Search on for Abul's surgeon

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The Bangladesh team management has reportedly begun a global hunt of sorts in order to find the 'right doctor' for pacer Abul Hasan's surgery. The bowler who has been suffering from an injury to his back -- medically known as Prolapsed Lumbar Intervertebral Disc -- is

"This will be the first time in recent times a player from here is going to go for a back surgery. Back ops are quite daunting and we need to be extremely sure before choosing a doctor. After all, he needs to return to bowl," said BCB's sports physician Vibhav Singh.

likely to go abroad soon.

"We have to identify the right doctor. We discussed a few options from different countries today (Sunday)," he added.

Police, BGB in handball final

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Bangladesh Police and Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) reached the final of the Walton Invitational National Men's Handball Tournament eliminating their rivals in the semifinals at the Shaheed Captain Mansur Ali National Handball Stadium yesterday. BGB beat

Chapainawabganj by 43-14 goals while Police beat Chittagong Metropolis by 39-21 goals.

The final will be held today at 3pm at the same

Robin Hood v the bazooka

AFP, Berlin

Coach Jurgen Klopp has said described Champions League finalists Borussia Dortmund as the 'Robin Hood' characters of the Bundesliga, up against allconquering champions Bayern Munich.

Dortmund enjoyed a 9-1 win a home in a charity friendly against a team of celebrities on Saturday and play European champions Bayern Munich in the German Super Cup on July 27.

Bayern swept aside allcomers last season, becoming the first German team to win the treble of European, league and cup titles and beat Dortmund 2-1 in the Champions

League final. While Bayern have brought in ex-Barcelona boss Pep Guardiola as head coach and signed Dortmund's Germany star

Mario Goetze, Klopp says Borussia will put up a fight. He used the analogy of

Dortmund playing the role of heroic mythical English outlaw Robin Hood role in their battle with Bayern, in the role of his powerful nemesis, the Sheriff of Nottingham.

"We have a bow and arrow and if we aim accurately, we can hit our target," Klopp told Sunday's

Bolt blazes 200 metres Vettel finally gets

REUTERS, Paris



Olympic champion Usain Bolt sent out a warning to his rivals ahead of the world championships by running the fastest time

of the year to win the 200 metres at the Paris Diamond League on Saturday.

The world record holder eased to the line in 19.73 bettering American Tyson Gay's world lead by 0.01 seconds and then said there was more to come.

"I came out to try and execute the best I could. I did a few things wrong but all I have to do is go back to the drawing board and get it right," Bolt, who was dogged by a hamstring injury earlier in the season, told a news conference.

"I lost one 100 metres and a lot of people are making a big deal out of it, and it doesn't really bother me," the Jamaican said in reference to his defeat by Justin Gatlin in Rome last month. "I am a championship person, I'm

not worried, as long as I'm in great shape."

two years ago, finish third in 20.07 with Jamaica's Olympic bronze medallist Warren Weir second in 19.92.

Twice Olympic 100 metres champion Shelly-Ann Fraser-Pryce held off Nigeria's fast-finishing Blessing Okagbare for a thrilling win in 10.92 seconds, 0.01 ahead of her rival who beat her over 200 last weekend.

"Today it was not the best race technically but I still managed to win," Fraser-Pryce told reporters.

"I did not feel Blessing coming, I just ran my own race," said the Jamaican who is planning a sprint double in Moscow. There was a world leading time of 14:23.68 for Ethiopia's Tirunesh

Dibaba in the 5,000 metres as she bids

for a third world title over the distance in Moscow next month before turning to the marathon. "It's a good test before Moscow," Dibaba told reporters. "It was my last race before the world championships where I've decided to race the 5,000

10,000 metres world champion. Fellow Ethiopian Almaz Ayana stunned the crowd by taking second Home favourite Christophe place in 14:25.84, smashing her per-Lemaitre, who won the world bronze sonal best by more than 26 seconds

and the 10,000," added the twice

and becoming the sixth fastest woman of all times.

Olympic and world champion Kirani James produced a superb effort to win the 400 metres with a worldleading time of 43.96 seconds, the second quickest of his career. LaShawn Merritt of the U.S. was second in 44.09.

Aries Merritt, 110 hurdles world record holder, showed he was starting to run into form following a hamstring injury, with victory in 13.09.

France's Mahiedine Mekhissi, gave the home crowd something to cheer about with a European record of 8:00.09 in the 3,000 metres steeplechase but the twice Olympic silver medallist still finished second to London 2012 champion Ezekiel Kemboi who won with a worldleading time of 7:59.03.

Kenyan Kemboi seemed more excited by Mekhissi's performance than his own, pulling the Frenchman off the floor after the finish to celebrate with him.

Britain's Olympic champion Greg Rutherford pulled out of the long jump during the competition complaining of a hamstring problem, however he later played down the

home win

REUTERS, Nuerburgring



World champion Sebastian Vettel was pushed all the way but finally tasted Formula

One victory on home soil on Sunday in a German Grand Prix that sent him 34 points clear of Ferrari's Fernando Alonso. Championship rival Kimi Raikkonen was

second for Lotus, only a second adrift, after a

late tyre change left him hunting down the Red Bull in a thrilling final few laps while team mate Romain Grosjean was third. Alonso, who started eighth on an adventurous tyre strategy, finished fourth. The radio.

Spaniard now has 123 points to Vettel's 157 after nine of 19 races. Raikkonen has 116. There were none of the explosive tyre failures that raised safety fears at last weekend's race in Britain, with the subsequent threat of a driver boycott, but there were still

the Nuerburgring. Bull injured a cameraman in the pitlane while, on track, Jules Bianchi's car momen-

moments of concern on a hot afternoon at

tarily caught fire and then rolled towards oncoming traffic after the Frenchman had scrambled out.

That incident brought out the safety car but Vettel hung on for his 30th grand prix win.

The triple champion had never won in Germany or in July but, days after his 26th birthday and a week after mechanical failure forced an agonising retirement at Silverstone, ripped up the statistics to the delight of thousands of flagwaving fans.

"Thank you boys, that was a tough one. They gave me a run for my money. Yes, yes, yes and yes again," he shouted over the

Fernando Alonso, who like Raikkonen had quicker tyres than Vettel in the closing stages after starting on mediums, chased Grosjean home.

The main drama happened in the first 25 laps of the race.

Both Red Bulls jumped polesitter Lewis Hamilton's Mercedes at the start, coming A stray wheel from Mark Webber's Red close at the first corner but avoiding contact, and Vettel took command from Australian Mark Webber.



Stankovic says farewell

REUTERS, Rome



Dejan Stankovic has terminated his contract with Inter Milan after nine years at the club, saying goodbye to fans in an emotional letter on the

club's official website (www.inter.it) on Saturday.

"This is your 'Drago' speaking, with a sense of emotion but also with great pleasure. I don't know if I can find the right words to say goodbye and to thank you properly for everything you have given me, your affection, your trust and your honesty," the Serbian midfielder said.

"The last 10 years have been the best of my life. I have grown both as a man and, with immense joy, as a footballer."

The 34-year-old former Serbia international, who spent much of last season injured, won a host of trophies after joining the club in 2009, including five league titles, the Champions League and the Club World Cup. He was a key figure in the Inter side that won the treble in 2010.

He terminated his contract by mutual conedition of daily Die Welt. sent with Interayear before it was due to expire.

"The thought that I won't be pulling on the Inter shirt anymore brings tears to my eyes but I've always been frank and the tears are real. Unfortunately, in life there comes a time when you have to move on and look forward.

"During my time in Milan I've played alongside some wonderful footballers and above all some wonderful people. It's hard to find the words to thank them all.

"It's been an honour to wear these colours and they will always remain on my skin. I'll never remove them; nobody can ever remove them."

Inter sign defensive duo

Inter Milan have signed defenders Hugo Campagnaro and Marco Andreolli, the club announced on Saturday.

"FC Internazionale are delighted to welcome on board Marco Andreolli and Hugo Campagnaro. The defenders have signed contracts with Inter until 2017 and 2015 respectively," the club wrote on their website (www.inter.it).

Argentine international Campagnaro rejoins Walter Mazzari after four years with the coach at Napoli, moving to Inter as a

Poldi welcomes Higuain arrival

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Arsenal forward Lukas Podolski insists he is not concerned about his place in the team, despite increasing speculation Gonzalo Higuain is set to join the

club from Real Madrid. Podolski, 28, joined the Gunners last summer from Cologne in an £11 million transfer, and believes he has shown enough in that time to warrant inclusion in a bolstered attacking line-up.

"It is always good when good players come in," Podolski told The Sun. "I don't worry about a specific player. And it is certainly not a problem.

"I am strong enough and I have qualities. And when good players come in, I will play with good players."

Referee kills player; is beheaded

REUTERS, Sao Paulo



One man has been arrested in northern Brazil after a referee who fatally stabbed an amateur player over his refusal to leave the field was decapitated by a mob, police said on Saturday.

Referee Octavio da Silva, 20, stabbed player Josenir dos Santos, 30, on June 30 after dos Santos refused to heed his order to leave, police spokesman Kena Souza told Reuters.

A mob then turned on da Silva, killing him before severing his head in the remote town of Pio XII, named after a former pope. A 27-year-old man was arrested on July 2 and police in the regional headquarters of Santa Ines will continue to investigate the incident, Souza said.

Brazil has made significant strides in lowering homicide rates in recent years, as millions were lifted from poverty, but it faces mounting pressures to show it is a safe place for tourists before 12 Brazilian cities host the 2014 soccer World Cup and Rio de Janeiro the Olympic Games in 2016.

In Rio de Janeiro on the day of the brawl, Brazil's national team handily defeated Spain in the Confederations Cup, considered a test run for next year's molyuch bigger championship.

Monaco rope in Toulalan

REUTERS, Madrid

Monaco have strengthened their midfield by agreeing to buy former France international Jeremy Toulalan

from La Liga side Malaga. The 29-year-old, who last played for France in June 2010, has a two-year contract with an option for another year, Monaco said on their website

(www.asm-fc.com). Toulalan joined Malaga from Olympique Lyonnais in 2011 and although his season was disrupted by injury, he made an important contribution to the Qatar-owned club's run to

the Champions League last eight last term. "We are very pleased about the arrival of Jeremy," Monaco sporting director

Vadim Vasilyev said.





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