Hafeez b Panesar

Umar b Swann

Azhar b Broad

Younis b Broad

Misbah not out

Shafiq Ibw b Swann

Akmal Ibw b Broad

Rehman b Swann

To bat: Gul, Junaid

Bowler

Anderson

Broad

Panesar

Swann

Trott

Extras: (b-8, lb-1, nb-2)

103,5-203,6-216,7-243

Total: (For 7 wkts in 94 overs)

Fall of wickets: 1-51, 2-61, 3-98, 4-

ENGLAND: Strauss, Cook, Trott,

Pietersen, Bell, Morgan, Prior, Broad,

Swann, Anderson, Panesar.

Toss: Pakistan.

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Ajmal not out

Uphill task for India

Ponting, Clarke hit double tons

Cricket

AFP, Adelaide

Double centuries by Michael Clarke and Ricky Ponting and another shaky start by India's stuttering batsman left the visitors under pressure in the fourth Test in Adelaide on Wednesday.

Skipper Clarke declared for the second time in the onesided series -- this time at 604 for seven -- before his bowlers claimed two early wickets to put Australia well on top at the end of second day.

India were 61 for two at stumps in reply with Sachin Tendulkar, chasing his elusive 100th international century, unbeaten on 12 and Gautam Gambhir 30 not out.

Clarke hit 210 and Ponting 221 in an Australian innings Indians toiling in the field under a hot sun for 10 and a half hours.

They then grabbed the key wickets of under-fire opener Virender Sehwag and Rahul Dravid in the 21 overs to stumps to have the tourists reeling with three days left and a mountain to climb to avoid a 4-0 series defeat.

"It was probably more about the runs, to be honest, trying to get to 600," Clarke said on the timing of his declaration.

"We still had plenty of time left in the day as we scored quite quickly in our innings and to take those two key wickets is a really good start for us but there's a lot of work still to be done."

Sehwag, captaining India in place of the suspended Mahendra Singh Dhoni, again fell cheaply, out to the first ball of Peter Siddle's opening over for 18.

He played a leading edge to a low full toss and leaping Siddle plucked the ball with

his outstretched right hand. The normally prolific batsman, who averages over 50 in Tests, has scored just 136 runs at 19.42 in the Australia series.

On the women's side, former

and reigning Wimbledon

winners Maria Sharapova

and Petra Kvitova -- two of the

three players who can take

the No. 1 ranking -- advanced

Sharapova won 6-2, 6-3 on

Wednesday against fellow

Russian Ekaterina Makarova,

who knocked out five-time

champion Serena Williams in

the previous round. Kvitova

reached the semifinals at

Melbourne Park for the first

time with a 6-4, 6-4 win over

unseeded Italian Sara Errani.

The other player who can

reach No. 1 -- third-seeded

Victoria Azarenka -- plays

defending champion Kim

Clijsters in the other semifi-

Sharapova must repeat her

2008 Australian title run if she

is to take over the No. 1 spot

from Caroline Wozniacki,

who lost any chance of main-

taining her top ranking when

she lost in the quarterfinals to

Clijsters. Kvitova only has to

match or better Azarenka to

nal Thursday.

to the semifinals.

second all-time leading rungetter, was bowled for the sixth time in the series, this time off Ben Hilfenhaus.

"In 2003 here Australia scored 550-odd runs and we won the game from there," India paceman Ishant Sharma said.

"I think there is a positive you can take out of that, everyone is positive and looking forward to a good next three days."

Earlier Clarke called a halt to Australia's run onslaught midway through the final session after Ryan Harris clouted Umesh Yadav for six.

Clarke and Ponting shared in Australia's fourth-highest ever partnership of 386. The top three stands all featured the great Don Bradman.

"The wicket is very flat to bat on and both Ricky and I spoke early in our innings, that had the beleaguered once we'd got in, and today was about scoring a big one, Clarke said.

Their stand also eclipsed the highest overall partnership at the Adelaide Oval of 341 made by South Africans Eddie Barlow and Graeme Pollock in 1964.

Clarke, who scored an unbeaten 329 in the Sydney Test, was out on the third ball after lunch bowled by Yadav ending his 380-minute and 275-ball stand, which included 26 fours and one six.

has amassed 589 runs at 147.25 with Ponting following up his 134 in Sydney to have 484 runs at 96.80. India removed Ponting

So far in this series Clarke

short of his highest score of 242 at Adelaide when he was caught in the deep by Sachin Tendulkar off Zaheer Khan.

The former Test skipper was at the crease for 516 minutes and faced 404 balls, hitting 21 fours for his sixth Test double-century.

Mike Hussey was run out by a slick piece of close-in fielding by Gambhir for 25 and Siddle became wicketkeeper Wriddhiman Saha's first catch in Test cricket off Ravi Ashwin for two. Brad Haddin (42) and

Dravid, Test cricket's Harris (35) remained not out

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upcoming league.

Jakaria Babu.

Open's hottest | New order here to stay

pitch was the key to our success."

title-decider, was awe-inspiring.

lar outfits Abahani and Mohammedan.

preparation much before the start of the season and the

determination among the players to give maximum on the

BJMC reaching the final, let alone fighting gamely in the

is changing in local football, and that final battles could

become classics even without the presence of the two popu-

squad which has an average age of 30, not many people

would have dreamt of BJMC reaching the final. But they did

and proved that they are a force to be reckoned with in the

"Even though the boys are a bit disappointed with the

Veteran players like Alfaz Ahmed, Abdul Hossain, Saiful

Islam Saif, Amit Khan Shuvro and Masud Khan Jonny, all of

whom spent the last season warming the benches of differ-

ent clubs, have turned out to be key weapons of BJMC along

with their hard-working foreign trio of Ismael Bangoura,

The Team BJMC were encouraged by the presence of

"Maybe we were not considered among the favourites as

Textiles and Jute Minister Abdul Latif Siddique who met

we have an ageing side but we were determined to prove our

worth and that there is still football left in us," said BJMC

captain Alfaz Ahmed, who is likely the oldest player on the

Ajagun Abdul Rasheed and Jeans Jules Ikanga.

them yesterday and had lunch with the players.

final defeat, they are all looking forward to doing better in

If Sheikh Jamal winning the trophy was a surprise, Team

Tuesday's final was evidence enough that the status quo

With a 29-year absence from top-flight football and a



Australia captain Michael Clarke raises his bat in celebration after completing his double-century on the second day of the fourth Test against India at the PHOTO: AFP

Adelaide Oval yesterday.

t the time of the declara	tion.	Yadav
SCOREBOARD USTRALIA: First innings (overnight 335-3)		Ashwin
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Marsh b Ashwin Ponting cTendulkar b Zaheer Clarke b Yadav Hussey run out (Gambhir) Haddin not out Siddle c Saha b Ashwin Harris not out Extras: (b-3, lb-17, w-8) Total: (For 7 wkts decl in 157 overs)

520, 6-530, 7-533 Bowler

Fall of wickets: 1-26, 2-31, 3-84, 4-470, 5-

INDIA: First innings Gambhir not out Sehwag cand b Siddle Dravid b Hilfenhaus Tendulkar not out Extras: Total: (For 2 wkts in 21 overs) To bat: Laxman, Kohli, Saha, Ashwin, Zaheer, Sharma, Yadav

premier divisional clubs will be invited. The Club Cup will start Fall of wickets: 1-26, 2-31 from April 7 while the Premier Division Hockey League will get underway Hilfenhaus from May 7.

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all out for 94 in the first innings, Sujan 131, Jashim 7-33) to which Dhaka Metro replied with 207. Jashim picked up

At the Faridpur District Stadium, Rakibul Hasan hit an unbeaten 108 as Rajshahi amassed 330 runs in their first innings while Dhaka Division North were made to follow on after being bundled out for 173. Dhaka then scored 133 for

Under-18 cricket

seven wickets for Chittagong. At the Shaheed Kamruzzaman Stadium in Rajshahi, Khulna suffered a batting collapse in their second innings against Dhaka South, losing five wickets for 65 runs at stumps.

six in their second innings.

SCORES IN BRIEF BARISAL DIV 1ST INNINGS: 219-10 (Ali Imran Khan 115 Nur Alam 41; Miad Mohammad 3-23, Shah Arfan Shakil 2-30) and 2nd Innings: 38-2 (Shahanur Rahman 1-3) BKSP INNINGS: 321-8 (Tarikul Islam 128 , Joyraj Shaikh 44; Monirul Islam 3-67, Atiqur Rahman 2-62) CHITTAGONG DIV 1ST INNINGS: 94-10 (Parvez 5-24) and 2nd Innings: 247-4 (Rabbi 83, Shariful 53 not out) DHAKA METRO 1ST

the upcoming professional league," said BJMC coach

squaring the three-Test series alive after they lost the first

held the Pakistan innings

keep England's hopes of

England's pace-cum-spin attack delivered

the goods to keep Pakistan down to 256-7 on

the opening day of the second Test at Abu

spinner Graeme Swann (3-52) bowled well to

Paceman Stuart Broad took 3-47 while

Dhabi Stadium here on Wednesday.

Bangladesh Hockey ised to keep all players free match in Dubai by 10 wickets inside three days. At the League Committee Skipper Misbahul Haq, meeting yesterday, former unbeaten on 83 at the close national striker Rafiqul with Saeed Ajmal on nought, Islam Kamal, representative

Cricket

AFP, Abu Dhabi

Clubs at odds

The hockey clubs have again

divided into two groups

regarding possible incorpo-

ration of 'pool system' in the

upcoming Premier Hockey

League even though the

governing body of the

Federation last season prom-

of Usha Krira Chakra, pro-

posed to insert the pool

system and former national

midfielder Mahbubul Ehsan

Rana, representative of

Abahani, supported the

proposal. But former

national striker Ariful Haque

Prince, representative of

Mohammedan, strongly

opposed the pool system

and threatened to boycott

the upcoming players

transfer as well as refrain

found no clubs due to the

pool system and they finally

joined Usha KC in negotia-

tion with all clubs and as a

secretary of the players

welfare association, I don't

want the pool system this

time," said Mohammedan

representative Prince after

pool system has been

referred to the governing

body which will take the final

decision on Thursday," said

League committee secretary

decided to start the three-

day inter-club players

transfer from February 26

and begin the season

through the Independence

Cup from March 15 where all

INNINGS: 207-10 (Nasim 38

KHULNA 1ST INNINGS: 170

10 (Shaheed 63; Mehedi 4-25)

RAJSHAHI DIV 1ST INNINGS

330-9 (Rakibul Hasan 108*

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Hossion 51; Asraful Haque 5-

DHAKA DIV NORTH 187

INNINGS: 173-10 (Eshan

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Siddik Sohag 5-31, Nihad uz-

Zaman 4-61) and 2ND

INNINGS: 133-6 (Pritom

Sarkar 54; Siddik Sohag 3-44).

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MohammadYousufAli.

"The matter regarding the

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"Last season 11 players

from playing the league.

for the transfer.

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system

SPORTS REPORTER

together during a fighting stand of 100 for the fifth wicket with Asad Shafiq (58). That partnership helped Pakistan revive their innings after Broad chipped in with two wickets in the post-lunch session but England got three more wickets in the last session, two off which were claimed by Swann.

England, ranked world number one in Test cricket, could have had a more fruitful day had they not dropped four regulation catches, but Broad and Swann made sure their fumbles did not prove too costly.

James Anderson dropped Misbah on 30 off Monty

Panesar, while Cook let off Shafiq off Swann on 53 before Andrew Strauss floored Adnan Akmal on nought in Anderson's first over with the second new ball. Misbah notched his 12th half-century in

14 Tests -- and 16th in all -- since being made Test captain in October 2010 and holds the key for Pakistan to post a challenging total on

Even going on Day 1

The Pakistani skipper has so far hit five boundaries and four sixes -- all off Panesar -during his fighting 168-ball knock. Swann dismissed Abdul Rehman leg

a pitch that was expected to help batsmen.

before for nought in the penultimate over of the day.

England were rewarded for picking two spinners in Swann and recalled left-armer Panesar after they introduced spin as early

> on 114 for the opening wicket in the first Test, negotiated the first hour without any discomfort before Swann gave England the break-

> ery and lost his off stump

replace paceman Chris Tremlett -- flying home after a recurrence of a back injury -dropped Hafeez off his own bowling but had the Pakistani opener bowled off the very next ball.

boundaries.

with the wickets of Younis and Ali, both bowled on incoming deliveries to leave Pakistan struggling at 103-4. Misbah hit Panesar for two

boundaries during his 126-ball knock.

The inclusion of Panesar, playing his first

Test since the July 2009 Ashes Test in Cardiff, is the first time England have played with two spinners since the Dhaka Test against Bangladesh in early 2010. Pakistan brought in left-arm paceman

Junaid Khan for Aizaz Cheema.

Jahurul best of the day **FROM PAGE 16 SCORES IN BRIEF**

as the right-hander added an unbeaten 33 off 29 balls with three fours.

But 268 was not enough for Kalabagan as Shamsur Rahman played brilliantly and shared a 113-run stand for the third wicket with skipper Mushfiqur Rahim, who made 53 off 51 balls with four boundaries. Shamsur smote ten bound-

aries during his 131-ball 103. Shahadat picked up five wickets conceding 53 runs.

After the match Mushfigur Rahim and Mohammad Salman were warned by the match referee for exchanging heated words following an umpire decision.

BROTHERS-SURJO

DHAKA SOUTH 1ST TARUN

Brothers Union thrived on two half centuries from Nafis Iqbal (77) and Sohail Ahmed (50 not out) to post a challenging

Imran Ullah took three wick-

In reply, Surjo Tarun were bundled out for 185 runs.

total. Veteran Tushar Imran chipped in with an unbeaten 33.

ets for 42 runs.

Raja Ali scored 90 off 112 balls with eleven boundaries.

PRIME DOLESHWAR: 217-

7 in 50 overs (Sayem 19, Nafees 77, Manvinder 51 Sumon 22 not out; Shakib 4-33, Mosharraf 3-42)

overs (Asif 22, Jahurul 131 not out, Sajid 60 not out) Result: Victoria won by eight wickets.

VICTORIA: 220-2 in 45.4

KALABAGAN: 268-6 in 50 overs (Nasiruddin 25, Rifat Ullah 101, Nizamuddin 33, Salman 22, Arafat 33 not out, Mosaddek 21 Mahamudul 2-45)

SHEIKH JAMAL: 272-7 in 49.2 overs (Rahul 23 Shamsur 103, Deepak 29, Mushfigur 53, Shahadat 5-53) Result: Sheikh Jama Dhanmondi Club won by three wickets.

BROTHERS: 251-6 in 50 overs (Nazimuddin 26, Nafis 77, Aftab 26, Sohail 50 not out, Tushar 33 not out; Imran Ullah 3-42) SURJO TARUN: 185 all out in

46.3 overs (Raja 90, Sadid 38, Shafiul 20; Tushar 2-28, Mansoor 2-36, Saker 2-27) Result: Brothers Union won by 66 runs.

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national duty over BPL

Afridi prefers

AFP, Karachi

Afridi said Wednesday he will skip most of the lucrative Bangladesh Premier League (BPL) in order to play Pakistan's limited-overs series against England.

hitting batsman and skilled leg-spinner was signed for 700,000 dollars -- the highest salary offered to any international player in next month's league -- but the fixtures coincide with Pakistan's matches.

as second best. Amra Ching

Sheltech in yesterday's match. Sun Beam Properties fin-

Munmun Akhter slammed a hattrick while Mahmuda,

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BPL tickets go on sale today

circuit at 37 years of age.

take the top spot.

Chowdhury Stadium in Chittagong while the remaining 25 matches including semifinals and final will take place at the Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium in Mirpur.

The first-ever BPL will start on February 10 at Mirpur with each match day consisting of two games, an afternoon match and an evening match. The first match will start at 2pm while the second match will begin at 6.30pm.

The two semifinals are scheduled to be held on February 28

while the final will be held on February 29 at the Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium in Mirpur. Each person will be able to buy a maximum of five tickets

and one can watch both matches in a day with one ticket. Twenty percent of the total tickets will go to the BCB's accounts for meeting the complementary demands while

twenty percent tickets will be available online. "We are delighted to get the rights. We are hopeful about

selling tickets as we will try to add glamour to the cricket by bringing in Bollywood stars like Priyanka Chopra, Rani Mukherjee and Preity Zinta," said Salim Chowdhury, chairman of Shihab Trading who are the franchise owner of Dhaka Gladiators, when asked about the expensive rates of the tickets, the cheapest ones being priced at Tk 500.

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TICKET RATES AT SBNCS

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TICKET RATES AT THE ZOHUR AHMED CHOWDHURY STADIUM IN CHITTAGONG

Western Gallery-Tk 500, Eastern Gallery-Tk 500, Club House-Tk 3500, Grand Stand-Tk 5000, International Gallery-Tk 6000, Grand Stand Roof Top (with meal)-Tk 8000,

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as in the 10th over. Hafeez and Umar, who put **SCOREBOARD PAKISTAN:** First innings

through. Umar misjudged a deliv-

after seemingly playing no stroke on 16. Panesar, brought in to

Hafeez made 31 with four Broad then chipped in

towering sixes to help ease the pressure. Shafiq, who also hit Panesar for a six, hit seven

Dashing all-rounder Shahid

The 31-year-old hard

Sheltech win

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Marma struck both goals for

ished third in the four-team league with a 6-0 win over BRAC, who ended their campaign without any win.

Mithila and Rehana netted one goal each.

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