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Public meeting banned

MYMENSINGH, Oct 6: The district administration today banned public meetings and processions and imposed 144 CR PC at Shambhugonj bridge area to avert possible clash between supporters of the Jatiya Party (JP) and the BNP.

BNP consolidates position: ALPP decides to back Badrul Presidential poll tomorrow

By Staff Correspondent

With only 24 hours left for the presidential election, both the BNP and the Awami League parliamentary parties held meetings on Sunday.

The parties worked out strategies to muster support for their respective presidential candidates, Abdul Rahman Biswas of the BNP and Justice Badrul Haider Chowdhury, the AL nominee.

The Jatiya Party Parliamentary Party (JPPP) also held a meeting on the day. The JPPP will also meet again on Tuesday morning. The Jamaat Parliamentary Party will hold its meeting today at 11 am at the Sangsad Bhaban. The election will take place at the

Sangsad Bhaban from 2 pm to 5 pm Tuesday.

The meeting of the BNP Parliamentary Party (BNPPP) held at the Committee Room No 1 at the Sangsad Bhaban with Prime Minister and BNP chairperson Khaleda Zia in the chair, reviewed the political situation including presidential election and came out confident of winning it.

Four MPs either ill or outside Dhaka were absent in the meeting. They are State Minister Fazlur Rahman Patal, Amanullah Aman, Azrul Haque and Ziaur Rahman.

The meeting was addressed by Environment and Livestock Minister Abdullah Al Noman,

Farida Hasnain MP, Abdul Rob Chowdhury MP, Dr Aftab Uddin MP and Col (retd) Akbar, while Deputy Speaker Sheikh Razzak Ali explained to the party MPs how to cast their votes in the election. Chief Whip Khandaker Delwar Hossain conducted the meeting.

The BNP MPs unhappy with the promulgation of the Ordinance checking floor-crossing in the presidential election blamed the initiators of the Ordinance for creating mistrust among the party members.

However they also appreciated the decision rescinding the Ordinance showing re-

spect to the people's representatives.

Col (retd) Akbar who vehemently opposed the Ordinance checking floor-crossing in the presidential election said that the Act created mistrust among the party leaders. He said that the promulgation of the Ordinance was an autocratic move and 'at least 10 more autocratic moves would be needed to suppress the reaction to this autocratic act unless it was rescinded'.

Col Akbar who organised about 40 MPs to protest the Ordinance said that the party MPs should not be kept apart from the decision-making process.

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Convening meeting of MPs by EC challenged

Judgement on 'stay part' of writ likely today

By Staff Correspondent

The judgement on the 'stay part' of the writ petition against the Election of President Act 1991 is expected to be delivered today. The Single Bench comprising Justice Habibur Rahman Khan of the High Court Division of the Supreme Court heard both the sides on Sunday.

Meanwhile, another writ petition challenging the Act was filed and moved by Jatiya Party leader Barrister Moudud Ahmed. He will make his submission when the court will resume hearing at 2 pm today.

On Sunday, petitioners Abdus Samad Azad and others

submitted a supplementary prayer challenging the convening of a meeting of Members of Parliament in the chamber of the parliament building and the notice served to MPs by the Election Commission.

Continuing his submission, Barrister Amirul Islam concentrated on the concepts of 'ballot' and 'voting' and said ballot itself implied secret voting. He argued that the Act was violative of the fundamental rights of MPs as they would not be able to vote by their conscience, but under threat of being exposed.

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Children's and habitat day today

The Universal Children's Day will be observed in the country today, reports UNB.

The Day is meant to honour the children through special celebrations and to publicize important information about them. It is also to create awareness of the needs and rights of the children all over the world.

World Habitat Day will be observed in the country today as elsewhere in the world in a befitting manner.

Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia will inaugurate a three day programme organised by Works Ministry at Mirpur House Building Research Institute, says a PID handout.

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115 lawyers ask Badrul to get rid of particular politics

By Staff Correspondent

Three hundred and fifteen lawyers of the Supreme Court in a joint statement Sunday urged the members of parliament (MPs) to vote for BNP presidential candidate Abdul Rahman Biswas to institutionalise democracy.

The lawyers also requested the other presidential candidate former Chief Justice Badrul Haider Chowdhury not to be more controversial and to get rid of "the trap of a particular politics."

They said it would be the

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Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia along with others offering 'monajat' after laying the foundation stone of the 210-mw thermal electricity plant at Raujan, Chittagong Sunday. The plant will be constructed with Chinese help. —PID photo

PM lays foundation of 210-mw thermal power station Production-oriented activities to get priority in power supply

RAUZAN (Chittagong), Oct 6: The new government would give priority to power supply to production-oriented activities for ensuring optimum utilisation of the country's generated electricity, Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia today said, reports UNB.

Laying the foundation of a 210 Megawatt thermal power station here today, she also emphasised on expanding power supply to rural areas in a planned way to boost agriculture and rural industries alongside efforts to improve customers services.

Power is the key to all development, the Prime Minister said and that is why her government had already taken some steps towards develop-

ment of the power sector and supplying electricity to the rural areas.

Begum Zia said the power sector, like many other sectors, was plagued with numerous problems, including mismanagement and corruption. She said it "has been a disappointing situation in which system loss stood at 40 per cent... such situation can't be allowed to continue."

The Prime Minister said the Dhaka Electric Supply Authority (DESA), which went into operation on October 1, had been formed as part of the government programmes to make power distribution system corruption-free and streamline its management.

She said corruption, irregu-

larities and mismanagement not only multiply people's miseries but also tarnish the country's image abroad.

Begum Zia observed that after the completion of Rauzan Power Station, being built with substantial Chinese support, the national electricity grid would be further strengthened. She hoped that power generation would be possible from the new station within two years and this, she said, would help set up new industries in rural areas, besides bringing stability in power supply in the country's south-eastern region.

The successful implementation of a project depended on the united efforts of the people involved in it, the

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Jamaat, CPB may abstain from voting

Star Report

Jamaat-e-Islami, with a strength of 20 members in the parliament, is likely to abstain from voting in the presidential election to be held tomorrow (Tuesday).

The Communist Party of Bangladesh, having five members, may not vote for the Awami League-backed candidate who met Golam Azam. The CPB may reject Biswas, too.

There were strong indications that the Jatiya Party with 35 members, two of whom in jail, may vote for the Awami League-backed candidate Justice Badrul Haider Chowdhury. Jatiya Party leaders told

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Ban on rally around JS building

A 24-hour prohibitory order has been imposed on rally, procession or demonstration in the Jatiya Sangsad Bhaban and adjoining areas to ensure peaceful holding of the presidential election on Tuesday, reports BSS.

The ban which will come into force from midnight today will be effective till midnight on October 8, the day of presidential election.

The areas falling under the ban are: from Sonargaon crossing to old airport, from Sheymoli cinema hall to the road number 27 of Dhanmendi on Mirpur Road, Agargaon Link Road, from Agargaon Link Road and Rokaya Sarni to Parjatan crossing via Bijoya Sarani, from the eastern side of Indira Road to the western side of Manik Mia Avenue, the protected area of the Jatiya Sangsad Bhaban and all roads and lanes within this area.

KAFCO deal may be renegotiated

By Shahiduzzaman Khan

The foreign shareholders of the Karnaphuli Fertilizer Company Limited (KAFCO) are ready to hold talks with the government only after the letter of export credit guarantee is issued, KAFCO sources say.

The sources further indicated that the KAFCO would also be ready to discuss the gas pricing issue with an open mind.

The shareholders have pleaded that the letter of guarantee should be issued before October 12, 1991 so that construction of the project can resume at the earliest.

"It will be a limited damage

for the whole project if the construction which remains suspended from October 1, 1991, resumes as soon as the letter of guarantees is signed by the Bangladesh government," KAFCO managing director Dr Tore Fuek told The Daily Star on Sunday.

He said, "we can still salvage the situation if all formalities relating to the signing of the letter are completed very soon and the letter of guarantees is signed before October 12."

Dr Fuek said the Bangladesh Government must give guarantee of the full amount. Other-

wise, he feared, the whole project would "definitely collapse."

Sources said, there was nothing unusual with export credit guarantees. For all external credits for the private sector whether in Bangladesh or in any other similar less developed country, such guarantees are offered by the government of the host country, they pointed out.

Earlier, other external loans disbursed to the private sector in the country through Development Financing Institutions (DFIs) or Nationalised Comm-

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Gorbachev to trim weaponry

MOSCOW, Oct 6: President Mikhail Gorbachev on Saturday pledged to join the United States in scrapping tactical nuclear weapons and announced other radical moves to trim the Soviet military machine, reports Reuters.

Gorbachev said in a speech on television that he would eliminate all nuclear artillery shells and warheads for tactical missiles as well as tactical nuclear arms at sea.

In measures that in many ways exceeded last month's US initiative announced by President George Bush,

Gorbachev also said Moscow would

—Take nuclear bombers and some 500 strategic missiles off combat alert and place many nuclear warheads in centrally-controlled stockpiles.

—Make deep cuts in the strategic nuclear arsenal exceeding reduction targets in the new start treaty reached with the United States by an additional 1,000 warheads.

—Trim the Soviet Union's vast army by 700,000 men.

Gorbachev who faces an uncertain political future as the old centralised Soviet state

crumbles around him, also announced an immediate one year moratorium on nuclear testing.

Clearly challenging Washington on the issue, Gorbachev said the unilateral Soviet move was designed to draw other nuclear powers into a permanent test ban.

Bush, in his initiative unveiled late last month, said the United States would remove and destroy all battlefield nuclear weapons in Western Europe and South Korea

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