

What to WATCH

GTV & MAASTRANGA
Bangladesh Premier League
Comilla Victorians v Rajshahi Kings
Live from 1:00pm
Ctg Vikings v Rangpur Riders
Live from 6:00pm
STAR SPORTS 1
India v Sri Lanka
2nd Test, Day-2
Live from 10:00am

SONY SIX
Australia v England
1st Test, Day-4
Live from 6:00am (Sunday)
SONY ESPN
Serie A
Sassuolo v Hellas Verona
Live from 11:00pm
STAR SPORTS SELECT 1
English Premier League

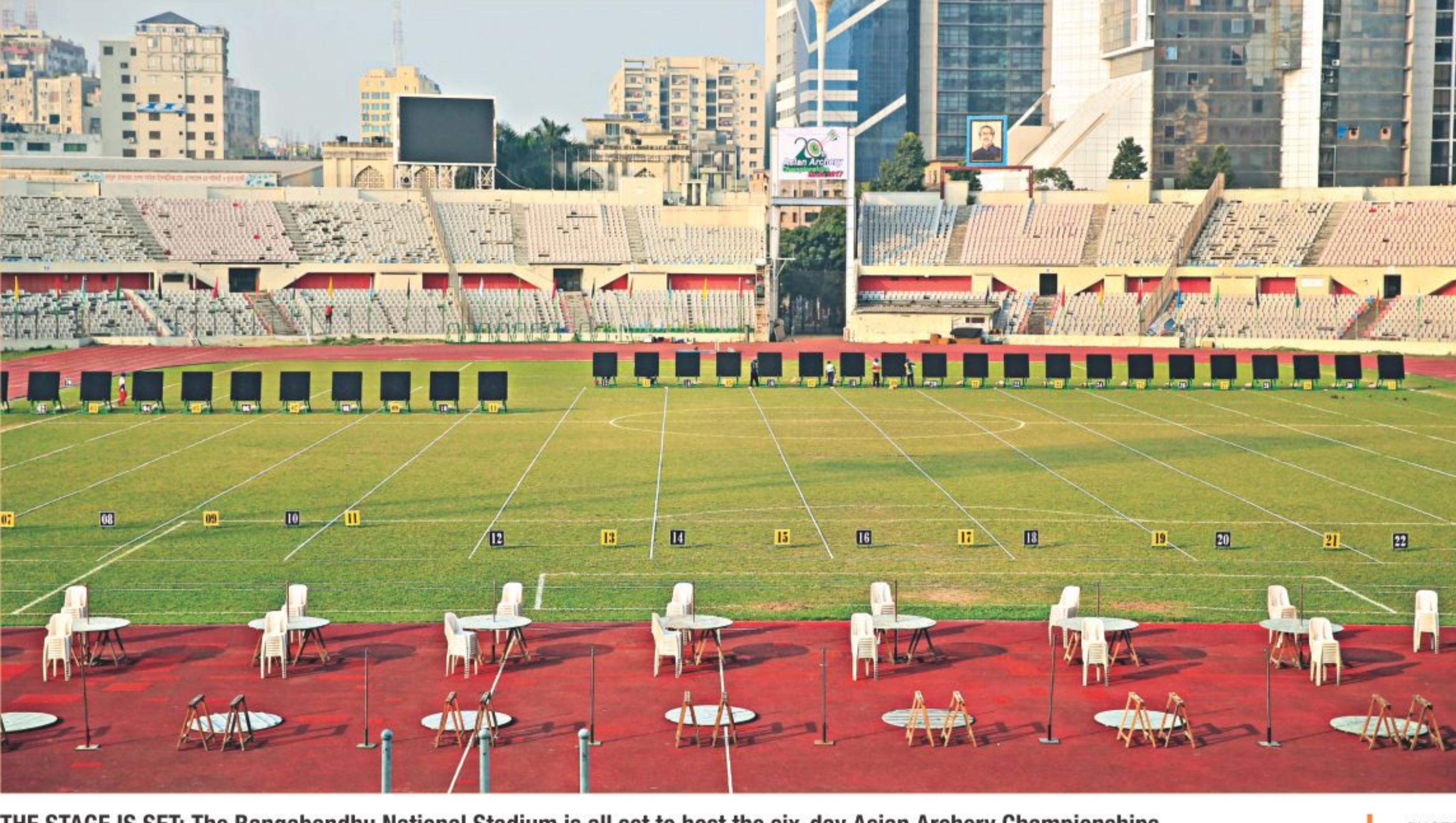
Man United v Brighton
Live from 9:00pm
Liverpool v Chelsea
Live from 11:30pm
STAR SPORTS SELECT 2
English Premier League
Tottenham v West Brom
Live from 9:00pm
Bundesliga
Monchengladbach v Bayern

Live from 11:30pm
TEN 1
Serie A
Bologna v Sampdoria
Live from 8:00pm
Chievo Verona v Spal
Live from 11:00pm
Cagliari v Inter Milan
Live from 1:45am (Sunday)

TEN 2
La Liga
Alaves v Eibar
Live from 6:00pm
Real Madrid v Malaga
Live from 9:15pm
Real Betis v Girona
Live from 11:30pm
Levante v Atletico Madrid
Live from 1:45am (Sunday)

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Venue: ZACS, Chittagong

DAY'S EVENT



THE STAGE IS SET: The Bangabandhu National Stadium is all set to host the six-day Asian Archery Championships beginning today.

PHOTO: STAR

Ki Bo-bae in focus

20th Asian Archery Championships begin today

SPORTS REPORTER

20th Asian Archery Championships
South Korean archer Ki Bo-bae can't walk the streets back home without being recognised and is often praised for her beauty as much as her sporting excellence. The 29-year-old Olympic gold medallist must have been feeling like home as she was the attention of the Bangladeshi media during yesterday's training session at the Maulana Bhasani Hockey Stadium ahead of the 20th Asian Archery Championships which begin here today.

Ki will undoubtedly hog the limelight light in Asia's biggest show of bows and arrows as she becomes one of the few select group of sporting superstars to have come to Bangladesh. She is the biggest name in these championships for South Korea, the dominant force in world archery especially in recurve bow events.

Since being attracted to the sport during her early school years, Ki has won a lot of medals at international level. She won gold medal in both recurve individual and recurve team event in the 2012 London Olympics before repeating the feat in the team event in 2016 Rio Olympics while winning a bronze medal in the individual event there. She has also won five gold medals

als in world archery championships apart from a team gold medal in Guangzhou Asian Games in 2010. However, she had to witness the 2014 Incheon Asian Games at home from sidelines.

"I came here to win two gold medals even though I know I have to compete against some great opponents. But I am ready to give

moment and she has not been considered for the Korean team which will be competing in the upcoming World Archery Championships.

Replies to a question on her secret to success, Ki said hard training is the only way to success.

"Training hard is the only way to get success as there is no short-cut

envied kids who had spare time once they finished their schedule. I never slacked for once in training. Even if I was in a slump, instead of reminding myself about it, I carried a positive mindset throughout. That really played a big role," Ki was quoted in an international archery web portal.

However, Korea's head coach Kim Sunghoon is not expecting too much from Bo-bae due to her recent wedding which kept her out of training for a few weeks.

"Actually she got married just a week ago, so I don't want to put extra pressure on her," Sunghoon said. "But we came here only to win gold medals in all events -- both recurve and compound."

Physio Jintaek informed that there are 1500 archers in Korea who are in continuous training as there is a national archery training centre in Seoul and some archery academies are operated by individuals.

Archer Lee Seung-Yun is the other member of the 16-member Korean contingent who grabbed gold medal in men's recurve team event in the 2016 Rio Olympic Games.

In the last edition of Asian Archery Championships, South Korea grabbed six gold medals out of 10, followed by India who bagged three gold medals while one went to Chinese Taipei.



South Korean triple Olympic gold medallist Ki Bo-bae will undoubtedly be the centre of attention during the championships.

PHOTO: STAR

my best," Ki told reporters through interpreter-cum-team physio Kim Jintaek.

In 2011, Ki became number world number one, but she has slumped to fourth position at the

way," said Ki, who shoots 500 arrows a day all winter in sub-zero temperatures under the watchful eyes of her coach.

"There were times I had to train and study until midnight, so I

QUICK SINGLES

The following are a few samples of stories that did not make the print edition. However, if they pique your interest, you can always read them online on The Daily Star website by simply scanning the QR codes listed below:

Indian women's state cricket team all out for two An Indian women's state cricket team managed just two runs in an official 50-over match, one of the lowest totals ever recorded.

Struggling Dortmund face must-win Ruh Derby

Crisis-hit Borussia Dortmund will look to get their crumbing season

back on the rails when they face arch rivals Schalke 04 in the Bundesliga, as coach Peter Bosz fights to keep his job.

Salah not given fair chance at Chelsea, says Hazard

Chelsea playmaker Eden Hazard says

Egyptian forward Mohamed Salah did not get the chance to establish himself during his stint at the London club and has described the Liverpool front man as a "top, top player".

Robinho given 9-year sentence in Italy

Won't be extradited, says legal expert

AFP, Rome

Former AC Milan and Real Madrid striker Robinho has been sentenced to nine years in prison in Italy after he was convicted of gang rape, according to local media reports Thursday.

The alleged incident occurred in January 2013, when the Brazilian was playing for Milan in Serie A. He was found guilty in absentia by an Italian court for raping a 22-year-old Albanian woman.

Five of the player's friends were accused of the same crime. One of the accused was also given a nine-year prison sentence while the trial of the four others has been suspended because they are on the run.

The court in Milan also ordered those found guilty to pay the victim 60,000 euros.

Robinho, who is currently playing for Atletico Mineiro in Brazil, posted messages on his Instagram and Facebook profiles protesting his innocence and his lawyer said an appeal against the verdict had been launched.

"We have already said that he has defended himself against these accusations and stated that he played no role in this incident," the statement said. "All legal measures have already been taken."

The sentence is suspended while appeals take place.

Attorney Dorival Guimaraes spoke to Globo Esporte regarding the case and made it clear that as of today there were no restrictions on the player's movement. He also

added that there was presently no possibility of imprisonment for sever reasons. The main reason being that the conviction was pending appeal and the second that a decision made in Italy has no value in Brazil.

He added that even if the conviction was upheld in the face of the appeal, there would still be no chance of Robinho being imprisoned because the Brazilian constitution does not allow the extradition of native Brazilians.

What could happen, with a final condemnation, is a formulated request for the arrest

of Italy of another country in which Robinho is, if he chooses to leave Brazil for any reason.

However, although he currently plies his trade for a Brazilian club, he will only have to leave the country for their regional competition, which may lead to his arrest.

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