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 June 23 and June 25 has been
 declared public holiday under
 executive orders. The second
 day following the Eid day --
 June 26 has been declared as
 optional holiday.
 Holiday on June 22 an-
 nounced earlier, will remain in
 force on special consideration,
 an official handout added, re-
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10 years RI for
keeping rockets
 CHITTAGONG, June 16:
 Additional District and Ses-
 sions Judge of Chittagong,
 Rafiqur Rahman Patwary, today
 awarded 10 years RI to one
 Khorshed Alam for keeping
 high explosive rockets and
 other lethal weapon, reports
 BBS.

Shots fired at
Benazir's house
 KARACHI, June 16: Gunmen
 shadowing former Pakistan
 Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto
 fired shots in the air when
 she stepped out of her home
 and escaped. "Some unidenti-
 fied gunmen have fired shots
 near her Bilawal house."

JN College closed sine die : Hostel rooms set on fire : Over 100 injured

Two students killed in night-long gunbattle

By Staff Correspondent

Two students were shot dead and over 100 injured in a night-long gunbattle Saturday between the activists of pro-BNP Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) and Awami League-backed Bangladesh Chhatra League (S-A) at the Government Jagannath College in the city.

Authorities closed the college indefinitely and asked the resident students to vacate the hostels Sunday morning.

The dead were identified as Muniruzzaman alias Munir of the Political Science Department, belonging to JCD and Manab Kanta Dey alias Swapan, a 3rd year student of the Accounting Department, of BCL (S-A).

The injured persons also including at least 10 policemen including the Assistant Commissioner of Kotwali, Sutrapur Nurul Alam and Kotwali officer-in-charge, Hamidul Huq. Constable Jalaluddin, one of the three seriously injured policemen, was admitted to the PG Hospital while constable Barua and habilder Suraj Miah were admitted to the Rajarbagh Police Hospital.

Of the wounded students, 11 were admitted to the Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH) and three to the Sir Salimullah Medical College Hospital (SSMCH).

Our DMCH correspondent said, 50 others were given first aid at the DMCH. The students undergoing treatment at the DMCH are : Aminul (BCL), Copin (BCL), Kazi Nazrul Islam (BCL), Kamaluddin Arab (BCL), Kazi Sirajul Islam (BCL), GM Eddis Ali of Chhatra Samity, Farhad Chowdhury (BCL, N-S), Abdullah Al-Hossain (BCL), Serajul Islam (BCL), Binoy Sarkar (JCD) and Jahangir (unidentified).

Of them, Copin and Farhad received bullet injuries.

According to SSMCH correspondent, three were admitted to and 28 others given first aid at the SSMCH. The injured students were identified as

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Congress - I tops early returns

NEW DELHI, June 16: The Congress Party, ejected from power 19 months ago under a cloud of scandal, appeared Sunday to the riding back to office on a tide of public disillusion with the two ineffective governments that replaced it, report agencies.

Some leaders also attributed Congress revival to a wave of sympathy following the assassination of its leader, former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi.

Early returns indicated the Congress will fall short of a majority and will have to find partners for a coalition.

But unlike in the 1989 elec-

Total No of seats	543
Seats for which counting began	511
Results announced	108
Congress-I	70
BJP	29
Janata Dal	1
CPI(M)	1
Others	7
Projected trends in 405 seats	
Congress-I	191
BJP	94
J.D	38
CPM	24
Others	58

(Source: National Television)

Passage of supplementary budget delayed

By Staff Correspondent

Finance Minister Saifur Rahman said on Sunday that gradual reduction of dependence on foreign aid was necessary to lead the country towards self-reliance.

Rounding up the discussion on the supplementary budget in the Jatiya Sangsad (Parliament) yesterday Saifur Rahman said that the nation would have to decide whether it wanted development or not. He said that without increasing taxes self-reliance could not be achieved.

"The people of the country will have to sacrifice a lot to bring about a financial discipline and lead the country towards prosperity," he added.

He said that the supplementary expenditure of 463 crore Taka including only Taka 10 crore against revenue expenditure was spent during the rule of Ershad and the last six months of the interim government and the present government.

He said that most of the money was spent for development activities and that the members should be glad the spending did not involve any non-development sector.

The Finance Minister said that to give continuity to the development activities of the country the present government would have to pass the budget and democracy.

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Seen from the Gallery
 Reazuddin Ahmed
 Finance Minister Saifur Rahman won the battle but lost the war. He earned applause from both the treasury and opposition benches in Parliament on Sunday for making an impressive speech on the Budget and democracy.
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Press Note

All urged to maintain law and order

The government expects that all concerned quarters will extend their cooperation towards its efforts for maintaining law and order by showing their tolerance and patience, reports BBS.

In a Press Note issued in Dhaka Sunday night by the Home Ministry regarding the last night's armed clashes between two rival student groups in Jagannath University College, the government said that two students named Maniruz-

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Hasina condemns Manab's killing

By Staff Correspondent

Awami League Chief and Leader of the Opposition in Parliament Sheikh Hasina has condemned the killing of Manab Kanti Dey Swapan, a Chhatra League (S-A) leader and student of Jagannath University College.

She demanded immediate arrest of the killers and exemplary punishment for them.

In a statement Sunday, Sheikh Hasina alleged that the armed hooligans belonging to Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal attacked Dr Milon Hostel of Jagannath College Saturday night and killed the BCL leader. She deplored the inaction of police forces during the attack.

Sheikh Hasina said that terrorist activities are being carried out all over the country including the campus under the aegis of ruling BNP since it came to power.

BNP will place Amendment Bill after Eid

By Moinuddin Naser

The constitution amendment bill to introduce parliamentary democracy will be placed before the Jatiya Sangsad after the Eid vacation of the current session, according to a highly placed source.

It was expected that the ruling party would place the bill before the JS on or before June 18, the day the Prime Minister Khaleda Zia leaves for Beijing on a five-day visit.

However, the source said that the presentation of the bill will be delayed as its fine points have not yet been finalised.

The current session of Parliament will be adjourned June 20 to resume June 26, according to the Parliament sources.

BNP Secretary General Barrister Salam Talukder said that it would take time to place the bill, a vital one for the future of our nation.

Meanwhile the opposition MPs enthusiastic about the constitution amendment bill have asked the Prime Minister to discuss the bill in the Business Executive Committee as it was a bill of common interest both for the Opposition and the Treasury Bench members.

Before introduction of the bill in the House it would have to be certified by the President and it would take time to ob-

tain his clearance, a BNP source said.

Meanwhile a Parliament Secretariat source said that the private members bills related to the amendment to the Constitution notified by the Awami League leader Abdus Samad Azad and the Workers Party leader Rashed Khan Menon had been passed by the House Committee. But the source said that those would require the certificate of the President before being presented in the House.

Deputy Leader of the Opposition Abdus Samad Azad told the Daily Star that the Awami League would move the bill in due time to record it in the proceedings of Parliament.

Awami League sources said that they would have no objection in passing the amendment bill if it was brought on the basis of a true parliamentary democracy.

The Awami League sources said that there was no instance of the provision of including one fifth of the members of the cabinet from non-MPs in the history of parliamentary democracy.

But BNP members and the Workers Party said that there was provision of including non-MPs in the cabinet in many Scandinavian countries and even in Japan.

They said that it would not be wise to omit the present provision of the Constitution to include members in the cabinet from non-MPs.

However all these arguments should be resolved before introduction of the bill, the Opposition MPs have already told the members of the Treasury Bench.

According to a reliable source the Prime Minister may sit with the Opposition MPs to discuss the issue before the introduction of the bill as it is of great national importance.

Hundreds become homeless Part of Sirajganj bundh washed away

Hundreds of villagers became homeless as vast areas suddenly went under water after the surging Jamuna washed away part of the flood control embankment in Sirajganj Sunday, reports UNB.

In greater Sylhet, the flood situation is likely to deteriorate in the next 24 hours while monsoon flooding also started in other parts of the country following heavy rainfall.

Officials and villagers said about 200 feet of the old em-

bankment near Sonali Bazar in Sirajganj Sadar upazila was damaged by the gushing water of the Jamuna which inundated nearby low areas.

Catchment area of river Jamuna experienced heavy downpour during the last 48 hours, causing abrupt rise in its water level.

The Jamuna, now flowing 75 cm below flood level, may cross its danger mark at some points in the next two days, See Page 10 Col. 6

Walkout over Speaker's remark

By Staff Correspondent

The Jatiya Sangsad witnessed an unruly scene leading to a walk out by opposition members except those of Jamaat, over a trifling matter.

The situation developed when some Awami League members led by Tofael Ahmed refused to listen to Shipping Minister M K Anwar who rose on a point of clarification.

Earlier during the question hour Tofael Ahmed in a supplementary question to Civil Aviation Minister Abdul Mannan sought to know if M K Anwar was in the committee that had decided to purchase ATP aircrafts which are now grounded.

In reply Abdul Mannan first said MK Anwar was the only member in that committee who had opposed the purchase of ATP aircrafts. But Suranjit Sengupta and Tofael raised objections saying this was not the information sought through the supplementary.

Abdul Mannan then said MK Anwar was in the committee. With that the Speaker ended the question hour.

MK Anwar then rose on a point of clarification and Speaker Abdul Rahman Biswas gave him the floor. Tofael Ahmed and half a dozen opposition MPs stood up at a time shouting at MK Anwar and the Speaker.

At this stage the Deputy Leader of the House Dr See Page 10 Col. 1

Compulsory pry education from '92

Implementation of compulsory primary education will begin from the first day of the next calendar year (January 1, 1992), reports UNB.

This was decided by the Council of Ministers at a meeting held Sunday night at Bangabhaban with Acting President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed in the chair.

Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia and other members of the Council of Ministers attended the meeting.

Khaleda calls for movement against drug addiction

Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia Sunday called for building massive social movement to liberate the nation from the curse of drug addiction, a malaise eating into the vitals of the society, reports UNB.

She was talking to a delegation of Bangladesh Anti-Drug Federation led by its President M A Jalil who called on Begum Zia at her secretariat.

Other members of the delegation were Mosaddek Ali patron, Shahidullah Khan and Khabiruddin Ahmed advisors, Matur Rahman, Michael B Malo and Salauddin Ahmed, General Secretary, of the Federation.

The Prime Minister said it was not only unscrupulous traders who were indulging in drug trafficking and its misuse but also some vested quarters who were out to mislead the

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China visit will help govt, Beijing know each other

Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia leaves Dhaka Tuesday morning on a three-day official goodwill visit to China, reports UNB.

She will be accompanied by a 20-member entourage during the visit which takes place at the invitation of Chinese Prime Minister Li Peng. The entourage includes Foreign Minister A S M Mostafizur Rahman, State Minister of Energy and Mineral Resources Dr K Mosharraf Hossain, Members of Parliament Jahanara Begum, Amanullah

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JP rejoins JS today

By Staff Correspondent

Jatiya Party MPs will rejoin the Jatiya Sangsad (Parliament) sittings from today, acting leader of the JP Parliamentary Party Barrister Moudud Ahmed said here on Sunday.

Briefing newsmen after a meeting of the JP Parliamentary Party Moudud Ahmed, a former Vice-President and Prime Minister, said his party would keep up movement both inside and

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1200 troops will go to Kuwait

Twelve hundred men of the armed forces will go to Kuwait within a month to take part in the reconstruction of that country ravaged in the Gulf war, said Agriculture Minister Majedul Huq in Parliament Sunday, reports UNB.

In a written reply to Musharraf Hussain during question hour he said they will go to Kuwait for one year under a protocol signed between the two countries. But the period of their stay may be extended, he added.

White panel wins three DU Deans

By Staff Correspondent

Election to the six posts of Deans of Faculties of Dhaka University was held Sunday.

Candidates belonging to the 'white panel' of the teachers were elected in three out of six posts.

Candidates blessed by the 'blue' and 'pink' panels won one post each while an independent candidate was also elected.

The newly elected Deans See Page 10 Col. 2

IJI happy over US move to twin aid with N-free India

ISLAMABAD, June 16: Pakistan's ruling coalition has welcomed a move by the United States to link future aid to India to certification that it does not possess nuclear weapons, official sources said today, reports AFP.

The Islamic democratic alliance (IJI) adopted a resolution Saturday welcoming a largely symbolic vote by the US house of representatives to suspend 22 million dollars in aid to India pending certification by President George Bush that it has no nuclear weapons.

Washington suspended some 600 million dollars in annual military and economic aid to Pakistan in October 1990 on suspicion that Islamabad's nuclear programme was weapons oriented.

Pakistan has called the decision discriminatory, as aid to India was unaffected.

The IJI meeting, chaired by Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif, welcomed Thursday's vote as widening the scope of the Pressler amendment, which bans US aid to countries suspected of manufacturing nuclear weapons, official sources said.

IJI sources here said the vote was a vindication of Pakistan's goal of making South Asia a nuclear-free zone and added that Washington could use its influence to bring Pakistan and India to such an agreement.

But the US Senate must first adopt its version of the house bill before Mr Bush can sign it into law, a prospect sources in Washington said was unlikely.

India rejected a Pakistani proposal this month for a five-nation summit on nuclear non-proliferation in South Asia, calling it a propaganda ploy.

Neither country has signed the nuclear non-proliferation treaty although both have the capability of producing nuclear weapons.

Islamabad suggested that the United States, the Soviet Union and China consult and meet with India and Pakistan to resolve the issue of nuclear proliferation in South Asia.

The house vote came during a visit to the United States by a high-level Pakistani delegation led by Senate Chairman Wasim Sajjad which met with senior US officials, including Secretary of State James Baker.

Reports here said the US administration had endorsed Islamabad's proposal for a nuclear summit. Sources said the mission failed to secure an immediate resumption of aid to Pakistan. Although the two sides agreed to continue talks.

But Mr Sharif told the IJI meeting that "whether the aid