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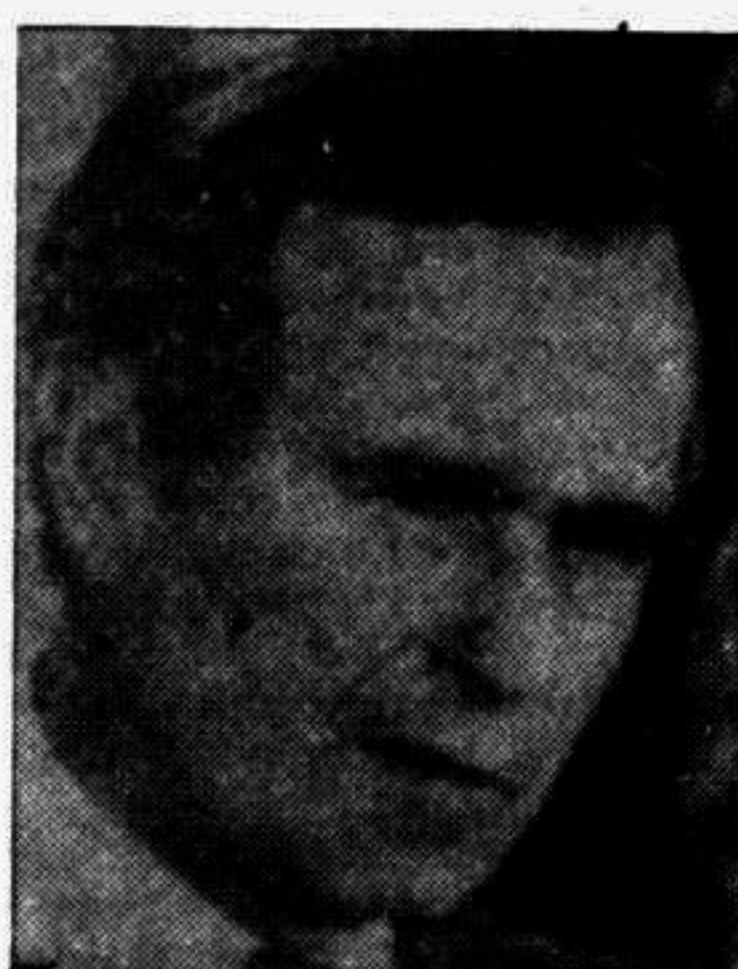
MOSCOW, Sept 28: The Komsomol, the Soviet Communist Party's once-mighty youth movement, voted at an emergency congress on Saturday to dissolve itself, reports Reuters.

Rickshaw strike in Rajshahi

RAJSHAH, Sept 28: Rickshaw pullers will observe dawn-to-dusk strike in the town tomorrow (Sunday) to press home their demand for taking measures against plying of unlicensed rickshaws, reports UNB.

A historic move towards global peace: World leaders

All US battlefield N-weapons will be eliminated, says Bush



President Bush: The collapse of communism has inspired the most fundamental change in nuclear forces.

WASHINGTON, Sept 28: President George Bush, announcing a series of dramatic actions to lower nuclear-era military tensions, said Friday night he is eliminating all US battlefield nuclear weapons and called on Moscow to make a matching gesture, reports AP.

The president said the collapse of communism has inspired "the most fundamental change in nuclear forces in over 40 years" and he urged the Soviet Union to quickly negotiate a ban on the most dangerous atomic weapons of all: land-based, long-range missiles armed with multiple warheads.

Bush directed that effective immediately, US strategic

bomber would "stand down from their alert posture." Those warplanes have been flying rotating missions throughout the Cold War years.

Soviet President Gorbachev said Saturday that President Bush's sweeping proposal to reduce the US nuclear arsenal "promises a serious movement toward a nuclear-free world."

Gorbachev, speaking on national television, had no concrete counter proposal but called Bush's plan "very positive."

"What I have to say is all these proposals are too massive for us to be able to give an assessment of them at the moment," Gorbachev said, noting that the US proposal was a unilateral one, though Bush's

urged a "bold" Soviet response.

Gorbachev said Bush's proposals were part of a process begun at previous US-Soviet summit meetings in Switzerland, Iceland, Washington, Moscow and Malta.

US strategic bombers and older long-range ballistic missiles were ordered off alert status Saturday following President Bush's pledge to scale down America's nuclear arsenal.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney ordered the "stand-down" to implement Bush's dramatic move.

The Minuteman intercontinental ballistic missiles had been scheduled to be deactivated.

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PM asks high officials to work hard

Govt wants efficient, corruption-free administration

Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia Saturday said her government would build an honest, efficient, corruption-free and people-oriented administration to take the nation on the road to progress and prosperity, reports BSS.

"We want to present the people a good government which will work for their welfare," Begum Zia told the first-ever meeting with the secretaries and additional secretaries of different ministries and divisions at the Prime Minister's secretariat Saturday morning after assuming the office of the chief executive of the country.

Begum Zia said people's expectation from this government was high because they voted it to power after ousting

the autocratic regime. "We all must work hard with sincerity and dedication to deliver the goods to the people fulfilling their hopes and aspirations."

She said both the government and the administration should be made accountable and work with close cooperation for the total success of all uplift programmes.

A calm and determined Begum Zia said: "We want to establish a happy, prosperous and self-reliant Bangladesh with the help and support of the administration, peoples' representatives and leadership of the local areas." She asked the officials to extend all-out cooperation and serve the country and the people with sincerity upholding national

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ATP hearing not held as Judge stays absent

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The hearing in the Corruption case against former President H M Ershad and there others regarding purchase of three ATP (Advanced Turbo Prop) aircraft could not be held yesterday because of the absence of the Judge, reports BSS.

A notice was pasted on the Court wall which said that the Judge of the Special Tribunal Mohammad Habibullah, would not be present Saturday. It, however, did not say when the Judge would be available to resume the proceedings. It was learnt that Judge Habibullah is now on leave.

However, Ershad and former Industries Secretary A K M Mosharraf Hussain now in the Central Jail, were intimidated that the Court would not be held.

Former Minister for Civil Aviation H M A Gaffar one of the accused came to the Court to register his presence. The other accused former Minister Ziauddin Ahmed Bablu, however, did not turn up.

JP divided, CPB still undecided over Justice Choudhury's candidature

By Staff Correspondent

The Awami League has not yet succeeded in projecting Justice Badrul Haider Choudhury as the consensus candidate of the Opposition in the October 8 presidential election.

Justice Badrul Haider Choudhury, however, told The Daily Star on Saturday that "My attempt to have a consensus will not be absolutely irrelevant. It will have some relevance."

BNP leaders on their part appeared in no mood to discuss the candidature of anybody from outside the party for the post of president.

There appeared two shades of opinion in the Jatiya Party. One of those was favouring abstention during the voting on two considerations: a) JP was consulted by none before the September 25 nomination of candidates, and b) Justice Choudhury had through his judgement on the Eighth Amendment to the Constitution greatly tarnished the image of the Jatiya Party. The other shade of opinion was in favour of siding with the opposition candidate.

On Saturday AL leaders started having bilateral talks with the opposition political parties represented in parliament to enlist their support for Justice Choudhury.

The AL Central Working Committee in a 2-day emergency meeting that ended Saturday had earlier decided that the party leaders should persuade other opposition political parties to support the candidature of Justice Choudhury.

Since other opposition parties were not consulted before

the submission of the nomination paper, decision was taken at the ALWC meeting to give the idea of putting up a consensus candidate from the opposition a concrete shape through dialogue.

There was a meeting between leaders of the Awami League and the Communist Party of Bangladesh at the latter's office.

CPB leaders told the AL leaders that the issue was not yet discussed at their party level. The CPB central secretariat is expected to meet today (Sunday) to take a decision in this regard.

A ranking AL leader said that he hoped the CPB would lend its total support to the candidature of Justice Choudhury.

AL leaders will have meetings with leaders of the Jatiya Party, Jamaat, National Awami Party and Ganatantri Party today. They expect the Jatiya Party MPs in Parliament to vote for Justice Badrul Haider Choudhury. AL leaders appeared not sure about the support of the Jamaat-e-Islami.

A BNP leader said that the leaders of his party had exchanged ideas with the leaders of the Jamaat before finalising the nomination of Abdur Rahman Biswas. And thus it was most unlikely that Jamaat MPs would side with the Awami League in the election.

A ranking CPB leader was of the opinion that the approaches employed by major parties were not conducive to the putting up of a consensus candidate in the presidential election. Their methods were

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Members of the 'Udichi', a cultural organisation, brought at a colourful procession in the city on Saturday marking its annual conference.

New pay scale from this month unlikely

Star Report

The employees of government, semi-government and autonomous bodies are unlikely to get enhanced salary from this month as per the new pay scale due to delay in publication of the gazette notification of the cabinet decision.

The gazette notification has been delayed due to the slow process in translating the conditions in the new modified pay scale from English to Bangla.

When contacted, a Finance Ministry source told The Daily Star that the employees would hopefully get salary under the new pay scale from November 1 and the cabinet decisions would be effective from the middle of October with the publication of the gazette notification.

The source said that with the publication of the gazette notification the employees would be able to draw the arrears of the enhanced pay from July 1.

In pursuance of a cabinet decision the employees were awarded a pay hike on the basis of recommendations of the Pay Commission report with effect from July 1.

Other allowances including TA and DA will be given to the employees as per the rate prevalent between June 30, 1991 and June 1, 1992. The allowances are due to be paid at 25 per cent higher rate from June, 1992.

The pay hike will be effected on the basis of all the conditions incorporated in the modified national scale of 1985. The details of the modified national scale were drafted in English.

The Act 1 of 1987 prohibits use of English in all sorts of government communications and also court proceedings. Therefore the Finance Ministry is now engaged in translating details of the modified national scale of 1985 into Bangla.

About a week ago a high-powered committee was formed by the government to work out the quick implementation of the national pay scale. The committee would also hear representations from any aggrieved government officials.

Another sub-committee headed by a senior officer of the Finance Ministry has also been formed.

300 OP-1 winners begin hunger strike

By Staff Correspondent

Some 300 US OP-1 immigration lottery winners who failed to get visas due to the early suspension of the programme in Bangladesh started a three-day token hunger strike in front of the National Press Club on Saturday.

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Mob sets ablaze police camp in Sylhet

SYLHET, Sept 28: Mob set ablaze a police camp here today protesting an incident in which an autorickshaw driver sustained bullet injury after he was allegedly shot at for defying police order, reports UNB.

The autorickshaw of driver Abdul Mannan (40) was also allegedly damaged by police at Hamidnagar near Osmani airport.

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Half-day hartal observed in Rangpur

From Our Correspondent.

RANGPUR, Sept 28: A total half-day hartal was observed in Rangpur today in response to call by JSD-backed Bangladesh Chhatra League (N-S) to protest the killing of one of its leading members Habibuzzaman Habib at Pinnu Hostel of Rangpur Medical College on Wednesday mid-

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Students protesting Rangpur killing burn vehicle on DU campus

By DU Correspondent

Activists of JSD (Inu) backed Chhatra League (N-S) set ablaze a pick-up van and damaged two cars on the Dhaka University campus Saturday evening protesting the killing of fellow activist Habibuzzaman Habib at a Rangpur Medical College

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20 injured in fresh clashes at Adamjee

From Our Correspondent

NARAYANGANJ, Sept 28: At least 20 persons were injured in renewed clashes between rival groups of workers at the Adamjee Jute Mills premises today.

Witnesses said, about 10 to 15 cracker blasts were heard during the two-hour-long clash

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Five upazilas inundated as flood situation in Pabna deteriorates

By Staff Correspondent

The official record of the deaths from diarrhoea rose to 727 till Saturday and the number of people attacked with the disease was 41,053.

Saturday's figures included 86 deaths and 5139 attacked in four more districts since September 1. The districts are Sylhet, Sunamganj, Habiganj and Moulvibazar that yesterday came under the government's monitoring cell in Dhaka.

Official records are being kept since September 1. Official record of fresh deaths

was 31 and people attacked 2400 from the 27 flood-stricken districts including the four districts during last 24 hours ending Saturday morning.

Of the 86 deaths in the four new districts, 47 were reported from Moulvibazar, 15 each from Sylhet and Sunamganj and nine from Habiganj.

According to an official report, diarrhoea was widespread in Nilphamari district where 457 were attacked by the disease during the last 24

hours.

Meanwhile, the government has mobilised manpower and medicines in the diarrhoea affected areas in the flood-hit districts.

Ministers, high officials including an Additional Secretary of the Health Ministry have been deputed to guide and supervise relief and medical activities in the affected areas.

A total of 2089 medical teams with 1262 doctors is working round the clock to

check the spread of diarrhoea and other water-borne diseases, officials said.

The directorate of the health control cell monitoring the diarrhoea situation in Dhaka said it was also advising the district authorities to take adequate measures so that the disease could not spread further.

Meanwhile UNB reports from Pabna: Fresh flood inundated five upazilas of the district, rendering about five lakh

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গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার
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বিষয়: জি, আই, আর, সার্টিফিকেট প্রদান প্রসঙ্গে।

কোন কোন মহল হইতে এই অভিযোগ পাওয়া যাইতেছে যে, আয়কর অফিস হইতে কর কর্মকর্তা কর্তৃক জি, আই, আর, সার্টিফিকেট প্রদানে বিলম্ব হইতেছে। বিষয়টি পরীক্ষান্তে জাতীয় রাজস্ব বোর্ড সংশ্লিষ্ট সকলের অবগতির জন্য জানাইতেছে যে, আয়কর সার্কেল অফিসে কোন করদাতা জি, আই, আর, সার্টিফিকেটের জন্য দরখাস্ত করিলে দরখাস্ত দাখিলের ৪ দিনের মধ্যে সংশ্লিষ্ট কর কর্মকর্তা কর্তৃক উক্ত সার্টিফিকেট প্রদান করিতে হইবে। এই ব্যাপারে কোন অনিয়ম ঘটিলে সংশ্লিষ্ট আবেদনকারী সরাসরি জাতীয় রাজস্ব বোর্ডের প্রথম সচিব (কর-১) এর নিকট তাহা লিখিতভাবে জানাইলে যথাযথ ব্যবস্থা গ্রহণ করা হইবে।

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 ১৯৯১-৯২ কর বৎসরের জন্য
আয়কর রিটার্ন দাখিল

কোম্পানী ব্যতীত সমুদয় করদাতাগণের জন্য ১৯৯১-৯২ কর বৎসরের রিটার্ন/হনিদারনী পদ্ধতিতে রিটার্ন দাখিলের সময় সীমা ১৫ই সেপ্টেম্বর, ১৯৯১ হইতে ১৫ই অক্টোবর ১৯৯১ ইং তারিখ পর্যন্ত বর্ধিত করা হয়েছে। বিদ্যমান আয় করদাতাগণ ছাড়াও যাদের মোট আয় বিগত আয় বৎসরে ৪০ হাজার টাকার অধিক ছিল তাদের উক্ত সময়ের মধ্যে রিটার্ন দাখিল এবং রিটার্ন অনুযায়ী দেয় কর পরিশোধ করতে হবে।

আয়কর রিটার্ন ফর্ম সকল জেলার প্রধান ডাকঘর থেকে সংগ্রহ করা যাবে। হনিদারনী পদ্ধতির আওতাভুক্ত করদাতাগণ প্রচলিত আয়কর রিটার্ন ফর্ম "হনিদারনী" শব্দটি লিখে ব্যবহার করতে পারবেন। হনিদারনী পদ্ধতির আওতায় পুরাতন আয়করদাতাগণের ক্ষেত্রে আয়ের উর্দ্ধসীমা ১০ লাখ টাকা এবং নতুন করদাতাগণের ক্ষেত্রে হনিদারনী পদ্ধতির আওতায় আয়ের উর্দ্ধসীমা ১ লাখ ২৫ হাজার টাকা। এই পদ্ধতিতে ব্যবসায় নিয়োজিত নতুন করদাতাগণের জন্য কোন প্রশ্ন না করে ২ লাখ টাকা পর্যন্ত প্রারম্ভিক মূলধন গ্রহণ করার ব্যবস্থা আছে। তবে এইরূপ করদাতাগণ যদি প্রারম্ভিক মূলধন ক্ষুদ্র অথবা কুটির শিল্পে বিনিয়োগ করেন সে ক্ষেত্রে ৩ লাখ টাকা পর্যন্ত মূলধন কোন প্রশ্ন না করে গ্রহণ করা হবে।

পেশাজীবীগণের মধ্যে যারা হিসাবের খাতাপত্র রাখেন এইরূপ করদাতাগণের ক্ষেত্রে হনিদারনী পদ্ধতির সুবিধা বলবৎ আছে।

১৯৯১-৯২ কর বৎসরে কর হার ব্যক্তি শ্রেণীর করদাতার বেলায় মোট আয়ের ৪০ হাজার টাকার উর্ধ্বে অবশিষ্ট আয়ের এক তৃতীয়াংশের বেশী হবে না।

সরকার আশা করেন যে, আয়করদাতাগণ তাদের সঠিক আয় ঘোষণা করে যথাসময়ে আয়কর রিটার্ন দাখিল করবেন।

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