

Messi rocks big bowl

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meetings with dignitaries and a mangled speaker during the national anthems.

There had been fears that even Messi's Argentina would not be enough to draw the full house that was forecast initially, but a late response for tickets following the arrival of Argentina yesterday proved those fears baseless.

But whatever may be the case, the elongated opening seemed to take its toll on the players of both sides as the match proved a slow-burner with a cagey opening.

The first shot in anger came from Nigerians after swift interplay saw Ideye Brown unleash a speculative drive that sailed over.

That was that as far as action went for the opening 25 minutes after which the game suddenly spun into life.

First, Messi was left in a heap after a heavy tackle deep into his own territory. The crowd was suddenly

silent but in a short while the Argentinean was back on his feet.

If there were any fears of him not being able to put up his best, it was put to rest just two minutes later.

Swift interplay between Jose Sosa and di Maria saw Messi get an inch of room just outside the area. And he responded perfectly, lifting a superbly weighted ball beyond the backline for Higuain. The Real front-man was emphatic, his volleyed effort giving no chance to the opposition goalkeeper.

The crowd went delirious as chants of Messi punctured the thick evening air.

But he was just getting started. Minutes later Messi showed exactly why he is the best player in the world.

Picking up the ball deep in midfield, he went on exactly the kind of fantasy run that every single paying soul in the stadium had prayed for when they trumped up 7,500 taka (100 dollars) for the cheapest

tickets.

For seconds there was the silence of expectation as Messi rode one challenge after another. As he entered the penalty area and transferred the ball onto his left foot, everyone was waiting for the net to bulge. But they had forgotten that he was wearing the blue of Albiceleste, a kit in which Messi himself admitted, goals don't come easy.

His shot was saved admirably, but the rebound was poked home by di Maria. After that Argentina were in control for most of the game and even as Nigeria pulled a goal back late in the half their challenge petered out quickly.

Perhaps it was to do with a lack of support from the locals, a fact raised by captain Mikel in the press conference.

"I did not see much cheer when we were attacking," said Mikel with a rueful smile, but if the Chelsea man had done his homework

before stepping out at the Bangabandhu, he would have known that for this game there was only ever going to be one team.

So even though Argentina were not at their best, this was a performance, especially from Messi that would have whetted the appetites of those watching. Quality like this don't come along often and to have the best player in the world adorn your home ground is a privilege many would pay an arm and a leg for.

For his part, Sabella finished the first two matches of his reign with two victories and given the history of Argentina coaches in the recent past, this will stand him in good stead as he aims to bring about wholesale changes in a squad, which in his own eyes, lacks balance and equilibrium.

Having a home crowd as adulating as the ones at the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday will surely help.

UN warned army against coup

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diplomatic cable.

Another cable said a senior army official had told the ambassador about the military's pressure on president/chief adviser Iajuddin Ahmed to declare a state of emergency and resign as the chief adviser.

The military moves were motivated both by UN statements that getting involved in the one-sided elections could put at risk its job in UN peacekeeping operation (UNPKO) and concern over renewed threats from Jama'atul Mujahideen Bangladesh (JMB), the cable said.

The then DGFI counterterrorism chief Brig Gen Amin also told the ambassador two factors influenced the military's decision to approach the president at this point, said another cable.

Several UN actions early January called into question Bangladesh's continued participation in UN peacekeeping operations if the military worked in support of a one-sided election.

They included the United Nations secretary general's statement on Bangladesh, the local UN representative's statements that specifically linked UNPKO and military support for elections and a purported letter from the UN linking military action to UNPKO.

In a note the cable said participation in UNPKO carries significant prestige and financial rewards and is highly prized by the Bangladesh military. It said Moeen had earlier

approached the UN to request a letter he could use to convince the president that UNPKO participation could be jeopardised if the political crisis was not resolved.

The growing political turmoil centring the parliamentary polls triggered widespread speculation and fear that Bangladesh army could take over by declaring martial law as it did twice in past since 1975.

Expressing no-confidence in the then caretaker government headed by Iajuddin and Election Commission by Justice MA Aziz, the Awami League-led grand alliance declared their boycott of the January 22 polls.

The grand alliance's boycott paved the way for the one-sided polls with participation of BNP-Jamaat alliance and a very few small political parties. The AL-led alliance also declared to resist the polls and started vigorous street agitations.

Amid escalating political turmoil on January 10, 2007, United Nations Secretary General Ban Ki-moon issued a statement calling on all sides to compromise and refrain from violence, said the diplomatic cable.

According to the local UN representative, further steps under discussion at UN Headquarters include: a call by the head of UN peacekeeping to the Bangladesh army chief of staff; a letter from the head of the UN Elections Assistance Division to the president/chief adviser noting lack of progress by the caretaker govern-

ment and Election Commission on concerns raised with them in early December; and a possible call from a senior UN official to the two party heads offering the services of the secretary general's "good offices" to resolve the political crisis, the cable continued.

Besides, the ambassador and others in the embassy have made clear in both private meetings with political and military leaders and publicly that they categorically do not support any extra-constitutional role for the military.

"We further emphasise that the present situation is the result of political disagreements among the parties and requires a civilian, political solution; the military must continue to act solely under and in support of the civilian government and within the boundaries of the constitution," the cable said.

The ambassador and defence attaché (DATT) met January 7, 2007 with the army principal staff officer, Major General Md Jahangir Alam Choudhury, to reinforce their positions against military intervention and solicit his views. DATT held a similar meeting January 9 with Moeen U Ahmed, it said.

"Both officers said there is no appetite among military officers or the rank and file for martial law, a coup or any other extra-constitutional action by the military and

said they would not support such actions."

"Why would we support a coup," Jahangir asked, "when we don't even like the current deployment?" A note in the cable said the military was then constitutionally deployed to maintain law and order.

Jahangir emphasised that even discussion of such actions is illegal and any soldier caught doing so would be subject to arrest. He urged the ambassador to continue to press the Caretaker Government to resolve the political crisis and to tell the political parties not to provoke the military as it maintains law and order.

Moeen told the DATT he had similar discussions with the British high commissioner on January 8.

Jahangir and Moeen both stressed the decision of a civilian government to declare a constitutionally permitted state of emergency is a political decision for the president, emphasising the military is subject to civilian control and has a duty to remain impartial, the diplomatic cable said.

"Neither believed they or other military leaders should approach the president to 'press,' 'suggest,' 'recommend,' or otherwise try to influence him on political decisions concerning how to resolve the political impasse."

Roadmap holds out hopes

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By Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina and visiting Indian Prime Minister Manmohan Singh just after their summit meeting in the afternoon.

The agreement came into effect right after its signing and will remain effective until terminated by mutual consent, says the document.

After signing of the accord consisting 12 articles, Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina in a press statement said, "Framework Agreement on Cooperation and Development - a visionary document that looks at

not only the realities today, but also the potentials of tomorrow."

A Joint Consultative Commission will be established to monitor effective and smooth implementation of the agreement, and will meet annually.

The agreement envisions optimum utilisation of opportunities for mutual benefit in a wide range of areas by laying down a framework. According to the deal, the two countries will jointly develop and finance projects.

The document says both parties will take steps to

narrow trade imbalances, progressively remove tariff and non-tariff barriers, and facilitate trade by road, rail, inland waterways, air, and shipping.

Both will encourage development of appropriate infrastructure, use of seaports, multi-modal transportation and standardization of means of transport for bilateral as well as sub-regional use.

About sharing common river waters, it says both countries will explore the possibilities of common basin management of common rivers. They will cooperate in flood forecasting and control, and will provide necessary assistance to each other to enhance navigability and accessibility of river routes and ports.

The two neighbours will establish arrangements for cooperation in generation, transmission, and distribution of electricity, including electricity from renewable or other sources. They also agreed to use power grid connectivity to promote power exchange.

They will cooperate on security issues of concern to each other, fully respecting

each other's sovereignty, while neither party will allow the use of its territory for activities harmful to the other.

Other areas of cooperation identified are promotion of scientific, educational, and cultural cooperation.

The deal also puts emphasis on people to people exchanges, cooperation in environmental protection and responding to challenges of climate change through adaptation, and management of natural disasters.

The agreement may be amended by mutual consent in order to enhance, deepen and widen its scope including regional or sub-regional expansion.

Such an accord between the two countries was conceptualised during Sheikh Hasina's visit to India in January last year.

The Joint Communiqué issued on that occasion noted that the two prime ministers agreed to put in place a comprehensive framework of cooperation capturing their mutually shared vision for the future.

We've done better

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his honour at Pan Pacific Sonargaon Hotel.

Referring to the summit meeting with Hasina, the Indian leader said "Today's talks and the agreements that have been signed represent a qualitative leap forward in the bilateral ties."

"We have found solutions to seemingly difficult problems; problems which had defied solutions for years," Manmohan said.

He said: "We have done better. We have put in place a forward looking and comprehensive framework for cooperation in development. We have shown an openness of mind and heart to build bridges of collaboration across sectors."

Referring to the presence of the chief ministers of all the states in bordering Bangladesh, Manmohan said "This is a unique and special moment. It is a demonstration of our collective will to shape a better future for ourselves."

He said there are few countries in the world whose destinies are so interlinked than the two countries. "We are people of the same region. We share the same religious beliefs, language, customs and aspirations. We have a common ethos."

The Indian leader said "We deeply value your commitment to strengthening India-Bangladesh relations... Your personal sacrifices and belief in the values of pluralism, democracy and human dignity have earned you respect throughout the world."

Manmohan said "Today, Bangladesh is in the midst of a major socio-economic transformation."

Bangladesh's economy has witnessed steady growth during the last several years, he said. "You have achieved commendable successes in eradicating poverty, hunger, illiteracy and disease. These are achievements Bangladesh can be justly proud of," he added.

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