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Inside today —

International

President Roh Taewoo ordered a tough crackdown on violent protests on Monday

Commenting on the possible re-alignment of political The 'Star of Bethleparties following the assassinahem' is twinkling, not tion of Rajiv Gandhi, Advani said the rise of the BJP had in the skies of Jerusathrown all political parties into lem, but in the luxuria state of flux and everyone was ous gardens of talking about political realign-

> Advant said the BJP would make a major breakthrough this time outside its traditional strongholds. His party was poised to secure an all-time record number of seats, he

BANGALORE, June 3: The

BJP leader, LK Advant, today

categorically ruled out align-

ment with any political party

after the Lok Sabha election to

form a government at the cen-

ence at the airport here he

also said the BJP was commit-

ted to secularism, as it was the

only system possible in this

country. At the same time the

party was opposed to the pol-

party was poised to secure an

absolute majority in the elec-

tion and there would not be

any hung parliament after the

The BJP leader said his

icy of appeasing minorities.

Addressing a press confer-

tre, reports PTI.

Advant said the Congress which hitherto dominated in Karnataka would score an all time low in this poll.

found no change in the political situation in the country in the aftermath of the killing of Rajiv Gandhi and claimed that if there was any change it was greater enthusiasm for the

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Dynasty devotees look to Rajiv's daughter

Advani changes his face

Referring to the election of PV Narasimha Rao, as ad-hoc President of the Congress (I). he said there was still a widespread apprehension that struggle for leadership in the Congress (I) might lead to a split in the party.

Referring to the accusation that the BJP stole the Congress (I) slogan of 'stability', Advant said since the Congress itself had been rendered instable, the stability slogan had come to it on a platter. The BJP was the only stable party, he said.

The BJP would continue to emphasize on its slogan 'Ram and Roti' because Ram was the symbol of cultural unit and roti meant the party's commitment to provide minimum needs to the people. .

Meanwhile, AP adds, to fervent believers in dynasty. Rajiv Gandhi's death may not be the end. Some are looking to his teen-age daughter as a future leader of India, the fifth generation in the Nehru-Gandhi line.

Priyanka Gandhi has not said a word in public since her Minister, was assassinated May

21. The 19-year-old college student is unlikely to move into political leadership anytime soon - if at all; she's ineligible to run for Parliament until she turns 25.

Visitors who paid condolence calls on the family said she sat quietly on the side. Nor has she answered an appeal to lead the youth wing of the Congress Party.

Yet to some of the hundreds of millions of Indians who watched her illuminated in the flames of her father's funeral pyre, Priyanka is a pillar on which the nation, like her grieving mother, can lean.

Sources close to the Gandhi family say she has "....the fire and spirit of her late grandmother, Indira Gandhi, and a passion for politics," the Indian Express newspaper said Sunday. "She takes a keen interest in parliamentary proceedings and newspapers."

Priyanka has a 20-year-old brother, Rahul, but because of her greater visibility and supposed ambitions she always is mentioned ahead of him as the possible heir to the political

Benazir Bhutto, the former prime minister of Pakistan who attended Rajiv Gandhi's funeral, called Priyanka "dignified like here grandmother" and a person of See Page 10 Col. 7

Dewan Tariq Bin Rashid now

working as PS to the Direc-

torate of the Army Adjutant

dered him as Court witness

and subsequently he was put in

the witness box for deposition.

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evidence with the Museum au-

thority on the mode of pro-

curement of the 30-06 rifle

and that the authority did not

get any licence or document

The Defence lawyers ten-

Deposing before the Tri-

General, Bangladesh.





HEATED CAMPUS: (Top) Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal holding a rally while (bottom) Chhatra League (S-A) brings out a procession Monday, to counter each other on the issue of arrest of two alleged murderer's of Dr Milon and student leader Chunnu. - Star photo

father, the former Prime

Defence has confessed to possessing arms: AG

By Staff Correspondent

Attorney General Aminul Haque submitted at the Special Tribunal on Monday that the Defence had already confessed

The Special Tribunal trying deposed President Ershad for llegally possessing arms resumed the proceedings after 26 days yesterday.

witnesses was caused because of a Writ petition of the Defence in the High Court alleg-

The Defence petition was rejected by the High Court and

The Defence lawyer Strajul Hoque yesterday invoked Article 52 of the Constitution which states that the President of the country shall not be answerable in any court for anything done or omitted by him in the exercise or purported exercise of the functions of his office.

guments, the Prosecution produced the 30-06 rifle which was deposited by the accused at Army Museum. The accused Ershad clai-

med that some bullets of the 30-06 rifle found in his house were inadvertently not handed over with the rifle.

The Defence also produced a duplicate copy of the licence procured from a Magistrate, of

The rifle was brought from the Army Museum by Major

related to the weapon either during its presentation or after. He was examined by both the Defence and the prosecu-Defence Lawyer Strajul

Haque asked him about the voucher of the Army Museum, where there was no column for licences and other documents. Major Tariq said that there

was no mention of licence in See page 2 Col 3

The same court hears the lady and her victim

secretary of the Ministry of Industries and his wife Zeenat Mosharraf were produced at the court of the Divisional Special Judge in Dhaka Monday. They are facing charges of corruption.

the hearing of the petitions. Meanwhile the corruption case against Col (retd) Syed Shahabuddin Ahmed, a former Chairman of the Bangladesh Chemical Industries Corporation (BCIC), has continuing in the same court.

Col (retd) Shahabuddin, was See Page 10 Col. 8

Hands of Shibir men chopped off FATIKCHHARI (Chittagong),

June 3: Right hands of two people, said to be Jamaat-Shibir workers, were nearly chopped off from wrist by rival political activists Monday, reports UNB.

The injured - Nurul Alam, a student of Nazirhat College, and Mafizur Rahman, a businessman - were admitted to the Chittagong Medical College Hospital in critical condition. Nurul Alam also sustained

severe bullet injury. Doctors said hands of both the injured may have to be See Page 10 Col. 7

Brother-in-law of Ershad sent to Barisal jail

By Staff Correspondent

Mustafizur Rahman, brother -in-law of deposed President HM Ershad was transferred to Barisal jail on Monday, jail sources said here.

He was arrested Saturday night from his cantonment residence and put to 120 day's detention under the Special Powers Act.

Mr. Mustafiz was the official representative of Ershad dur-See Page 10 Col. 7

Alleged killers held from MP Hostel sent to jail

By Staff Correspondent

The two alleged, murder ers, arrested from the MP Hostel Sunday were sent to Dhaka Central Jail after being produced at the court of Chief Metropolitan Magistrate on Monday

Shajahan Khan, Commisstoner of Mymensingh Pourashava, and his brother Sultan Khan were arrested from room No.11, block-4, the room of Mosarraf Hossain, an AL-MP from Purbadhala of Mymen-

The arrested two brothers allegedly killed their nephew Avub Khan on Feb 27 this year and since then they were wanted by the police.

More vehicles damaged in city

JCD, BCL processions to counter each other

By DU Correspondent

Two processions were brought out by and rallies were held rival student organisations from the Dhaka University campus on Monday to counter each other on the issue of arrest of alleged murderers, belonging to Awami Leaguebacked Chhatra League (S-A).

No untoward incident, however, occurred when the processionists belonging to pro-BNP Jattyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) and Chhatra League (S-A) paraded the Arts Building area in the morning.

Police arrested Shishir and Guddu, accused in the murder cases of vice-president of Jahurul Haq Hall Students Union Shahidul Islam Chunnu and Dr. Shamsul Alam Milon. from Armanitola area of the city on Sunday.

The JCD procession started from in front of the DUCSU building protesting Chhatra League (S-A) workers' violent activities on Sunday on the campus, demanding release of Shishir and Guddu. The procession followed a rally at the Aparajeyo Bangla. **DUCSU General Secretary**

Khairul Kabir Khokon, Assistant General Secretary Nazimuddin Alam, JCD joint convenor Faziul Huq Milon and other leaders Ali Akkas Nadim, Ilias Ali and Habib-un-Nabi Sohel addressed the rally. They strongly condemned Sunday's violence by Chhatra League (S-A) activists, in which eight vehicles were set ablaze and sev eral others were damaged on and around the campus. They warned against repetition of such incidents in future.

Violence in demand for release of identified killers would not be tolerated on the DU

campus, they cautioned. Sunday's violence has tarnished the image of the student community, they observed and called upon Awami League chief Sheikh Hasina to stop Chhatra League (S-A) activists from such terrorist ac-

See Page 10 Col. 1

Flaws in laws make bank loans overdue

By Shadiuzzaman Khan condition of anonymity. Coordinated efforts are re-

quired to streamline the country's financial sector and recovery of overdue bank loan should be carried out through dialogue, negotiations and appropriate remedial measures by the lending banks.

Some big defaulters have been taking advantage of the loopholes of the existing laws and as such, loan recovery is being delayed and in some cases, becoming very difficult. There is a crying need to reform the law. These views were ex-

pressed by some leading bankers, and executives of chamber bodies, businessmen, industrialists, economists, interviewed by the Daily Star. Some persons interviewed spoke on

The publication of defaulters list in the newspapers caused jitters among various groups of people, mostly at-

tached to trade and industries.

While the Central Bank claimed that there was no ill motive behind publication of the defaulters list, many alleged defaulters said their image in the society has been damaged. Some of them are considering legal action against the central bank.

Various chamber bodies are preparing a joint action plan and holding meetings with the representatives of various trade bodies. They are pected to announce stand in a day or two. See Page 10 Col. 3

More relief needed, says Stackpole

CHITTAGONG, June 3: Kiaj Gen Henry Stackpole, commander of the Joint Task Force (JTF), has said his force has completed its primary mission of reaching relief and rehabilitation materials to the people battered by Apr 29 cyclone. But, he said, people need many more things, reports BSS.

Gen Stackpole was addressing a meeting of officials and newsmen at the Zonal Relief and Rehabilitation Coordination Office at the Zilla Parishad Hall here today.

He praised the democratic progress saying your are a nation with long history.

Bangladesh had patience and determination to overcome the See Page 10 Col. 8

gency commodity loan of 12.2 billion yen (approximately 88.4 million US dollars) to Bangladesh to support postcyclone rehabilitation programme, an Embassy of Japan press release said in Dhaka on Monday, reports Japan is also preparing to

extend grant assistance amounting to 20 million US dollars to the cyclone reconstruction project of the World Bank, which is being prepared under Bank's fiscal 1992 programme, it added.

20 million US dollars as cy-See Page 10 Col. 2

Hasina leaves

Awami League chief and Leader of the Opposition in Parliament Sheikh Hasina left Dhaka Monday morning for Singapore by Bangladesh Biman for check-up and

some days. Party sources told the Daily Star that Sheikh Hasina's stay in Singapore will depend on the advice of doctors there.

However, she is expected to return home within a week, they said. Before leaving, Shetkh Hasina appealed to the people to pray for her quick recovery. She also asked AL workers to

continue relief activities for the people affected by recent 7 in a befitting manner. The central leaders of AL

were present at the airport to see her off.

asked to respect democratic norms

Secretary General of Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) Abdus Salam Talukdar Monday called upon the teachers of the highest educational institution to show more democratic behaviour in the greater interest of the nation, reports

in a statement Salam Talukdar said we are shocked at a news item that an adjourned meeting of the Teachers' Association was held on June 1 to discuss the recent incident that took place in Dhaka University. Some teachers attacked Dr S M Lutfar See Page 10 Col. 7

Sajeda's surprise over Suranjit's statements

Choudhury. MP, expressed her statements made by Suranjit Sengupta, MP, about AL and its leader at a press conference

Sajeda Chowdhury pointed out that on hearing about the

Deng pats Zhao on eve of democracy movement anniversary "every attention be paid to a Police, some with bayonets "Zhao Ziyang's main fault corners. There was a heavy It added that the top Chibatch of reactionary elements was supporting the student-led attached to their rifles, circled presence of plainclothes police nese leader also made a recurrently lying low... and who in the square throughout the

HONGKONG, June 3: Top Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping has commended Zhao Ziyang. the party chief purged during the 1989 China turmoil, for his role in the reform policy, a China-watching magazine here

hearing of their bail petitions.

said today. "If you call me the chief architect of the open reform policy, then Zhao Ziyang should be counted the chief engineer. You do not negate him," Nineties monthly quoted Deng as saying in its latest

Satfuddin Ahmed Manik. The report, quoting a source in Beijing, said the statement was made to several unidentified party veterans and Politburo members before a Chinese Communist Party conference late last year.

turmoil. Zhao is (otherwise) clever and had a lot of contacts," Deng reportedly said, adding, "If we negate all past leaders, our party will have no history." On the same occasion Deng

-Star photo

also re-evaluated the performance of Zhao's predecessor. Hu Yaobang, whose death in April 1989 sparked the democracy movement which ended with the bloody military

crackdown on June 4 that "It was a pity that Hu Yaobang died so early. This person did some stilly things, but never bad things," Deng was quoted as saying. The report did not elaborate.

mark about Premier Li Peng which the magazine saw as "far less favourable" than those he made regarding Zhao and Hu "Li Peng has made progress after a few years' training." Deng reportedly said. Police patrolled Beijing's most politically active univer-

sity and kept a watchful eye on Tiananmen Square on Monday, the anniversary of the crushing of a pro-democracy movement. Although small protests broke out at Beijing University

last week, all was quiet on Monday. Students at the university have historically been politically active and were at the forefront of the prodemocracy movement.

the university, while inside the campus students played badminton and strolled around a A large police van drove about the campus in the

evening. Plainclothes police patrolled inside and outside About a dozen uniformed

and plainclothes police were at the subway stop nearest the university, apparently trying to monitor those coming into the area and prevent the gathering of a crowd. About 200 uniformed police

remained posted at its

has issued an order calling for a watch to be kept on reactionary elements ahead of the second anniversary of the Beiifing massacre, a newspaper here reported today. The confidential document,

Li Peng, was circulated to political units and security forces

are secretly strengthening their organisational activities to create turmoil anew at the slightest excuse. "Some of them we used to call comrades. They used to

hold senior posts but . . . have been drugged and blinded by western civilisation and democracy and have walked to the opposite side of the masses," Jiang reportedly wrote. "The situation described.

above is not sensational and not aimed toscare, we must rub clear our eyes" to stage "an absolute struggle, " according to the document whose full contents Sing Tao claimed it published.

By Staff Correspondent The General Secretary of Awami League, Begum Sajeda

press on Monday, she said Suranjit Sengupta's settlements would weaken the struggle to establish a sovereign Parliament according to the framework of the joint declaration of the three

See Page 10 Col. 4

General Secretary of the Communist Party in a press release on Monday condemned the attack on Suranjit Sengupta on May 30. He said such an act is against any democratic norms.

Page 5 Metropolitan Dhaka Day by Day

Article

Soon the courts in

South Africa will

decide whether to

grant Winnie Mandela

leave to appeal aga-

inst the verdict of

guilty and sentence

of six years

in jail

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Feature

Development

Home garden scheme

promotes nutrition

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NEWS BRIEFS

Volcano erupts

in Japan

eruption hurled gas, ash and

lava from a volcano in south

western Japan on Monday, in-

juring at least 20, leaving an

other 18 missing and forcing

thousands to flee their homes,

Postal link with

Kuwait restored

ngladesh and Kuwait has been

resumed, an official handout

said in Dhaka Monday night

However, the parcel service

has not yet been resumed, the

Israeli air raid

in Lebanon

Four Israeli warplanes attacked

a Palestinian guerilla position

near the southern Lebanese

port city of Sidon on Monday,

setting the target on fire, po-

Nine killed

in Pak firing

nine people were killed in two

gun battles between Tribes-

men in Pakistan's southern

Sind province, police said to-

French lose faith

in journalists

an opinion poll 67 per cent in

France have no faith in journal-

ists. The figure is even higher

in Paris-71 per cent, reports

Manik condemns

attack on Suranjit

By Staff Correspondent

PARIS, June 3: According to

day, reports Reuter.

KARACHI, June 3: At least

lice reported, says AP.

SIDON (Lebanon), June 3:

handout said.

Postal service between Ba

police said, reports AP.

TOKYO, June 3: A violent

the city Page 3

The BJP leader said he

The Attorney General however said that two DBBL guns. three empty guns and some

to possessing the arms and ammunition produced as subject matters in Ershad's arms

bullets of the 0.22-bore may be exempted under the Arms Act

sumption of the Special Tribunal after the deposition of

The 26-day delay in re-

ing a 'biassed' Tribunal Judge.

Ershad's arms case arguments begin

subsequently by the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court.

At the beginning of the ar-

Former Industries Secretary Mosharraf Hossain and his

wife Zeenat Mosharraf, both of whom are detained in the

Central Jail, were produced before the District Special

Tribunal Monday. The tribunal has fixed June 9 for the

By Staff Correspondent Mosharraf Hossain, former

Bail petitions were moved at the court on behalf of Mosharraf and Zeenat, who have been under custody. The court fixed June 9 for

were at the north end of the Tiananmen Square and uniformed officers in police cars

Zemin's order Chinese Communist Party Secretary General Jiang Zemin

also signed by Chinese Premier

in the Chinese capital on May 30, the Sing Tao evening daily The report, quoting no sources, said Jiang urged that

He said that the people of

Japan pledges \$ 88.4 mllion commodity loan

Japan has pledged emer-

Japan has so far committed

for Singapore By Staff Correspondent

treatment there. Sheikh Hasina has been suffering from ulcerative colitis and low blood pressure for

cyclone, tidal surge and flood The AL chief directed the party to observe historic June

Varsity teachers

surprise at the "uncalled for" recently. In a statement issued to the