The Midnight File

Bush unveils plan to halt ME

arms race

Bush announced a plan today to try to halt the spread of

weapons of mass destruction in the Middle East and restrain

conventional arms build-ups like Iraq used to destabilize the

Gulf. In a scheduled address to graduates at the US Air Force

Academy, Bush was to outline details of proposals intended

to curb the spread of nuclear, chemical and biological

Police-protesters clash in

Albania

with police in the capital of Albania on Wednesday after po-

lice used water cannons to disperse 50,000 demonstrators

who gathered to support a hunger strike by miners. Several

demonstrators and police were injured in the clash in

Tirana's central Skanderbeg Square, said Tatyana Luxi, a

journalist for the opposition newspaper Rilindja Demokratike,

Poland asks West to help

Moscow

Soviet economy threatens east European stability and urged

the west to help Moscow and its former allies quickly.

Finance Minister Leszek Balcerowicz said a sharp drop in ex-

ports to the Soviet Union was causing a dramatic fall in pro-

duction and economic activity in Poland, Hungary and

WARSAW, May 29: Poland said today a collapse of the

VIENNA, May 29: Anti-government protesters clashed

COLORADO SPRINGS (Colorado), May 29: President Jeorge

### Parliamentary form of govt

### Tofael urges BNP to bring amendment bill

A prominent Awami League leader Wednesday appealed to the ruling party to bring a constitutional amendment bill in the ensuing budget session for reverting to parliamentary system and put an end to existing dyarchy.

"The present anomaly in the governance of the country can not continue indefinitely. This has been creating a lot of confusion among the people," said Tofaef Ahmed MP, the Organising Secretary of Bangladesh Awami League.

Talking to UNB, he explained that as the situation now stands Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia, for all practical purposes, has been enjoying the powers of a head of government as in the parliamentary system without any constitutional sanction.

But under the present Constitution, Tofael said, it is the President who is both head of state and government while a Prime Minister is merely a minister.

Reiterating the Awami League stand for parliamentary democracy, he suggested a joint meeting of the liaison committee of the three alliances to discuss and resolve the issue in the light of the November 19 joint declaration.

The Awami League leader said people have given their clear verdict during the anti-Ershad mass movement in favour of the parliamentary system. The joint declaration of the three alliances also calls for parliamentary democracy.'

If any steps are taken by the ruling party contrary to the spirit of the joint declaration,

the country will plunge into chaos and confusion, he

"Nothing short of pure parliamentary democracy will be acceptable to the people", Tofael said when asked to comment on mixed form of government - striking a balance of power between the Presi-

When his attention was drawn to constitutional necessity for presidential polls before October 22 if the system of government is not changed, he said in that case the present cabinet would have to be dissolved and presidential election held under the neutral caretaker government of Acting President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed.

The Awami League leader however said the country can not afford a presidential election and people will not accept

### Love

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and hospitable.

When asked from where love started she replied that both she and Spindle had stayed aboard the same ship in the Gulf and their intimacy gradually culminated into a deep love.

The silhouette of him appear in her mind so frequently that she can not forget Spindle even for a moment, Tammy in-

Tammy joined the US navy

From Page 1 Col. 4 relief centre in a suitable offshore island of the country. The team, comprising Hasan Chowdhury and Mohiuddin Ahmed Chowdhury, will be meeting Bangladesh Red Crescent Society officials and others related with the country's disaster relief programmes to discuss the Association's participation and contribution towards building the shelter at any vantage point in any of the islands ravaged by natural calamities at various intervals.

The Team also intends to hand over the first instalment of Taka 10 lakh towards the proposed project.

sanctioned Taka 5 crore 35 lakh 95 thousand cash money and distributed 54,394 bundles of C.I sheets as house building materials for the flood to official handout.

relief godown are 19,793 metric tons of rice, 7,680 metric tons of wheat, 394 metric tons of potato, 285 metric tons of dal, 597 metric tons of chira, 5,863 pieces of relief packets, 179 metric tons of gur, 22,51, 690 pieces of chapati, 185 metric tons of bread, 23,482 pieces of water canes, pieces of sarees, 66,717 pieces of lungi, 31,600 kg medicines, 5,700 tents, 2.93,446 pieces of baby garments, 5,87,883 pieces of old cloth and 426 rolls of polythin.

helicopters of Bangladesh, Pakistan, India, Japan and China made 473 sorties so far and airlifted 1200 metric tons of relief goods to the affected

Meanwhile, 101 transport planes loaded with relief goods had arrived so far from abroad.

## Khaleda returns

operations.

that during the visit Begum Zia had detailed discussions with Saudi King Fahd, Emir of Kuwait Sheikh Jaber Al-Sabah, and the Emir of UAE Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al- Nahyan on

discussed how best Bangladesh could solve problems posed by cyclone and floods. The question of taking up more joint venture projects also came up during the talks. Bilateral talks to follow will identify more specific areas of cooperation.

The Foreign Minister said he and the State Minister for Labour had talks with their Saudi counterparts while chamber representatives had meetings with the Saudi Commerce Minister and other representatives of the business

He said that although the visit was not at the state level full dress meetings at the highest level took place, and the Prime Minister was given guard of honour.

The Emir of Kuwait assured to take back the 63,000 Bangladeshis who had to be repatriated following the outbreak of the Gulf war, and employ more people from Bangladesh. Reconstruction in Kuwait, however, will take time. Private businessmen who used to employ a bulk of the Bangladeshi labour force have not returned to Kuwait as yet he said.

Out of the 600 oil wells set ablaze by fleeing Iraqi troops, fire of only 130 of them have so far been successfully extinguished. Clearing of mines is yet to be completed, he said.

The Emir of UAE during talks suggested that comprehensive plans should be prepared with help from experts for the rehabilitation of cyclone victims so that his country could contribute.

Bangladesh troops in Kuwait Replying to a question he said Bangladeshi troops belonging to the Engineering Corps have moved into Kuwait to take part in mine clearing

warned.

dent and the parliament.

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## 30,000 tin sheds

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The Foreign Minister said and widen cooperation". The Foreign Minister said the Prime Minister and the members of her entourage performed Umrah at the start of the visit. Begum Zia and the leadership of the ruling Bangladesh Nationalist Party had a desire that they perform bilateral relations. Umrah and say prayer at He said that the Saudi King Madinah after the February

election victory. King Fahd is likely to visit Bangladesh by the end of this or early next year, the Foreign Minister said.

BSS adds: Emir of Kuwait Sheikh Jaber Al-Sabah congratulated Begum Zia for the support and assistance rendered by Bangladesh during the Gulf war.

During the hour-long talks, the two leaders stressed that Islamic fraternity and brotherhood should be strengthened.

The Prime Minister described the occupation of Kuwait as an offence and said Bangladesh thought it was her sacred duty to come in the aid of the brotherly people of

Begum Zia also went round the city and saw the war devastation including the Palace of

Begum Zia gave an interview to Kuwait News Agency (KUNA) where she described the relations between the two countries as very friendly. She said Bangladesh was ready to extend all possible help to Kuwait in its reconstruction and rehabilitation work.

In the evening, Begum Zia left for Abu Dhabi on her way to Dhaka.

### Al-Nahyan

President of United Arab Emirates (UAE) Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al-Nahyan has said his country would cooperate lets of two mm each. Both with international community in the implementation of any plan aimed at finding a permanent solution to the recurring floods and cyclone in Bangladesh.

The UAE ruler said this when Begum Zia met him at Beach Palace in Abu Dhabi Tuesday night on the last leg of her three-nation Gulf tour.



DHAKA UNIVERSITY CAMPUS ON WEDNESDAY: Demonstrating students of (clockwise) Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal, Chhatra League (S-A), Jatiya Chhatra League and Chhatra League (Inu). Star photo.

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supplies to devastated areas of southeast Bangladesh. Supplies consisted of water, clothes, medicine, food and ROWPU.

Most of the American servicemen now in Bangladesh were on their way back home after serving in the Persian Gulf war. As one of them said: "It is great to be here doing the reverse role of a soldier."

Besides the task of liberating Kuwait from Iraqi occupation the US military forces also played a vital role in providing humanitarian assistance and support to the millions of Kurds and Shi'ites forced out from their homes by pro-Saddam forces of fraq. The US Military ships ar-

rived in Bangladesh at the direct instruction of President George Bush. The US Task Force com-

prised of about 7600 personnel has been ferrying relief supplies to people on remote íslands.

US medical and environmental specialists are at work decontaminating water supplies and inoculating survivors of the floods against waterborne diseases.

During the operations of the Task Force, President Bush also sent Mrs Marilyn Quayle, wife of Vice-President Dan Quayle, to see for herself the devastation caused by the April 29 cyclone. ,

### Zia's death

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wreaths at the mazar of the late leader at 9 am and a milad mahfil will be held at the central office of BNP at 11 am.

Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal, Zia Parishad, Juba Dal, Sramik Dal and other front organisations of BNP will observe the day through different programmes.

Shishu Academy has arranged a speech competition at 3 pm today on this occasion.

## Student groups agitate

From Page 1 Col. 5 Ministry after the demonstra-

The programme was announced at separate rallies of the organisations held Wednesday on the Dhaka University campus.

The BCL (S-A) rally was addressed by Golam Mostafa Suzan and Quamruzzaman Ansari. Speakers at the rally rett-

erated their resentment against the inviting of Maulana Matiur Rahman Nizami and said it was a fresh conspiracy to rehabilitate 'anti-liberation forces' in the Dhaka University. They vowed to resist any

such attempt with the support of the student community.

The JCL rally was addressed by S M Kamal Hossain, Pankaj Nath and Iqbalur Rahim.

Speakers at the rally held the Vice-Chancellor responsible for Monday's incident and said that any attempt to rehabilitate 'anti-liberation forces' in a sacred place like the Dhaka University must be re-

The BCL(N-S) rally was addressed by Nazmul Huq Pradhan and Shafi Ahmed.

Speakers expressed surprise over the frequent movements of the accused murderers of Dr Milon and demanded their immediate arrest. They also criticised the in-

vitation by the University authorities to an 'identified Razakar' like Matiur Rahman Nizami. Meanwhile, the Jatiyatabadi

Chhatra Dal (JCD) held a rally on the Dhaka University campus Wednesday protesting Monday's terrorist activities against the peace-initiative by the University authorities and political leaders. The rally was addressed by

Habibunnabi Sohel, Khairul Kabir Khokan, Ali Akkas Nadim, Ilius Ali and Quamr-

uzzaman Ratan, who urged the DU authorities and the political leaders to bring back congenial academic at mosphere in the University.

Speakers demanded punishment of the persons in volved in Monday's incident. The JCD also reiterated its demand to arrest the killers of

Dr Milon DUCSU GS Khairul Kabir Khokan and JCD leader Ilias Ali also condemned Chhatra League(S-A) for their "terrorist activities" and observed that the attack on Jamaat Secretary General Maulana Matiur Rahman Nizami MP proved that the BCL (S-A) did not believe in the democratic system.

### Addis Ababa

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threatened by famine.

The violent demonstrations were apparently triggered by growing resentment among the capital's 3-million residents over the manner in which the country's new rulers came to power. "A lot of people feel be-

trayed by the US for letting the rebels in," said one resident who witnessed the protests. "There has been a lot of talk that it was a sellout by the US

and that the government delegation was shunted aside," said Rebel troops fired into the air to disperse the demonstrators, who flowed through the

city in waves throughout the In radio broadcasts, the new government threatened to crack down on the protests, but did not specify what action would be taken.

"Until peace and stability prevails, any demonstration...is prohibited," the broadcasts

### Jamaat From Page 1 Col. 8

arena from violence. Condemning the 'barbarous' attack on Maulana Nizami, Khan said the act was done by those who did not want democracy get institutionalised in the country and were conspiring to push the country towards instability. terrorism and anarchism. Jamaat leader termed the attack on Maulana Nizami, leader of the third largest political party elected to the Jatiya Sangsad under a neutral government, as a naked attack on democracy for which the nation struggled for last nine

Khan said Awami League should expel the 'armed' activists of its student front who were directly involved in the 'heinous, fascist' attack on a democratically-elected na tional leader. Otherwise, the party should not have the right to speak of democracy, he

The Jamaat Acting Ameer expressed his surprise over the silence of the government for not arresting anybody involved with the assault as yet. "Was the government helpless"? he queried. Khan regretted that during

Monday's incident, the DU Vice-Chancellor did not take help of the law-enforcing personnel who were deployed nearby. Rather he asked them to refrain from taking action and left the whole situation to the terrorists, he remarked. The DU students were failing insecure under the Vice-Chancellor who failed to ensure security to a national leader on the campus, he said.

UNB adds: At least 15 people were injured on Wednesday when rival groups of students clashed in and around Chittagong Government Colle-

Our Pabna Correspondent adds: A half-day hartal was observed at Bera and Santhia upazila, Pabna, on Wednesday

From Page 1 Col. 8 ployment for alleviating the level of poverty by setting up more industries and making the agricultural sector more diversified. He underlined the government's determination to augment investable domestic resources by cutting unnecessary expenditure and encour-

Czechoslovakia, reports Reuter.

weapons, reports Reuter.

aging saving hibits. The Finance Minister said the next year's budget beginning July 1 would aim at 20 per cent growth on the receipt side and restrict growth of current expenditure to 10 per cent. He hoped that introduction of VAT, restructuring of the direct tax structure and rationalisation of the tariff structure would help augment the government's receipt from He further said improve-

ment of financial performance would reduce the burden of subsidy payment out of the budget. The government expected that the measures to reduce current expenditure would help finance and increasingly higher proportion of development outlay which in turn would lead to self-reliant economic growth, he added.

Saifur Rahman told the meeting that the immediate priority of his government was to maintain short-term economic stability. He said the size of the ADP would be Taka 75 billion for the next fiscal representing an increase of 10 per cent of the current fiscal. Besides, a special allocation of Taka three billion would be made for cyclone reconstruction work, he added. He said the mid-term ob-

jective sought to establish a policy framework which would stimulate private investment and increase size and efficiency of public investment. The government is going ahead with implementation of the financial sector reform package. Drastic steps have been taken to improve recovery of outstanding debts. This, together with loan provisioning and recapitalisation mea-

sures and interest rate liberalisation policy will enable the financial sector to play a dynamic role in the economy. At the same time, measures have been taken to make the financial sector more responsive to the needs of the agricultural sector, he said.

He listed the major infrastructure priorities as being the Jamuna multi-purpose bridge, Megna bridge, rural electrification and activating export oriented industries. The emphasis on human resource development will be reflected in the budgetary allocation for health, population, planning, education, involvement of women folk in the development process and protection of the environment, he emphasised.

### BRCS volunteers

From Page 1 Col. 7 (CPP) before the cyclone hits the area, Chairman of he Society Maj. Gen. (retd) A. F. M Abdul Huq said in a press conference at National Press Club on Wednesday.

He said some 20,890 trained volunteers and 100 professional staff of the Society had evacuated about 3,50,000 The CPP, jointly organised

by the Society and the government, which operated in 2,089 wards of 207 unions in 24 upazilas under eight districts, proved effective.

He also said that 56 field wireless station under the project maintained round-theclock contact during and after the cyclone. Society's communication link worked during the disaster and the rest failed, he claimed.

He said 400 new CPP units in the coastal areas were

> Ghorashal From Page 1 Col. 3

Bandabastakari Samity' and

**Bus-Truck Drivers Association** 

after a brawl over toll collec-

tion from the drivers.

# ঢাকা ওয়াসা জরুরী বিজ্ঞপ্তি

১৫ ই জুন '৯১ ইং তারিখের মধ্যে সকল বকেয়াসহ হালনাগাদ পানি ও পয়ঃ করের বিল এককালীন পরিশোধ করলে সারচার্জ ব্যতিরেকে বিলের টাকা গ্রহণ করা হবে।

বকেয়া অনাদায়ের কারণে যেসব গ্রাহকের সংযোগ ইতিমধ্যে বিচ্যুত করা হয়েছে এককালীন সমুদয় বকেয়া পরিশোধ সাপেক্ষে তারাও সারচার্জ ব্যতিরেকে কর পরিশোধের এ বিশেষ সুবিধাসহ পুনঃসংযোগ গ্রহণ করতে পারেন।

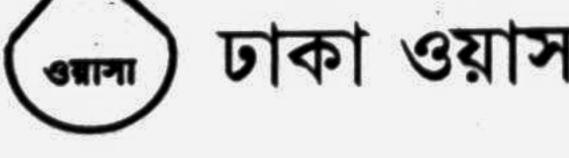
বকেয়া আদায়ের লক্ষ্যে ঢাকা ওয়াসা কর্তৃক পরিচালিত বিশেষ অভিযান আগামী ৩০শে জুন '৯১ইং পর্যন্ত অব্যাহত থাকবে।

এ বিশেষ অভিযান চলাকালে প্রতিটি হোন্ডিং সরেজমিনে পরিদর্শন করে অবৈধ সংযোগ ও বকেয়া অনাদায়ের কারণে তাৎক্ষণিকভাবে সংযোগ বিচ্ছিন্ন করা হচ্ছে। □ ঢাকা ওয়াসা ম্যাজিষ্টেটের নেতৃত্বে ভ্রাম্যমান আদালত পি, ডি, আর, এ্যা**টের অধীনে খেলাপী** 

গ্রাহকদের বিরুদ্ধে শান্তিমূলক ব্যবস্থা গ্রহণ করছে। বকেয়ার কারণে সংযোগ বিচ্যুতির জন্য এ বিজ্ঞপ্তিই চূড়ান্ত নোটিশ হিসেবে গণ্য হবে।

 সংযোগ বিচ্যুতি ও পি,ডি,আর, এ্যাক্টের অধীনে শান্তিমূলক ব্যবস্থা এড়াবার এবং সারচার্জ ছাড়াই বিল প্রদানের সুবিধা গ্রহণের জন্য আজই নির্দিষ্ট ব্যাংকের শাখায় বকেয়াসহ হালনাগাদ আপনার পানি ও পয়ঃ বিল পরিশোধ করুন।

বিল সংক্রান্ত বিষয়ে যেকোন তথ্যের জন্য সংগ্রিষ্ট রাজস্ব আঞ্চলিক অফিসের সাথে যোগাযোগ করা যেতে পারে।



ওয়াসা-জঃ তঃ ২২৫/৯১।

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### Rao made Congress chief initially suspected by Indian

From Page 1 Col. 7 Contenders for party leadership include Sharad Pawar, chief minister of the economically powerful state of Maharashtra, and Narain Dutt Tiwari, former chief minister of Uttar Pradesh which has provided all but one of India's prime ministers.

Pawar declined to comment about Rao's election. Polling started the day before Gandhi's killing. The remaining two days of voting cover 60 per cent of con-

Rao was chosen after

Gandhi's Italian-born widow

Sonia, 44, turned down pleas

stituencies.

May 21 night.

from the Congress, leadership to become party figurehead to maximise a sympathy vote in the polls. The post-mortem report on Rajiv Gandhi conducted by Madras Government Hospital brings into sharp focus the devastation caused to the body of Rajiv by bomb explosion at

small town Sriperumbudur on

According to the Hindu daily, the findings states that left lung, spleen, brain and upper jaw of Gandhi were missing from the body. The report also said that the body had been riddled by spherical pelheart and the liver were found lacerated. On the lower law, only six teeth were found on the left and five on the right. His stomach was found empty and the doctors concluded that Rajiv probably had not taken food for four hours before the blast.

Report from Colombo said: A Sri Lankan sailor who as-

saulted former Rajiv Gandhi with his rifle four years ago has said he sent a message of condolence after Gandhi's assassination last week.

The local Divaina newspaper quoted sailor Vijita Rohana today as saying he sent a telegram to Gandhi's wife Sonia expressing his condolences.

Rohana, a member of a naval honour guard, swung his rifle by the barrel as Gandhi passed in front of him during a visit to the island on July 30, 1987. Gandhi was hit on the back of

A Sri Lankan Tamil woman

the head and left shoulder.

volved in the assassination of Gandhi, is teaching in a Christian school here and went to the school as usual in the morning today.

investigating agencies to be in-

The Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), not finding any similarity between the photographs of the alleged woman assassin and the Sri Lankan Tamil student of the Madras Christian College, Tambaram, has 'dropped the matter', newspaper reports today said.

### **BCS** Assoc letter this threat in the name of the

From Page 1 Col. 2 convener of the coordination committee, the meeting also observed that the services of the Upazila Nirbahi Officers (UNOs) are regulated by the Establishment Ministry, but the letter regarding their transfer was written to the Cabinet Division and it was published in a section of the

The meeting said it was unacceptable and totally condemnable when the letter of the BCS (Administration) Association secretary appeared to be aimed at 'blackmailing' the newly-elected government at the time of national disaster. When the entire nation and the world stood by the cyclone survivors, \* the BCS (Admin) Association secretary general made an unpardonable crime by threatening non-cooperation with the government, the meeting observed. The meeting said the BCS

### people that the whole civil administration was going for non-cooperation with the Government. But in reality this cadre is a small fragment of the civil service and it is not essential for the country's administration as the cadre has no technological experts. The meeting felt that this particular cadre should be renamed as BCS (Land) and BCS

(Magistracy).

cadre services to mislead the

The meeting observed that the Government did not take any decision on the memorandum submitted to the Prime Minister on April 14. The recommendations put forward in the memo should be implemented for eradicating existing anomalies. The meeting also called upon the Government to include technical experts in the Superior Selection Board to give it a complete (Admn) secretary general gave · shape.