New base in Iraq for UN inspectors as troops mass

UN arms inspectors yesterday set up a new base in northern Iraq to speed up the hunt for alleged banned weapons as more US and British troops prepared to join comrades already massed in the

Iraqi Foreign Minister Naji Sabri accused the United States of trying to destabilise Iraq by supporting Iragi exiles whom he described as "mercenaries and terrorists".

In a letter to UN Secretary General Kofi Annan, Sabri said a US plan to train exiled Iragis to take part in a post-Saddam Hussein administration was an aggression that broke international laws.

"Bush's administration is supporting mercenaries and terrorists to destabilise the political situation and the social security in Iraq," said the letter, published in Baghdad's

Washington has threatened war if Iraq does not give up alleged chemical, biological and nuclear weapons. But Saddam denies having such armoury and says the

Purbachal plots:

Rajuk yesterday announced a list of

2961 expatriate Bangladeshis who

have been selected for plots in the

Purbachal New Town Project, said a

A list of selected allottees in other

The allottees have been

categories will also be announced

requested to deposit bank draft or

pay order by March 31 in favour of

the Rajuk chairman on the basis of

the rate fixed by Rajuk. The amount

will be adjusted with the total price of

katha plot, \$6000 for five-katha,

\$11,000 for 7.5-katha and \$15,000

for a 10-katha plot, the press

should be sent directly to the Sonali

Bank, Janata Bank or Agrani Bank

payment within the specified time,

Rajuk may review its decision

regarding the allotted plots, the

Two arrested for

Plainclothes police arrested two

people from Devidwar and

Brahmanpara early Friday on charge

The arrested were identified as

It is alleged that the two were part

Abdul Mannan in Devidwar and

of a 6-member organised gang

engaged in supplying forged

Muktijoddha certificates among

applicants for the post of police

constable in exchange for huge

Thursday as they came to the district

police line to join the police service

with fake certificates of wards of

other arrested were produced before

the 16 job seekers as they, out of 20,

were finally selected for the post of

constable under the quota for sons of

Police officials became suspi-

cious when the 16 men finally

selected for police constables sub-

mitted the certificates to the officials.

who later sent the certificates to the

The ministry after checking found

After the confessional statement

of the 16 people, police unearthed

the organised gang that used to

make the fake certificates and supply

ministry concerned for verification.

all the certificates to be fake.

Sixteen people along with the two

Police sources said they nabbed

Police arrested 16 job seekers on

Kamaluddin in Brahmanpara.

of supplying fake Muktijoddha certifi-

FF certificates

selling fake

UNB, Comilla

amount of money.

freedom fiahters.

a local court Friday

Rajuk Bhaban branch, Dhaka.

The bank draft or pay order

If the allottees fail to make the

The rate is \$3000 for a three-

List of NRBs

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

announced

shortly.

release said.

UN inspections will expose American claims as lies.

Addressing thousands of cheerng soldiers in his home state of Texas on Friday, President Bush said a war against Iraq would be one of liberation, not conquest.

'Should Saddam seal his fate by refusing to disarm, by ignoring the opinion of the world, you'll be fighting not to conquer anybody but to liberate people." he told the troops.

Defence officials said the Pentagon had ordered some units of the U.S. 1st Marine Expeditionary Force to go to the Gulf.

The troops, together with more than 11,000 infantry soldiers based in Georgia, and specialists based in Germany will join nearly 60,000 U.S. military personnel already in

Washington's staunchest ally Britain will send more than 20,000 troops and mobilise 7,000 reservists next week, the Daily Telegraph newspaper said yesterday.

With the drums of war beating louder, a team of UN weapons inspectors travelled to the city of Mosul, 220 miles north of Baghdad to set up a permanent regional office from where they would launch nspections in northern Iraq.

This will help us expand and accelerate our inspections throughout the country, but particularly in the north," UN inspectors' spokesman Hiro Ueki told reporters before leaving to Mosul with the team.

The inspectors must report their findings to the Security Council by January 27. Chief weapons inspector Hans Blix will make an interim report to the UN Security Council on

The council passed a resolution in November demanding Iraq give a full account of its weapons programs and cooperate with weapons inspectors, as required by resolutions stemming from the 1991 Gulf War, or face tough consequences. Teams from the UN Monitoring.

Inspection and Verification Commission (UNMOVIC) and International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) visited at least five sites vesterday, including a brewery that produces the spirit arak.

Inspections are now in their sixth week but the experts have yet to

disclose any evidence of banned weapons programs.

rurkish Prime Minister Abdullah Gul flew to Syria yesterday at the start of a tour of Middle East countries looking for ways to head off a war in neighbouring Iraq that he likened to a "Pandora's box."

NATO member Turkey is expected to offer airspace and logistical support for the United States. However Ankara has been dragging its feet over making a firm commitment, hoping to avoid war and the political and economic turmoil it may bring.

"Iraq is like a Pandora's box .. This box should not be opened. Iraq should not be scattered because it would not be possible to put everyone back in again," Gul said in an interview with Aksam newspaper before he left for Syria, Egypt and Jordan.

Gul said the chief responsibility for avoiding a war lay with Saddam But Baghdad says it has done all it can to accommodate inspectors who it says have found nothing incriminating after visiting at least

51 anti-Indian bases

said Sarkar at a 'Meet the Press' at the Kolkata Press Club yesterday.

However, Sarkar did dot blame Dhaka for the 'anti-Indian bases conducting their operations in Bangladesh'. "They have their own problems to look after. The impetus should be from our side to try and find out a solution. But strangely that National Democratic government at the Centre plays a silent role," he

When journalists asked him about the involvement of the CIA, Sarkar replied, "It was they who gave birth to the ISI. So, they should also be held responsible for all the activities that the ISI carries on

The Tripura chief minister added that intelligence departments of his government had a detailed report as to where the 51 bases were in Bangladesh and the total amount of firepower and manpower they had. "We have given the entire report to the Central Government in Delhi. And our reports have matched the facts that they had gathered."

Citing the growing dangers of terrorism as the main obstacle to Tripura's development, Sarkar said he had also asked the Central Government to take certain preventive measures

"But they have not done so," he said. "I had asked for fencing off the entire 156 kilometres that separate Tripura from Bangladesh, Along with that I had also asked the Central Government in Delhi to start discussions with the Bangladesh government regarding the dismantling of these camps in a joint operation. But they have not done so.

.. Unless a joint effort is made by the Bangladesh and the Indian governments in tackling the ultras, development in Tripura will not take place. Mind you I am always talking about a joint operation." When asked whether his govern-

ment was willing to start discussions with the Bangladesh government on this issue, he pointed out, "This is an international matter. We can be a part of the discussion if the Indian government wants us. But we

The Tripura chief minister stated that he was optimistic about an immediate launch of the bus service between Agartala and Dhaka. "I am sure it will start by the middle of this

Asked what he thinks about use of roads in Bangladesh for a transit to Tripura, Sarkar said, "We surely want that. Tripura is hemmed in by Bangladesh on three sides. But then

Bangladesh also has certain opinions and proposals will also have to

will really be beneficial to us. We just cannot demand the rights for transit. We have to consider the merits and demerits. And above all, we have to see to it that the interest of Bangladesh is never hampered."

League leaders like Joynal Hazari and Shamim Osman had taken refuge in Tripura immediately after the change of government in Dhaka. "They were in Tripura for sometime last year. But at present we have no

Hasına

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Central Working Committee.

said one of her aides.

today's programme at Savar National Memorial where she was scheduled to place wreath at the memorial along with the newly elected members of the party's Hasina may also cancel her four-

day tour of Chittagong from January 6 where she is scheduled to attend the concluding session of the Institute of Engineers on January 7,

Second cloned baby due today

REUTERS, Amsterdam

head of the Raelian sect in the Netherlands said yesterday.

due tomorrow, but maybe it will be a bit early or bit late," Bart Overvliet, Dutch chairman of the movement, told Reuters

The child, a girl, was created by Clonaid, the same cloning firm that claimed last month to have organised the birth of the first human clone to a 31-year-old US woman.

CEC firm

to tiny huts in remote villages. From tea stalls to groceries, people are gripped in election fever.

Like the contenders and campaigners, election officials are also spending restless hours to manage the election to the grassroots-level local government bodies.

distribution of election symbols, purchase of polls materials, issuance of official orders, holding of meetings to ensure security and other related work have made their task hectic.

scheduled to allocate election symbols to candidates on January 10. It may arrange lottery if more than one candidate seek the same election symbol in the same Union Parishad. After finalising the lists of candi-

dates, the commission will go for the huge task of publishing ballot papers. Meanwhile, the EC validated a

total of 20,4378 out of 212239 nomination papers submitted for the posts of chairman, member and female Due to errors in filing, the EC

found invalid 848 nomination papers for posts of chairman, 5,061 for member and 1,952 for seats reserved for women According to EC, 24,089 nomina-

detained violated human rights.

While on remand, he was allegedly tortured both mentally and

Four alleged hundi traders arrested at Joypurhat

UNB, Joypurhat

Police arrested four alleged hundi traders along with Tk 18.67 lakh in cash from Panchu crossing in the town Thursday

Acting on a secret information, police raided a Dhakabound night coach and nabbed Kamal Hossain, Jahurul Islam, Alimuddin and Saidul Islam and recovered the money from their possession.

The law enforcers said all the arrested persons have been carrying out hundi business for

A case was filed with police

2 killed, 10 hurt in N'ganj bus mishap

OUR CORRESPONDENT, N'ganj

Two persons were killed and ten others injured in a road accident on the Dhaka-Chittagong Highway under Bandar upazila yesterday

Police and witnesses said the accident occurred at around 8-30 am when a Dhaka bound bus from Narayangani fell into a roadside ditch in Keodhala area as the driver lost control over the vehicle.

One of the dead was identified as

The injured bus passengers were admitted to different hospitals and clinics in Dhaka and Naravangani

The driver of the bus fled the

A case was filed with Bandar police station in this connection. satisfaction that the national carrier

Bank dacoity in Satkhira

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Satkhira

two rifles from Rupali Bank Noabeki Bazar branch in Shyamnagar upazila in the early hours of yester-According to police, a gang of 15

armed dacoits entered the bank by breaking open the collapsible gate at around 1.30 am.

broke open the vault and looted the money and guns. Bank manager Saharuzzaman

filed a case with Shyamnagar police yesterday

officials of Rupali Bank visited the branch yesterday.

case

the BUET campus during a gunfight between two factions of JCD, the ruling BNP's student front, on June

BUET Security Officer Golam Kuddus Khan filed a murder case with the Lalbagh Police Station saying that Sony died during crossfire when the JCD factions were engaged in a gun battle.

The two factions -- one led by Muki and the other by Tagar -- locked in the gunfight on the day over establishing dominance on the campus and tender manipulation.

of the victim were recovered on the Meanwhile, four national dailies

ran a piece of news that DB submitted the charge sheet on Wednesday. However, it was found

Enam

Home Minister Altaf Hossain

Chowdhury was quoted as saying that the attack might have been a work of al-Qaeda terrorists. Next day, however, the home minister denied having talked to any journal-

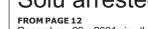
who filed the report, mistook another person, a journalist, for the minister and used his comment. On December 13, the govern-

ers' training for preparing questionment arrested Enam under Section 54 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (CrPC).

were confused about the modification to the grading after erroneous blasts and detained under the Special Powers Act (SPA). reports by some newspapers. While moving the petition for The upgraded version aims at

Enam, Dr Kamal Hossain observed striking symmetry by reducing the that the way Enamul had been class difference of the alphabetical grading, education ministry officials Enam was not allowed to meet The GPA will be calculated

through inclusion of marks of the fourth subject of SSC, HSC, Dakhil and Alim examinations from 2004. At present, the result does not



December 29, 2001 in the Saial Chowdhury murder case. He was also

Solu was arrested soon after the DCC polls and released on bail later. He took oath at the Nagar Bhaban upon his release.

Away in Sandwip, a young man

son of Mostain Sher Billah of Moghdhara on the offshore island. was arrested with a firearm and a case was filed immediately in this connec-Two days later, he was handed to

admitted to jail hospital and, as his

condition deteriorated, shifted to the Chittagong Medical College Hospital on January 2. Rashed died at around 3:00pm the

The body of the victim was handed

to his relatives after autopsy yesterday afternoon. Meanwhile, the army-led joint forces rounded up 87 people including

23 listed criminals in different areas of the country in 24 hours till 8:00am They also recovered 15 firearms

and 31 rounds of ammunition. The firearms are six revolvers, three pipeguns, two shotguns, two homemade guns, one pistol and one rifle and, said a home ministry press release.

Our staff correspondent in Sylhet reports: The joint forces arrested a retired army havilder and his three

his sons Liton, Rubel and Sohel were picked from their residence at over to police. Police produced them in court, which ordered sending them to

that Jatya Party city unit General Secretary Shamsher Ali and five listed criminals were arrested by the

Anisur Rahman and Haji Mohammad

In Munshiganj, A Jatiyatabadi Jubo

the early hours of vesterday. The Jubo Dal leader, Bahauddin,

reported that three alleged child

traffickers and a transport workers leader were arrested yesterday. The gang leader, Abdur Rahman Bishu, was picked up from village

Dhala in Trishal upazila and his accomplices --Siddique and Wazuddin – from village Parabhom in Bhaluka upazila.

UPDF activist

Chattagram Jana Sanghati Samity (PCJSS), resulting in many killings over the last four years.

Proshit Bikash Khisha, once a leader of the PCJSS that negotiated the peace treaty with the government, formed the UPDF formally on December 26, 1998. Khisha accused the PCJSS chief Shantu Larma of deceiving the hill people through the peace agreement.

where its frontline leader Shachib Chakma said the government and the media wrongly termed the UPDF a 'terrorist' organisation. "We should be allowed to speak

The UPDF launched armed attacks on PCJSS strongholds in the

areas like Mohalchhari in Khagrachhari, Naniarchar and Koikȟali in Rangamati.

constituencies The UPDF claims that 25 of its

workers have so far been killed by the PCJSS. On the other hand, the PCJSS claims that the UPDF killed 60 of its workers.

them among job seekers A case was filed with police JU BCL leader

Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL)

dormitory at around 11 pm.

Hall room and beat him mercilessly. BCL submitted a memorandum to Vice-Chancellor (VC) Jasimuddin

Jahangirnagar University (JU) unit, was beaten up allegedly by JCD cadres on the campus on Friday

They took Siraji to Kamaluddin

Ahmad demanding exemplary

punishment to those involved.

beaten up by JCD cadres JU CORRESPONDENT Ismail Hossain Shiraji, secretary of

The JCD cadres swooped on Shiraii while he was returning to his

> agents, the rules said. They should also avoid all activities that create problems for the

you cannot only think of us.

FROM PAGE 12 is not available in the data bank the recruiters are to contact the district manpower office that will be maintaining

a register of job seekers in the area. The new rules are immigration rules 2002, code of conduct and license rules for the recruiting agents 2002 and wage earners welfare fund rules 2002.

All three rules were issued under section 19 of Emigration Ordinance 1982. The ministry of expatriate welfare and overseas employment issued these through a statutory regulatory order.

These rules for manpower export sector has been issued by the government for the first time in last 20 years, sources in the ministry said. According to sources, previously

the operations of the manpower export and wage earners welfare fund were conducted through executive orders of the government without any specific rule. "But the government often faced difficulties whenever any order of it was challenged at the court," said

Dalil Uddin Mondal, secretary incharge of the expatriate welfare He said the new rules would not only bring about discipline but would also help control forgery and other

irregularities in manpower export When contacted, Ghulam Mostafa, secretary general of the Bangladesh Association of International Recruiting Agencies (BAIRA) declined to make any com-

ments about the government's new rule as he had not yet got a copy. He said "It would have been better suspect in the case. if the government had discussed with us before finalising the new rules. We had given our opinions earlier but do not know how much of it was incorpo-

According to the new rules, the recruiting agents are to provide all necessary information to workers through newspaper advertisements. They should also be informed about all amenities in the job and be prop-The recruiters are to provide all

necessary assistance to the workers during their stay abroad. An agent should not consider any demand from an employer who had cheated or deprived other Bangladeshi

Code of conduct

tarnish the country's image, it added. The wage earners welfare fund would be conducted by a government formed board of directors. The secretary of expatriate welfare would be the chairman of the 11-member

The board reserves all rights in taking necessary steps for the welfare of the expatriate Bangladeshis.

Tinni murder Jewel, Bappi

3-day remand

STAFF CORRESPONDENT Alleged drug dealer Shafiqul Islam Jewel and his accomplice Somnath Saha Bappi, arrested in connection with the murder of model and actor

Tania Mahbub Tinni, were yesterday placed on a three-day remand. Jewel and Bappi were shown arrested in the murder case on December 24 and 30 respectively on the plea of the Criminal Investigation Department (CID).

Gulshan in the city on December 18 and seized a huge amount of narcotics from them. Later, during interrogation, Jewel admitted to having worked for long Golam Faruq Ovi, the former Jatiya Party lawmaker who is the prime

The Department of Narcotics

Control (DNC) arrested the two at

. Magistrate's Court, with a plea for a seven-day remand. The defence lawyers, Masud Ahmed Talukder and Touhidul Islam Gazi, meanwhile, submitted moved a petition for bail and cancellation of

Jewel and Bappi were yesterday

produced before the First Class

Neither Jewel nor Bappi was named in the first information report (FIR) on Tinni's murder and police mplicated them in the case just to harass them, they argued. After hearing both sides, Magistrate Mehedi Hasan rejected

the bail petition and placed each on a

In another development, the District and Session Judge's Court will hear the bail petition for Tinni's husband Shafkat Hossain Piyal on January 7.

ions regarding transit. Their opinbe considered. "But if transit does take place it

He was also admitted that Awami

advised her bed rest. Sheikh Hasina has cancelled her

The world's second cloned baby is due to be born today by natural childbirth to a Dutch woman, the

"She will have a normal birth. It is

are seen everywhere - from markets

Scrutiny of nomination papers,

The Election Commission is

tion papers were filed for posts of chairman, 1,46,617 for member and 41,533 for the reserved seats.

The aspirants can appeal to Returning Officers till today against rejection of their nomination papers. The last date for withdrawal of candidature is January 9.

Dacoits took away Tk 67,000 and

They tied up the bank guard,

station. None was arrested till 6 pm Police superintendent and high

Sony murder

FROM PAGE 1 University of Engineering and Technology (BUET), was killed on

Three sawn-off rifles and some cartridges and bloodstained clothes

FROM PAGE 12 report on the December 8 serial blasts in four Mymensingh cinemas.

Later it turned out that Enam

He was later shown arrested in connection with the Mymensingh

anyone for 16 days. He was later allowed to meet people in presence

reflect the fourth subject marks.

New grading system

Activists of the Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) take out a procession from the Dhaka University campus

for safe and smooth journey of the

pilgrims and successful perfor-

Later, the prime minister went

inside the aircraft and exchanged

pleasantries with the pilgrims and

wished that Allah grant them the

Mosharraf Hossain, Home Minister

Altaf Hossain Chowdhury, State

Minister for Foreign Affairs Reaz

Rahman, State Minister for Health

Amanullah Aman, State Minister

for Commerce Barkatulla Bulu,

Dean of Diplomatic Corps Shahta

Zarab and Saudi Ambassador in

Dhaka Abdullah M Al Namla were

Muhuri murder

by armed miscreants at his Jamal

Khan Road residence here in the

the case on the next day and the

detective branch of police submitted

the charge sheet in the case before

the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate's

the case into cognisance on

The Speedy Trial Tribunal took

Advocate Badiul Alam and

Ahsanul Haq Hena appeared on

behalf of the accused while special

public prosecutor Quamrul Islam

Sajjad appeared for the state.

court on November 14, 2002.

Thursday (January 2).

Victim's wife Uma Muhuri filed

port city on November 16, 2001.

present on the occasion.

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Health Minister Khandoker

to mark the 55th founding anniversary of the student front of the Awami League yesterday.

mance of Haii

Hajj pilgrims

operate 10 hajj flights directly from

Chittagong for the first time this

year to facilitate the journey of the

to seek divine blessings for herself.

the government, the people and

the country, the Muslim Ummah

and for peace and welfare of the

of the grand congregation of vari-

ous nationals and ethics bound by

the belief in Almighty Allah would

inspire unity and intimacy among

Conveying her sincere greet-

ings to the pilgrims, Khaleda

wished them good health and

welfare during their stay in Mecca.

Biman started carrying all the Hajj

pilgrims last year. Thus, Biman could save Tk 40 crore in foreign

Speaking on the occasion,

State Minister for Religious Affairs

Mosharraf Hossain Shajahan said

this is for the first time the govern-

ment has arranged grade-A

accommodation for Bangladeshi

pilgrims in Mecca, which was

State Minister for Civil Aviation

Mir Mohammad Nasiruddin said

Biman earned profit of about Tk 8

crore last year as against loss

incurred when Hajj flights were

seeking blessings of Almighty Allah

ished a provision for allowing the

examinees securing F grade in one

subject and GPA 1.5 and above to

enrol in the higher class on a tempo-

Grading was introduced for

SSC/Dakhil in 2000 and will apply to

HSC/Alim as well from this year,

doing away with the age-old system

of first, second and third divisions,

merit list, star marks and letter

have to introduce the same grading

of every successful candidate, while

the roll number of an unsuccessful

candidate will be marked with F.

However, subject-wise details will

be mentioned in the tabulation book.

certificate to successful candidates

with mention of GPA ratings, not

transcripts, instead of marks sheets,

with grade points secured in every

subject and the GPA, the ministry

The education boards will issue

The examinees will be given

"This is a timely decision

because the previous version of

grading needed modification," State

Minister for Education ANM Ehsanul

Pointing to the problem of high

score in some descriptive subjects

like literature, he said students

would score better marks if an

appropriate questionnaire is pre-

pared and teachers change their

attitude that students cannot score

more than 80 in descriptive subjects

upgraded further in future but teach-

naire and evaluation of student's

copy is necessary," he said.

"He said the system might be

Students and guardians alike

like literature.

Hoque Milon told The Daily Star.

in internal examinations.

The education ministry said

Special prayer was offered

operated through lease system.

currency in 2002.

grade-B in the past.

FROM PAGE 1

rary basis.

marks.

The prime minister noted with

the pilgrims of Bangladesh.

She hoped that the experience

Khaleda Zia urged the pilgrims

pilgrims from that region.

entire world.

brilliant students and their parents who say it does not measure merits. The ministry decided to upgrade the system following a set of recommendations including lowering of the difference between grades, application of different methods for different papers to assign marks and separate marking for two-paper subjects, sources in the ministry

schools, colleges and madrassahs

A theatre In the result-sheet, GPA will be mentioned besides the roll number

own. Today at 9:00am, he would be operated upon.

Heads of other departments

and DMCH Director Brig. Gen.

Nazmul Huda would also join the

wait in queue for surgery and

many even died because of

unavailability of OTs in time. On

many occasions, surgeons of the

happy occasion. Until yesterday, the department used to borrow OTs from other departments for a few hours for both routine and emergency As such, many children had to

paediatric department had to argue with the general surgeons for borrowing the OTs in emer-"It is a happy occasion for us. From tomorrow, we will no longer have to depend on others to save a few young lives," said Associate

Professor Md Abdul Matin, head

of paediatric at the DMCH. 'The Daily Star report on September 27, 2002 on the crisis of OTs really helped speeding up the process of OT allocation from the health ministry. We have been demanding the OT since construction of the newly built OT complex at the hospital almost three years ago, but no one paid heed to our requirement.'

The new OT, on the 2nd floor of the OT complex, still lacks adequate surgical instruments, a paediatric ventilator and incubator. Most of the waiting patients

would now be able to go home earlier because of the department's having its own OT. On an average, patients had to wait for three months for urgent opera-

Solu arrested

accused in Babul, Yunus, Gada Babul, Rafiq and ward commissioner Shahabuddin murder cases.

picked up and interrogated by the join rces, died on Friday. On December 24, Md. Rashed, 26

police and sent to jail custody. On December 31, Rashed was

sons in the early hours vesterday on charge of involvement in heroin trade and other anti-social activities Retired havilder Abdul Majid and

The system has disheartened jail custody. Our Khulna correspondent reports

> ioint forces in Khulna vesterdav. The listed criminals are Abdul Aziz, Zahid Hossain, Abu Taher Chunnu,

Dal leader and his associate were arrested at Ashuran in Sadar upazila in

was wanted in a number of criminal Our Mymensingh correspondent

On December 26 last, the UPDF celebrated its founding anniversary,

We have political rights...through the UPDF we want to speak about what we think is right," he said. Shantu Larma was hindering the UPDF from voicing its opinions, he added.

In the last general election, Khisha bagged 52,000 votes in two