

13 opposition members held in Burma

BANGKOK, Aug 30: Burmese military authorities have arrested 13 men and charged them with having links with ethnic Karen rebels and an anti-government student organisation...

Two ministers backing Premadasa's impeachment resign

Three Members of Parliament retract signatures

COLOMBO, Aug 30: Two senior cabinet ministers backing an opposition-sponsored impeachment motion against President Ranasinghe Premadasa resigned Thursday...

Premadasa told an emergency meeting of government MPs and senior civil servants late Thursday that some UNP MPs had informed him they had signed "a certain document" but were told that it was one asking that parliament not be dissolved...

BRIEFLY

India launches another satellite: India's ambitious space programme received a boost Thursday with the successful launch of its second remote-sensing satellite from a Soviet space station...

Serbia claims killing 25 Croatians: Twenty-five Croatian National Guardsmen were killed during clashes in the Croatian town of Topusko on Thursday, the Yugoslav news agency TANJUG quoted Serbian fighters as saying...

Prague to host CSCE meeting: Czechoslovakia will host a meeting of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) on Tuesday to discuss the situation in Yugoslavia...

Seoul to buy 120 F-16 fighter planes: South Korea signed a memorandum of understanding with the United States Friday to buy more than five billion dollars worth of fighter planes...

Kerr named acting chief of CIA: Richard Kerr, Deputy Director of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), has been named to take over as Acting Director when William Webster retires next week...

Sikh militants injure police chief: Suspected Sikh militants seriously wounded the police chief of Chandigarh, the Punjab capital, on Thursday in a bomb attack which killed one of his guards and his driver...

Bodo militants kill 2 guards: Bodo militants shot dead two security officers of a political leader in Kokrajhar district in Assam on Wednesday...

Romania recognises Moldavia: Romania on Tuesday recognised the independence of Moldavian republic and agreed to establish diplomatic ties, according to Rompress in Bucharest...

Germany, Poland to strengthen border: The interior ministers of Poland and Germany agreed Thursday to step up policing of their joint border in an effort to prevent illegal emigrants from heading westwards into Germany...

Jackson placed under police protection: WASHINGTON, Aug 30: Two-time US presidential contender Jesse Jackson has been placed under 24-hour police protection after being targeted by a third recent death threat...

Another suspect of Rajiv killing held: NEW DELHI, Aug 30: Detectives probing the assassination of Rajiv Gandhi have arrested another wanted Sri Lankan Tamil rebel from the southern Indian city of Madras...

10 killed in Srinagar gunbattle: SRINAGAR, Aug 30: At least 10 people were killed in a gunbattle on Thursday when Indian security forces posed as Muslim guerrillas to raid a Kashmiri separatist hideout...

Russia to be heart of new system of equal, independent states: Yeltsin

MOSCOW, Aug 30: Boris Yeltsin, seeking to allay fears of Russian expansionism, says his vast republic would be the heart of a new system of equal independent states that would leave limited power for Mikhail Gorbachev...



MOSCOW: The wife (R) and relatives of Marshal Sergei Akhromeyev grieve over his coffin at his burial in Moscow August 29. Akhromeyev, who was President Gorbachev's personal military advisor, committed suicide last Saturday following the coup.

Other orders were signed by Deputy Foreign Minister Yuli Kvitsinsky, he said. Then on the day the three-day coup collapsed, "we started getting documents - instructions telling us to obey completely different documents and to act in an absolutely opposite way..."

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Broccoli sauce to turn Bush's head

WASHINGTON: American vegetable lovers are hoping broccoli lemon sauce will be the dish to turn the head of President George Bush...

'Human garbage' game dehumanises women

TOKYO: Feminists are enraged over what they say is the latest sexist affront in Japan - a game called "Human Garbage" in which women are depicted as sex objects to be bought and sold...

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Jammu and Kashmir Liberation Front (JKLF), which is fighting for independence they said they wanted to talk to the JKLF...

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Off the Record

First Lady tumbles into charity scandal

BRASILIA: Brazil's 28-year-old First Lady Rosane Collor, has tumbled into a major scandal amid allegations that she misappropriated funds in her position as president of the nation's largest charity organization, reports AFP...

Lenon, Presley's love letters fetch thousands of dollars

LONDON: Love letters written by John Lennon and Elvis Presley fetched thousands of dollars each when they were auctioned off at Christie's in London on Thursday...

Heart transplant mix-up

PORTLAND: A man given a mismatched transplant heart walked out of the hospital Thursday in fine spirits just 11 days after a second operation to correct the mistake, reports AP...

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