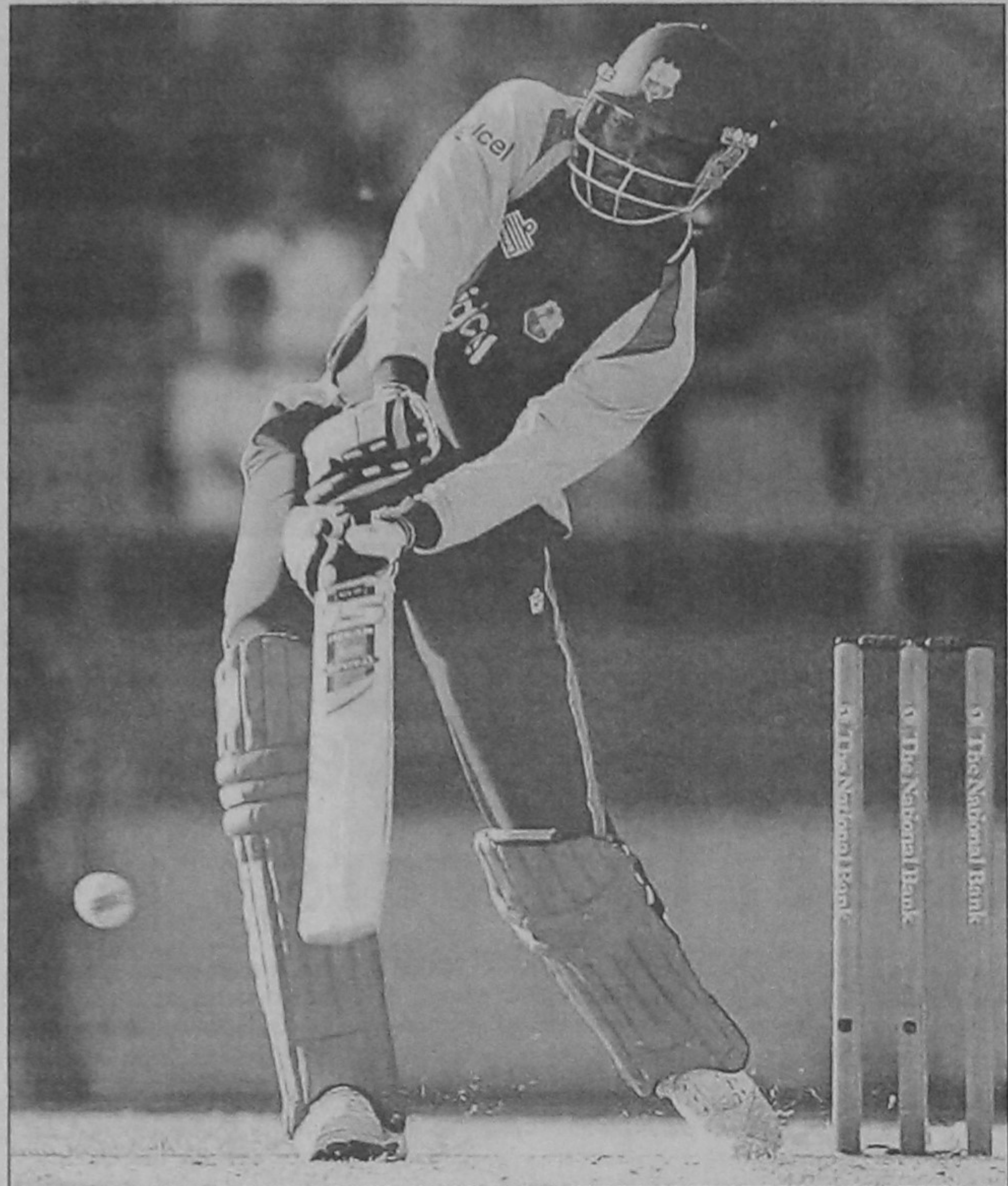
Cricket

AFP, Auckland
A Chris Gayle blast in a special "eliminator over" broke the deadlock between the West Indies and New Zealand to give the tourists the honours in the opening Twenty20 cricket match here Friday.

touch throughout the match, taking two for 16 and top-scoring with 67, belted 25 including three sixes and a four in the eliminator over off New Zealand's star bowler Daniel Vettori.
New Zealand in reply had lost their two wickets for 15 by the fourth ball bowled by Suleiman Benn.
"It was a good one-over game," man-of-the-match Gayle joked about the novel end.
"It was good, it was my first time experiencing it."
"Both teams enjoyed it I'm sure but it was good to come out on top."
Vettori said losing in a

bowl-off was demoralising.
"I think in the end we should have won the game," he said.
"Obviously we lost in the one over but the tie was impressive from our point of view. Most people thought Gayle had taken the game away from us but we fought really hard and got back into the game."
When Vettori won the toss he had no hesitation in batting first but apart from Ross Taylor who made 62, New Zealand's big hitters were never able to control the West Indies attack.
Taylor belted four fours and four sixes, mainly to the leg side, before his 50-ball stand

came to an end when he was bowled by Jerome Taylor while trying to join the scoring pace in the penultimate over.
The rest of the New Zealand top order were all unable to build on good starts as Brendon McCullum fell for 14, Jesse Ryder for 12 and Scott Styris made 21 off 12 balls.
Midway through the 10th over New Zealand were three for 70.
When Gayle snapped up a sharp caught and bowled chance from James Franklin they were five for 112 with only 27 balls remaining before Taylor's finishing flourish brought some respectability to the total.
The 2.02 metre (6ft 7in) Benn proved particularly hard to get away and finished with one for 20 off four overs.
Gayle, who returned two for 16 from three overs, charged into the run chase when the West Indies came to bat, racing to 67 off 41 balls including five fours and five sixes.
But apart from 28 by Xavier Marshall, he found long-term partners hard to come by.
The lack of depth in the West Indies batting line up was exposed when Gayle skied the ball and was caught by Ross Taylor off Jeetan Patel.
The visitors then needed 42 to win off 35 balls and with six wickets in hand.
At the start of the last over the West Indies still needed seven runs to win and New Zealand pace man Tim Southee, who was knocked for 30 runs by Gayle in his first two overs, was brought back to bowl at the death.
In the first four balls Shawn Findlay was caught behind and Fidel Edwards was run out.
But when it came to the last two deliveries, with the West Indies needing six to win, Southee yielded a four and a single forcing the game into the play-off.
The second and final Twenty20 game in Hamilton on Sunday will be followed by five one-day internationals.



West Indies captain Chris Gayle winds up to smash one over mid-off during his enterprising knock of 67 in their Twenty20 match against New Zealand in Auckland on Friday.



Chelsea striker Didier Drogba (2nd from L) is ecstatic after scoring the opening goal against West Bromwich Albion during their Premiership match at Stamford Bridge on Friday.

Saina new Indian sensation

PTI, New Delhi

From being just another promising young shuttler to breaking into the world's top 10, the year gone by has seen the metamorphosis of Saina Nehwal into a sensation, whose exploits helped India rise up the world badminton chart.
Riding on her success story, Indian badminton enjoyed a steep-rise over the past few seasons to leave its mark on the world sporting canvass.
Keeping pace with her dreams, Saina had made her intent clear at the start of the year when she became the first Indian girl to enter a Super Series semi-final in Singapore Open before losing to Mi Zhou of Hong Kong. She also made it to the last eight of the Thailand open.
With a new found optimism, the 18-year-old then sizzled at the Beijing Games, stunning world number five and fourth seed Wang Chen of Hong Kong in a three-game thriller to become the first Indian woman to reach the quarter-finals of the Olympics.
The little Hyderabad teen soon attained the tag of a 'giant killer' as she galloped her way to an impressive win in the Yonex Chinese Taipei Open, beating Li Ya Lydia Cheah of Malaysia 21-8 21-19 in September.
The National champion also clinched the Youth Commonwealth Games and World Junior Championship titles and was adjudged the most promising player of the year by the Badminton World Federation soon after she broke into the elite top 10 bracket.

Chelsea back on track

INTERNET, undated



Chelsea boss Luiz Felipe Scolari was rewarded for pairing Didier Drogba and Nicolas

penalty area, but the England midfielder, captain in the absence of suspended John Terry, sliced his left-foot shot wide of the target.
Jose Bosingwa was having a superb game attacking from right-back, consistently bearing marker Paul Robinson and testing the Baggies defence with a host of dangerous low crosses.
But Chelsea's best chance to double their lead came down the other flank when Ashley Cole was picked out in space inside the box, only for the left-back to see his drive tipped onto the near post by Scott Carson, who got up to save Cole's weaker follow-up effort.
However, the home side's incessant pressure finally told with a second goal just moments before the break. The two Coles combined well down the left, Joe releasing Ashley into the box before the bobbled to Lampard, who chipped Carson from close range.
The rampaging Bosingwa was withdrawn at half-time for Juliano Belletti, and the substitute had an early chance to make it 3-0 when he played a one-two on the edge of the box, but he attempted to chip Carson rather than shoot with power and his poor effort drifted high and wide.
Lampard had an even better chance just short of the hour-mark when in more space in a similar position on the other side of the box; like Belletti, the

midfielder opted to chip although this time the ball was lifted tamerly into the hands of the waiting keeper.
Drogba wasted two great chances shortly afterwards as Chelsea continued to dominate, before the Ivorian was withdrawn for Florent Malouda.
Chelsea kept the tempo high in the closing stages as they looked for a deserved third, although despite continued pressure, possession and efforts on goal, the score remained 2-0.

Destiny

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Bank First Division Chess League.
Destiny moved to 48.5 points and closer to the title and will need just a draw (two points) in today's 15th and final round clash against mid-table Dhaka Metropolitan.
Destiny are now 2.5 points ahead of their closest rivals Bangladesh Biman, who failed to collect full points against Sultana Kamal SP in a 3.5-0.5 win.
Meanwhile, Pritam-Prism beat Mohakhali 3-1, Leonie beat Friends by the same margin, Air Destiny defeated I2 Soft Solution 3.5-0.5 and Faith edged Madaripur 2.5-1.5.
The matches between Farashganj-Overseas School of Chess and Dhaka Metropolitan-Dhaka University ended in draws.

Ntini satisfied

CRICINFO, undated

Makhaya Ntini is not the man Matthew Hayden wants to be facing while trying to justify extending his career. When Ntini collected Hayden for 8 it was the ninth time he had picked him up in the 11 Tests they have played against each other. No bowler has taken Hayden's wicket more times and no batsman has been dismissed by Ntini more often.
It was a smart piece of thinking from Ntini, who was coming around the wicket, to lure Hayden into driving a ball that had some width and moved away a fraction. Hayden had been conscientiously leaving deliveries outside off but temptation got the better of him and his thickish edge flew to gully. It was a similar dismissal to the first innings in Perth, when Ntini angled the ball in to Hayden and nipped it away to catch the edge.
As Hayden trudged off the MCG, his favourite venue, it seemed increasingly likely that his days at the top of the order were running out, despite his declaration during the week that he had no retirement plans yet. In Ntini's previous over Hayden had driven handsomely down the ground and Ntini said it showed there was a fine line between form and failure.
"He's hitting the ball very well, if you bowl like I did a bit full," Ntini said. "Cricket has ways of... showing your downfall, if you get frustrated very quickly, those kinds of things are easy to show. But if you are a hard-working person... you never know. He might come out in the second innings and score a hundred."

Ponting lifts Aussies

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the verge on being unstoppable until pushing at the left-arm spinner Paul Harris and popping a catch to Hashim Amla at short-leg, allowing South Africa to forget about a moment that threatened to become crucial.
In the over before lunch Steyn forced an edge from Ponting that went to second slip, where Neil McKenzie dropped it. Ponting was on 24 and fighting to find fluency, but the break came at the ideal time for Australia's captain. Coming back after the interval he struck his first ball, from Ntini, straight down the ground for four and over the next two hours dominated South Africa by adding 74.
The innings briefly covered the damage of losing Simon Katich and Michael Hussey, with the score slipping quickly from 1 for 128. Ryans came from Ponting behind square-leg, in the V, through point and cover, off the front foot and back. This was a man who was again a fabulous example, a figure of batting wonder rather than the grumpy captain of the final day in Perth.
South Africa were sensible to focus at the other end, even though Ponting offered occasional plays and misses. He square drove a four to bring up his half-century in 80 deliveries and followed next ball with a repeat off Ntini. The third boundary in a row came from a crisp straight drive and he continued in committed fashion until Harris intervened.
It was his 37th Test century, his fourth at the MCG, and he took time to wave to friends, family and fans. There were ten boundaries and a six, which arrived when he flicked Morne Morkel to fine-leg, but he left unfulfilled.
While Ponting was purring after lunch, Katich returned quietly and departed when he tried to drive Steyn on the up and inside-edged on to middle stump. His 54 was important in lifting Australia following the early loss of Matthew Hayden, who also fell to a bowler operating around the wicket. Hussey

was another to fail against that angle, thinking about playing Steyn but pulling out too late and being caught behind by Mark Boucher. After 0 and 8 in Perth, Hussey was gone with his third zero since returning from India.
Steyn started poorly, spraying the ball outside off stump, but returned with purpose in the middle session when he had 2 for 22 in a seven-over spell. Steyn and Ntini ended the day with a new ball and Ntini (2 for 71) dismantled the Clarke-Haddin stand. Harris was also thoughtful and containing, finishing with 1 for 33 off 16, while Jacques Kallis was employed for 15 overs in a similar run-limiting role.
Morkel, whose first two overs went for 18, returned after tea to pick up Andrew Symonds when he slashed a cut shot and it was intercepted by an alert Kallis at second slip. Symonds exited with 27, a cameo which included some strong and risky boundaries, and Australia were in more discomfort at 5 for 223.
It was not a good day for Symonds and his great friend Hayden. Hayden could not find the innings that would extend his career and was dismissed on 8 trying to drive a wide ball from Ntini, which sliced to JP Duminy at backward point. Unless he can make a hefty contribution later in the game he may be farewell his teammates next week in Sydney.

Fall of wickets: 1-21, 2-128, 3-143, 4-184, 5-223, 6-277.

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Steyn	21	5	61	2
Ntini	21	7	71	2
Kallis	15	4	41	0
Morkel	17	3	67	1
Harris	16	3	33	1

SOUTH AFRICA: McKenzie, Amla, Kallis, De Villiers, Duminy, Steyn, Boucher, Ntini, Smith, Morkel, Harris.
Toss: Australia
Umpires: Aleem Dar (Pakistan) and BR Doctrove (West Indies)
Match referee: RS Madugalle (Sri Lanka)

SL will tour

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has blamed on Pakistan-based militants.
The PCB said it was set to lose at least 25 million dollars as a result of the cancellation but would recover some of the money by hosting Sri Lanka.

Runs take

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So he has done his part, scored the runs and now he's waiting in the wings quite literally. Riyad misses the green tops of the Tigers more than anything and it really doesn't matter what version of the game he plays. "It matters to me that I play for Bangladesh. The format of the game is not an issue for me but to play for Bangladesh, that's what makes me tick," added Riyad.
"After I scored the three centuries I thought I would be in reckoning but when I did not see my name in the list for the Tests I told myself to score some more runs.
"I hope that I get to play the upcoming tri-series," hoped Riyad. His reputation of being a good finisher would always work in his favour but as the best would tell you, doing it day in day out is not everyone's cup of tea. Riyad has closed four-day matches by batting long and batting big and his patience in the middle has paid off. Now it is time to be patient and wait for that call.

A rare effort

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up the tall, so we have to work hard for every wicket. We need to get the breakthrough tomorrow as early as possible," he warned.
And everybody knows that the Lankans have that kind of batting depth to take the score away from the Tigers as even Chaminda Vaas has a Test hundred under his belt and just take note: it came against Bangladesh last year.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard at stumps on the opening day of the first Test between Sri Lanka and Bangladesh at the Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium in Mirpur on Friday:
SRI LANKA: First innings
Vandort c Shakib b Shahadat 44
Warnapura lbw b Mashrafe 14
Sangakkara c Ashraf b Shakib 43
Jayawardene b Shakib 3
Samaraweera not out 20
Dilshan b Shakib 14
Jayawardene c Tamim b Shahadat 6
Vaas not out 0
Extras: (b-4, lb-7, nb-6, w-11) 28
Total: (For six wks in 57.4 overs) 172
To bat: Herath, Prasad, Muralidaran.
Fall of wickets: 1-24, 2-119, 3-121, 4-135, 5-155, 6-171.
Bowler O M R W
Mashrafe 13 1 48 1
Mahubul 13 4 23 0
Shahadat 13.4 2 47 2
Shakib 18 3 43 3
BANGLADESH: Tamim, Zunaed, Ashraf, Rokibul, Mehra, Mushfiqur, Shakib, Mashrafe, Imrul, Shahadat, Mahubul.
Toss: Sri Lanka
Umpires: Steve Bucknor (WIS) and Nigel Llong (ENG)
TV umpire: Enamul Haque (BAN)
Match referee: Jeff Crowe (NZL)

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1.	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Civil Aviation & Tourism
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3.	Procuring entity name	Bangladesh Parjatan Corporation
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5.	Ref. No. with date	Works-18/2008 dt: 21 Dec 2008
6.	Procurement method	Open tendering method (OTM)
7.	Brief description of assignment	Consultancy services in connection with preparation of Plan & design of 5(five) storied building with 20 (twenty) storied foundation as a STATE OF THE ART 'PARJATAN BHABAN' over a land of 0.56 acre at Agargaon, Dhaka including boundary wall, Road, parking, sub-station building & other related services.
8.	Qualification & experiences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The applicant consultant firm must have at least 10(ten) years overall experiences in consultancy services in successful planning & both architectural & structural designing of projects in any govt./semi-govt./autonomous organization. The design project must have at least one office building of not less than 10 (ten) storied having floor area not less than 1200m² in each floor during last 5 (five) years including water supply, sanitary, electrification, fire fighting system and Earthquake prevention, telephone & network system, landscaping etc. The designed building project should be successfully implemented/constructed as stated above certificate in this regard should be furnished from at least an officer not below the rank of Executive Engineer/Equivalent Officer. Should have sufficient numbers of well experienced design architects, structural designers, water supply, sanitary design Engineers, electrical & mechanical engineers in their pay roll. Should have up-to-date trade license, VAT registration, latest income tax clearance certificate, bank solvency certificate from schedule bank of Bangladesh. Consultant firm(s) may associate with other consulting firms to enhance their qualifications with legal documents. But should mention whether the association is in the form of a Joint venture or of association. Intended consultant firms are invited to provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services submitting their brochures, description of similar assignments, experiences in similar operating conditions, qualification and experiences among staff etc. Interested firms may obtain further information at address above during normal office hours.
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