



Sri Lanka's Sumedha Malevana is brought down by a Chinese Taipei player but has support coming his way from scrum-half Srinath Suriyabandara



Sri Lanka's Namal Rajapaksa making a break with Nushal Meepage and Sajith Saranga in support.

# Sri Lanka's moment of glory

Sri Lanka began their campaign for the HSBC Asian Five Nations Division One rugby title with a smashing 36-8 win over Chinese Taipei in Manila, Philippines on Sunday. Led by dashing third row forward Yoshitha Rajapaksa, Lankans gave a sterling display which rattled Chinese Taipei. The Sri Lankans, propelled by tries from Dinusha Chaturanga, Sumedha Malevana, Charith Senevirathne, Hasith Perera and Mohamed Sheriff and the accurate place kicking of Reza Mubarak who converted three tries and a penalty and another conversion by Dev Anand won handsomely, much to the delight of their new coach Phill Greening. *Pictures by Dennis Muthuthanthri*



Chinese Taipei's Chen Chia Hen scoring a try with a Sri Lankan player making a desperate attempt to foil him



Sri Lanka skipper Yoshitha Rajapaksa winning the ball in a line-out with team-mates Sharo Fernando and Sumedha Malevana in support in their HSBC Asian Five Nations Division One match against Chinese Taipei which Sri Lanka won 36-8 at manila, Philippines on Sunday.



Sri Lanka's Charith Senevirathne making a break after evading a tackle from a Chinese Taipei player.



Sri Lanka's Sharo Fernando winning the ball in a line-out with Yoshitha Rajapaksa, Sumedha Malevana and Kishore Jihan in support.



A Sri Lankan player making a break with two team-mates in support.