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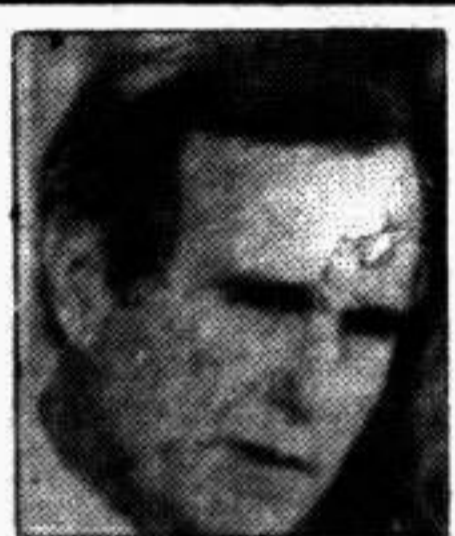
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Shahabuddin assents to VAT Bill
 Acting President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed, gave his assent Wednesday to the Value Added Tax Bill, 1991, which was passed by the Jatiya Sangsad on Tuesday night, reports BSS.

Case against Kazi Zafar
 The Bureau of Anti Corruption has filed a case against former prime minister Kazi Zafar Ahmed with Ramna police station relating to corruption in a sugar import deal, it was learnt officially on Thursday, reports BSS.

Mizan's condition deteriorates
 The condition of former Minister and Jatiya Party leader Mizanur Rahman Chowdhury now under treatment in the prison cell at the Institute of Post-Graduate Medicine and Research deteriorated further on Thursday, family sources said, reports UNB.

Qayyum named PM of Pak Kashmir
 ISLAMABAD, July 11: The party that won controversial elections in Pakistan-ruled Kashmir named today an Islamic fundamentalist, Sardar Abdul Qayyum, to be the new state prime minister, party sources said, reports Reuters.

Six injured in Lahore blast
 LAHORE, July 11: A bomb exploded on a passenger bus Thursday, seriously injuring six people, police said. Pakistan routinely blames agents of either the Indian or Afghan governments for the almost weekly bomb explosions in this troubled nation, reports AP.

Fidel Ramos resigns
 MANILA, July 11: Philippine Defence Secretary Fidel Ramos has submitted his resignation to President Corason Aquino to concentrate on his presidential election campaign for 1992.

Move to deal with campus situation by consensus

PM calls meeting of all parties today

Star Report
 Khaleda Zia has initiated a dialogue with political leaders, Syndicate members of the universities and other professional leaders to bring back an academic atmosphere in the country.
 The Prime Minister has convened a meeting of the political leaders today at 4 pm at the International Conference Centre to discuss all these issues.
 The Education Ministry is reportedly drafting a bill proposing steps to punish the armed terrorists in the educational institutions and to flush out outsiders from the university halls.
 The Education Ministry is also considering new steps to stop unfair means in the examinations.
 A law may be enacted providing for exemplary punishment to students who adopt unfair means in the examinations. The photographs of the students may be published in the newspapers to expose them publicly.
 If any invigilator helps a student in adopting unfair means, strict action may be proposed against that teacher along with the suspension of grant for that school.
 The students who adopt unfair means may be disqualified from pursuing their studies for a few years.
 Prime Minister Begum



WORLD POPULATION DAY : A procession in the city Thursday as part of the global campaign for raising awareness about matching the growth of population with the pace of development and natural environment. —Star photo

264 killed in Jeddah plane crash

JEDDAH, July 11: All 264 passengers and crew died when a Nigeria Airways plane carrying Nigerian pilgrims crashed at Jeddah airport in western Saudi Arabia on Thursday, report agencies.
 "There are no survivors", an airline official said.
 A travel agent at Nareen Travel in Jeddah said the plane was carrying 248 Nigerian passengers and a crew of 15 Canadians and one French citizen. The agent, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said he had helped arranged the flight.
 The plane had been leased by Nigerian Airway from a Canadian firm to carry home the Nigerians, said the agent, who spoke by telephone with The Associated Press in Nicosia, Cyprus.
 The four-engine DC-8 crashed as it was about to make an emergency landing with an engine on fire 15 minutes before take-off.
 The plane with its landing gear already down, turned into a ball of fire before crashing, the official said.
 The pilgrims had just completed umrah and were heading back to Maiduguri in northeast Nigeria.
 The extended DC-8 had barely taken off when the pilot called the control tower to report he had run into "technical trouble" and was returning, officials at King Abdul-Aziz International Airport said.
 Other aviation sources, who also would not be identified, said the pilot reported "fire in the landing gear."
 They said he was advised "to dump the fuel in air and return, but while returning the plane exploded into pieces."
 Witnesses said they saw, from a considerable distance, smoke and fire emerging from the plane as it flew low over the runway. They said they thought it had caught fire as it was taking off.
 One of the witnesses, who did not want his name used, said he later ran as close as he could get to the site and found "the plane crashed to the ground, and flames shooting into the air as high as six-story buildings."
 The witness said the plane was "certainly all small pieces, no big pieces around."
 He said that the scene had

Students hold rallies, hail DUCSU polls

By DU Correspondent
 Various student organisations at separate campus rallies Thursday welcomed DU authorities' announcement of DUCSU election date and called for arresting the hoodlums for peaceful polls.
 "Otherwise", they cautioned, "the university campus may turn into a warfield once again."
 The DUCSU and 14 hall union elections are scheduled for July 31.
 The student organisations also accused each other for the existing situation and announced

Population control seen a must for balanced ecosystem

Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia Thursday warned against disastrous consequences of population boom and called for concerted efforts to check it for the sake of progress and development.
 "Environmentalists have viewed ecosystem of Bangladesh can bear the burden of maximum population of 13 crore... a serious disaster will come down if this population limit is crossed", she told a seminar in Dhaka.
 She said the country's population will exceed 13 crore by the end of this century if the present rate of population growth continues.
 The seminar held at Osmani Memorial Hall in observance of World Population Day was jointly organised by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Directorate of Family Planning and the United Nations Population Fund (UNPF).
 Presided over by Health and Family Welfare Secretary Khandker Asaduzzaman, the seminar was addressed by Health and Family Welfare Minister Chowdhury Kamal-ud-Din and Director General of Family Planning Directorate Nazmul Huq and UNPF representative in Dhaka Charles Henry Larstom.
 The observance of World Population Day is aimed at heightening public awareness about population issues across the world. This year's theme of the Day is reduction of population for making a balance among population, development and natural environment to save the earth.
 The Prime Minister said another 100 crore population will be added to the present world population of 540 crore in the next 10 years.
 She pointed out that 95 per cent of the population growth would take place in the developing countries, leading to more poverty and hunger and disruption of all development efforts.
 Begum Zia said her government had formulated a people-oriented national development programme, stressing on achieving the target of population control.
 She also called upon all to making the programmes of family planning as well as mother and child care a success to mitigate miseries of the poor segment of the society.
 Recalling the announcement of the "National Population Policy" in 1976 by Shaheed President Ziaur Rahman and branding population boom as the country's number one problem, she said

Traders' problems will be alleviated : Bangladesh Bank New moves for BCCI clients

Star Economic Report
 For those cases where imported goods against Letters of Credits (LCs) were opened by the BCCI, have not yet been cleared at Bangladesh ports but relevant documents have not yet been released, or where goods have been shipped from abroad but import documents are in transit.
 In cases where goods against import LCs, opened by the BCCI, have not yet been shipped, the importers concerned in their own interest should contact the foreign suppliers to cancel the relevant LCs and arrange to open new LCs through other banks, Bangladesh Bank said in a press release.
 The importers whose goods are lying in the godowns of the BCCI may arrange to have the goods released by making full payment of import value to Agrani Bank.
 Bangladesh Bank has instructed the exporters, who

APSU says CU probe body report biased

From Our Staff Correspondent
 CHITTAGONG, July 11: The Chittagong University unit of All-Party Students Union (APSU) Thursday set a July 16 ultimatum to the authorities to accept its demands which include retaining the incumbent Vice-Chancellor.
 The APSU at its rally at New Market premises in the city threatened movement in the event of non-fulfilment of the demands by the deadline.
 The APSU leaders alleged

Opposition demands Pay Commission report

By Staff Correspondent
 The Opposition in the Jatiya Sangsad (parliament) has demanded immediate announcement and implementation of the Pay Commission report for government officers and employees.
 During discussion on a private member's resolution Thursday night, the members of the Opposition called upon the Treasury Bench to come out with a positive decision on the issue to save government servants from growing inflation and price hike.
 In response to the demand, the Treasury Bench mentioned that the issue was being examined by the government and a report was expected soon.
 Moving the resolution, Awami League MP Md Abdus Shahid said that there was a total 50 per cent inflation during the last five years, but the pay of the government servants remained unchanged. As a consequence they were passing their days in hardship, he said and added that the Pay Commission report should be

New phase of contact with Dhaka opens: Bessmertnykh

MOSCOW, July 11: The Foreign Minister of Soviet Union, Alexander Bessmertnykh has said that the official visit of the

AL pressure to repeal referendum

By Staff Correspondent
 The Awami League has put pressure on the Select Committee for scrutinising the Constitution amendment bills to repeal Article 142 providing for holding of a referendum in case of any fundamental change to the Constitution.
 Article 142 was incorporated in the Constitution in the Fifth Amendment to prevent easy changes to eight Articles in the Constitution which are

JP to resist abolition of upazila system

By Staff Correspondent
 Barrister Moudud Ahmed acting leader of the Jatiya Party Parliamentary Party (JPPP) said on Thursday that his party would resist any attempt to abolish the upazila system.
 Addressing a news conference at the JP room in the Parliament building he said that abolition of the upazila system, and replacement of Upazila Chairmen with nominated persons would amount

Early introduction of amendment bills demanded

By Staff Correspondent
 The Opposition on Thursday demanded initiatives for an early introduction of the remaining Constitution amendment bills of private members in the House.
 These bills relate to separation of the judiciary from the executive and fundamental rights.
 Salahuddin Yusuf of Awami League sought to know the fate of a bill for which he himself had submitted notice and

China appeals for flood relief

BEIJING, July 11: Residents of major cities along China's Yangtze River laboured Thursday to raise barricades against rising flood waters that already have claimed more than 1,000 lives, reports agencies.
 The government dropped its traditional stance of self-reliance and appealed for 200 million dollars in international relief for the victims of storms and floods that have lashed wide areas of eastern and southern China and caused the worst flooding in a century.

Indian Army Chief leaves for home

The Indian Chief of Army Staff General Sunth Francis Rodrigues left Dhaka for home after ending his six-day visit to Bangladesh, an ISPR press release, said, reports BSS.
 General Rodrigues, Mrs Rodrigues and three other members of the delegation were seen-off at the Zia International Airport by Chief of Army Staff Lt General Muhammad Noor Uddin Khan, Begum Sophia Khan and senior army officers.
 The Indian High Commissioner to Bangladesh

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এ পরিপ্রেক্ষিতে হোটেল ও রেস্তোরা মালিকদের তাদের পূর্বকার মূল্য হতে আবশ্যিক শুদ্ধ এবং মূল্য সংযোজন কর বাদ দিতে যোগ্য হোটেলের মূল্য হতে সারচার্জ সহ আবশ্যিক শুদ্ধ বাদ দেওয়া হবে বলে তাহাসের মূল্য তালিকা প্রস্তুত করার জন্য অনুরোধ করা হচ্ছে।

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