

**Tendulkar in Tirupati**

PTI, Tirupati  
Star batsman Sachin Tendulkar offered worship at the famous hill shrine of Lord Venkateswara near here in the wee hours on Saturday.  
Tendulkar arrived on a 10-hour maiden pilgrimage on the hills at midnight.  
He offered worship in the traditional manner, wearing a white dhoti and shirt, and also took part in the 'Suprabhatha recitation seva' (a ritual), temple sources said.  
Tendulkar was in the temple for about 20 minutes.

After prayers, Tendulkar was presented with 'laddu' prasadam, holy water and a sacred silk cloth by the temple management while the priests, chanting vedic hymns, blessed him at the ancient Ranganayaka mandapam inside the temple, they said.

**CSA appoints Nenzani as president**

CRICINFO, Johannesburg  
Chris Nenzani, the president of the Border Cricket Board, has been elected Cricket South Africa's (CSA's) new president as the body formalised a new board on Saturday at their AGM.  
It includes former president Norman Aрендse as an independent member while Peter Cyster, from Boland, has been named Nenzani's deputy.  
The new board consists of 12 members -- five of them independent -- and marks the end of CSA's transition following a saga which started with the bonus scandal in 2010. The 4.7 million rand that was paid in bonuses to 40 CSA staff members, including former chief executive Gerald Majola, was not declared through the board brought CSA's corporate governance under scrutiny.

**Div I cricket**

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and 6.5 overs remaining.  
In the day's other game, Tasin Hasin Cricket Academy beat the Magnum Cricketers by 62 runs at the BKSP. Batting first, Tasin Hasin scored 249 in 49.1 overs. In reply Magnum were bowled out for 187.  
**SCORES IN BRIEF**  
**PARTEX SPORTING CLUB:** 170 all out in 50 overs (Salauddin Pappu 42; Tanziul 3-24, Nadim 3-32).  
**ESKATON:** 176 for 7 in 43.1 overs (Mehidy 52; Monirul 2-44).  
**Result:** Eskaton won by 3 wickets.  
**TASIN HASIN CRICKET ACADEMY:** 249 all out in 49.1 overs (Asif Iqbal 54; Sejan Ahmed 54; Asraf Hossain 4-48).  
**MAGNUM CRICKETERS:** 187 all out in 40 overs (Mehedi 85; Rubel Mia 3-32, Rehan Uddin 3-39).  
**Result:** Tasin Hasin won by 62 runs.

**Hockey**

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to the country's hockey. BHF also honoured the sponsors and organisations that extended their hand of support over the course.  
BHF president Air Marsahal Enamul Bari and general secretary Khwaja Rahmatullah handed over the crests to the recipients. The programme started with a rally and included a veterans' match, a fashion parade of the national players and a cultural programme in the afternoon session.



Pakistan batsman Azhar Ali evades a bouncer against a hostile South Africa attack that bowled the visitors out for 49, their lowest-ever score, on the second day of the first Test at the Wanderers in Johannesburg yesterday.

**Pakistan Steyn-gunned**

Cricket  
AFP, Johannesburg  
Dale Steyn sent Pakistan crashing to a new low as South Africa took control on the second day of the first Test at the Wanderers Stadium on Saturday.  
Steyn took six for eight in 8.1 overs as Pakistan were shot out for 49, four fewer than their previous lowest total of 53 against Australia in Sharjah in 2002-03.  
South Africa led by 204 runs on the first innings but decided not to enforce the follow on.  
The hosts were 207 for three in their second innings at the close, an overall lead of 411, with Graeme Smith (52), Hashim Amla (50 not out) and AB de Villiers (63 not out) hitting half-centuries.  
It was another triumph for South Africa's barrage of fast bowlers and the third time in less than two seasons that the world's number one Test team had bowled out opponents for less than 50.  
Australia were routed out for 47 in 2011/12 and New Zealand were dismissed for 45 earlier this season. Both matches were in Cape Town.

AB de Villiers equalled the South African wicket-keeping record by holding six catches and there were three catches in the slips as the Pakistan batsmen failed to cope with top quality bowling on a pitch with steep and sometimes variable bounce as well as some sideways movement.  
Vernon Philander took two for 16 and Jacques Kallis two for 11.  
Azhar Ali (13) and captain

to wrap up the innings soon after lunch.  
Steyn struck with his fifth ball of the day after Pakistan resumed at six for no wicket, having Mohammad Hafeez caught behind for six, edging an out-swing.  
In his next over Steyn trapped new cap Nasir Jamshed leg before wicket when the left-hander went back on his stumps against a full delivery.  
Five balls later Steyn

second innings but Graeme Smith and Alviro Petersen put on 82 for the first wicket.

**SCOREBOARD**  
**SOUTH AFRICA:** First innings 253 (Kallis 50, Du Plessis 41, Amla 37, De Villiers 31; Hafeez 4-16, Junaid 2-33, Gul 2-56)  
**PAKISTAN:** First innings (overnight 6-0)  
Hafeez c De Villiers b Steyn 6  
Jamshed lbw b Steyn 2  
Azhar c de Villiers b Kallis 13  
Younis c Smith b Steyn 0  
Misbah c de Villiers b Kallis 12  
Shafiq c de Villiers b Philander 1  
Sarfaraz c de Villiers b Steyn 2  
Gul c Smith b Philander 0  
Ajmal c de Villiers b Steyn 1  
Junaid not out 8  
Rahat c du Plessis b Steyn 0  
Extras: (lb-3, w-1) 4  
Total: (All out in 29.1 overs) 49  
Fall of wickets: 1-9, 2-12, 3-12, 4-36, 5-37, 6-39, 7-39, 8-40, 9-41

PAK LOWS			
Score	Opponent	Venue	Date
49	South Africa	Johannesburg	Feb 2, 2013
53	Australia	Sharjah	Oct 12, 2002
59	Australia	Sharjah	Oct 11, 2002
62	Australia	Perth	Nov 13, 1981
72	England	Birmingham	Aug 6, 2010
72	Australia	Perth	Dec 16, 2004
74	England	Lord's	Aug 26, 2010
77	West Indies	Lahore	Nov 7, 1986
80	England	Nottingham	July 29, 2010

Misbahul Haq (12) were the only Pakistan batsmen to reach double figures.  
Steyn was outstanding, bowling at high pace and making the ball move away disconcertingly from the right-handed batsmen. He started Pakistan's collapse by taking three wickets in 14 balls at the start of the day and followed up with three more in 12 deliveries

claimed the key wicket of Younis Khan, caught at first slip when he edged a perfect out-swing.  
Azhar Ali and Misbah survived for more than an hour before Kallis claimed two wickets in three balls, having both batsmen caught behind.  
Batting conditions remained difficult at the start of South Africa's

**Bowler O M R W**  
Philander 9 5 16 2  
Steyn 8.1 6 8 6  
Morkel 6 3 11 0  
Kallis 6 2 11 2  
**SOUTH AFRICA:** Second innings  
Petersen c Hafeez b Gul 27  
Smith c Sarfaraz b Gul 52  
Amla not out 50  
Kallis c Shafiq b Ajmal 7  
De Villiers not out 63  
Extras: (lb-4, nb-3, w-1) 8  
Total: (For 3 wickets in 53 overs) 207  
Fall of wickets: 1-82, 2-87, 3-99  
**Bowler O M R W**  
Gul 9 2 25 2  
Junaid 11 1 41 0  
Rahat 11 1 44 0

**Jahurul clinches close**

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momentum from their opponents as Zimbabwean Sean Ervine hoisted two sixes and Jahurul smashed a boundary to collect 19 from the first over of spinner Brad Hodge. Then in the 18th over by Alok Kapali, Jahurul hit a six and a boundary to secure 15 runs when Rajshahi started the over needing 33 from three.  
Azhar Mahmood conceded just eight runs in the penultimate over and most importantly took the wicket of Jahurul to reignite excitement in the match and leave his opponents to score ten runs from the last six balls.  
Mukter however hit a cheeky boundary

off the first ball of pacer Shafiqul Islam and then smashed another off the fourth ball after two singles in the intervening deliveries to ensure that Jahurul's knock was not in vain, like Mahmood's 34-ball 57 that gave Barisal a fighting chance.  
"I requested my team to relieve me from the captaincy role as it was hard for me to focus on batting and keeping as a captain," said Jahurul, who has captaincy experience at the Bangladesh A and club levels. Tamim led Rajshahi for the first two games and then Jahurul captained the team, although it was announced before the start of the tournament that Australian Simon Katich would be in charge.



Managing director of MM Ispahani Limited Mirza Salman Ispahani (L) distributes prizes among the winners of the 1st Ispahani Corporate Badminton Grand Slam held at the Shaheed Tajuddin Ahmed Indoor Stadium last week.

**Maria meets Sabine in Pattaya final**

AFP, Pattaya  
Maria Kirilenko of Russia and Germany's Sabine Lisicki will meet in the Pattaya Open final after both claimed straight set victories on Saturday.  
2nd-seeded Kirilenko needed just 67 minutes to overwhelm fourth seed Sorana Cirstea of Romania 6-0, 6-2, and Lisicki beat Russia's Nina Bratchikova 7-5, 6-3.  
The final takes place on Sunday.

**Div-I v'ball**

SPORTS REPORTER  
Bhai Bhai Sangha defeated Nabajagoroni Sangha in straight 3-0 sets in the lone match of the Walton Air Conditioner First Division Volleyball League at the Volleyball Stadium in Paltan yesterday.  
Nabajagoroni Sangha play again today as they take on Uttara Sporting Club in the day's lone match.

**Ctg leg ends**

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the ongoing meet.  
Dhaka, playing the match without regular skipper Mashrafe Bin Mortaza -- who was rested after complaining of back pain -- and inspirational all-rounder Shakib Al Hasan who missed his second game due to hamstring injury, remained in second position with five wins in seven matches while Sylhet Royals are leading the table with six wins from seven games.  
The Chittagong Kings, on the other hand, had desperately needed their third win and also needed to improve their net run-rate to stay alive in the tournament.  
Earlier, Dhaka's pace bowler Alfonso Thomas returned staggering bowling figures of 4-1-11-2 to continue his impressive run in the tournament.  
Left-arm spinner Mosharraf Hossain took the important wickets of skipper Brendan Taylor and Ryan ten Doeschate, who along with Naeem were the main architects of a substantial score of 142.  
Naeem, who hit six fours and a six, ensured that the early loss of Ravi Bopara did not hamper the Kings, and with Taylor and ten Doeschate took the score to 108 for three in the 15th over, before falling to Mahbulul Alam soon after reaching his 50.

**Owais Shah**

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number and swift code in order to transfer money from the country. In good faith, we had also given him the remittance slip that the bank provided us, so it is quite clear where we stand in this regard."

**CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer**

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15 Talking bird  
16 Chinese river  
18 Alluring beauty (Var.)  
20 Check  
21 Deviate off course  
23 Automaton, briefly  
24 Sirens  
25 Baseball stats  
27 Get to  
29 Lord Wimsey's creator  
31 Famed WWII pin-up girl  
35 Tourist's query  
37 Hotel staffer

**DOWN**  
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3 "Coming through!"  
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11 Adolescents  
17 Preacher Billy  
19 Code name?  
21 "Indeed"  
22 Coach Par-seghian  
24 DVR fore-runner  
26 Betsy Ross' skill  
28 Representative  
30 Sigma preceder  
32 Thailand's capital  
33 Recline  
34 TV announcer Hall  
36 Poured  
38 "Nuts!"  
39 Quickly  
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**Solution time: 25 mins.**

**Friday's answer**

**Opportunity for Abahani to prolong lead**

SPORTS REPORTER  
Defending champions Abahani will have the chance to extend their lead in the Grameenphone Bangladesh Premier League by another week as they take on minnows Arambagh KS in one of three matches today. Abahani, top of the table with 20 points from nine matches, defeated Arambagh 2-1 in the first leg and will hope for nothing less than a win tonight under the floodlights at the Bangabandhu National Stadium to hold on to the lead. Both teams come into this match on the back of a win, but on paper the Sky Blues will be expected to rule the roost.  
However, Abahani might be dispossessed earlier by Sheikh Russel when the early pace-setters take on an ever-improving Team BJMC. Sheikh Russel are just a point behind Abahani and have played a match less, and a win against Team BJMC would put them on top with 22 points before the Abahani match begins.  
The action for the day, though, kicks off at the Sheikh Fazlul Haque Moni Stadium in Gopalganj, where fourth-placed Muktioddha Sangsad host an ever-improving Brothers Union. Muktioddha have been unbeaten at their home venue so far, but a loss in their last match, away at Arambagh, set them off the pace from the title-race. Brothers Union, on the other hand, are looking more assured of saving relegation as they have notched seven points from their last three matches after losing the first six. A point earned will do the Gopibagh outfit a world of good, while Muktioddha will fall further back in their pursuit of an elusive professional league title.

**IPL AUCTION TODAY Pune keep Tamim**

Cricket  
SPORTS REPORTER  
The players' auction for the sixth season of the Indian Premier League (IPL), which will take place today, will not feature any Bangladeshi players. The competition, which begins in April, will however have Shakib Al Hasan and Tamim Iqbal -- depending on their availability -- as they have been retained by their respective teams in the IPL.  
Shakib was retained by the Kolkata Knight Riders last year. Tamim, on the other hand was released last November but re-signed for 12 months by the Pune Warriors in December. Tamim's inclusion was confirmed once his name was included in the initial squad, released in January this year. While Shakib played a prominent role in the Riders' winning campaign last year, Tamim didn't play any game for the Warriors in his maiden IPL season.  
The auction will witness 101 players in the fray with each franchise allotted a salary cap of 12.5 million dollars. The cap is inclusive of the salaries of the players retained by the respective sides, which means that the franchises will have to take into consideration the total salary of the players in the team, or in other words the amount of money that they have already spent on the players in their side.  
Due to the rule, the majority of the franchises contesting today won't be able to cross the 4-million-dollar mark. The Rajasthan Royals will have the highest spending capacity in the auctions. The Sun Risers Hyderabad have replaced the Deccan Chargers and will be making their IPL debut. The teams can have a total of 33 players with a maximum of 11 overseas players.

**Trouble**

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Some supporters alleged that gate-keeping personnel were admitting non-ticket-holders for Tk 50 or Tk 100.

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**CRYPTOQUIP**

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**Friday's Cryptoquip:** BECAUSE I SAID "I DISLIKE MOST LENDING INSTITUTIONS," ONE MIGHT CALL THAT A BANK STATEMENT.  
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: N equals O