No hard cash for Gorbachev

LONDON, July 19: Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev left Britain today with an invitation to join the capitalist club but no hard cash, just expressions of good will and technical assistance to smooth his country's bumpy passage. reports AFP.

Leaders of the Group of Seven (G-7) most industrialised countries turned a deaf ear to the billions of dollars Gorbachev asked for to stabilise his country's collapsing economy, judging such spending "premature."

His appearance in London however was a political boost for him. Practically a gatecrasher - he lobbied hard for his invitation - he made sure that Soviet economic reform dominated the three-day summit

Gorbachev's announcement of a summit meeting between himself and US President George Bush at the end of July coupled with an accord on a key Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START) put G-7 leaders into a favourable frame of mind to listen to his pitch for

Fears of the consequences of failure for Gorbachev were whipped up by Soviet officials before the Soviet leader arrived late Tuesday, with warnings of the risk of "uprising"and "turmoil" embroiling the whole world " being thrown about.

The Western leaders who listened to Gorbachev for hours in a historic encounter after the close of their summit on Wednesday, were any well aware that they could not risk rebuffing him haunted as they are by fears of a "conservative" backlash from Soviets who feel only nostalgia for the cold war.

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The NBR also made it clear

in the press release that the

VAT was not imposed on pri-

mary agricultural products and

essential items like rice,

pulses flour potato and clothes

Exportable items were also ex-

Dispelling the misconcep-

tion of certain quarters, the

NBR said that the VAT was

imposed at the same rate on

produces manufactured out of

indigenous or imported raw

materials. The Board men-

tioned that duties were im-

posed on imported raw mate-

rials to protect the interest of

the country's raw materials

will not be applicable for those

industrial units which will buy

raw materials and intermedi-

ary goods from the industries

or cottage industries ex

empted from the VAT, it said.

Though the VAT system was

scheduled to be introduced

from January 1, 1991, as per

the budget for 1990-91, the

NBR said it was made effective

from July 1, 1991 for giving

Besides, the issue was dis-

cussed with various chambers

and manufacturers' associa-

tions for the last 18 months

for policy formulation and

function of the new tax system,

forms were sent to them be-

fore July 1,1991 and most of

them were apprised of the is-

sue realistically, the Board said

emphasising that it was not

correct that the issue was not

made known to the tax payers

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members of JCD tried to drive

home a different opinion de-

spite the fact that JCD leader

and DUCSU Assistant General

Secretary Nazimuddin Alam

was one of the signatories to

the application seeking shift-

Sources said, Nazimuddin

ing of the elections date.

Necessary booklets and

more time to the tax payers.

However credit facilities

producers.

it added.

beforehand.

empted from the VAT, it said

The day before the meeting US Secretary of State James Baker said, "there is no chance of him leaving here emptyhanded."

Gorbachev's hands as he boarded his plane today for Moscow were perhaps not as full as he might have wished but he came away with a new relationship with the world's money institutions.

"Special associate" status with the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank will for the time being give access only to technical assistance but he may expect real money to be in the offing if full membership is eventually

British Prime Minister John Major who is current Chairman of the G-7 and who will travel to Moscow before the end of the year, gave a lead Thursday after around four hours of talks with Gorbachev, announcing direct British technical assis-

He announced the dispatch to Moscow, probably before the end to the month, of Chancellor of the exchequer Norman Lamont to begin talking economic cooperation with the Soviet Union.

He said he would send a senior mission from the department of employment this Sunday to examine small and other business possibilities between the two countries.

Major also announced doubling to 20 million pounds (32 million dollars) for next year of Britain's so-called "know-how" fund to provide help to small and growing businesses in the Soviet Union.

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It also said the VAT system

was introduced in Bangladesh

at the minimum level in com-

parison to other countries of

system had faced uncertainty

at the initial stage of its intro-

duction in various countries of

the world but the situation had

ation in Bangladesh will also be

normal very soon, the NBR

formed the people that the ef

fect of the VAT on most of the

commodities would be lesser

than the previous Sales Tax

and Excise Duty, the press re-

lease said, adding, in some ar-

eas the VAT will be higher

services had to be brought un-

der the VAT system with a

view to mobilising internal re-

sources, the press release said

Excise Duty has to be imposed

on many such industries and

services for increasing mobili-

sation of internal resources

even if VAT has not been in-

base should be accepted in to-

tality because the VAT system

provides for credit facilities so

that the overall tax realisation

Schedule of the National Board

of Revenue, the press release

said, unprocessed primary

goods were exempted and

afterwards the government

had also exempted some more

goods from the purview of the

election on schedule and said

any attempt to foil the election

According to the election

Another main reason for

schedule, intending candidates

will have to submit their nom-

ination papers today by 12 am.

shifting the election date as

students, through amending

the DUCSU and Hall Union

policy making body of the uni-

versity, issued the ban after

amending the DUCSU and Hall

Union constitutions at a meet-

ing on July 17 following a pro-

posal of Dhaka University

that only the regular students

will be eligible to be voter and

contest the elections.

The amendment stipulates

Teachers' Association (DUTA).

The Syndicate, the highest

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DUCSU poll

According to the First

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said in the press release.

It further said that the VAT

VAT system realistic

the world.

President Mikhail Gorbachev welcomes former prime minister Margaret Thatcher to the Soviet embassy in London on Friday before the Soviet delegation, who had been in London to meet the Group of Seven leaders, left for - AFP photo Moscow.

Iraqi-Kurdish fighting flares: 500 killed

GENEVA, July 19: Fighting between the Iraqi army and Kurdish rebels has broken out again and as many as 500 people have been killed or wounded in the last two days, a United Nations official said

Friday, reports AP. The fighting occurred in the northern Iraqi city of Sulaymantyah on Wednesday and Thursday, according to Sylvana Foa, a spokeswoman for the UN High Commissioner for Refugees office.

Kurdish rebels took control of Sulaymaniyah late Thursday, she said, citing reports from UN observers there.

Hospitals were reportedly unable to cope with the flow of casualties in Sulaymantyah, where unconfirmed reports said 1,000 Iraqi troops had been captured, she said.

Another UN official, who declined to be named, said UN guards in Sulaymaniyah had informed the UN in Geneva of about 500 casualties but had no breakdown on deaths or injuries.

occurred Wednesday and

The goal looked inevitable

because a tired Mohammedan

right full-back Barun Bikash

Dewan had left yawning gaps

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Barun for the more experi-

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diving Kanon save the day for

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seconds of the match, grabbing

ASM Mustafizur Rahman, who

is also chairman of the tour-

nament organising committee

inaugurated the seven-team.

11-day meet as chief guest. He

was introduced to the players

and officials of the participat-

ing teams. Also present at the

opening ceremony were State

Ministers for Sports and

Finance, Sadeq Hossain Khoka

and Md Mujibur Rahman re

spectively, Asian Football

Confederation Secretary Peter

Velappan and chief of the

Earlier, Foreign Minister

the ball from Phitaya's feet.

There were a few more

Thursday in Sulaymaniyah and Erbil, cities where clashes between Iraqi troops and the rebellious Kurds occurred in

Sulaymantyah, the largest city in Iraqi Kurdistan with a population of about 750,000, is about 120 miles (190 kilometers) south of the Turkish border and 30 mtles (50 ktlometers) west of Iran. Erbil, the capital of the Kurdish region in northern Iraq, is about 75 miles (120 kilometers) south of Turkey and 60 miles (100 kilometers) west of Iran.

Salah Jmhor, a Kurdish representative at the UN in Geneva, claimed 100 people had died in the Sulaymaniyah fighting and four Kurds were killed by Iraqi security forces in Erbil

Salah Jmhor said Iraqi troops killed local Kurdistan Front leaders in Sulaymaniyah who tried to mediate and quell the unrest.

The unidentified UN source said the situation seemed "slightly quieter" Friday.

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Manikgani control room said the flood situation in Daulatpur upaztla deteriorated due to incessant rain. About 25 thousand people are now marooned. Crops of 1500 acres land were damaged. The other affected upazilas are Hari

Five tons of rice, 20 bags of chira and ten thousand taka was distributed among the

In Pabna, new areas in Bera and Fridpur upazilas were intaken shelter on WAPDA embankments. Sujanagar, Chandmahan and Bhangura upazilas are worst affected. One lakh taka and 10 metric tons of rice have so far been given as relief.

in the district has deteriorated further with the inundation of two more unions of Sadar upazila over the last two days.

About two lakh people of Dhunat and Shariakandi upazilas were rendered homeless by the onslaught of the flood since its inception two weeks

Bangalee passing through the district are still flowing two

Diarrhoea and other waterborne diseases have aggravated

shelter on flood control embankments and other makeshift places and have been passing their days without food, drinking water and

All the nine upazilas of the district are flooded affecting over 70 thousand people, 40 thousand homeless. Chilmari upazila is the worst affected upazila. Crops of 36 thousand acres of land were fully dam-

partly damaged in the upazilas. The rivers Tista, Brahmaputra and Dharla are now flowing slightly below the

In Gaibanda, situation in Sadar, Fulchhari, Gaghata and Sundargani upazilas remained unchanged where about 1.5

Fulchhari is the worst affected. Only 86 mounds of chira and ten tons of rice were distributed. Two persons died in

snake bite in the district. Overall flood situation in Jamalpur district improved a

and Nakla upazilas in Sherpur district remained unchanged. Over 1.40 lakh people are marooned. Crops of over six thousand acres of land were totally damaged while over seven thousand acres partly damaged. Over five hundred houses

Thirty five thousand Taka and some 20 metric tons of rice and wheat were distributed.

Related story on Page 9 Iraq's N-plant

LONDON, July 19: Iraq must eliminate its nuclear plants or the Western allies will do so British Prime Minister John Major told parliament today. reports Reuter.

The Midnight File

Fundamentalists protest Bush's visit to Turkey

ISTANBUL, July 19: Some 1,000 fundamentalists demonstrated outside an Istanbul mosque after Juma prayers today in protest at the weekend visit of US President George Bush to Turkey. The crowd chanted slogans, carried placards against the United States and Bush and burned an American flag. Some threw stones at the police, witnesses said, reports Reuter.

Massive erosion in Nepal

KATHMANDU, July 19: Unprecedented erosion from the flooded Koshi river in two districts southeast of here is endangering the lives of more than 100,000 people, a home ministry official said today, reports AFP.

Newspaper employees reiterate demand

The leaders of Bangladesh Federal Union of Journalists (BFUJ). Dhaka Union of Journalists (DUJ), Newspaper Press Workers Federation and **Employees Federation Friday** reiterated their demand for enhanced wages and allowances in all the newspapers and news agencies by July 23.

BFW President Reazuddin Ahmed, and Secretary General Amanullah Kabir, DUJ President Zahirul Hug and General Secretary Ruhul Amin Gazi, Press Workers Federation President Mosharraf Hossain and Secretary General Bazlur Rahman Milon and Employees Federation President Jahangir Kabir and Secretary General Mir Mozammel Hossain, in a joint statement, said their attention had been drawn to the resolution of the meeting of Bangladesh Sangbadpatra Parishad (BSP) which appeared in a section of the press Friday.

They said, "We fail to understand what the BSP meant by 'the Fourth Wage Board Award given during the Ershad regime"." In reply to the "ludicrous statement" of BSP. they said the Wage Board Award for the employees of newspapers was declared during the period of neutral interim government (March 9).

They said many owner-editors and publishers under the fold of BSP would be entangled in their own net, if "Ershad's period" as referred to by them, was analysed. It is known to all what they

had done during the Ershad regime, the journalist and employees leaders said, adding many of the newspaper owners-editors, publishers became Members arliament of the Treasury Bench at that time. Some of them giving lip service for socialism and democracy voted in favour of Ershad's Seventh Amendment Bill sitting in the

Some of them even possessed plots, and buildings in Teigaon and wrote post-editorials in their own names in respective newspapers addressing Raushan Ershad as 'Amma' (mother).

Opposition Bench, the leaders

The leaders said, therefore, the BSP would not be able to reap benefit by raising the question of Ershad's period or mislead the conscious countrymen. No body has forgotten the role of the 'flatterers'.

"We cannot understand why the BSP raised the question of Constitution regarding the Wage Board Award of journalists after about two decades, the journalists and newspaper employees leaders said.

The incumbent President of BSP was a Member of the Parliament which passed the bill in 1974 for constituting wage board for the newspaper employees, they said, adding why did he not raise such questions at that time. In fact it is not a question, they said.

They said, the BSP seems to have adopted the policy — "the journalists and employees o the newspaper industry will have to be deprived of their legitimate dues, so say anything whatever you like." The BSP in the meantime had gone to court, where they were defeated, after having failed to conspire against the journalists and employees, they said.

"Does the BSP consider it freedom of the press to accumulate crores of Taka by depriving the employees of their just dues and raising newspaper price and advertisement rate?" the journalists and employees leaders questioned. They said, "We are not interested to comment on the members of BSP" and quoted the writings of the President of BSP in his own paper on may 28 - "it has been observed that the businessmen. smugglers and millionaires who were connected in the plundering and exploitation during the reign of autocratic government are encouraging

publication of newspapers." The leaders said, "We have nothing to add after what the BSP President himself has said

The journalists and employ ees leaders said the allegation of BSP that the union had

to court is an utter lie. In fact the BSP has continued to cre-

government and political parties would be able to comprehend that the growing deadlock, created by BSP, might

BSP to return to 'the path of law and equity.

5 -party for early implementation of Wage Board award

The central Five-Party Alliance and Bangladesh Samajtantrik Dal (BSD) expressed grave concern at the continuous strike in five national dailies and called for early implementation of the New Wage Board award to bring an end to the impasse,

Committee of the Five-Party Alliance, which met in Dhaka in Thursday, said the allegations of the three federations against the newspaper owners were serious regarding implementation of the New Wage Board award. "It is not at all comprehensible as to why the owners have taken recourse to the court on the issue of the New Wage Board since they have implemented the past three awards," the leaders in a

Sen, an alliance press release said in Friday.

Expressing concern over the continuous strike in five national dailies, the leaders said the owners were not try-

They called upon all concerned to sit together immediately and resolve the prob-

Bhulyan, in a statement, on Friday called for stopping all conspiracies against the New Wage Board and asked all concerned to fulfil all demands of the journalists employees including that of the increased salary and allowances.

"The situation created out of the non-implementation of the New Wage Board award is not desired by anybody," he

Bhuiyan also urged the newspaper owners and the government to take immediate steps for resolving the crisis prevailing in the newspaper

Select Committee

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of the President. Awami League members want the election to be conducted by the Chief Election Commissioner. They reportedly said they would have to discuss the question at higher levels in the party if they are to change their stand

About the appointment of

insist that there still remains scope of negotiations on all the tee is expected to meet again

MSC missed chances winger Mamoon Joarder had failed to do justice to a fine

From Page 1 Col. 8 which had puddles caused by the heavy showers earlier in the afternoon.

The Group B encounter. which started after a minute's silence was observed as a mark of respect to the memory of AFC Vice President Jamil Jawad al-Jishi who died in Bahrain yesterday, was crucial for both teams who find themselves clustered with favourites Esteghial Club of Iran and the strong April 25 Club of North Korea in the four-team group. The other group has only three teams, including reigning champions Liaoning provincial side of China, following the late withdrawal of Jordanian champions Al-Ramatha from the tournament.

Despite the heavy playing conditions, the young and energetic Mohammedan midfielders and forwards displayed tremendous speed and threatened to run all over the slower, more tentative Thais in the early minutes of play. In a series of fine attacking moves the black-and-whites closed in on the Bangkok Bank goalmouth only to see their efforts go to waste due to poor finish-

ing up front. Striker Imtiaz Ahmed Naquib, on whose young shoulders rested most of the Mohammedan as well as local hopes, failed to rise to the occasion and his off-colour performance forced freshly-arrived Mohammedans' Iranian coach Nasser Hegazi to call him off in favour of substitute Zakir in the early part of the

second half. Mohammedans always looked likely to score, and they did so in the 20th minute of play when Ghouse pushed the ball into the net from a goalmouth melee after rightImtiaz Sultan Johnny throw-in

from the right (1-0). Prior to this success, of course. Mohammedans should have scored at least on two occasions but each time Naguib failed to do the needful after his teammates had set him clear well inside the Thai dan-

Naguib can hardly offer any excuses for not placing the ball into the Thai net with only goalie Somkiat at his mercy after he had beaten an attempted off-side trap as star midfielder Shabbir laid on a brilliant through ball. Instead of aiming for the first bar with his left foot Naquib shot wide of the far post with his right. Such chances don't come ev-

In the 29th minute it was Ghouse's turn to play the villain and his attempted overambitious side-volley from a hand-shaking distance upon yet another beautiful Shabbir pass had the partisan crowd

It was a slightly different

a good opportunity.

The Thais took advantage of a tiring Mohammedan side to equalise in the 60th minute when Apirak gave goalie Syed Hassan Kanon hardly a clue after Chamnan had sent in a

teasing lob from the right (1

enced Abul.

pulling at their hair in disgust.

scenario in the second session with the Thais, who have as many as seven players in their ranks who did duty in the recent under-23 Olympic qualifiers, managing to get a better grip on the proceedings. Outside-left Chamnan almost put the Thais level within two minutes of the resumption from a melee in front of the

Mohammedan goal. Two minutes later it was Mamoon Joarder's turn to miss

Bangladesh Football Federation Siddigur Rahman. The Mohammedans wil play their next match against April 25 while the Bangkok Bank Club will take on Esteghial of Iran on July 21. TEAMS

MOHAMMEDAN SC: Kanon. Barun, Johny, Kaiser, Jewel Rana, Shabbir, Titu, Ayaz, Roxy, Mamun, Nakuib, Zakir and Ghaus. BANGKOK BANK SC

Somkiat, Siripong, Nanta Preecha, Praphan, Danchai, Cheoichai, Anan, Apirak, Adisorn, Phitaya and Chamnan. Referee: Shyam Shrestha

(Nepal).

UZ chairmen call hartal in Sirajganj

The call was made in a meeting organised by the chairmen of nine upazilas held at Station Bazar Square this afternoon.

Agrarian reform

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On utilization of country's

Stressing an efficient tax system, the economist said the tax ratio in Bangladesh was one of the lowest in the world. Inefficiency, corruption and tax evasion are some of the reasons of the low revenue from taxes. To make the process effective, the government must take drastic action against any irregularity in the

the impact should be minimal where VAT has been introduced replacing sales tax and excise duties.

tomorrow

SIRAJGANJ, July 19 Upazila chairmen of the district Friday called a dawn-todusk hartal in the district on July 21 to protest the government's decision to repeal the Upazila Parishad, reports UNB.

non-government organisations. Dr Ahmad said poverty alleviation must be the central theme in country's economic planning process. In the present context, the primary role should be assigned to agriculture, properly reorganised and supported, he said and added that industrialisation should be planned in a way that it can play a complementary and supporting role in poverty alleviation.

vast human resources. Di Ahmad said employment generation would be the primary basis of economic planning. The investment targets, he said, would essentially be derived from employment tar-

SAARC spirit

From Page 1 Col. 4 Rasheed Hussain, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs Ibrahim Hussain Zaki and the Maldives High Commissioner in Bangladesh Ahmed Abdullah.

Khaleda calls on Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia paid a courtesy call on visiting President of the Maldives Maumoon Abdul Gayoom at the 'Korotoa' guest

house in the evening. They discussed matters relating to SAARC affairs and observed the need for further promotion of the spirit of the seven-nation forum conceived by the late President Ziaur

Rahman. Matters of mutual interest also came up during the talks

between the two leaders. Maldives Minister of State for Presidential Affairs Abdu Rasheed Hussain and Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Ibrahim Hussain Zaki attended

Bangladesh Foreign Minister A S M Mostafizur Rahman, Minister in Waiting Barrister Nazmul Huda and Foreign Secretary Abul Ahsan were also present during the meeting.

Banquet

The visiting Maldives President Maumoon Abdul Gayoom and Madam Nasreena M A Gayoom attended a banquet at the Bangabhaban last

Acting President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed hosted the banquet in honour of the distinguished quests who arrived here this afternoon on a two-day visit to Bangladesh. Prime Minister Begum

Khaleda Zia, Speaker Abdur Rahman Biswas, members of the Council of Ministers, heads of the diplomatic missions of the SAARC countries, chiefs of the three services and high civil and military officials were present on the occasion.

Our staff correspon dent reports: President of the Maldives Maumoon Abdul Gayoom and Mrs Nasreena Gayoom arrived in Dhaka Friday on a two-day visit.

They were received by Acting President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed and Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia at Zia International Airport. President Gayoom, who is the current Chairman of SAARC, arrived from

Kathmandu to discuss with

Bangladesh side about the

agenda of next SAARC summit to be held in Colombo. On his arrival by Bangladesh Biman President and Mrs Gayoom were presented with bouquet of flowers by two chil-

dren at the airport. President Gayoom was also accompanied by Minister of State for Presidential Affairs Abdul Rasheed Hussain, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs Ibrahim Hussain Zaki, High Commissioner of the Maldives to Bangladesh Ahmed Abdullah and Assistant Director, Political Affairs, Ministry of

Foreign Affairs Ahmed Latheef. After his arrival President Gayoom flew to martyrs memorial at Savar aboard a helicopter and placed wreaths there. After his return from Savar he was driven to Karotoa state guest house from Tejgaon old airport. In the evening Begum Zia paid a courtesy call on the visiting President who later called on the Acting President at the Bangabhaban. President Gayoom also attended a banquet hosted by Justice Shahabuddin at Bangabhaban.

The President of Maldives will hold official talks today at the state guest house Meghna at 9.45 am today and would attend a luncheon to be hosted by Prime Minister at the state guest house Padma. He is scheduled to leave at 2 pm for Bangkok by a Thai

Airways flight.

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process 'without any favour', he Asked about VAT, he said

The source said the unrest

Flood

Flood forecasting centre said the Buriganga remained steady Friday but may rise today.

Rampur, Shibaloy, and Ohior.

flood victims.

undated. 60 thousand people were affected in Bera alone and thousands of people have

The overall flood situation

The rivers Jamuna and

and one centimetres above the danger levels respectively. According to district administration, 30 unions of six upazilas of the district have been affected by the floods.

the situation further. The flood hit people took

medicare facilities. Local people have urged the authorities to supply relief materials including life saving drugs to the marooned people immediately.

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little. River Jamuna and Brahmaputra were still flowing above danger level at Dewanganj: Madarganj upazila is the worst hit. A special food distribution centre has been set up in Madarganj. Situation in Sribardi, Sadar

were washed away in flood water damaging another four thousand houses.

must be removed

about the newspaper owners.

stopped the publication of five newspapers because they went

ate an impasse by hiring toughs in different newspapers, conspiring against the legitimate rights of the employees and threatening the union leaders over telephone, they said. They expected that the

create a delicate situation for the democratic system of the country. The leaders further hoped that there was still time for

There is no reason to think that they would achieve their goal by using threat and issuing provocative statements, the

leaders said. "They must give legitimate benefit to journalists and employees, otherwise the BSP will have to bear its consequences," the leaders said.

reports BSS. The Central Steering

set of resolutions said. The meeting, held with Comrade Bimal Biswas in the chair, was attended by A F M Mahbubul Haq, Maminul Haider Choudhury, Sharif Nurul Ambia, Saiful Haq, Nayeem Jahangir and Nirmal

ing to resolve the problems through a meeting with the three federation leaders while they were killing time being defeated in the cases against Wage Board in the High Court.

lems through discussions. BSD leader Khalequzzaman

industry.

non-MP ministers the members of the committee discussed the possibility of reducing the proportion of such ministers from present 20 per cent to 15 per cent. A decision is, however, yet to be taken. Committee insiders refuse

to call this a deadlock. They three questions. The commitat 11 am today (Saturday).

Alam, later had to face those by different sources is leaders of his organisation. Most of the prospective candiwho then met the Vicedates from different student Chancellor to inform him of groups may not be able to their stand of holding the eleccontest the July 31 DUCSU tion on schedule. and hall union polls following a The Vice-Chancellor asban by the DU Syndicate on participation of the irregular sured them also that if any

student organisation differed

with the content of the appli-

cation, the date of DUCSU

election, would not be shifted. JCD, later held a rally in front of the TSC protesting the attempt to shift the date of DUCSU election. The rally, addressed by Khairul Kabir Khokon, Fazlul Huq Milon Nazimuddin Alam, Habibunnabi Sohel and Ali Akkas Nadim, said the conspiracy to foil the DUCSU polls was still there.

They pledged to hold the

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