SUST Champs League on

A UNIVERSITY, Sust

The SUST-Maha Champions League, a professional football tournament, began on the Shahjalal University of Science and Technology (SUST) campus in Sylhet yesterday.

In the inaugural match, Evergreen recorded a 1-0 victory over Chetana '71. Race '71 defeated Real Madrid 2-1 in the other match of the day.

Twelve teams are participating in the league which has been designed as per the European Champions League. Teams were formed in an 'open selling system' from 144 players, with Md. Shahjahan, a student of BBA Dept. becoming the most valuable player at a price of 10,200 taka. The final match is slated for November 8.

Earlier, SUST VC Dr. Salehuddin Ahmed declared the meet open.

BCCI, Modi fail to reach compromise

CRICINFO

The Supreme Court has been told that attempts to find a compromise between the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) and former IPL chairman Lalit Modi have failed, according to

The Court had given both sides until October 21 to work out a solution over the composition of the committee investigating charges levied against Modi. Ram Jethmalani, who is repre-

senting Modi in the case, said that attempts to find a solution failed despite the best efforts of those involved. The next hearing will be held on November 11.

At the first hearing on October 21, the court had offered two suggestions for the compromise: to increase the size of the existing committee or have its three members stay away from the league's governing council, which is authorised to look into the disciplinary committee's report on Modi. The disciplinary committee currently comprises IPL chairman Chirayu Amin, BCCI vicepresident Arun Jaitley and Jyotiraditya Scindia, the president of the Madhya Pradesh Cricket Association.

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How much

is the ring?

After earning two champion-

ships with the Los Angeles

Lakers, Sasha Vujacic knows a

proposed to tennis star Maria

Sharapova, the three-time

Grand Slam champion has

been seen in public flashing a

massive diamond ring believed

to cost 250,000 dollars, accord-

ing to a jewelry expert con-

ring cradles a center stone that

appears to be a cushion-cut

diamond of about seven to

eight carats on a thick, split-

Sharapova at his Manhattan

Beach, Calif., home on the one-

year anniversary of their first

meeting at a friend's barbecue.

No wedding date has been

Vujacic and the Lakers

claim their championship

rings and hang the franchise's

16th banner Tuesday. The

Lakers square off against the

Houston Rockets as the team

begins its quest for a third

major title at Wimbledon in

2004, when she was 17. She

went on to win the 2006 US

Open and 2008 Australian

Open and also reached No. 1 in

After shoulder surgery and

an elbow injury forced her to

miss time the past two sea-

sons, Sharapova is currently

Sri Lanka win

warm-up T20

Sri Lanka tuned up for their

Twenty20 and one-day inter-

nationals against Australia

with a 23-run victory over New

South Wales in a rain-affected

T20 match in Sydney on

167-4 off their 20 overs and

NSW in reply finished with 99-

2 off 14 overs with victory

coming under the Duckworth-

Lewis method after rain inter-

vened early in the NSW

Sri Lanka face Australia in a

T20 international in Perth on

Sunday followed by three

Acting captain Mahela

Jayawardene, who was

leading the team as regular

skipper Kumar Sangakarra

rested, took full advantage of

an under-strength Blues

put on 57 with fellow opener

Tillakaratne Dilshan (21 off

the second wicket with Dinesh

Chandimal (24 off 18) and was

eventually third man out,

falling to opposing skipper

and Australian T20 represen-

tative Stephen O'Keefe (1-21).

Lee (0-44) was unable to

impress after missing out on a

place in the Australian team

for the T20 and three one-day

matches, conceding sixes off

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win in the end with their bowl-

ers doing a superb job to restrict

hitting 30 off 26 balls and

Usman Khawaja hitting an

Sri Lanka had a comfortable

Kapugedera (26 off 18).

Former Test paceman Brett

He struck nine fours and

Jayawardene added 45 for

attack after winning the toss.

Jayawardene hammered 59 off

ODIs next month.

The Sri Lankans put on

the WTA rankings.

ranked 18th.

AFP, Sydney

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Sharapova won her first

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Since the Lakers guard

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AP, Undated

World number one Caroline Wozniacki of Denmark celebrates after beating Russia's Elena Dementieva in the first round of the WTA Championships in Doha on Tuesday. Wozniacki won 6-1, 6-1.

Wozniacki moves on

Tennis

AFP, Doha

World number one Caroline Wozniacki moved to within one win of the year-end top spot when she continued her 12-week hot streak at the WTA Championships here on Tuesday.

The 20-year-old Dane outplayed Elena Dementieva, the former Olympic champion from Russia, 6-1, 6-1, bringing her 31st win in 33 matches since the start of August, during which she has won five of her seven tournaments.

Once again Wozniacki's rhythm, timing, and superb movement were again conspicuous as she overwhelmed the tournament's most experienced player, one who has qualified for the season-end event ten times.

"Of course, now I'm the player to beat, you know, it's just a nice feeling," Wozniacki said.

"It's nice to know that I've done such good results that I'm the number one player in the world. That's is a fantastic feeling."

Her confidence was in evidence from the start, when she broke serve immediately, raced to a 3-0 lead, and signalled to Dementieva that most of the rallies could only be won by much graft.

Soon Dementieva was trying to use sudden drop shots to break up Wozniacki's pattern of containment and mobility. But all three attempts failed in the seventh game, effectively gifting the favourite the first set.

Dementieva fought back well from 0-40 in

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the opening game in the second set, but it was the last time she looked likely to get back on

Soon she was another break down, by which time her second serve -- which ended with only an 18 percent success ratio -- was already beginning to look vulnerable.

When Dementieva tried a gambler's ploy by rushing the net at break point in the fifth game and was comfortably passed, putting her 1-4 down, the match was effectively over.

"It was a very nice start, definitely," said Wozniacki.

"I'm very happy to be through this first match. It's always tough to start a new tournament, and against Elena, I have had many tough matches in the past. So it's nice to get one like this."

Earlier the only player capable of toppling Wozniacki from the top spot, Vera Zvonareva, also won well.

The Wimbledon and US Open finalist from Russia dropped only three games against Jelena Jankovic, the former world number one from Serbia, who looked well below par.

Jankovic, who has been suffering from sinus problems, sweated unusually heavily and, after battling hard in the seventh, eighth and ninth games but still losing the first set, ceased to present a serious challenge.

"I finished the match but had a really hard time," Jankovic said. "There were moments when I felt I was going to give up."

Later she had intravenous therapy, fluids

being inserted straight into a vein.

Women's college handball

SPORTS REPORTER

Viqarunnissa Noon School & College and Siddheswari Girls' College moved into the final of 13th Delta Life Women's College Handball Tournament winning their respective semifinals at the Handball Stadium yesterday.

In the first semifinal, Vigarunnissa beat Eden Girls' College senior team 15-8. The winners led the first half 10-4.

Pinky scored highest six goals and Bitasta added three for the winners while Hazra

scored four for the losing side. In the day's other semi, Siddheswari crushed Eden junior team by 11-1 goals after

leading the first half 6-0. Bibha scored four and Hafiza added three for the

winners. The two teams will meet in

the final at 3:30pm today at the same venue.

SA win T20

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Botha then removed Mohammad Hafeez (13), Afridi and Abdul Razzaq (four) to end Pakistan's hopes of reaching a respectable total.

Pakistan coach Waqar Younus was disappointed over the poor batting.

"We scored 25-30 runs less than we expected," said Wagar, whose team lost the last six wickets for a mere 35 runs.

"We need to bat with strategy in the next game."

This is Pakistan's home series shifted to United Arab Emirates due to security fears. The two teams meet in the

second Twenty20 here on Wednesday. They then play the first two one-day internationals and the second Test in Abu Dhabi.

Dubai will stage the last three

one-day and the first Test.

SCORES IN BRIEF PAKISTAN: 119 all out (Farhat 10, Hafeez 13, Akmal 14, Afridi 25, Misbah 27 not out 27; Tsotsobe 3-16, Botha 3-31) SOUTH AFRICA: 120 for 4 (Smith 13, Duminy 41, Ingram 46 not out, Miller 13 not out; Akhtar 2-29)

Result: South Africa won by six wickets. Man-of-the-match: Jean-Paul

Duminy.

the Blues with a combination of quality slow bowling and outstanding pressure bowling. Suraj Randiv picked up the only two wickets of the innings with Phil Hughes

unbeaten 32 off 37 balls.

Asif confident of playing in WC

Cricket

PTI, Karachi

Pakistan's controversial fast bowler Muhammad Asif is confident of playing in the 2011 World Cup despite the pending allegations of spot-fixing and the International Cricket Council's suspension.

Asif on Tuesday said he was confident that he would get cleared of all allegations and suspensions by the time the World Cup was played in India, Sri Lanka and Bangladesh.

World Cup despite all the recent problems. That is why I am training regularly and keeping myself very fit," said Asif, who also got married in late September.

The pacer, who was provisionally suspended by the ICC anti-corruption unit on September 2 in the wake of spot-fixing allegations, said, "Playing in the World Cup remains and I am keen to play in the coming tournament and I am confident I can successfully get these allegations and suspensions removed."

Asif surprised the cricket world last week by withdrawing his appeal against the provisional suspension by the ICC which had already scheduled a hearing in Doha later this month.

But Asif maintained he wanted to not only challenge the suspension but also the spot fixing allegations against him.

"We are going for a full hearing into the spot fixing allegations against me and this suspension which I think the ICC has ratify in December or remove it if they can't confirm the charges against me," he said.

He indicated that the ICC had also charged him with intentionally bowling a no-ball in the fourth test against England at Lords.

"The no-ball was part of a tactic to upset the batsmen, I don't think it is such a big allegation," he added.

Asif said he was happy that his fans, family and friends were behind him and that is why he "I optimistically see myself playing in the intended to challenge the spot fixing allegations and suspensions properly at one time

> Scotland Yard is investigating spot fixing allegations against the three Pakistani cricketers but have so far not given any public statement on the issue or on their findings as yet.

> All three players are barred from playing at any level because of their suspensions and even the PCB stopped them from training at the National cricket academy because of ICC rules. Asif said he was not bothered by the PCB

> decision as they had done what had to be done according to the ICC rules and regulations. "They did the right thing because of this

> suspension. I can go and practice and train anywhere including my club ground so it is not okay with me," he said.

I was a victim of politics: Bond

Cricket

PTI, Wellington

Former New Zealand pacer Shane Bond has said that he became a "victim of politics" after joining the Indian Cricket League (ICL) but he has no regret about playing in the 'rebel' twenty20 event which cost him his international career. At the peak of his career, Bond had joined the ICL and was soon discarded by New Zealand Cricket board (NZC).

In his autobiography, 'Looking back', Bond claimed NZC had contractually allowed him to participate in the league but backed out when the ICC intervened. "What I'll never understand is why it had to be one or the other, ICL or playing for New Zealand, especially when I received a cast-iron assurance that I could do both, and my contract with New Zealand Cricket certainly allowed for it," Bond said in his book.

distasteful as that might be, I could learn to live

with that, but what I can't live with is the suggestion that in the end I didn't want to play for my country," he added.

Bond was not considered for selection for nearly two years after he joined the ICL team 'Delhi Giants' in January 2008. But after BCCI granted amnesty to the rebel players, Bond also terminated his ICL contract to be back in the national fold.

He then signed up with IPL franchise Kolkata Knight Riders, who bid USD 750,000 for him at the auction but Bond says he doesn't regret playing in the ICL. "One thing I'll never regret is signing to play

in the Indian Cricket League. Not at all. I've achieved security for my family and in the long term that is more important than a few Test and One-day caps."

"Although I had been on a good contract by New Zealand standards, I hadn't got rich out of the game. I'd done all right, obviously, but I simply hadn't played long enough to accumulate the sort of income that would provide long-"In the end I became a victim of politics. As term security for my family once my career ended."

Will COO be a CEO

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able to answer better. What we have to look at though is not just terminology and words but the actual terms of reference of CEO and COO as determined by BCB.

What is the point of someone carrying the title of a CEO when in reality his terms of reference are such that he is at

best a glorified clerk.

The role that BCB defines for a CEO or COO will in turn be guided by how BCB views itself and how it wishes to evolve, grow and mature as an institution over the years. If it wishes to embrace a culture of professionalism, transparency, accountability and wishes to be judged on the basis of targets and timelines it sets for itself, then there can be no alternative to having a competent management team led by a dynamic and result oriented individual, backed by strong finances and driven by a clear vision that BCB has defined.

DSS: In democracy it is the mandate of the most that counts. But in our sports you must have painfully observed the power struggle between the

councillors from districts and the Dhaka clubs ultimately hindered the progress of sports. Cricket has also fallen victim to it. How do you react to it? SHC: Our cricket has evolved

in two distinct areas -- districts and the Dhaka clubs -- and both have their respective contributions and we must acknowledge this reality. The leadership challenge here is to harmonise the two and harness this in an optimal manner so that at the end of the day we have constructed a win-win-win for the clubs, the districts and of course the game of cricket in Bangladesh. Both have to view themselves as integral parts of a composite whole and I am sure such a construct is very much possible. DSS: The World Cup is only

a few months away and Bangladesh is a proud cohost. Do you think we are preparing for the august occasion in a best possible way? How can we lift our image in the 2011 World Cup? Do you have a slogan for that?

SHC: The World Cup presents a unique and wonderful opportunity to showcase Bangladesh in all respects and

this was certainly in our minds when we first registered our interest in 2000 to be co-hosts. We will be welcoming the world to Bangladesh and Bangladesh will finds its way

to television sets round the

world to millions of people. I am not aware of any steps or any special promotions beyond cricket and this is a huge let down and development. Could we have not have, for instance, designated 2011 as "Visit Bangladesh Year" on account of the World Cup and organised special packages?

We seem to be treating the World Cup as a cricketing event and not a global showcasing opportunity and there is so much we could have shared about Bangladesh

with the world.

SHC: This is not a question

of appropriateness -- an elected BCB president is an imperative if we wish to see cricket flourish, blossom and prosper. The sooner this translates to reality, the better off we all will be.

Kochi faces IPL axe

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tions of corruption, indiscipline and money-laundering, all of which he denies. Modi, the brash driving

force behind the tournament, was also removed as one of the five vice-presidents of the BCCI and as head of its marketing committee. The BCCI has registered a criminal case against Modi

over the misappropriation of funds amounting to 4.68 billion rupees (106 million dollars) during IPL events. The Enforcement Directorate, an investigative branch

of the finance ministry, has initiated a process to get Modi's passport revoked due to his failure to answer charges against him.

Modi has not been seen in India since he was suspended London.

from the IPL in April, but is reported to be living in A fresh players' auction will take place at an unspecified

date for the IPL's season four

three-year period. The Sahara Group, which sponsors the Indian cricket team, was the other successful

next year since the original

new bidder at the March auction by laying out 370 million dollars for the Pune franchise. The eight original franchises, apart from Punjab and Rajasthan, are Kolkata Knight

Riders, Chennai Super Kings, Bangalore Royal Challengers, Deccan Chargers, Delhi Daredevils and Mumbai Indians. Rajasthan Royals, captained by former Australian spin wizard Shane Warne, won the

inaugural tournament in 2008. BFF to have

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second year. The new technical director is likely to get less than what Shantoo got.

It is mandatory to appoint a technical director in the federation to ensure FIFA's financial assistance round the year.

DSS: Which sounds more appropriate to you -- BCB president elect or BCB president select?

Mirza, Malik in Ranchi contracts were only for a

PTI, Ranchi

Tennis star Sania Mirza will inaugurate a state-of-the-art tennis academy, set up by Jharkhand State Cricket Association (JSCA), here on Thursday.

Sania and her cricketer husband Shoaib Malik arrived on Wednesday to a rousing welcome, with JSCA president Amitabh Choudhary receiving the couple at the airport. "It is a state-of-the-art

academy. The surface alone cost 40 lakh rupees,' Choudhary told PTI adding that the turf is imported from New Zealand.

Malik, who was not considered in the Pakistan squad for the ongoing limited overs series against South Africa in UAE, was all smiling at the waiting media as he waded through the fans to reach the

The star couple did not take any question from the media.

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