

WOMEN'S CRICKET
Ansar move into final

SPORTS REPORTER
Ansar & VDP have moved into the final of the Women's Club Cup Tournament after beating BKSP by 48 runs in the first semifinal at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium yesterday.



Ansar players appeal for a stumping against a BKSP batswoman during their Women's Club Cup match at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium yesterday.

Shoaib, Sania meet Indian envoy

PTI, Islamabad
Newly-wed star couple Sania Mirza and Shoaib Malik today met Indian High Commissioner Sharat Sabharwal, following which the Pakistani cricketer was granted one year visa extension.

Parliamentary probe of IPL demanded

CRICINFO, undated
A potentially significant day in the IPL controversy saga has begun on a stormy note as opposition MPs in the Indian Parliament demanding a Parliamentary probe, in addition to the investigations currently being carried out by government agencies, into the allegations that have been swirling around since the story broke a fortnight ago.

Div II cricket

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Manikganj
Bewtha Mukul Fouz defeated Manikganj United City by four wickets to move into the second round in the Khan Real Estate Second Division Cricket League at Manikganj Government Boys' High School playground here yesterday.

World T20 across Europe

INTERNET, undated
If you've ever wondered how to say "howzat?" in Polish or "free hit" in German, you could find out over the course of the next few weeks as the Eurosport channel will be broadcasting the upcoming ICC World Twenty20 from the West Indies in 14 languages across the length and breadth of the continent.

We will overcome IPL crisis, says Tendulkar

PTI, New Delhi
The IPL controversy has left Indian cricket in complete chaos but senior batsman Sachin Tendulkar said he is optimistic that the game would tide over this crisis.



Indian tennis star Sania Mirza (L) arrives with her husband Pakistani cricketer Shoaib Malik (R) at the Karachi International Airport on Thursday.

Div I b'ball

SPORTS REPORTER
Mamun caged 20 points to help Rangers Club thrash Old DOHS Club 44-9 in the Premier Bank First Division Basketball League at the Dhanmondi Basketball Gymnasium yesterday.

MSC players skip

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Mohammedan officials in a bid to clear their unpaid wages. The players, however, talked with assistant manager Imtiaz Ahmed Nakib, who assured the players that he would talk with the high-ups about the situation.

AB Bank

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round and if Bangladesh qualifies for the second round in the World Cup the sponsors would provide an additional US\$ 5000 to BCB for each match.

MERCEDES-BENZ TOUR Rising stars to play Barclays S'pore Open

PRESS RELEASE
The Mercedes-Benz Tour will offer its members a direct pathway into the Barclays Singapore Open this year after announcing it has secured seven spots in one of the world's most lucrative national Opens.

BARCELONA OPEN Tsonga thru' to last eight

Tennis
AFP, Barcelona
Jo-Wilfried Tsonga needed a fast change of tactics to reach the quarterfinals of the Barcelona Open as he defeated Spaniard Nicolas Almagro 5-7, 6-1, 6-4 on Thursday.

Shamsur

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Shakib target

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Captain Shakib was also upbeat with his team's preparation before the megatournament. "Nothing could have been better than playing matches before any tournament. I think our preparation is good this time and most importantly we have been playing good cricket for last few months and hope it will continue in West Indies and as well as in the England tour," said the all-rounder.



A golfer tees off during the Mercedes-Benz Tour in Singapore recently.

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