



Members of the Bangladesh Women's cricket team pose with BCB president AHM Mustafa Kamal (sitting, 5th from L) at the Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium in Mirpur yesterday prior to their departure for the 16th Asian Games in Guangzhou.

Pak Test side named
Adnan replaces Zulqarnain

Cricket
AFP, Dubai
Pakistan on Tuesday included uncapped wicketkeeper Adnan Akmal and Mohammad Hafeez in their squad for the two Test matches against South Africa starting later this week.

the team management and told Pakistan's local channel Geo on Tuesday that he was retiring from international cricket. Haider played the two Twenty20s and the first four one-day internationals in the series shifted to United Arab Emirates due to security fears in Pakistan.

SA clinch the series

Cricket
AFP, Dubai
All-rounder Jacques Kallis scored a brilliant half-century and took three wickets to guide South Africa to a commanding 57-run win over Pakistan in the fifth and final one-day international here on Monday.

Pakistan captain Shahid Afridi was disappointed with his men's bowling. The series deciding match, after both teams won two matches each, started on a dramatic note when Pakistan wicket-keeper Zulqarnain Haider went missing from the team hotel and did not come to the ground.

caught by Afridi. Amla, when on 23 reached 1,000 one-day runs in 2010, hit eight boundaries and a six to reach his tenth fifty. He hit one more four before being struck out to Afridi after his brisk 47-ball knock.

But Kallis derailed Pakistan's innings with a triple strike in as many overs, removing Hasan, Younis Khan (three) and Mohammad Yousuf (three) off 13 balls to make his opponents struggle from 82-0 to 96-3.

Kallis, who scored a brilliant 66 in the first match, hit four boundaries before he cut leg-spinner Afridi straight into the hands of Wahab Riaz in the 39th over.

NATIONAL HANDBALL
Rifles, Police in final
Bangladesh Rifles and Bangladesh Police moved into the final of the EXIM Bank 20th National Men's Handball Championship defeating their opponents in the semifinals at the Handball Stadium here yesterday.

Feasibility

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The meeting also discussed about the progress work of the ICC World Cup venues -- Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium in Dhaka, Khan Shaheb Osmani Stadium at Narayanganj, Jahur Ahmed Chowdhury Stadium in Chittagong, Sheikh Abu Naser Stadium in Khulna -- and the meeting was informed that 90 percent of the work has already been completed.

100 days to World Cup

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organising committee headed by Indian cricket board president Shashank Manohar. The bloated 2007 World Cup in the Caribbean, which drew criticism for its meandering schedule and a string of meaningless matches, forced the ICC to make drastic changes for the upcoming tournament.

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by 20 runs, Diganta TV defeated Ittefaq by three wickets while Kaler Kantho outplayed Boishakhi TV also by three wickets to book quarterfinal berths.

Women's cricket team off for Asiad

The Bangladesh Women's cricket team was scheduled to leave Dhaka last night to take part in the 16th Asian Games to be held in Guangzhou, China.

Bangladesh has been slated in Group B along with Hong Kong, Nepal and Japan while Group A comprises of Pakistan, Thailand and China.

Navy dethrone Army

Bangladesh Navy became champions in the Citycell 24th National Basketball Championship beating Bangladesh Army by 68-62 points in an intense final at the Dhanmondi Basketball Stadium yesterday.

This was a sweet revenge for Navy who were beaten by Army in the last edition of the championship in 2008. Navy have won a maximum number of twelve championship including this one followed by Army's eight.

Minister for Youth and Sports Ahad Ali Sarker distributed prizes as chief guest after the final. Mehbub Rahman, CEO of sponsors Citycell, was also present as the special guest.

ODI RANKINGS Sri Lanka take India's place

Sri Lanka have dislodged India to take second position in ICC ODI cricket rankings after securing a confidence-boosting series win over table-topper Australia.

The first-ever series win in Australia has earned the island nation three ratings points which has put them one point clear of India on 118 ratings points and 10 points behind number-one ranked Australia, who meanwhile, have conceded two ratings points.

Preps appease Smith

AFP, Dubai
South Africa skipper Graeme Smith said he was pleased with his side's progress ahead of next year's World Cup after clinching a 3-2 win in the one-day series against Pakistan.

played," said Smith, 29, whose country has never won the tournament. "Several guys made their debut against Pakistan in the one-day series, a lot of them have travelled to this part of the world for the first time and I think there has been lots of positives in the series."

Kallis hopes to do well in WC

AFP, Dubai
Veteran all-rounder Jacques Kallis says the current South Africa side has "something special" and could end years of disappointment by securing the side's first ever World Cup title.

n't quite enjoyed as much as we have playing normal games," he said. Kallis admitted not winning the World Cup was a big disappointment. "It is disappointing, but hopefully it can turn around and we can have one success. Probably the most important thing [is] that we put the hard work [in] and play the kind of cricket we have been playing for the last few months."

Citi Cup Golf from tomorrow

SPORTS REPORTER
The annual Citi Cup golf tournament will be held at the Kurmitola Golf Club over November 11-12 for the fifth consecutive year.

Threatened

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the criminal elements, saying: "I cannot further speak out over the issue until my family is given protection back in Pakistan." Uncapped wicketkeeper Adnan Akmal has been called-up to the Pakistan squad for the two-Test series against South Africa following Haider's departure.



Players of Bangladesh Navy pose with the Citycell 24th National Basketball Championship trophy after they beat Bangladesh Army 68-62 in a closely fought final at the Dhanmondi Basketball Gymnasium yesterday.

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

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