

# India win emphatically

 Cricket

PTI, Ahmedabad

India broke through the stubborn England resistance with a morning burst of five wickets before surging to a comprehensive nine-wicket victory in the opening Test for a 1-0 lead in the four-match series on Monday.

Needing 77 runs to record their first win at this venue in seven years on a crumbling and dusty pitch, India achieved the target when they made 80 for 1 in 15.3 overs after lunch with more than half a day to spare.

Openers Virender Sehwag (25) and Cheteshwar Pujara (41 not out), who scored a double hundred in the huge first innings total of 521/8 declared, polished off the major part of the target by adding 57 runs in only 9.5 overs.

Earlier, left-arm spinner Pragyan Ojha prised open the victory door for the hosts when he broke through England's resolute batting by packing off overnight batsmen Matt Prior (91) and Alastair Cook (176) in 12 balls to virtually bring the visitors to their knees.

The two had kept England afloat on Day 4 with a determined partnership which had helped the visitors avoid an innings defeat and had raised their hopes of even saving the game. The pair remained unconquered on

Day 4 with the visitors on 340/5, an overall lead of 10 runs.

Ojha's 2/18 burst in 11 overs was complimented by Umesh Yadav, Ravichandran Ashwin and Zaheer Khan who grabbed a wicket each as England slumped from 356/5 to 406 all out in just over 16 overs and in 113 minutes of play on Day 5.

Ojha, who grabbed 4/120 in the second innings to add to his superb haul of 5/45 in the first, emerged as the most successful bowler from the game.

Pujara, who made an unbeaten 206 in the first essay and opened the innings in place of a bereaved Gautam Gambhir, was the most successful batsman for India.

In the second innings, Pujara and Virat Kohli (14 not out) steered Indian home without being separated.

Sehwag was caught just inside the long on rope by Kevin Pietersen off Graeme Swann after striking one four and a six in his 21-ball knock.

Kohli hit the winning run, a four off Swann, 51 minutes after lunch to seal victory while Pujara remained unconquered after facing 51 balls and striking eight fours.

The victory broke the seven-year winless run for India at this ground. The team had last won at Motera in December 2005,

Sri Lanka being the losing side.

This was also their fourth win here in 12 encounters and their fifth in the last six Tests played at home going back to last season's triumphant series against the West Indies.

**SCOREBOARD**  
**INDIA:** First innings 521 for 8 declared (Pujara 206 not out, Sehwag 117, Yuvraj 74, Gambhir 45; Swann 5-144)  
**ENGLAND:** First innings 191 (Cook 41, Pietersen 17, Prior 48, Bresnan 19, Broad 25; Ashwin 3-80, Ojha 5-45)  
**ENGLAND:** Second innings (overnight 340 for 5)  
Cook b Ojha 176  
Compton lbw b Zaheer 37  
Trott c Dhoni b Ojha 17  
Pietersen b Ojha 2  
Bell lbw b Yadav 22  
Patel lbw b Yadav 0  
Prior c & b Ojha 91  
Bresnan c sub (Rahane) b Zaheer 20  
Broad c & b Yadav 3  
Swann b Ashwin 17  
Anderson not out 0  
Extras: (b-14, lb-6, w-1) 21  
Total: (All out in 154.3 overs) 406  
Fall of wickets: 1-123, 2-156, 3-160, 4-199, 5-199, 6-356, 7-365, 8-378, 9-406  
**Bowler O M R W**  
Yadav 23 2 70 3  
Ojha 55 16 120 4  
Ashwin 43 9 111 1  
Sehwag 1 0 1 0  
Zaheer 27.3 5 59 2  
Tendulkar 1 0 8 0  
Yuvraj 4 0 17 0  
**INDIA:** Second innings  
Sehwag c Pietersen b Swann 25  
Pujara not out 41  
Kohli not out 14  
Extras: 0  
Total: (For 1 wkt in 15.3 overs) 80  
Fall of wickets: 1-57.  
**Bowler O M R W**  
Anderson 2 0 10 0  
Swann 7.3 1 46 1  
Patel 6 0 24 0

## ITF Junior Tennis Poor start by locals

SPORTS REPORTER

Bangladeshi boys made a disappointing start in the Focal Point 26th ITF Junior Tennis Championship proper which began at the National Tennis Complex in Ramna yesterday.

Among the 16 direct entrants from Bangladesh, only four players made it to the second round of the competition. Kawsar Ali beat compatriot Atul 7-5, 6-3; Asik Khan beat Taipei's Huang Yu Cheng 6-4, 6-4, Mohammad Munna beat compatriot Chesty Haider and 6-2, 6-3, Biplob Ram defeated compatriot Jony 6-3, 6-3 to advance. The other nine Bangladeshi participants lost their opening round matches. Among the other winners were participants from India, Korea, Thailand and USA. The second round matches of the boys' group and first round matches of the girls' group will take place today.

Earlier, Youth and Sports secretary Nur Mohammad inaugurated the meet as the chief guest where managing director of Focal Point Abdul Kader was present as the special guest.

## Services kabaddi

SPORTS REPORTER

Bangladesh Police and Bangladesh Army won their respective matches of the Walton Motorcycle Super Seven Services Kabaddi League at the Kabaddi Stadium yesterday. Bangladesh Police defeated Bangladesh Prisons by 33-13 points with one creditable lona while Bangladesh Army beat Bangladesh Air Force by 36-15 points with two creditable lonas.

**Hoping**  
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national team beat their Malaysian counterparts once in 1982 in New Delhi. They have suffered defeats five times.

Malaysia have played three international friendlies in the last two weeks. They lost to Thailand 2-0 and Vietnam 1-0 and played out a 1-1 draw against Hong Kong.



Youth and Sports secretary Nur Mohammad shakes hands with a participant from the USA during the opening ceremony of the 26th Bangladesh ITF Junior Tennis Championships at the National Tennis Complex in Ramna yesterday. PHOTO: COURTESY

## Razzaq sets new record

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won the low-scoring game, against Barisal, at the Barisal Divisional Stadium by 165 runs.

**KHULNA v DHAKA METRO**  
An inspiring performance from Razzak and some good batting from Mithun Ali, who fell short of his second century in the match by just five runs in the second innings, helped Khulna maintain their strong lead at the top. The game also witnessed a comeback by Mashrafe Bin Mortaza to the longer ver-

sion of the game. He scored a half century and took one wicket. Dhaka Metro, who were set a target of 396 runs, were bowled out for 208 on the last day.

**RAJSHAHI v CTG**  
A first innings total of 510 by Chittagong was enough for the port city to beat Rajshahi as they meekly surrendered to an uphill task. Mohammad Yunus picked up a five-for and played a key role in bowling Rajshahi out for 158 runs. Jaharul Islam's half century was the only bright spot for the reigning champions.

**SYLHET v BARISAL**  
Sylhet triumphed over hosts Barisal in a game that could have gone either way. Barisal who had an overnight score of 81 for 3, were bowled out for just 149 runs in pursuit of 315. Enamul, with his 6-wicket haul in the second innings and seven in the first, was the wrecker-in-chief.

**RANGPUR v DHAKA**  
The game, as expected, was wrapped up in the morning session as Dhaka, who were chasing a target of 82 runs, reached the score within 20 overs, losing three wickets.

# Herath humbles Kiwis

 Cricket

AFP, Galle

Rangana Herath exposed New Zealand's weakness against spin with a six-wicket haul as Sri Lanka raced to an emphatic 10-wicket win on the third day of the opening Test in Galle on Monday.

The left-arm spinner finished with 6-43 off 18 probing overs as New Zealand, trailing by 26 runs, crashed to 118 in their second innings after losing their last nine wickets for 83.

Sri Lanka effortlessly chased down a 93-run target, with debutant Dimuth Karunaratne remaining unbeaten on 60 and Tharanga Paranavitana 31 not out.

Karunaratne, who failed to open his account in the first innings, made amends with a 60-ball knock which included nine fours.

Herath, who took 5-65 in the first innings, finished the Test with 11-108, his second haul of 10 or more wickets in a match.

Middle-order batsman Daniel Flynn, who made a half-century in the first innings, top-scored with 20 in a dismal New Zealand batting performance on a slow turning track.

It was New Zealand's fifth successive Test defeat this year after they lost two matches each in the West Indies and India.



Sri Lanka left-arm spinner Rangana Herath (R) celebrates the dismissal of New Zealand captain Ross Taylor (not in picture) on the third day of the first Test at the Galle International Cricket Stadium yesterday. Herath finished with 6 for 43.

PHOTO: AFP

The Test was evenly poised at stumps on Sunday when New Zealand were nine runs ahead with as many wickets in hand, but Herath swung the match in his team's favour with four quick wickets in the morning.

The Sri Lankan spinner continually tested the batsmen with his shrewd

variations, removing skipper Ross Taylor (18), James Franklin (two) and then Flynn and Doug Bracewell off successive deliveries.

Herath was well supported by paceman Nuwan Kulasekara and off-spinner Suraj Randiv, who bagged two wickets apiece.

New Zealand's batting woes began against pace,

when Kulasekara struck twice in his opening three overs, dismissing overnight batsmen Martin Guptill in his second over and Kane Williamson to have the tourists struggling at 46-3.

Williamson was caught down the leg-side by a diving wicketkeeper Prasanna Jayawardene.

**SCOREBOARD**  
**NEW ZEALAND:** First innings 221 (McCullum 68, Flynn 53; Herath 5-65, Eranga 3-51)  
**SRI LANKA:** First innings 247 (M Jayawardene 91, Mathews 79; Southee 4-46, Patel 3-55)  
**NEW ZEALAND:** Second innings (overnight 35-1)  
Guptill b Kulasekara 13  
McCullum c Kulasekara b Herath 13  
Williamson c P Jayawardene b Kulasekara 10  
Taylor lbw b Herath 18  
Flynn b Herath 20  
Franklin st P Jayawardene b Herath 2  
Van Wyk not out 13  
Bracewell lbw b Herath 0  
Southee st P Jayawardene b Randiv 16  
Patel c Karunaratne b Herath 0  
Boult c M Jayawardene b Randiv 13  
Total: (All out in 44.1 overs) 118  
Fall of wickets: 1-18, 2-35, 4-60, 5-70, 6-79, 7-79, 8-96, 9-97  
**Bowler O M R W**  
Kulasekara 12 4 28 2  
Eranga 4 2 10 0  
Herath 18 3 43 6  
Randiv 10.1 0 37 2  
**SRI LANKA:** Second innings  
Paranavitana not out 31  
Karunaratne not out 60  
Extras: (w-2) 2  
Total: (For no loss in 18.3 overs) 93  
**Bowler O M R W**  
Boult 4 1 15 0  
Bracewell 5.3 0 35 0  
Patel 5 1 22 0  
Franklin 3 0 15 0

# Czechs stun Spain

 Tennis

AFP, Prague

The Czech Republic won the Davis Cup after a team led by Tomas Berdych and Radek Stepanek beat holders Spain 3-2 in the 100th final here on Sunday.

In Sunday's games, Berdych lost to David Ferrer before Stepanek stunned Nicolas Almagro in the decisive rubber.

The Czech Republic lifted their first Davis Cup since gaining independence following a 1993 split with Slovakia.

The victory has handed the Czechs a rare team double after their women lifted the Fed Cup here two weeks ago -- a feat last achieved by the United States in 1990.

The former

## We must

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to be a part of in the coming days.

"I am in a bit of form, but that's how it goes. I will go back home and work hard. Hopefully good things will come my way next year," said Ramdin.

Ramdin also believed that the spinners in his side would provide a much better performance in the upcoming Test match. "I believe he (Sunil Narine) is a great bowler once he gets his areas going. He needs a bit more work, hopefully he can do some spot-bowling and get it right, I think he can do the job for us in the second Test match," said Ramdin.

"Verasammy Permaul showed a lot of maturity in his first game. He kept things tight when the batsmen were going at him. He got three crucial wickets for us in the second innings. Hopefully the pitch will assist him here," he added.

The batsman also believed that pacer Fidel Edwards, if selected, could also make an impact in the game.



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## Cricket

AFP, Adelaide

South Africa paceman Morne Morkel said Monday he expected a short ball barrage aimed at Michael Clarke in this week's second Test at Adelaide in a bid to stop the Australian captain's run spree.

The tall Morkel said better use of the rising ball, and denying Clarke scoring singles, were part of South Africa's planning for Australia's in-form leader ahead of Thursday's Test.

Morkel says the Proteas had to be smarter in their approach to Clarke after his unbeaten double-century in last week's drawn first Brisbane Test.

Clarke was named the man-of-the-match in Brisbane for his third double-century of the year, his unbeaten 259 which turned the match away from the Proteas over the closing two days after coming with his team wobbling at 40 for three on Sunday's third day.

The Australian skipper is the highest scorer in Tests this year with 1,041 runs and averaging 115.66.

"Any batsmen struggles a bit at first

with the short ball so we will probably come up with game plans and start working on those sort of things," Morkel told reporters on Monday.

"Definitely that is a plan to always use a short ball -- you have got two short balls an over so why not use it.

"We just need to use it in a clever way and see how we go from there."

Morkel said the South Africans had to put Clarke under greater pressure in Adelaide.

"He played very, very well," Morkel said.

Morkel said the South Africans would also address their costly spate of no balls in the Brisbane Test, where Proteas bowlers over-stepped 23 times.

Morkel was denied Ed Cowan's wicket because of a no ball while Australian quicks Peter Siddle and James Pattinson also lost wickets due to no balls.

"It's a controllable," Morkel said.

"It is something I personally have been working hard on ... the stats show we have been bowling quite a lot (of no balls) over the past few Test matches and Test series so it's definitely a thing that we are targeting at the moment."

## CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

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20 Inbox fillers  
21 Santa's bagful  
23 — -tac-toe  
24 All-American dessert  
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9 Re our legal system  
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**24 Matter-horn, for one**  
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Friday's answer

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**CRYPTOQUIP**  

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**Saturday's Cryptquip:** YOU PROBABLY ASSUME THAT MONASTERY MUSIC IS NOT DELIGHTFUL, BUT I FIND CHANTING ENCHANTING.

Today's Cryptquip Clue: S equals T