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INDIAN SUPER LEAGUE
Kerala blast static Pune

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 Kerala Blasters came back from being a goal down to FC Pune City to register a 2-1 victory at the Shiv Chhatrapati Sports Complex, Pune in the seventh match of the Indian Super League (ISL) on Thursday evening.
 David Trezeguet had put his side ahead midway into the first half but the equalizer came before the break through CS Sabeeth. Penn Orji made an instant impact on the proceedings by scoring the winner after coming on as a substitute.
 Out went Lenny Rodrigues, Israil Gurung, Ivan Bolado and in came Mehrajuddin Wadoo, Tapan Maity and John Goossens for the home side. On the Kerala Blasters front, Colin Falvey, Pedro Gusmao and Renedy Singh made it into the lineup for Paphael Romey, Penn Orji and Gurwinder Singh.
 It was a cagey opening to the match, whose silence was shattered by Maity's reckless challenge in the second minute which earned him a caution.
 From the ensuing free kick, Stephen Pearson drifted in a dangerous ball to the far post from the left, which was headed just wide by an alert Iain Hume.
 Kostas Katsouranis then had a clanger as some neat intricate build play put the Greek through on goal, only for him to punt it straight at a well positioned David James in the 14th minute.



Real Madrid Foundation head coach Pablo Gomez Revenga (L) imparts training to some 30 local coaches at the MA Aziz Stadium in Chittagong yesterday.

PHOTO: STAR

MADRID
coaches in port city

PRANABESH CHAKRABORTY, Chittagong

FOUNDATION.
 Aiming to support healthy growth of children through sports, a three-day Kids Football Clinic kicked off in the port city's MA Aziz Stadium yesterday, under supervision of the world famous coaches of Real Madrid Foundation.

As part of their corporate social responsibility, YKK Holding Asia and YKK Bangladesh have jointly organised the clinic, where a total of 300 underprivileged and orphaned children of Chittagong and 30 local coaches are getting opportunity to acquire knowledge and learn techniques from the coaches of the Real Madrid Foundation.

Real Madrid Foundation's head coach and Team Camps Technical Director Pablo Gomez Revenga, Javier Garcia Torres and Rafael Palacios Ruiz-Peinado are conducting the clinic, the first of its kind in the city.

At a press conference held at a local hotel in Chittagong, Pablo Gomez Revenga gave appreciation to the organisers for the opportunity for them to conduct the clinic in Bangladesh.

"Though Chittagong is far from our city (Spain), it made me feel good that people here know Real Madrid and appreciate and enjoy its matches and playing style. Only four or five sessions of a clinic are not enough to learn all techniques of football, but the clinic will help attract children to football and help them to learn values such as teamwork and commitment, which will help in their future," said Pablo.

Kosuke Miimi, president and CEO of YKK Bangladesh Pte. Ltd, hoped the clinic would help introduce the kids to the modern skills of football.

YKK Regional Manager Alson NG and Bangladesh Football Federation Technical Director Kazi Altaful Huq also spoke on the occasion.

Newcastle KO Man City

AFP, London

NEWCASTLE UNITED visited fresh misery upon faltering Manchester City with an impressive 2-0 win at the Etihad Stadium on Wednesday that dumped the holders out of the League Cup.
 Teenage forward Rolando Aarons put Alan Pardew's side ahead in the sixth minute and substitute Moussa Sissoko added a superb solo goal 14 minutes from time to send Newcastle into the quarter-finals.

Champions City, who saw midfielder David Silva forced off by injury, have now gone three games without victory in all competitions ahead of Sunday's derby with Man Utd.

Ryan Taylor was making his first Newcastle appearance since August 2012 after a long-term knee problem and he quickly made an impact. Taylor robbed Fernandinho in midfield, which freed 18-year-old Aarons to run through and slot the ball between Willy Caballero's legs from a narrow angle on the right.

City received a further blow three minutes later when Silva was forced off after injuring his left knee in an early tangle with Taylor.

Silva's replacement, the fit-again Samir Nasri, teed up Stevan Jovetic for a volley that Newcastle goalkeeper Rob Elliot had to parry and visiting captain Fabricio Colocchini then sliced the ball against his own post.

But Newcastle finished the first half strongly, with Paul Dummett

RESULTS

Manchester City 0 **Newcastle United 2** (Aarons 6, Sissoko 76)
 Stoke City 2 (Nzonzi 49, Diouf 82) **Southampton 3** (Pelle 6, 88, Long 30)
Tottenham Hotspur 2 (Lamela 54, Kane 74)
 Brighton and Hove Albion 0

testing Caballero from a corner and Adam Armstrong sliding the ball narrowly wide from Daryl Janmaat's right-wing cross.

As Newcastle continued to press, with City left-back Kolarov fortunate not to concede a penalty for felling Obertan, Pellegrini sent on Navas and Agüero.

But it was a Newcastle substitute who delivered the killer blow, with Sissoko skilfully dragging the ball away from Fernandinho and then

bursting past Bacary Sagna before coolly stabbing home.

Taylor completed a memorable return by blocking on the line from Edin Dzeko in the 85th minute, as Newcastle secured a first ever win at the Etihad and sent the holders crashing out.

Elsewhere, Graziano Pelle took his tally for the season to nine goals as in-form Southampton survived a late Stoke City rally to win 3-2 at the Britannia Stadium and set up a trip to third-tier Sheffield United.

The Italian curled Southampton ahead from 25 yards in the sixth minute and Shane Long made it 2-0, only for Steven Nzonzi to bring Stoke back into the game before Mame Biram Diouf headed in an 82nd-minute equaliser.

Real cruise

AFP, Madrid

REAL MADRID began their defence of the Copa del Rey with a comfortable 4-1 win over third-tier UD Cornella in the first leg of their fourth-round tie on Wednesday.

With World Player of the Year Cristiano Ronaldo among a host of star names given the night off, it was centre-back Raphael Varane who produced the finishing touch in the first half as his bullet header put the visitors in front after just 10 minutes.

Cornella, from the outskirts of Barcelona, had their magic moment 10 minutes later, though, as Oscar Munoz saw off challenges from Varane and Alvaro Arbeloa before firing high past Keylor Navas to equalise.

However, in a game played at the home of top-flight side Espanyol, Varane restored Real's lead from another corner nine minutes before half-time and Javier Hernandez put the tie beyond the Catalans with a fine angled finish eight minutes into the second period.

Madrid boss Carlo Ancelotti then withdrew James Rodriguez, one of only four players to retain his place from Saturday's 3-1 Clasico victory over Barcelona, for Marcelo.

And the Brazilian rounded off the scoring when he smashed home from a narrow angle after Jose Manuel Segovia had parried Isco's initial effort.

RESULTS

UD Cornella 1 (Munoz 20) **Real Madrid 4** (Varane 10, 36, Hernandez 53, Marcelo 75)
 Sabadell 1 (Forgas 75) **Sevilla 6** (Kolodziejczak 28, Aspas 43, 60, 90+pen, Gameiro 67-pen, Reyes 70)

Genoa stun Juventus

AFP, Milan



GENOA stunned Juventus with an injury-time goal from midfielder Luca Antonini handed Juventus their first defeat of the season Wednesday when a 2-0 win for Roma allowed the title challengers to pull level at the top of Italy's Serie A.

Udinese's 3-0 defeat at Fiorentina allowed AC Milan, held 1-1 at Cagliari, to move three places up to third with Sampdoria still in fourth despite suffering a last-gasp 1-0 defeat at Inter Milan.

Both AC Milan and Sampdoria are six points off the leaders' pace, with Udinese dropping to fifth, also on 16 points and one ahead of Lazio who face Verona on Thursday.

Gonzalo Higuain should have handed Napoli all three points in the dying minutes away to Atalanta but the Argentinian striker saw his spot-kick saved by Marco Sportiello.

Napoli remain seventh and are now seven points adrift of Juventus and Roma.

Juventus had moved clear of Roma last weekend after Rudi Garcia's men were held to a scoreless draw away to Sampdoria but were frustrated at the Luigi Ferraris stadium where goalkeeper Gianluigi Buffon was making his 500th appearance in a Bianconeri jersey.

Carlos Tevez was the victim of a brutal foul by Alejandro Rosi in the opening min-

RESULTS

Atalanta 1 (Denis 57) Napoli 1 (Higuain 86)
 Cagliari 1 (Ibarbo 24) Milan 1 (Bonaventura 34)
Fiorentina 3 (Babacar 44, 70, Valero 80) Udinese 0
Genoa 1 (Antonini 90+4) Juventus 0
Inter 1 (Cardi 90-pen) Sampdoria 0
Palermo 1 (Rigoni 81) Chievo 0
Roma 2 (Destro 9, De Rossi 81) Cesena 0
Torino 1 (Darmian 10) Parma 0

utes, the midfielder escaping without a booking despite a lunge which left the Argentinian writhing in pain.

Juventus spurned several chances, notably when home goalkeeper Matia Perin pulled off a superb one-handed save from Alvaro Morata at the death after he had replaced fellow Spaniard Fernando Llorente on 65 minutes.

The match looked to be heading for a draw until Antonini stunned Massimiliano Allegri's men by bundling a cross from the left past Buffon after being left unmarked in front of goal.

It was Juve's first league defeat in injury time since a reverse to Roma in 2010, and gave Garcia's men a huge boost as they dominated Cesena at the Stadio Olimpico.

Lukasz Skorupski replaced Morgan De Sanctis in goal for the hosts and Seydou Keita returned to the midfield while Ashley Cole was brought in at left-back following a spell on the sidelines due to a dismal display in a 7-1 drubbing by Bayern Munich.

Berdych thru', Wawrinka out

AFP, Paris

FRANCK RIBERY sealed his ticket to the World Tour Finals after easing into the quarterfinals of the Paris Masters on Thursday.

Following a first round defeat at the Valencia Open last week, the 29-year-old Berdych evened his record against Spaniard Feliciano Lopez at six wins apiece with a 7-5, 6-3 victory behind the back of a 70 per cent first serve percentage and eight aces.

Chasing an 11th ATP title, and third of the year, the Australian Open semi-finalist now plays South African 14th seed Kevin Anderson for a place in the semi-finals.

Victory for Berdych would guarantee his place in the eight man field in London which begins on November 9 although he could still qualify depending on results elsewhere.

Anderson won a marathon thriller over Swiss third seed Stan Wawrinka 6-7 (2/7), 7-5, 7-6 (7/3) in a match that lasted just under three hours.

Di Maria locked out for Gaga

DAILY STAR

Manchester United's £60million signing Angel di Maria turned up at Afflecks Palace in the city centre with wife Jorgelina to spruce up his wardrobe but the doors were shut after bosses closed early so 28-year-old Lady Gaga could shop in private without being mobbed by fans.

The Bad Romance singer - real name Stefani Germanotta - was escorted by minders on an £8,000 binge buying up jewellery, crystals and vintage outfits including a black lace dress.

Ribery brushes off fan's insult



PHOTO: AFP

A Hamburg fan who ran on to the pitch and hit Bayern Munich midfielder Franck Ribery in the face with his scarf is tackled by security staff during the German Cup match in Hamburg on Wednesday.

AFP, Berlin

Bayern Munich's France winger Franck Ribery has accepted Hamburg's apology after one of their fans hit him in the face with a scarf during the Bavarians' German Cup win.

Ribery scored for title-holders Bayern in Wednesday's 3-1 win at Hamburg in the second round of the German Cup.

But Ribery was insulted in added time when a fan stormed on to the Imtech Arena pitch, hit the France star in the face with his Hamburg scarf and showed him the middle finger of both hands before security guards intervened.

"That shouldn't have happened, but it's not so bad," the Frenchman told Sky Sports, having started the match after recovering from a knee injury which hampered the start of his season.

"It's always forgotten after the game. I don't know what that was all about. It wasn't an easy game for me, I got kicked a lot."

Hamburg apologised to Ribery on social media Twitter. "Dear FC Bayern, dear Franck Ribery, we apologise for the scenes just before the end of the game, that is not Hamburg!" wrote the club on their official account.

Bayern captain Philipp Lahm said Ribery had dealt with the incident well.

"Franck can handle himself, something like that shouldn't happen," Lahm commented, while chairman Karl-Heinz Rummenigge praised Ribery for not reacting. "He showed composure," Rummenigge said.

Bayern are four points clear of their rivals in the Bundesliga and host Borussia Dortmund in Munich on Saturday.

Indonesian teams disqualified

BBC ONLINE

Indonesian clubs PSS Sleman and PSIS Semarang are disqualified from the country's first division play-offs for scoring five own goals.

Sleman won the game 3-2, but a committee decided both sides attempted to lose in order to avoid a semifinal match with Borneo FC, a club rumoured to be backed by a local mafia.

The game was scoreless until the 86th minute before Sleman scored two own goals in quick succession, Semarang then score three own goals and lost the tie.



Genoa defender Luca Antonini celebrates his all-important goal against Juventus during their Serie A encounter at the Luigi Ferraris Stadium on Wednesday.

PHOTO: AFP