



Midfielder Yaya Toure (L) shoots to score Ivory Coast's opening goal during their Group G match against North Korea at the Mbombela Stadium in Nelspruit yesterday.

PHOTO: AFP

Elephants exit with a win

AFP, Nelspruit

Ivory Coast fell short of their goal chase to make the last 16 at the World Cup as they beat North Korea 3-0 in their Group G match to continue the exodus of African teams here on Friday.

Chasing down a seemingly impossible nine goals to nudge Portugal out of the last 16 - though it wouldn't have made a difference in the end as the Portuguese drew with Brazil to finish a point ahead of the 'Elephants' - the Ivorians' goals dried up in the second half against a massed North Korean red wall of defenders.

Ivory Coast joined hosts South Africa, Cameroon,

Nigeria and Algeria as first-round casualties with only Ghana carrying on the African cause in the knockout round.

The Ivorians scored twice in the opening half, raising some hopes that they might set sail after the imposing target, but as the smoke drifted in from fires on the surrounding low veldt, so did Sven-Goran Eriksson's team lose their way.

Only Chelsea's Salomon Kalou, a second half substitute, found the net in the 82nd minute, tucking away a high ball from defender Arthur Boka.

The Elephants made a good fist of a vibrant opening half with strikes by Yaya Toure and Romaric among 10 Ivorian

SCORE BOARD	
N KOREA 0 - 3 IVORY COAST	
YAYA TOURE 14, ROMARIC 20, KALOU 82	
North Korea (5-4-1): Ri Myong-guk - Cha Jong-hyok, Pak Chol-jin, Ri Jun-il, Ji Yun-nam, Ri Kwang-chon - Hong Yong-jo (cap), Ahn Yong-hak, Pak Nam-chol, Mun In-guk (Choe Kum-chol 67) - Jong Tae-se	
Ivory Coast (4-3-3): Boubacar Copa Barry - Emmanuel Eboue, Kolo Toure, Didier Zokora, Arthur Boka - Romaric (Seydou Doumbia 79), Yaya Toure, Cheik Ismael Tiote - Kader Keita (Salomon Kalou 64), Didier Drogba (cap), Gervinho (Aruna Dindane 64)	
Venue: Mbombela Stadium, Nelspruit	

KEY STATS

N Korea	I Coast
Shots (on target)	
9(4)	27(10)
Corners	
0	7
Possession	
34%	66%
Yellow Cards	
0	0

shots on target.

Ivory Coast were looking for a mammoth win over the North Koreans, like Portugal's last start 7-0 rout, and relying on group leaders Brazil to beat the Portuguese in Durban for them to have an outside prospect of reaching the knockout round.

Barcelona playmaker Yaya Toure struck first in the 14th minute, drilling home from outside the area off a cut-back from Kader Keita.

The Elephants went two-up on 20 minutes after Chelsea superstar Didier Drogba rattled the crossbar with a fierce volley and left midfielder Romaric with an easy header into an unguarded net.

Le Guen to step down

AFP, Cape Town

Paul Le Guen revealed on Thursday that he will step down as coach of Cameroon but refused to be drawn on whether he will become the next man in charge of Australia.

The Frenchman made the announcement after the African side were eliminated from the World Cup following three straight defeats.

"We have lost all three matches and my contract with Cameroon is coming to an end," he told a press conference after his team's 2-1 defeat to the Netherlands at the Green Point Stadium.

"It was planned all along that I would stop and I will stop with Cameroon."

Le Guen, who took the Cameroon reins in July 2009, has been linked with the head coaching role of the Australian national side but said that he has not yet made any decisions about his future.

"I'm going to think about the future and we will see," he said. Australian media have said the 46-year-old, a former coach of Paris Saint-Germain, Lyon and Rangers, was the front-runner to succeed Pim Verbeek, who himself has stepped down after Australia were eliminated.

Capello's penalty takers decided

TELEGRAPH

The England manager has had his players practising penalties at the end of every training session since the initial 30-man squad arrived in Austria on May 17 for their pre-World Cup training camp.

Capello has 23 names in order of preference, and should his first five be on the pitch at the end of extra-time in Bloemfontein, it is believed Frank Lampard, Steven Gerrard, Wayne Rooney, James Milner and Gareth Barry will step forward.

All four World Cup matches between England and Germany have been level at the end of 90 minutes, while England have lost on penalties to their arch rivals in 1990 and at Euro 96. England also lost on penalties in their last two finals - World Cup 2006 and Euro 2004 - to Portugal.

Eriksson tips England

AFP, Nelspruit

Former England manager Sven-Goran Eriksson believes England can beat Germany in their World Cup showdown in Bloemfontein on Friday.

The 62-year-old Swede, who is in charge of the Ivory Coast at the World Cup finals, said he will find a television in Nelspruit and watch his former team take on their World Cup nemesis.

"I saw England's match against Algeria and I thought England played well," the Swede said of the 0-0 draw which was roundly slammed by the critics.

"I think they can beat Germany, it will be a huge game. I am going to look at that on TV."

Eriksson was in charge of two England World Cup campaigns in 2002 and 2006, but never succeeded in taking the side beyond the last eight, losing to eventual winners Brazil in 2002 and then to Portugal on penalties four years later.

An intriguing last 16 clash

PREVIEW

AFP, Port Elizabeth

South Korea and Uruguay meet here on Saturday in a fascinating World Cup last 16 clash that few pundits would have predicted at the start of the tournament.

The Asian giants have earned a reputation as set-piece masters in South Africa, with three of their five first round goals coming from freekicks, some feat given the unpredictability of the Jubaleni ball.

That prowess will be tested to the full at the Nelson Mandela Bay stadium against a Uruguay side with a rock solid defence that has yet to concede a goal.

Uruguay made it to the second round as surprise winners of Group A after holding France to a goalless draw, beating hosts South Africa 3-0, and closing with a 1-0 win over Mexico, Ajax striker Luis Suarez getting the all important goal.

Uruguay, winners of the inaugural World Cup on home soil in 1930 and again in 1950, crashed out on their last appearance in 2002 when co-hosts South Korea made it into the semifinals.

A last four place is again the target coach Huh Jung-Moo has set for his Asian giants in South Africa.

"We have achieved our first objective of reaching the round



South Korea star Park Ji-Sung goes airborne to kick the ball during a training session at Olympia Park Stadium in Rustenburg on Thursday ahead of their round of 16 match against Uruguay.

PHOTO: AFP

of 16," Huh, an accomplished changgi (Korean chess) player, said.

"After that, anybody can guess what our next objective might be, but I know that the players will immediately set a higher target.

"They won't be satisfied

now with just having progressed. They will want to get to the semi-finals."

South Korea have punched above their weight to finish runners-up in Group B.

They opened in style with a 2-0 win over former European champions Greece, on their

first visit to Port Elizabeth.

A 4-1 rout by Argentina followed but they put that reverse behind them when holding Nigeria to a 2-2 draw in Durban on Tuesday.

Huh observed: "It's the first time we reached the second round at a World Cup abroad. I'm very proud and very happy."

South Korea captain and Manchester United winger Ji-Sung Park, who scored in the

win over Greece, told The Daily Yomiuri: "It's a first for us to qualify away from home."

"We watched a few of Uruguay's games, they have quality and they are strong and their performances were great in the group stages. We have to prepare well for that game."

Uruguay's experienced Atletico Madrid striker Diego Forlan spoke for his part on Thursday about "a difficult game ahead".



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Round & Draw	Starts	Ends	Answers must reach by 12pm	Lucky Draw for prizes
4. Khulna	June 15	June 23	June 25	June 29
5. Sylhet	June 24	July 02	July 04	July 06
Bumper Round, Dhaka	July 03	July 11	July 13	July 16

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Tick (✓) the correct answers

- How many goals did Fernando Torres score in WC qualifying? 0 ☐ 1 ☐ 5 ☐
- How many teams participated in the first World Cup in 1930? 12 ☐ 16 ☐ 13 ☐
- Which was the first team to not score in the World Cup final? Germany ☐ Netherlands ☐ Argentina ☐
- Who is the only player to have scored goals for two different teams in the World Cup finals? Suker ☐ Prosinecki ☐ Stankovic ☐
- Who is this player? Bolatti ☐ De Rossi ☐ Podolski ☐

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Father's name Occupation

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