

## 2020 IDOP KIDS TESTIMONY - BANGLADESH

### Bangladesh: No Revenge



Cricket ball

#### **Cricket**

Cricket is a game similar to baseball. The bat looks somewhat like a boat oar, and the ball is as hard as a baseball — but the fielders don't wear gloves to catch it.

The wicket, which is like baseball's home plate, is made of three tall, vertical sticks ("stumps") and two sticks called "bails" on top of the stumps. The "bowler" (pitcher) tries to throw the ball so that it will hit the stumps and knock the bails off before the batsman (batter) hits it.

Wickets are at both ends of the field. A batsman stands in front of each one. Runs are scored when a batsman hits a ball thrown by the bowler, and the two batsmen run and change places. Unlike in baseball, after the bowler throws the ball, it may hit the ground and bounce up to the batsman before it is hit.

#### **A Dangerous Cricket Ball**

A Muslim teenager in Bangladesh decided to use his cricket ball as a weapon. He hit the ball into his Christian neighbor's yard, and he seemed to be trying to damage their house or hit their child. His family joined him in bullying and threatening the Christians.

The Christian father, Nazmul, sent a letter to local officials telling them about the neighbour's behavior. The letter also said that Nazmul would not take revenge but would forgive his persecutors.

Nazmul's kind letter softened the neighbour's hearts. The Muslim father asked for a meeting to work out their differences.

**Please pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to work on the heart of the family's persecutors.**