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PM's felicitation letter handed over to Yunus **UNB**, Dhaka

A letter of felicitation from Prime Minister Khaleda Zia was delivered to Nobel Peace laureate Prof Muhammad Yunus last night.

Earlier on Friday, the prime minister on behalf of the nation congratulated Prof Yunus on his wining the Nobel Peace Prize.

Prime minister's Political Secretary Harris Chowdhury formally handed over the letter to the country's only Nobel laureate at his residence at about 8:00pm.

Receiving the letter, Prof Yunus SEE PAGE 15 COL 8

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Ramadan	Oct	Sehri	lftar			

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October 15						
	A	Azan				
Fajr	4	4-36		4-46		
Zohr	12	12-45		1-20		
Asr	4	4-30		4-45		
Maghrib	5	5-36		5-56		
Esha	7	7-30		8-00		
Source: Islamic Foundation						

Scientific edn system vital for development

Young professionals tell Nagorik Committee dialogue

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Young professionals at a dialogue yesterday underscored the need for unified and scientific education system and bringing a change in the political culture for overall development of the country. If the education system is appro-

priate, many of the existing problems would be eliminated while the 'political dynasty' should be stopped for flourishing democracy, they said, adding that frequent amendments

to the constitution for serving the cause of the individual should be stopped

AP, United Nations

claimed nuclear test.

possible Saturday.

Despite winning key concessions,

Russia and China raised new objec-

tions that could delay a vote

Saturday on a UN Security Council

resolution imposing punishing

sanctions on North Korea for its

US Ambassador John Bolton

said the changes sought by Moscow

and Beijing were essentially techni-

cal in nature and a vote may still be

members the US, Russia, China,

Britain and France and Japan were

The five permanent council

KOREAN NUKE-TEST

UN resolution

The Nagorik Committee 2006 There should be a provision that organised the dialogue at Brac no one should be elected prime centre in the capital with collaboraminister for more than two terms and the members of parliament tion of Centre for Policy Dialogue should be allowed to express their (CPD), The Prothom Alo, The Daily Star and Channel i as part of its opinion beyond party stand, they quest for preparing a vision paper said for Bangladesh in 2021. They demanded transparent

The meeting congratulated Dr ballot boxes and underscored the Muhammad Yunus, who is also a need for a provision for negative member of the Nagorik Committee, vote in the ballot paper. for winning this year's Nobel Peace suggested reducing imbalance of Prize. Pressure from the political par-

China, Russia may delay

discuss the changes.

Bolton said late Friday.

to meet in the morning before the full

15-member council convenes to

"I'm still ready to go for a vote,

The latest draft demands North

and we'll just have to see what the

instructions are overnight, in partic-

ular from Moscow and China,"

Korea eliminate all its nuclear

weapons but expressly rules out

military action against the country, a

demand by the Russians and

Chinese. The Americans also

eliminated a complete ban on the

sale of conventional weapons: instead, the draft limits the embargo

salary structure between public and private sector employees for reducties destroyed most of the professional bodies, the young professioning corruption. als said

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The young professionals also

to major hardware such as tanks,

warships, combat aircraft and

the import or export of material and equipment that could be used to

make nuclear weapons or ballistic

missiles, and would authorize all

and arriving in North Korea to pre-

In another key change to gain

Chinese and Russian support, the

resolution now says local authorities

will cooperate in the inspection

process, which covers shipments

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vent any illegal trafficking.

But the resolution would still ban

missiles

Micro-financing guru invited to Bangabhaban UNB, Dhaka

President lajuddin Ahmed yesterday phoned Dr Muhammad Yunus

and greeted him for winning the Nobel Peace Price 2006. "Winning of Nobel Peace Prize

by you and Grameen Bank has brought a rare honour for Bangladesh and brighten the image of the country in the international arena. It is a pride for the country and the nation," the president said. A Bangabhaban press release

said the president wished Dr Yunus good health, long life and a brighter future. When the president invited Dr

Yunus to Bangabhaban, the Nobel laureate replied that he would soon meet the president

BSF kills 1

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

Indian Border Security Force (BSF) shot dead a Bangladeshi fisherman near the border under Haripur upazila of Thakurgaon district yesterday morning.

According to Bangladesh Rifles (BDR) and local sources, the Indian border guards of Porordhah camp under 47 BSF Battalion opened fire on Mohammad Akalu 33, of Bazruk village while he was fishing in the Nagar river near border pillar no 361/3S at around 6:30am. Akalu died instantly.

Immediately after the incident, countries to inspect cargo leaving the BSF men took away the body and did not return as of 6:30pm.

When contacted, 14 Rifles Battalion of Dinajpur confirmed the killing of the fisherman. BDR sent a letter to its Indian counterpart demanding immediate return of the body.

Skop enforces 24-hr strike today

To blockade highways, railways and waterways for 4 hrs

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Sramik Karmachari Oikyo Parishad (Skop) will enforce 24-hour countrywide strike today demanding implementation of different agreements in

various industries in the country including readymade garment (RMG), sugar, jute, railways and water transport sectors. Skop has made preparations to SEE PAGE 15 COL 4

After a virtual no show in the preliminary rounds that culminated in a nine-wicket win for Sri Lanka against defending champions West India on Saturday, the ICC Champions Trophy is set for an explosive start when hosts India

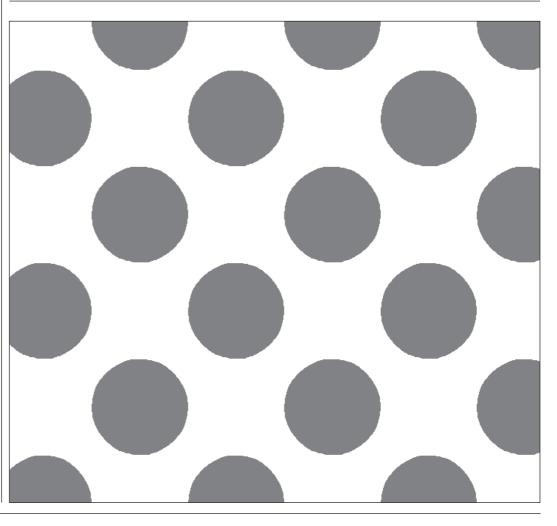
take on England today in the SEE PAGE 15 COL 4

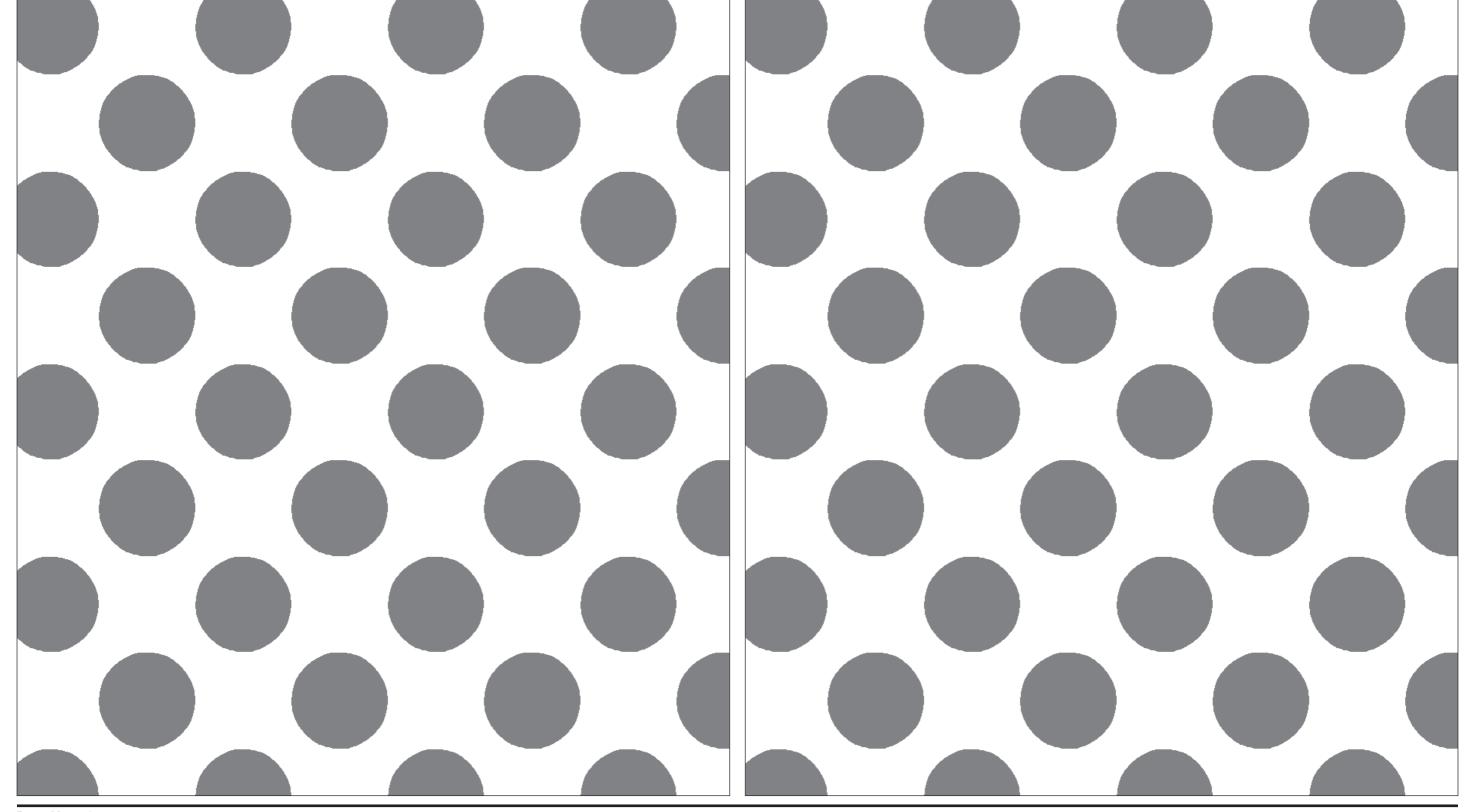
ICC TROPHY

Real battle

begins today

BISHWAJIT ROY from Jaipur





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