

Ten Lankans missing from Commonwealth Games

AFP, Colombo

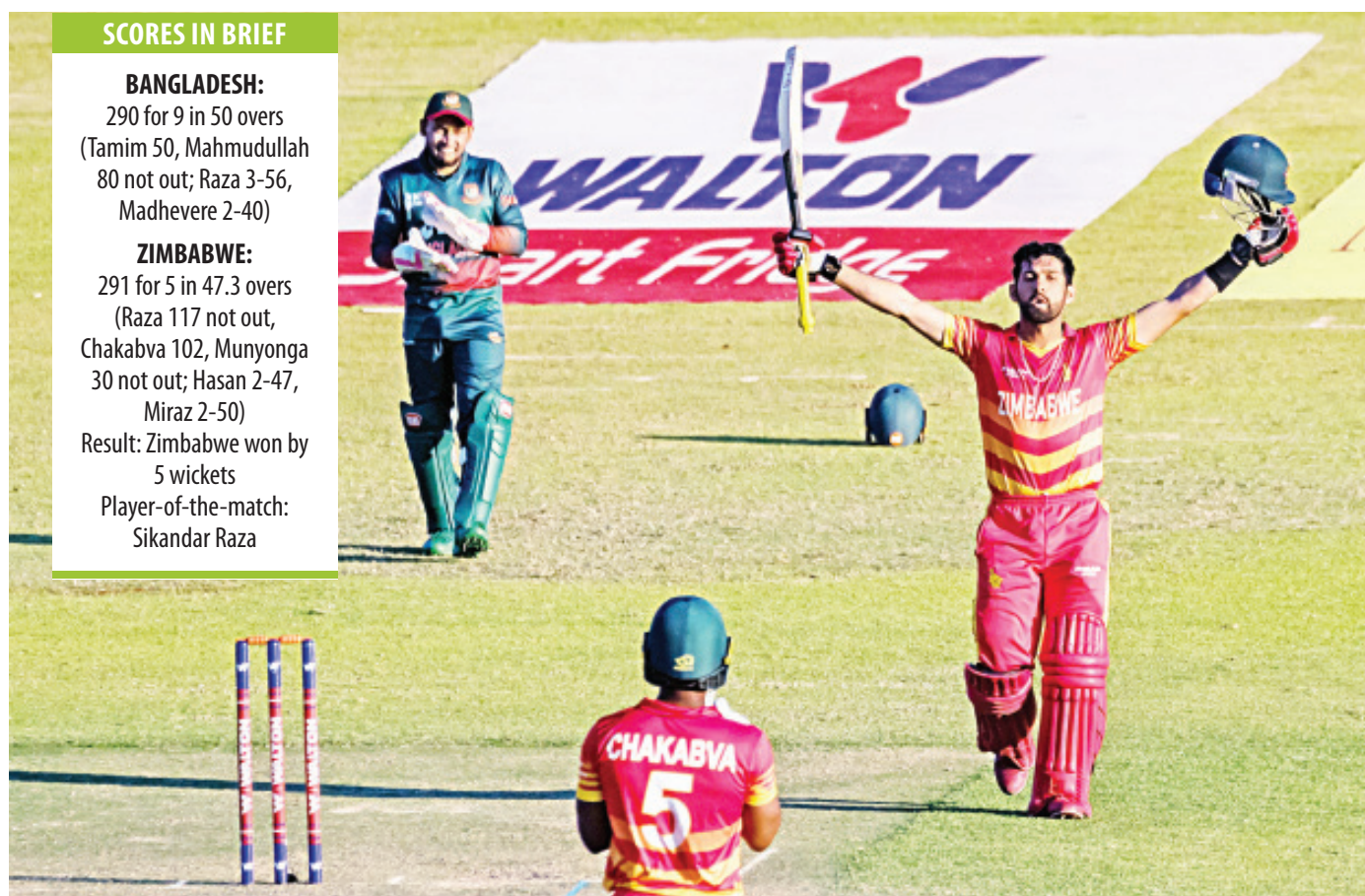
Ten members of crisis-hit Sri Lanka's Commonwealth Games contingent in Birmingham have disappeared in a suspected attempt to remain in Britain, a top sports official from the island nation told AFP on Sunday.

The nine athletes and a manager vanished after completing their events, the official said, requesting anonymity. Three of them had disappeared last week.

That prompted a police complaint by the Sri Lankan officials. "Since then, another seven have vanished," the official said, without identifying them. "We suspect they want to remain in the UK, possibly to get employment."

The 160-strong Sri Lankan contingent's management possessed the passports of all members to ensure they returned home.

That failed to deter some from leaving. British police located the first three that disappeared, but as they had not violated local laws and held visas valid for six months, no action was taken, the Sri Lankan official told AFP.



Sikandar Raza, who also hit a hundred in the first ODI, and Zimbabwe captain Regis Chakabva struck tons and strung a 201-run stand off 169 balls for the fifth-wicket as the hosts successfully chased 291 to clinch the three-match ODI series against Bangladesh with a game in hand.

SCORES IN BRIEF

BANGLADESH:
290 for 9 in 50 overs
(Tamim 50, Mahmudullah 80 not out; Raza 3-56, Madhevere 2-40)

ZIMBABWE:
291 for 5 in 47.3 overs
(Raza 117 not out, Chakabva 102, Munyonga 30 not out; Hasan 2-47, Miraz 2-50)
Result: Zimbabwe won by 5 wickets
Player-of-the-match: Sikandar Raza



Medvedev ends losing streak in finals

REUTERS

World number one Daniil Medvedev ended his losing run in finals with a 7-5, 6-0 win over Britain's Cameron Norrie on Saturday to lift the title in Los Cabos, Mexico, and ramp up preparations for his U.S. Open title defence.

A ban on Russian players at Wimbledon due to Russia's invasion of Ukraine forced Medvedev to miss the grasscourt major and he arrived in Mexico for the ATP 250 event for his first tournament since June.

Most of Medvedev's success over the years have come on hardcourts and he did not lose a set this week en route to his first title of the season.

The Russian came into the contest against last year's champion Norrie, ranked 12th in the world, having lost five straight finals dating back to last year's Paris Masters in November.

'It was a crucial knock for Mahmudullah'

SPORTS REPORTER

It was a rather unusual yet a vital knock from Mahmudullah Riyad as the experienced cricketer played an unbeaten 80 off 84 balls to guide Bangladesh in posting a fighting total of 290 for nine against Zimbabwe in the second and series-saving ODI in Harare yesterday.

Mahmudullah had been on the receiving end of a sustained spell of tremendous pressure, both on and off the field, having repeated dismal outings with the bat and the lack of confidence was visible when Mahmudullah walked out to bat in the 24th over of the innings, with the visitors in a spot of bother at 127 for three.

The 36-year-old struggled to time the ball properly and his defensive approach started to frustrate the Tigers as the seasoned campaigner was batting at a strike-rate of less than 50 in the first 50 deliveries he faced, with Bangladesh eyeing a big total.

It was a contrasting knock from Mahmudullah compared to his younger partner Afif Hossain since the left-hander

showed a greater urgency to score quickly in the middle overs as the pair added 81 runs for the fifth-wicket stand.

"Initially it was a defensive approach from Mahmudullah, where I think it was because of the initial lack of confidence in his innings," prominent coach Nazmul Abedeen Fahim told The Daily Star.

"I think he lacked the courage to take the risk, but he eventually gained it later as his innings progressed. If he could have done that a bit early, Bangladesh could have gone on to add 20-30 more runs," Fahim continued.

"I think it is also down to the mentality from the senior players like Mahmudullah, or even Shakib, as it was not easy for them when they started their career as their job was to take the side to a certain position rather than going for the finish. But the likes of Afif can do that and at one point it did seem that Mahmudullah was playing slowly compared to Afif because of that mindset."

However, Mahmudullah made his experience count and started to come out of the shell later in his innings, striking a half-century off 69 balls -- his first fifty

after 11 innings in the 50-over format. And despite losing partners from the other end, the stalwart of Bangladesh cricket made sure his side ended up posting a fighting total.

The right-hander gave all of his power behind the ball to strike the first six of his innings during the innings' 47th, dispatching a Brad Evans delivery over the long on region. He went on to strike two more sixes and reached a strike-rate of 95.23 as Bangladesh added 41 runs in the last four overs.

"I think his innings was a mixture of defensive approach and power cricket and it was a crucial knock for someone like Mahmudullah to gain confidence. It is important for Mahmudullah to play with an open mind as he has the ability to play good shots," Fahim concluded.

There could be a debate over Mahmudullah's batting approach despite scoring a team high score to give the Tigers a platform to make a comeback in the series. However, it will be interesting to see whether yesterday's knock helps the experienced cricketer to finally return to his groove in the coming days.



Samukonga, Williams win historic golds

AFP, Birmingham

Zambian teenager Muzala Samukonga won his nation's first-ever Commonwealth Games 400m title on Sunday as Sada Williams gave Barbados their first gold in the women's event on the final day of athletics in Birmingham.

Samukonga, 19, who timed 44.66sec, exited the stadium in a wheelchair after tripping over a low advertising hoarding as he ran to collect his national flag.

Williams outclassed Victoria Ohuruogu, who missed out on emulating her elder sister, 2008 Olympic gold medallist Christine, who won Commonwealth gold in 2006.

Williams, 24, who won bronze at the recent world championships, set a new Games record of 49.90sec, with Ohuruogu taking silver.

"It's amazing (to be part of the Barbados team)," said Williams. "I am so proud of Jonathan (Jones who won bronze in the men's 400m).

Messi turns on the style

AFP, Paris

Lionel Messi scored twice in the second half, including with a stunning overhead kick, as Paris Saint-Germain began their defence of the Ligue 1 title with a 5-0 demolition of Clermont on Saturday.

Neymar was also in outstanding form for a PSG side who did not miss the injured Kylian Mbappe, with the Brazilian opening the scoring in Clermont before setting up Achraf Hakimi and Marquinhos for further goals before half-time.

Messi then exchanged passes with Neymar before sidefooting in the visitors' fourth goal with 10 minutes left.

Yet Messi saved the best for last, darting into the box four minutes from the end to control a Leandro Paredes pass on his chest with his back to goal, before converting with an acrobatic overhead kick.

That goal had the crowd at Clermont's Stade Gabriel-Montpied singing the name of the seven-time Ballon d'Or winner, who endured a difficult first season in Paris.

PSG's victory in new coach Christophe Galtier's first league game in charge was achieved despite Mbappe missing the trip due to an adductor injury.

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“Something has to be done because I fear losing the 50-over format in a couple of years. There's no importance given to it at the moment.”
Moeen Ali, England all-rounder

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