

## **DEVELOPMENT**

### **July - October 2003**

The past four months have been very busy and hectic as coaches and development officers were busy preparing the U19 National team at Muhimbili Cricket Academy for the world cup qualifying tournament for Africa / EAP in Namibia from 3-10/03 to 9/10/03. Although Tanzania had to opt their cream players due to the National A and O level exams that coincided with the tournament dates. The Tanzania U19 team did further suffered another blow, the drop off of their key opening batsman's Girish Chavda who suffered from ankle injuries just before the tournament

Two coaches Mr. Zully Rehemtulla and Mr. Shafiq Virani attended level three high performance coaching seminars conducted by Bob Woolmer from ICC in Nairobi, Kenya from 11/8/03 to 17/8/03. This coaching seminar was also attended by other E.African colleagues from Uganda and Kenya. A total of 24 candidates attended the seminar. The seminar indeed was very interesting and knowledgeable especially when conducted by a personnel like Bob Woolmer. The seminar shall also enhance the standard of cricket within the East African region.



Soon after returning from the coaching seminars Tanzania Cricket Association development committee made sure to spread its wings further to the lake zone in Tanzania, ie Mwanza ,Musoma, Bukoba, with the help of Lions clubs who have come forward voluntarily to help the cricket development program. TCA has formed its regional sub committee for the Lake Zone i.e. Convener Mr. Parimar Patel. Mr. Clement Frank from mwanza and Mr. Kanji from Musoma. The trio will over see all cricketing activities in the Lake zone region and report it accordingly to the TCA management. Development coach Mr. Shafiq Virani and development officer Mr. Paul Manyanda left for Mwanza on the 22/8/03 to 26/8/03 to conduct coaching, umpiring and scoring seminars for lake zone. The seminar was conducted at the lake secondary school, attended by 15 school teachers and other cricket players. School teachers in attendance were as follows:

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| 1. Myamhongolo school    | 8. Mbugani School      |
| 2. Butimba 'A' School    | 9. Nyaakagana School   |
| 3. Nyanza 'B' School     | 10. Butimba 'B' School |
| 4. Azimio primary School | 11. Mirongo School     |
| 5. Nyakabungo School     | 12. Nyanza 'A' School  |
| 6. Isseni School         | 13. Mwenge School      |

7. Nyegezi School

14. Mkuyuni School

15. Ismailio School

Coaching, umpiring and scoring manuals were distributed during seminars and TCA has also distributed one flixc carpet for the region due to lack of facilities in other areas.

The Head Teacher of Ismailio School Mr. Clement Frank is also building beautiful nets at his School premises on the hill side over looking the city view and shall be available for practice to the whole of the Lake Zone region.



Level II development officer Mr. Paul Manyanda will now be stationed in Mwanza and will be visiting schools and start teaching basic of the game to the students from various schools.

On the 19<sup>th</sup> Sept Tanzania U19 team had their one week full day camp at the SUA ground in Morogoro region. The construction of the ground started last year with the associations own efforts. The player pavilion is in the final stage of completion. The inaugural opening of the ground will be in the moth of Feb –March 2004. Development officers from Iringa and Morogoro and four morogoro youths i.e. Rashid, Andrea, Ali, Hemedi were allowed to join the camp as to enhance their cricketing skills.



During this week the development coach Mr. Shafik Virani also took the advantage by giving coaching tips to the young Morogoro boys and girls who witnessed the camp at large.



Tanzania U 19 was well prepared and proved of their strength during their two warm up matches in S.Africa. The Tanzania U19 lost four out of their five matches to secure seventh place in the tournament. Apart from the collapse in the batting department, the poor and incompetence umpiring standard was also part of failure for its performance, In spite of Captains written report after every match in regards to the poor umpiring standards. It was amazing that the organizers decided to allocate same umpires to officiate all the five games of Tanzania but changed the umpires for the Namibian team on their first complain. The same umpires had messed up in the ACA CUP IN Zambia 2002 but were still approved by the organizers for these tournaments. It is our sincere request and proposes to have an umpiring panel rather than every country bringing umpire of their own choice. I am sure that umpires have been judged and ranked in both ACA Cup and the U19 tournaments to give room to ACA to have its own umpiring panel for future tournaments.

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