# Eng done in three days

Cricket

AFP, Dubai

Paceman Umar Gul took 4-63 to help Pakistan beat the world's best Test team, England, by 10 wickets in the first Test inside three days here on Thursday, gaining a 1-0 lead in the three-match series.

The 27-year-old fast bowler dismissed Andrew Strauss (six) before lunch and then accounted for Alastair Cook (five) and Kevin Pietersen (nought) in his hostile nine-over first spell on a spin-friendly Dubai Stadium pitch. Spinners Abdul Rehman

(3-37) and Saeed Ajmal (3-42) -- his second 10-wicket haul in Tests -- supplemented Gul to help Pakistan bundle out England for 160. Pakistan notched the

required 15 runs in 3.4 overs to hand England their first defeat in 10 Tests, since losing to Australia at Perth in the 2010 Ashes.

England's batsmen, wrecked by Ajmal's careerbest 7-55 in their first innings of 192, were again clueless against the spin and played some rash shots as they sought to score runs on the pace of Gul.

Jonathan Trott top-scored with 49, but fell to an irresponsible shot, trying to force a short delivery from Gul and being caught by wicket-keeper Adnan Akmal, who finished the match with seven catches.

Trott, who passed the boundary of 2,000 runs when he reached 18 in his 24th Test, hit six boundaries during his 111-ball knock but became Gul's 150th wicket in

his 41st Test. England had another disastrous start as Strauss was adjudged caught behind, pushing Gul to the leg side and seeing the ensuing edge well taken by the

wicket-keeper. Strauss instantly challenged the verdict but was left to trudge off the field after television umpire Steve Davis of Australia upheld the origi-

Sri Lanka shook up the

domestic cricket scene

Thursday by appointing a

new panel to choose future

players, following the

national team's abysmal

performance during their

current tour of South Africa.

Sports minister

Mahindananda Aluthgamage

named a four-member panel

of selectors headed by

Asantha de Mel, a former

national player, and gave

them one year to put the team

Skipper Tillakaratne

Dilshan is tipped to be

replaced by former captain

Mahela Jayewardena while

coach Geoff Marsh is also

likely to be asked to go, the

local Daily Mirror said.

in order, his spokesman said.

AFP, Colombo

Pakistan pacer Umar Gul is ecstatic after dismissing England batsman Kevin Pietersen for a duck during the third day of the first Test at the Dubai Stadium yesterday. PHOTO: AFP

Soon after the lunch break, Gul produced a sharp rising delivery that caught Cook in two minds as the left-hander gloved it to Adnan, who had no trouble in gathering it.

Kevin Pietersen, who has yet to score big on tour, made it 25-3 when he hooked a Gul bouncer straight into the hands of deep square-leg fielder Abdul Rehman, leaving England in more trouble at 25-3.

Ajmal then got in on the act when he trapped Ian Bell plumb in front of the wicket for four.

Bell wasted England's second referral as television replays showed he was hit on the back leg, in line with the

Rehman ended a fifthwicket partnership of 39 by dismissing Eoin Morgan (14) caught behind, while Ajmal trapped Matt Prior to leave England at 87-7.

Stuart Broad (17) and Graeme Swann (39) delayed the inevitable by putting on 48 for the eighth wicket before Rehman dismissed Broad and Chris Tremlett off successive deliveries.

Ajmal took the last wicket

but definitely icon players will

get their due honour," said

Sirajuddin Mohammad

Alamgir, secretary of the BPL

Among the auctioned local

cricketers, all-rounder Nasir

was snapped up for 200,000

dollars while the Chittagong

Kings took Mahmudullah

Riyad and Jahurul Islam for

Naeem Islam (90,000 dol-

lars), Abdur Razzak and

Nazimuddin (85,000), Mithun

Ali and Shuvogoto Hom

Chowdhury (80,000) and Elias

Sunny (75,000) were the other

significant buys while Junaed

Siddiqui, Rubel Hossain,

Shafiul Islam, Forhad Reza,

Mosharraf Rubel, Alauddin

Babu, Enamul Haque Jr, Imrul

Kayes and Nazmul Islam Apu

were bought for between

governing body.

110,000 dollars each.

SL shake-up | Nasir richest among locals

by getting Swann caught, GulcMorganbBroad much to the delight of his team-mates and the few hundred people in the stands.

In the morning, Adnan had boosted Pakistan's lead with a gutsy second Test halfcentury. Adnan scored a career-best 61, adding another 50 runs after Pakistan resumed at 288-7.

Adnan, who hit eight boundaries during his 129ball knock, put on a 30-run stand for the ninth wicket with Ajmal, who made 12. His previous best of 53 came against Bangladesh in Dhaka last month.

Swann had Adnan stumped to finish with figures of 4-107.

The second Test starts in Abu Dhabi from January 25, while the third will again be played here over February 3-7. CCODEDOADD

SCOREBOARD					
ENGLAND:	First	innings	192		

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Swann 34; Ajmal 7-55)	
PAKISTAN: First innings (overnight 288-	7)
Hafeez Ibw b Swann	88
Umar b Broad	58
Azhar c Prior b Broad	1
Younis Ibw b Trott	37
Misbah Ibw b Swann	52
Shafiq c Prior b Anderson	16
Akmal st Prior b Swann	61
Rehman b Anderson	4

70,000 and 50,000 dollars.

franchises began the bidding.

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"I was just returning from

Fall of wickets: 1-114, 2-128, 3-176, 4-202, 5-231, 6-283, 7-288, 8-289, 9-319 Anderson 107

Ajmal c Cook b Swann

Extras: (b-2, lb-5, nb-2)

Total: (All out in 119.5 overs)

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87,7-87,8-135,9-135 Bowler 37 PAKISTAN: Second innings

Hafeez not out Umar not out Total: (For no loss in 3.4 overs)

#### tremendous form in domestic cricket this season, was willing on the auctioneer when the

Bangladesh A. I stood at the

airport and was asking them to FROM PAGE 16 raise the money a bit more!" said Mithun. "I am really very happy, but

I think it has to do with my form this season. [Sarwar] Imran sir called me up from the auction and congratulated me," he added.

Twenty-three other local cricketers were bought for 20,000 dollars, the base price in Category C, with the likes of Nabil Samad, Talha Jubair and Mizanur Rahman winning the prized contracts after being last-minute additions to the locals' list.

Finally, twenty-eight "We are yet to settle this issue Mithun, who has been in local players remained unsold among whom Tigers pair Rokibul Hasan and Shahadat Hossain were the notable names.

#### Premier Div

face Cricket Coaching School (CCS) at the Fatullah Cricket Stadium.

Old DOHS, Gazi Tank, Mohammedan and Victoria secured eight points each after the fifth round while Abahani and Sheikh Jamal Dhanmondi Club followed them with six points.

Prime Doleshwar, Biman and CCS have four points each from five matches, Brothers and Kalabagan have two points each while Surjo Tarun remain winless.

#### The 2010 Bangladesh Open

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

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FROM PAGE 16 golfer has yet to show his best,

**ACROSS** 

United player.'

though he bettered his performance from Wednesday's round.

champion carded a 70 in round three that included an eagle, four birdies and four bogeys. He sunk a chip-in from the bunker for the eagle on the 14th.

## Injury ends Andy's bid

AP, Melbourne



Worcs eye Ajmal

form for Pakistan in the first

Test against England in

Dubai, capturing seven for 55

on Tuesday to leave Andrew

Strauss's men struggling to

Worcestershire chief David

"We have spoken to Saeed.

"The signs are that Saeed is

We have put an offer on the

table with him and his repre-

very keen to come back and

has verbally agreed terms

with us for the Twenty20 in

for granted until the i's have

been dotted and the t's have

has been the subject of much

debate this week, with for-

mer England bowler Bob

Willis questioning its legality.

Worcestershire had seen

nothing in Ajmal's action

that gave cause for concern.

with the way he bowled for

us last season," he said.

"We were very happy and

comfortable with the way

MU legends

and take part a variety of other

promotional events before

departing the capital on

Most young football lovers

will be aware of the exploits of

the Trinidad & Tobago striker

Dwight Yorke who played an

integral role as the Red Devils

won a historic treble (League, FA

Cup and Champions League) in

the 1998-1999 season. Yorke's

telepathic understanding with

Andy Cole made the two one of

the most feared strike partner-

ships in the world and tran-

scended both into Manchester

United folklore. He was also

captain of his native Trinidad &

Tobago side when they made

their maiden appearance in the

But if Yorke is popular with

the United fans, then Robson is

revered.A combative all-action

midfielder in his day, Robson

has been the longest serving

captain of Manchester United

and also captained England in

his pomp. The club legend was

also only recently voted the

'Greatest ever Manchester

Jamal clings

World Cup in Germany in 2006.

"We have no complaints

But Leatherdale said

Ajmal's bowling action

"But we will take nothing

sentative," he said.

June and July.

been crossed.

he bowled."

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January 25.

Leatherdale said Thursday the

county was confident of re-

signing the talented spinner.

AFP, London

save the Test.

Andy Roddick's attempt to win another Grand Slam title nearly a decade after his first ended Thursday at the Australian Open when he had to retire from his second-round match due to

a right hamstring injury. Former No. 1-ranked Roddick, whose only major singles win came at the 2003 US Open,

was trailing Lleyton Hewitt 3-6, 6-3, 6-4 when he called the trainer to his courtside chair. He then walked over to Hewitt and shook the Australian player's hand, unable to continue. Top-seeded Novak Djokovic advanced

earlier Thursday, overcoming an early service break against Santiago Giraldo in a 6-3, 6-2, 6-1 victory at Melbourne Park.

A title this month would put him in select company. Only four players -- Laver, Pete Sampras, Roger Federer and Rafael Nadal -have won three straight Grand Slam singles Hampton in 64 minutes. tournaments, and Djokovic could join them following his wins at last year's Wimbledon and US Open.

Second-seeded Nadal and third-seeded Federer, who are in the other half of the draw here, play back-to-back matches at Rod Laver Arena on Friday.

Djokovic in the final here last year, also advanced Thursday, beating Edouard Roger-Vasselin of France 6-1, 6-4, 6-4. Murray is playing his first Grand Slam tournament since hiring eight-time major champion Ivan Lendl as his coach.

Earlier, five-time Australian Open champion Serena Williams notched her 500th career singles victory when she beat Barbora Zahlavova Strycova 6-0, 6-4 to advance to the

third round. The left ankle she badly sprained two weeks ago wasn't an issue.

Williams won the Australian Open in 2009 and 2010, but didn't defend her title in 2011 because she was injured.

Her older sister, Venus, has a win-loss record of 589-147, but is missing the Australian Open to recover from illness.

Not quite. Martina Navratilova had a career record 1,442-219, and Chris Evert retired with a 1,309-146 win-loss mark.

With top-seeded Caroline Wozniacki having a day off, No. 2 Petra Kvitova moved into the third round with a 6-2, 2-6, 6-4 win over Carla Suarez Navarro. Kvitova, who lost in the first round at the US Open in the first major after winning Wimbledon, was down a service break in the third before recovering to beat the Spaniard.

champions in the women's draw, reached the third round after just two hours on court in two matches. The 2008 champion had a 6-0, 6-1 second-round win over US qualifier Jamie Sharapova did not play in any warmup

Maria Sharapova, one of the three former

events and spent nearly two weeks in Melbourne ahead of the season's first major while she rested an injured left ankle.

She'll meet No. 30 Angelique Kerber, who beat Canada's Stephanie Dubois 7-5, 6-1. Seventh-seeded Vera Zvonareva, a two-

Fourth-seeded Andy Murray, who lost to time semifinalist at Melbourne Park, had a 6-1, 7-6 (3) over Lucie Hradecka. No. 21 Ana Ivanovic also advanced, beating Dutch player Michaella Krajicek 6-2, 6-3.

Ninth-seeded Marion Bartoli beat local hope and former quarterfinalist Jelena Dokic 6-3, 6-3 and No. 27 Maria Kirilenko of Russia topped Aleksandra Wozniak of Canada 6-4, 1-6, 6-2. Former US Open champion Svetlana Kuznetsova beat American Sloane Stephens 7-6 (6), 7-5.

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### **National Hockey**

SPORTS REPORTER

Hasan Jubair Niloy slammed a hattrick to power Faridpur to a massive 9-1 win over Rajshahi in the Super League of the Trust Bank Viyellatex National Hockey Championship at the Maulana Bhasani National Hockey Stadium yesterday. Apart from Niloy's four strikes, Proshanto Kumar,

Moinul Islam, AHM Quamruzzaman, Mamunur Rahman Chayan and Musa Mia struck one goal each for Faridpur who however faced a tough challenge to end the first half on 2-1. Lalon struck the consolation goal for Rajshahi.

#### Women's Corporate Football

Team BJMC posted their second straight win in the Walton Women's Corporate Football League with a comprehensive 7-1 victory over Sunbeam Properties at the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday. Sabina Akhter, who struck 11 goals against BRAC on

the opening day, yesterday slammed six goals after opening the account in the very sixth minute. Rikta netted the remaining one for the Team BJMC who have scored 28 goals in two matches. Munmun Akhter struck the lone goal for Sunbeam.

#### School football

The upazila-level competitions of the National School Football Islami Bank Tournament got underway yesterday with three schools emerging upazila champions to qualify for the next round yesterday.

Sultan Sadi High School emerged Araihazar Upazila champions after beating Usman Mollah Senior Madrasa 3-0 in the tiebreaker while Morapara High School defeated Purbagram High School 5-1 in the final at Rupganj.

Kapasia Pilot High School emerged Kapasia Upazila champions after beating Babur High School 3-1 in the tiebreaker.

#### BJMC aim FROM PAGE 16

against superior teams is the

key to his success. He will however miss the services one of his vital midfielders Cameroonian Jean Jules Ikanga in the crunch game. On the other hand, star-

studded Muktijoddha Sangsad are cautious about their prospect of making it to the final after three seasons. "Abahani have been the

top favourites of the tournament so far but they were eliminated and those who qualified for the semifinals are capable of lifting the trophy and we are not taking our opponents lightly," said Mukti coach Shafiqul Islam Manik.

"BJMC are capable of pulling off a victory against any side and we must keep this in mind tomorrow (Friday)," Manik said.

"But this time, Muktijoddha are more organised and I am getting much options to deck up the playing eleven as there are no injury or suspension problem and central defender Ariful Islam is also back in the fold."

Muktijoddha Sangsad will bank on their on-fire striker Mithun Chowdhury and Nigerian Sunday Chizoba, who was however not up to mark against Farashganj after squandering at least three easy chances before Muktijoddha won the game 4-3 in a tiebreaker.

## Afridi, Gayle light up auction

Ajmal was bought for just \$100,000, a steal considering his stature in world cricket.

Some grade A players like Scott Styris, Chaminda Vaas, Ramnaresh Sarwan, Kemar Roach and Dirk Nannes were left on the shelf leading to a few raised eyebrows. Retired players like Muttiah

Muralidaran (\$100,000) and Sanath Jayasuriya (\$110,000) will have a chance to showcase their waning skills once again after being bought by Dhaka and Khulna respectively.

Players from ICC Associate Nations like Niall O'Brien from Ireland was bought by Khulna for \$80,000, Dutch batsman Alexei Kervezee was bought by Dhaka for \$35,000, Afghanistan paceman Hamid Hassan was sold for \$40,000 to Barisal, while Canadian big-hitter Rizwan Cheema fetched \$25,000 from Rajshahi.

### TEAMS LIST

Dhaka Gladiators: Shahid Afridi (\$700,000), Saeed Ajmal (\$100,000), Kieron Pollard (\$300,000), Mashrafe Bin Mortaza (\$45,000), Rana Naved-ul-Hasan (\$100,000), Nazimuddin (\$85,000), Elias Sunny (\$75,000), Nazmul Hossain (\$45,000), Stuart MacGill (\$50,000), Darren Ian Steven (\$25,000), Imran Nazir (\$85,000), Mosharraf Hossain Rubel

(\$65,000), Dhiman Ghosh (\$20,000), Anamul Haque Bijoy (\$20,000), Tanvir Haider (\$20,000), Aftab Ahmed (\$20,000). Chittagong Kings: Shoaib Malik (\$150,000), Muttiah Muralitharan (\$100,000), Dwayne Bravo (\$150,000), Mahmudullah Riyad (\$110,000), Forhad Reza (\$65,000), Jahurul Islam (\$110,000), Alexei Kervezee (\$35,000), Nasir Jamshed (\$100,000), Kyle Coetzer (\$25,000), Kevin Cooper (\$25,000), Lendl Simmons (\$25,000), Faisal Hossain Dickens (\$20,000), Enamul Haque Jr. (\$55,000), Ziaur Rahman (\$40,000), Sanjamul Islam (\$40,000), Shamsur Rahman (\$45,000), Jerome Taylor (\$50,000).

Duronto Rajshahi: Abdul Razzak (\$100,000), Junaed Siddiqui (\$70,000), Imran Tahir (\$50,000), Marlon Samuels (\$360,000), Rizwan Bin Cheema (\$25,000), Mohammad Sami (\$70,000), Kaiser Abbas (\$25,000), Sabbir Rahman (\$40,000), Muktar Ali (\$20,000), Syed Rasel (\$20,000), Ariful Haque (\$20,000), Mizanur Rahman (\$20,000), Saqlain Sajib (\$35,000), Soumya Sarkar (\$20,000), Fawad Alam (\$45,000), Sean Ervine (\$25,000), Asif Ahmed Ratul

(\$20,000).Khulna Royal Bengals: Abdur Razzak (\$85,000), Nasir Hossain (\$2,00,000), Andre Russel (\$85,000), Sanath Jayasuriya (\$110,000), Shivnarine Chanderpaul

(\$25,000), Niall O'Brien (\$80,000), Fidel Edwards (\$60,000), Shafiul Islam (\$65,000), Jos Buttler (\$25,000), Nazmul Hossain Milon (\$35,000), Dollar Mahmud (\$20,000), Marshal Ayub (\$20,000), Mysukur Rahman (\$20,000), Sagir Hossain Pavel (\$20,000), Herschelle Gibbs (\$100,000), Dwayne Smith (\$50,000). Barisal Burners: Chris Gayle (\$551,000),

Brad Hodge (\$140,000), Yasir Arafat (\$80,000), Ahmed Shehzad (\$50,000), Sohrawardi Shuvo (\$45,000), Mohammad Mithun (\$80,000), Hamid Hassan (\$40,000), Ramiz Raja Jr. (\$25,000), Farhad Hossain (\$20,000), Mominul Haque (\$20,000), Shohag Gazi (\$20,000), Nazmul Hossain Apu (\$50,000), Al Amin (\$20,000), Alauddin Babu (\$65,000), Kamrul Islam Rabbi (\$20,000).

Sylhet Royals: Imrul Kayes (\$50,000), Peter Trego (\$75,000), Darren Sammy (\$55,000), Brad Hogg (\$50,000), Sohail Tanvir (\$100,000), Kamran Akmal (\$100,000), Rubel Hossain (\$70,000), Naeem Islam (\$90,000), Freddie Kruger (\$25,000), Faisal Iqbal (\$25,000), Nadif Chowdhury (\$30,000), Nur Hossain Munna (\$20,000), Arafat Salahuddin (\$20,000), Talha Jubair (\$20,000), Shuvogoto Hom (\$80,000), Nabil Samad (\$20,000), Gary Keedy (\$25,000).

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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: SONG ABOUT ONE'S

NEVER-CEASING FONDNESS FOR CERTAIN HEDGE SHRUBS: "I WILL ALWAYS LOVE YEWS."

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