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Ten Hag under pressure

AGENCIES

Manchester United are in desperate need of a win at FC Copenhagen in the Champions League on Wednesday as they battle to avoid an embarrassing group-stage exit.

The three-time European champions sneaked past the Danish side 1-0 at Old Trafford last month thanks to a last-gasp penalty save from goalkeeper Andre Onana. Heavy defeats by Manchester City and Newcastle have

since ramped up the pressure on manager Erik ten Hag, which was only eased slightly by a 1-0 win at Fulham on

United are third in Group A, six points behind leaders Bayern Munich and one adrift of Galatasaray.

If they fail to win in Copenhagen, Galatasaray could be in a position knock United out when the sides meet in Istanbul on November 29.

Napoli vs Union Berlin

Union Berlin coach Urs Fischer is desperate for a change of fortune after his team slipped to a ninth consecutive defeat in all competition on Matchday 3.

"We put in so much to restrict them to just one shot on goal, and we still lost 1-0. Despite that, we did a lot well. We weren't missing too much today," he said.

Arsenal vs Sevilla

Gabriel Jesus has also struck in all three group matches and thinks Mikel Arteta's men are standing up to the challenges they are facing in their first Champions League campaign since 2016/17.

"It isn't easy to play with the courage we have on the big stage," he said, although the striker faces a spell on the sidelines after suffering a late thigh injury in Spain. "This gives us confidence but at the same time we want

Real Madrid vs Braga

Braga gave the Spanish giants a run for their money on Matchday 3 but, with three points from three games, coach Artur Jorge is aware qualification is difficult. "We are still in the fight but we have two difficult trips [Real Madrid and Napoli] next. But we have already shown that we are here to fight, like the warriors that we are."

Inter Milan will reach the last 16 if they win at Salzburg but coach Simone Inzaghi is taking nothing for granted.



Bangladesh captain Nigar Sultana Joty and all-rounder Shorna Akter run for joy as Pakistan wicketkeeper Najiha Alvi buries her head in frustration following a thrilling Super Over victory for the hosts in the second Women's ODI at the Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium in Mirpur yesterday.

No more Super Overs: Joty

SPORTS REPORTER

Bangladesh skipper Nigar Sultana Joty jested saying she wasn't looking forward to any more Super Overs after Bangladesh pulled off a series-saving win in the second ODI of the three-match series against Pakistan at the Sher-e-Bangla National Cricket Stadium in Mirpur

Nigar and Co clinched the match in a Super Over thriller where they chased down eight, with the skipper hitting the winning runs with a lofted drive down the ground when Bangladesh needed two runs off the final delivery bowled by leftarm spinner Nashra Sandhu. The win kept the series alive at 1-1, with the finale scheduled to take place on Thursday at the same venue.

"I think this is a very big

the World Cup. So, we would know how to respond to such situations by trying, learning, and playing. But I don't want any more Super Overs," Joty told reporters in the post-match press conference yesterday.

Player-of-the-match helped her side post 169 for nine in 50 overs with a 104-ball 54. She was in the thick of things in the field as well, completing two stumpings and a couple of run-outs.

"I saw the field setup first. I play the slog-sweep quite well. When I saw that square-leg was up, I was thinking whether to go over or not," the captain said while explaining her thought process during the crunch moments.

"Then my thoughts were about

experience, a learning one. This hitting straight, anywhere down might happen to us at a stage like the ground because the fielders were placed wide. I really like to loft the ball and when I saw that midoff was up, I just went for it. It was a gamble as I couldn't connect well in the previous 50 overs. When I saw the fielder was up, I just played straight," she added.

Pakistan openers Sadaf Shamas and Sidra Ameen gave their side a steady start with a 41-run stand before off-spinner Nishita Akter Nishi and leggie Fahima Khatun got rid of them.

One of the three leg-spinners in Bangladesh's rank, Rabeya Khan took out three of Pakistan's first five batters, including skipper Nida Dar, who top-scored with a 47-ball 27, to bundle out the visitors for 169 with one ball to spare, taking the match to a Super Over contest.

Brazil call-up for **Endrick at 17**

AFP, Rio de Janeiro

Seventeen-year-old rising star Endrick, hailed as one of Brazilian football's great hopes, got his first call-up for national team duty Monday as coach Fernando Diniz seeks to replace injured star

Endrick, who is set to join Real Madrid when he turns 18 in July 2024, could make his senior international debut in Brazil's World Cup qualifiers against Colombia and Argentina this month, making him the youngest player to receive a call-up for the Selecao since Ronaldo in 1994.

"He's a player with the potential to be a great talent," Diniz told a news conference, announcing his squad.

"This call-up isn't pressure. It's a reward, and also a look at the future of what the kid can be." Endrick, reportedly bought by Real Madrid

for a 72-million-euro transfer fee, is fresh off scoring a clutch brace as his current club, Palmeiras, came back from three goals down to beat league leaders Botafogo 4-3 on Wednesday.

Five-time Cup winners Brazil face Colombia away on November

16 in Barranguilla and arch-rivals Argentina on November 21 at Rio de Janeiro's iconic Maracana

Diniz, who won the Copa Libertadores on Saturday in his second job as coach of Rio club Fluminense, largely overhauled Brazil's attack with Neymar sidelined by a knee injury.

Also in line for their senior debuts are Brighton forward Joao Pedro, 22, Atletico Mineiro's Paulinho, 23, and Porto's Pepe, 26.

In a surprise move, Diniz left out Tottenham striker Richarlison, a starter at the 2022 World

Besides 31-year-old Neymar -- sidelined for several months by a knee injury sustained on October 17 in Brazil's 2-0 loss to Uruguay at their last 2026 World Cup qualifier -- Brazil will also be missing their captain, Manchester United midfielder Casemiro, ruled out for several weeks with a hamstring injury.



The 24th Convocation Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB)

IUB AT A GLANCE

Established in 1993, Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB) is the leading private university in Bangladesh with an explicit focus on research and global partnerships. With a current enrollment of around 12,000 at undergraduate and graduate levels, more than 450 highly qualified faculty members (47% of whom have PhD degrees), and an alumni strength of close to 18,000, IUB strives to ensure education for all to promote the national agenda of sustainable inclusive development.

IUB aspires to be a leading seat of learning and research for developing technologically competent, environmentally responsible, globally conscious future leaders with a strong liberal arts foundation.

Mission Produce graduates with cutting-edge knowledge and transferable skills. Foster an environment to enhance research and innovation promoting sustainable development.

Develop impactful partnerships through academia, industry and community engagement to contribute to the advancement of society.

The campus

The IUB campus sprawls over 3 acres in the Bashundhara Residential Area in Dhaka, the capital city of Bangladesh. There is an amphitheater, dedicated state-of-the-art laboratories for life, environmental and social sciences, and engineering. There are a total of 135 multimedia classrooms fully equipped for both physical and online classes. The campus also hosts an auditorium, a 6,000 sq-ft modern gymnasium (with separate spaces for men and women), yoga studio, food court, spacious sports complex and a swimming p Accommodation

IUB has a secured dormitory for female students coming from outside Dhaka, foreign students, and a guesthouse for visiting scholars. **Academic Programs**

The curriculum is based on the North American Liberal Arts Model and the medium of instruction is English. There are currently five academic schools, namely:

1. School of Business & Entrepreneurship (SBE)

School of Engineering, Technology and Sciences (SETS) School of Environment & Life Sciences (SELS)

School of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences (SLASS)

School of Pharmacy and Public Health (SPPH) academic year is divided into three semesters: Spring (starting in January), Summer (starting in May) and Autumn (starting in September).

GRADUATING STUDENTS OF THE 24TH CONVOCATION

Name of School	Graduate	Undergraduate
Business & Entrepreneurship	323	1110
Engineering, Technology & Sciences	33	381
Environment and Life Sciences	45	190
Liberal Arts & Social Sciences	50	175
Pharmacy and Public Health	38	04
Total	489	1,860

Scholarships and Financial Aid

IUB provides scholarships and financial aid, ensuring qualified new and current students have access to financial support. We strive to extend financial help to a broad range of deserving students. With the use of technology, we ensure that the aid is granted in a just, discreet, and accountable manner.

Available Financial Assistance at IUB:

Scholarships based on Admission test & previous academic results: 30%-100%

IUB Merit Scholarships based on semester Results: 30%-100% Need-based aid for returning students: 20%-100% For the children of Freedom Fighters: up to 100%

For achievements in Extra-Curricular Activities: up to 100% (national level achievements

IUB-Saima Hall (dormitory for female students funded by IUB & Shaheed Khalek & Major Salek Bir

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Aid for outstanding students from 'economically challenged areas', including small ethnic communities: up to 100%

Scholarship for female students: 10%

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Live-in-Field Experience IUB's pioneering Program, Live-in-Field Experience, a 3-credit Program mandatory for all undergraduate

students, gives a distinctive opportunity to learn about rural life. The program complements the course titled "National Culture and Heritage", a comprehensive study of the history, society and culture of Bangladesh.

Co-Curricular Activities

IUB places strong emphasis on co-curricular activities and provides students with unlimited opportunities to enhance their talent and skills. The Division of Student Activities (DoSA) coordinates all student activities including the programming of the 48 student clubs. Students are also encouraged to participate in community services programs like blood donation drives, distribution of winter clothes in marginalized locations, fundraising for victims of natural disasters, and so on to promote

THE 24TH CONVOCATION AT A GLANCE

Total Number of Graduates: 2,349 Undergraduate Level: 1,860 | Graduate Level: 489

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POFILE OF THE 24TH **CONVOCATION SPEAKER**

In the vast expanse of Bengali literature, few names shine as brightly as Selina Hossain. She has not only established herself as one of the leading figures in the lite but also as a steadfast guardian of Bangladesh's cultural and literary heritage. Born in 1947 to A. K. Mosharrof world of literature was nurtured in an environment that imbibed the rich traditions of Bengali language and culture. She further cemented her foundation in the language by earning her MA degree in Bengali language

Selina Hossain's narrative is both expansive and intricate. with her novels often weaving social issues into the storylines. Her major works like "Hangor Nodi Grenade" (1976) and "Poka Makorer Ghor Boshoti" (1996) represents her unique storytelling. Her outstanding contribution was recognized early in her career when she



received the Bangla Academy Literary Award in 1980. Throughout her life, she has adorned many significant roles. She retired as the Director of Bangla Academy, served as a Member of the National Human Rights Commission of Bangladesh, and represented the Bangladesh government on the Executive Board of UNESCO. Between 2014 and 2018, she chaired Bangladesh Shishu Academy.

Selina Hossain

Her prowess is not only limited to novels but also extends to short stories. Her stories like "Utso Theke Nirontor" (1969) and "Narir Rupkotha" (2009) have been milestones in Bangladeshi literature. Furthermore, her work has found audiences beyond Bengali speakers. Her tales have been translated into multiple languages including English, Russian, French, Japanese, and Korean. Her novel, "Bhumi O Kusum" was the first in Bangla literature to address the enclave issue, showcasing her ability to blend socio-political issues seamlessly with fiction.

Over the years, Selina Hossain's literary mastery has been acknowledged with numerous awards. Apart from the Bangla Academy Literary Award, she was bestowed the Ekushey Padak in 2009 and the Independence Award in 2018. Her list of accolades is exhaustive. Some notable ones include the Dr. Muhammad Enamul Huq Gold Medal (1969), the Premchand Fellowship of Sahitya Akademi, Rabindra Smriti Puraskar by IIPM, New Delhi (2010), and the International Award for Doctor of Literature (Honoris Causa) from the Rabindra Bharati University (2010). In 2015, she was honored with the SAARC Literary Award alongside other eminent personalities, marking her significant influence in the South Asian literary arena. In 2018, she received the honorary Doctor of Literature (DLitt) Degree from Rajshahi University

Selina Hossain's career has been both prolific and impactful. From her debut with novels like "Josnay Shurjo Jala" (1973) and "Jolochchhas" (1972) to later masterpieces like "Guerilla O Beerangona" (2014), her works have chronicled the changing landscapes of Bangladesh, both politically and socially. Her resilience, coupled with her passion for writing, has ensured that her voice remains significant in contemporary literature. Serving as the President of Bangla Academy, her influence continues to shape and guide the future of Bangladeshi literature, ensuring that the rich heritage of Bengali storytelling lives on for

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