### 4 hurt in

FROM PAGE 5 (CFC)" on the university's Central Field premises at 4pm, said police.

Activists of CFC group rushed to Suhrawardy Hall and beat up three activists of Bijoy group and fled the scene, police and BCL sources said. Later, both groups -- armed with weapons -- took position at Suhrawardy and Shahjalal halls respectively, triggering a chase and counter-chase.

Meanwhile, Bijoy group called an indefinite strike on the campus last night, demanding punishment of the attackers and declared CU unit BCL President Rejaul Haque Rubel persona non grata on campus.

Mohammad Ilias, a leader of Bijoy group blamed Rubel for the clash. CU unit BCL President Rejaul Haque Rubel could not be reached over phone despite repeated attempts.

Proctor Prof SM Monirul Islam said they are closely observing the situation and have deployed additional police forces.



Chattogram City Corporation, in a drive led by an executive magistrate, knocked down a number of makeshift shops in Hasmat Ullah Munsek Lane of the port city's Chawk Bazar area yesterday.

#### Nine-year-old FROM PAGE 5

collided on Bangabandhu Bridge in the morning,

leaving two injured.

Kazi Aiubur Rahman, OC of Bangabandhu Bridge East Police Station, said the injured were rushed to Tangail General Hospital and Sirajganj Sadar Hospital.

Traffic movement on the bridge was halted till 9am. In Rajbari, a youth was killed on the spot after a three-wheeler ran over his motorbike at Kolkoliya area of Kalukhali upazila around 10:30am yesterday, said police, quoting locals.

The deceased is Shimul Mondal (25). Police seized the three-wheeler but its driver fled the scene.

In Sylhet, Imtiaz Mahbub Mirza (20) was killed and two were injured after a truck hit their motorbike at Chowhatta around 2:30am yesterday.

The three were rushed to Osmani Medical College Hospital, where doctors declared Imtiaz dead.

## Focus must be

where the poor are benefiting from it. Asked about inequality, he said it's a challenge for many countries.

"It's not only absolute poverty, but also relative poverty that can destabilise a society. Even if people are better off, if others are much better off, that gives rise to instability in a society," said Sager, a former ambassador to the US.

"That's certainly a challenge. Bangladesh has to address it," he added.

About corruption, Sager said corruption anywhere is a big challenge, as it disrupts trust in the institutions.

"When you don't have trust in institutions, democracy cannot work because people become cynical, feel cheated. They have a feeling that their voice doesn't count, their grievances are not heard and not everybody is treated the

"So, corruption in any country, in any form should be addressed and eradicated."

Speaking on the Rohingya crisis, Sager said there are various efforts at different levels, but they are not moving fast enough. Efforts for repatriation have to be strengthened, he added.

Swiss diplomat Christine Schraner Burgener, who is UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy on Myanmar, is working towards that end, he said.

"We -- all of us, the international community -- have to recognise that the Rohingyas are here now. They need to be taken care of," he said.

"Switzerland has been a reliable partner of Bangladesh - be it in political, economic or development aspects."

"No matter what the challenges are in the future, also in connection to the transition of Bangladesh to a middle-Income country, Switzerland will stand by Bangladesh,'

## A win for the

The government will also have to take necessary measures so that the environment of adjoining areas is protected, she said.

Rajdhani Unnayan Kartripakkha (Rajuk) -the capital's development authority -- finally began demolition of the illegal Bangladesh Garment Manufacturers and Exporters Association (BGMEA) building yesterday, after around a decade of its construction.

Abu Naser Khan, chairman of Poribesh Bachao Andolon, said it is a victory of the movement to save the environment.

This will send a message to encroachers that they will not remain safe and illegal structures may come under demolition even after decades, he said.

Sharif Jamil, general secretary of Bangladesh Paribesh Andolon (Bapa), said the BGMEA building was "a symbol of disgrace" for two major political party leaders, as one of them had given approval, and another inaugurated it.

But it is also an example of removing the stigma through its demolition, he said.

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illegal structures, so that they do not have to take steps to demolish those later," he said. Urging the government to bring encroachers to book, Sharif said those who

construction of illegal buildings do not face any punishment. Iqbal Habib, joint secretary of Bapa, said

remain involved with encroachment and

there is a concern regarding the method being used to demolish the building. The authorities did not take the

alternative of controlled demolition

concept, which would protect biodiversity and the environment, he said. Iqbal said the chances of waterlogging and traffic congestion and risks relating to

workers' safety have increased due to the manual demolition method. He, however, added that waterlogging of a vast area on western side of Hatirjheel

will be solved after the demolition. He said it will also be possible to make this side a perfect extension of Hatirjheel through introducing water bus. "It is going to be a milestone in the process of our resistance against illegal encroachment of waterbodies or open spaces," Habib said.

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# Nothing to do with

She said a process is going on to control markets through appointing sources and intelligence surveillance across the

#### GOVT DETERMINED TO ESTABLISH RULE OF LAW In reply to a query from AL lawmaker Mahfuzur Rahman,

the premier said the current government is determined to establish the rule of law. "The government has taken programmes to establish

the rule of law through appropriate reforms of law and its execution, to provide security to lives and property of the

In the scripted answer, the PM said the AL government has been able to give people the belief that every citizen is equal in the eye of law, and no criminal can escape after committing a crime.

Replying to a query from AL MP Shahiduzzaman Sarker, the PM informed the House that Bangladesh has achieved third position in producing vegetable and fish, fourth position in producing rice, seventh position in producing mango and eighth position in producing potato and guava.

At the question-answer session, the premier also replied to lawmakers on various issues, including her government's steps in combating climate change impact, improving the country's airports and ensuring fair price for farmers for

## Country enters

FROM PAGE 3

five years or 10 years.

Separate fees have been set for two types of passports. For general application for 48-page five-year validity passport, the fee will be Tk 3,500 and urgent fee Tk 5,000. For 10year validity, the fee will be Tk 5,500 for general and Tk

The fees will be Tk 5,500 and Tk 7,000 respectively for general application for 64-page five-year validity passports. The fees will jump to Tk 7,500 and Tk 9,000 respectively for 10-year-validity for 64-page passport.

If the passport is required most urgently within two days, the fees will be Tk 9,000 for 10-year-validity for 48page passport, and Tk 12,000 for 64-page passport. The fees will be Tk 7,500 and Tk 10,500 for 48-page passports. An additional 15 percent vat will be applicable with the

fees, the fees chart added. Earlier, general application fees for machine-readable passports for five-year-validity was Tk 3,450, and emergency fees was Tk 6,900 including vat.

People living abroad will also get their e-passports within the same delivery period, but they will not be eligible for the most urgent facilities even for re-issue service, said official.

The government has set separate fees for Bangladesh missions abroad, starting from US\$30 to highest \$225, depending on profession and category of application. The passport fees could be paid directly using debit and credit

Regarding the 10-year-validity, officials said applicants below 18 years of age or over 65, will not get the 10-yearvalidity e-passport. E-passport application can be submitted online or

manually after downloading the PDF form, and no one needs to attach any image, said officials, adding that applicants will not need to attest any documents to submit with the application.

#### **FACIAL RECOGNITION IN 30 SECONDS** Biographical and biometric information of passport

holders will remain safe in the e-passport chip. The information of passport holders and facial recognition will be verified automatically within 30 seconds through digital signature, according to officials.

With the e-passport launch, 50 eGates will also be installed at 27 immigration check posts at international airports and land ports. The eGates are automated selfservice barriers which use the data stored in the chip in biometric passports to verify identity. Primarily, diplomatic and official passport holders, CIPs

(Commercially Important Persons), tax card holders, and Bangladeshi pilot and crew members will be able to use

According to officials, the e-passport will not have two information pages like the MRP Passport. Their will be a polymer chip and antenna on the front page with the passport holders name basic information.

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# Businessmen rule the race

businessmen in politics was also noticeable in the 11th parliamentary elections -- where around 62 percent of the contestants were businessmen.

Interestingly, unemployed and students are also in the candidates' list. Seventy-nine candidates are homemakers.

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Of the 504 businessmen contesting in the upcoming Dhaka city corporation polls, 132 are self-educated and 79 have passed SSC exams.

On the other hand, nearly 205 councillor candidates mentioned that they are selfeducated and more than 150 aspirants have studied up to secondary and higher secondary levels.

Over 90 candidates have obtained bachelor and master's degrees, according to their affidavits.

According to political analysts, major political parties' dependency on businessmen has effectively turned politics itself into business.

Shushashoner Jonno Nagorik (Shujan) said similar situation also prevailed in other city corporation elections in recent

election, 335 contenders out of 584 were which rose to 59 percent by 2014.

In addition, out of the 159 recentlyelected mayors and councillors in the four city corporations, 103 are involved in business.

Dilip Kumar Sarker, central coordinator of Shujan, said this raises question whether businessperson-politicians will devote themselves for the betterment of

Addressing a rally on October 12, 2015, President Abdul Hamid also criticised this

"It's a matter of regret that today's politics has gone into the pockets of businessmen... We have to get rid of it," the president had said. Lawyers, businesspersons and farmers

were the three most common occupations of the lawmakers elected to the country's first parliament in 1973. Of the MPs in that parliament, 31

percent were lawyers and only 18 percent were businessmen. However, in the fifth parliament,

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