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**Live from 10:00pm**

**Nat'l Cricket League**  
**(Four-Day Match, Day 3)**  
**Time: 9:00am**  
**Khulna v Barisal**

Venue: Sheikh Abu Naser Stadium, Khulna  
 Dhaka Metropolis v Dhaka  
 Venue: Shaheed Chandu Stadium, Bogra

Rangpur v Chittagong  
 Venue: Sylhet Int'l Cricket Stadium  
 Rajshahi v Sylhet  
 Venue: Shaheed Kamruzzaman

Stadium, Rajshahi  
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 Venue: Sylhet District Stadium

**U-18 Asia Cup Hockey Tournament**  
 Chinese Taipei v China  
 Time: 11:00am  
 Pakistan v Hong Kong  
 Time: 1:00pm  
 Bangladesh v Oman  
 Time: 3:00pm  
 Venue: Maulana Bhasani Hockey Stadium



Penalty corner specialist Ashraful Islam (L) and his teammates do the keepy-uppy in the corridors of Bangladesh Hockey Federation yesterday as they prepare to take on Oman in their second match of the U-18 Asia Cup today.

PHOTO: STAR

# Hosts have eyes on the semifinal

## Take on Oman today

SPORTS REPORTER



Bangladesh are looking forward to finishing top of Pool A with a victory over Oman in their last pool match of the U-18 Asia Cup Hockey Tournament at the Maulana Bhasani Hockey Stadium today.

After a thrilling 5-4 win over favourites India, the hosts need just a draw in today's match to emerge champions in their pool, however, they are determined to put up a comprehensive performance against Oman, which could be a dress rehearsal for the semi-final against either China or Chinese Taipei.

On the back of a massive 11-0 win over Oman, India have confirmed their semi-final berth and the second semifinalist from Pool A will be decided between Oman and Bangladesh. Bangladesh will move to the semifinals unless they suffer a 6-0 defeat. Regardless of the equation, Bangladesh captain Roman Sarker is taking the match very seriously.

"We don't want to take any opposition lightly. Oman always play well against

Bangladesh at any level, so we don't want to allow them any room to cause an upset. We will play according to our game plan and we are fully focused on tomorrow's [Tuesday] match," said Roman, who is also a member of the senior national team.

Bangladesh could hardly judge Oman from the one-sided affair against India, but it is clear that the Omanis are physically more imposing and they are also good at running.

"They have some senior players including the goalkeepers, so we have to play accordingly as we have more responsibility on our shoulders, especially after the win against India. The expectation has also increased, so we have to do something special," said a confident Roman.

Bangladesh will be relying on penalty corner specialist Ashraful Islam, who struck four goals against India. The promising defender is ready for Oman.

"I think I will get goals if I can take my usual shots. Even though the opponents will want to stop me, we have enough variations from penalty corners in our stock," said Ashraful.

# Baridhara in seventh hell

SPORTS REPORTER



Uttar Baridhara Club are heading towards their record of 10 consecutive defeats in the professional football league as the newly-promoted side suffered a 1-0 defeat against Muktiyoddha Sangsad -- their seventh straight defeat in this edition of JB Bangladesh Premier League -- at the Sylhet District Stadium yesterday.

Since making a surprising start with a lone-goal win over big-spenders Sheikh Russel KC, the Baridhara outfit have lost all their matches and are just three defeats away from their record of 10-match losing streak, which they had set during their debut season in two years ago.

However, while during that dreadful season Uttar Baridhara had also produced some exciting results against teams like Brothers Union, Team BJMC, Sheikh Jamal DC and Mohammedan SC, this time it's all

going downhill for them.

Uttar Baridhara were put under the cosh from the beginning by Muktiyoddha Snagsad, who were determined to return winning ways after suffering a narrow 3-2 defeat against leaders Sheikh Jamal in the previous round.

The All Reds dominated the first half and created a couple of good

long-range effort.

A fourth win in eight matches took Muktiyoddha to third position on the 12-team table with 15 points, three less than Sheikh Jamal and one behind second-placed Abahani.

**MOHAMMEDAN REMAIN WINLESS**

Meanwhile, fallen giants Mohammedan Sporting Club extended their winless run in top flight football to eight matches after being held to a goalless draw by promoted Arambagh KS under the floodlight.

The three-time professional league runners-up side have remained winless for eight matches, which is a record for the once popular outfit at any level of competition.

Mohammedan, who also hold the record of remaining unbeaten 21 matches in the professional football league, are now in 10th position with six draws and two defeats while Arambagh are in eighth position with eight points from as many matches.

<b>UTTAR BARIDHARA</b>	<b>0 - 1</b>	<b>MUKTIJODDHA</b>
<b>ARAMBAGH</b>	<b>0 - 0</b>	<b>MOHAMMEDAN</b>

chances, but Ahmed Kolo Musa was denied by Baridhara goalkeeper Ershad in the 20th minute while Tiago Colin saw his header come off the crosspiece in the 32nd minute.

After resumption, Ershad thwarted a close-range shot from Simon to keep Baridhara in the game. And Muktiyoddha were reduced to 10 men after 57 minutes, but they continued their dominance and were rewarded ten minutes later when Shah Alamgir Anik beat the Baridhara goalie with a



# Arnold Palmer passes away

REUTERS, Los Angeles

Arnold Palmer, one of golf's greatest players whose immense popularity drew a legion of fans to the game at the dawn of the age of televised sport, died of heart complications on Sunday. He was 87.

Palmer, a charismatic figure popularly known as 'The King' who accumulated 62 career victories on the PGA Tour including seven major championships, died at UPMC Hospital in Pittsburgh, near his hometown of Latrobe, Pennsylvania.

"Today marks the passing of an era," Alastair Johnston, his long-time agent, said in a statement.

"Arnold Palmer's influence, profile and achievements spread far beyond the game of golf. He was an iconic American who treated people with respect and warmth, and built a unique legacy through his ability to engage with fans."

Tributes came in from his famous peers:

"Thanks Arnold for your friendship, counsel and a lot of laughs. Your philanthropy and humility are part of your legend. It's hard to imagine golf without you or anyone more important to the game than the King," said Tiger Woods.

"Not a single modern golf fan would be a fan without him. The King made golf cool," said David Duval.

# Aurier sentenced to two months

AGENCIES, Paris



A French court sentenced Paris St Germain defender Serge Aurier to two months in jail on Monday over a run-in with police as he left a night club in May, his lawyer said.

The 23-year-old Ivory Coast national, who had pleaded not guilty to charges of acting violently towards a police officer, remained free pending an appeal. He was also fined 600 euros (\$675).

Police said the altercation took place shortly before dawn after Aurier left a night club in the Champs Elysees area of Paris.

"We're appealing. Mr Aurier contests the findings. He's not guilty and must be acquitted," lawyer Claire Boutard de la Combe told reporters.

Aurier was suspended by PSG in February for several weeks for insulting team coach Laurent Blanc.

The 23-year-old is accused of assaulting the officer after he was pulled over in May, and asked to take a breath test.

Aurier, who was alleged to have elbowed the officer in the chest, has claimed in an interview that he was "brutalised" by the police, and subsequent reports have claimed that he will appeal the court's decision.

"It was violent," Aurier said on French television in June. "The police officers got out of the car, insulted me, brutalised me, my lip was smashed."

"What's even worse is that the police officer said I had elbowed him in the thorax. If I wanted to touch him, I would have punched him in the face. He did though, struck me several times in the face."



# Bolt meets Beckham

AGENCIES, Los Angeles

It's difficult to tell who was more star-struck when David Beckham met Usain Bolt.

Manchester United fan Bolt shared a picture on social media with the former Red Devil on Monday morning along with the message "no caption needed".

However, Becks seemed equally pleased with his encounter with the quickest man on the planet.

The Old Trafford legend uploaded the same snap to his Instagram account, gushing "Fastest man in the world .. I think that's all I need to say... pleasure to meet the best."

Bolt is a diehard United supporter and took to Twitter on Saturday following the 4-1 win against Leicester.

Goals from Chris Smalling, Juan Mata, Marcus Rashford and Paul Pogba ended a run of defeats for Jose Mourinho's men.

And Bolt was clearly impressed with what he saw as he singled out summer signing Pogba for special praise.

# Giggs set for Swansea?

AGENCIES, Manchester

Manchester United legend Ryan Giggs has held talks about taking over at Swansea City, according to reports.

The 42-year-old, who spent 29 years at Old Trafford as a player and coach, has been heavily linked with a return to his homeland following Francesco Guidolin's indifferent start to the season.

The Times are reporting that Giggs met with club representatives on Wednesday following Swansea's dismal display in a 2-1 defeat to Man City's second-string side in the EFL Cup.

# Juventus lose Rugani, Asamoah

REUTERS, Turin

Juventus defender Daniele Rugani and midfielder Kwadwo Asamoah are expected to be out of action for more than seven weeks after suffering right knee injuries in the 1-0 win over Palermo on Saturday.

Scans revealed that Ghanaian Asamoah had ruptured his meniscus cartilage, while Rugani strained his lateral collateral ligament, the club said in a statement on Sunday.

Asamoah and Rugani will miss at least nine matches, including Tuesday's Champions League clash against Dinamo Zagreb in Croatia.

# India clinch 500th with spin force

AFP, Kanpur



Spin twins Ravichandran Ashwin and Ravindra Jadeja bowled India to a comprehensive 197-run victory over New Zealand Monday on the fifth and final day of their country's landmark 500th Test.

Ashwin claimed six wickets as the visitors, who claimed the day on 93 for four in pursuit of their unlikely 434-run target, were dismissed for 236 shortly after lunch at Kanpur's Green Park.

Ashwin, who recorded his 19th five-wicket haul in Tests, and Jadeja shared 16 wickets between them in the match to flatten the New Zealand batting line-up.

And it was Ashwin who triggered the celebrations in the Indian camp by taking the last wicket, dismissing the lanky off-spinner Neil Wagner lbw for nought to end with overall match figures of 10-225.

Player-of-the-match Jadeja, who registered a five-wicket haul in the first innings, also contributed with unbeaten scores of 42 and 50 in the first and second innings respectively.

"It's a memorable Test, it's been a very good Test," skipper Virat Kohli said after India became the fourth team to complete 500 Tests. England, Australia and the West



Ashwin...6 for 132

Indies had already managed the feat.

A 102-run partnership between overnight batsmen Luke Ronchi and Mitchell Santner helped New Zealand put up some resistance in the first hour of play. Ronchi's fighting 80 was laced with nine fours and a six.

But left-arm spinner Jadeja managed to break their stand when Ronchi mistimed a flatter delivery and was caught at point by Ashwin.

Santner, whose valiant 71 included seven fours and two sixes, was snared by Ashwin shortly after lunch when he fell to a virtually unplayable delivery.

The ball pitched well outside the leg-stump and turned and bounced to take the left-handed Santner by surprise as he edged the ball to point.

Pace spearhead Mohammed Shami also claimed two wickets in the innings, including wicketkeeper-batsman BJ Watling for 18.

Ashwin claimed three wickets on Sunday to reduce New Zealand to 56 for four at one stage, after getting openers Martin Gupthill and Tom Latham in quick succession.

Ashwin also had skipper Kane Williamson, who top-scored with 75 in the first innings, dismissed lbw to claim his 200th Test wicket on the fourth day to give India a firm grip.

India declared their second innings on 377 for five at tea on the fourth day with Rohit Sharma and Jadeja putting on a 100-run unbeaten partnership for the sixth wicket.

Cheteshwar Pujara top-scored for the hosts with 78 and his 133-run second-wicket partnership with Murali Vijay (76) was the highlight of India's second innings.

**SCORES IN BRIEF**

**INDIA:** First innings 318  
**NEW ZEALAND:** First innings 262  
**INDIA:** Second innings 377 for 5 decl  
**NEW ZEALAND:** Second innings 236 (Williamson 25, Ronchi 80, Santner 71; Shami 2-18, Ashwin 6-132)  
**Result:** India won by 197 runs.  
**Player-of-the-match:** Ravindra Jadeja.



# Dortmund test for Real

REUTERS, Dortmund



European champions Real Madrid head to rampaging Borussia Dortmund for their Champions League Group F game on Tuesday in a frazzled state with their buoyant start to the season having been punctured by successive La Liga draws.

Real gave away a late equaliser to draw 2-2 at Las Palmas on Saturday, after their joint-record 16-game winning streak in La Liga was halted by Wednesday's 1-1 home stalemate against Villarreal, which saw their lead at the top cut to a point.

Dortmund, meanwhile, have been on a sizzling run since losing to RB

Leipzig on Sept. 10, scoring 20 goals in four straight wins against Legia Warsaw in the Champions League and Darmstadt, Wolfsburg and Freiburg in the Bundesliga.

OTHER MATCHES	
Monaco v Bayer Leverkusen, CSKA Moscow v Tottenham Hotspur, Sporting v Legia Warsaw, FC Copenhagen v Club Brugge, Leicester City v FC Porto, Sevilla v Lyon, Dinamo Zagreb v Juventus	win over Freiburg.

Dortmund, who thrashed the Polish club 6-0 away in their opening group game, are second in the German top flight and on Friday equalled a club record of 24 games without defeat at home in the Bundesliga with a 3-1

Even in the midst of Real's sensational winning run, Zinedine Zidane's side were criticised by the media for unconvincing performances and their sloppiness was punished by Las Palmas in their last La Liga outing.

Midfielder Tana hooked home a poor clearance from Real's Raphael Varane to cancel out Marco Asensio's opener and, after Karim Benzema had restored Real's lead, Sergio Araujo sneaked into the box from the left to level in the 85th minute.

Real's lacklustre displays have been compounded by the absence of midfield anchor Casemiro and influential left back Marcelo through injury and the form of talisman Cristiano Ronaldo.