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**Azizul Haque Govt College closed**

BOGRA, Nov 10: Bogra Azizul Haque Government College has been closed up to November 16 amid tension caused by rivalry between two student groups.

The college authorities said today they took the decision Saturday afternoon to avert clashes.

**MMC reopens**

Nov 30

Reopening of Mymensingh Medical College (MMC) has been rescheduled.

The college closed after a student violence recently was to reopen on Nov 12. It now resumes on Nov 30, the college principal Mofakkhul Islam told The Daily Star over phone after an academic council meeting Sunday.

**Forged certificates recovered**

A special squad of CID police Sunday recovered a huge quantity of forged certificates and mark sheets of Dhaka University, Dhaka Board, Rajshahi Board and Comilla Board from Lalbagh area in the city.

**Strike in RMC continues**

RAJSHAH, Nov 10: Classes and other administrative functions of Rajshahi Medical College could not be held for the second consecutive day today due to a non-stop strike enforced by the Islami Chhatra Shibir. The Shibir gave the strike call on Saturday demanding release of its two leaders, Bazul Rashid and Shafiguzzaman, detained in a murder case, reports UNB.

Political parties, student and cultural organisations observe November 10

## Institutionalisation of hard-earned democracy stressed

By Staff Correspondent

Different political parties, student organisations and cultural groups marked November 10, by holding separate programmes amid calls to institutionalise democracy gained by the blood of the martyrs.

The programmes included discussion meetings, processions, and laying of wreaths at the 'Shaheed Noor Hossain Square' named after Noor Hossain, one of the victims in the November 10, 1987 anti-autocracy demonstration in the city.

Speakers addressing the programmes highlighted the significance of the day and the sacrifices by the martyrs which geared up the movement against nearly nine years of autocratic rule of deposed President Ershad.

BNP, Awami League and Five-Party Alliance observed the day through separate programmes.

In observance of the day, the city unit of Jamaat-e-Islami organised a discussion meeting to pay tributes to the martyrs of the anti-autocracy movement at its office at Purana Palan.

The meeting was addressed by Jamaat Acting Amir Abbas Ali Khan and others.

The speakers recalled the sacrifices of Noor Hossain and others against the autocrat Ershad and called upon all concerned to materialise the dreams of the martyrs.

Sammlita Sanskriti Jote organised a rally and cultural function in front of the National Press Club in observance of November 10 demanding implementation of the joint declaration of the three alliance without any delay.

Presided over by Jote President Fayez Ahmed the rally was addressed by Syed Istiaq Ahmed, Shamsul Huq Chowdhury, Dr M A Majed and

Jote Secretary Golam Kuddus. Syed Istiaq Ahmed said that the sacrifice on Noor Hossain and other martyrs was not remembered later by the political parties including the ruling one.

The autocrat had stepped down and a government elected through a free election, but the ideals of the martyrs were not yet reflected in any step on the present government, he said.

He demanded ensuring autonomy to Radio and TV, freedom of judiciary and repeal of black laws including the Special Powers Act, 1974.

Shamsul Huq demanded immediate measures to curb terrorism in the educational institutions and improvement in the overall law and order situation.

He suggested that the government step down if it fails to run the country properly.

"The people will not wait to establish their rights, they will start movement," he added.

Dr Majed said that the democracy which Noor Hossain dreamt of was not yet established.

The rally was rounded off with a cultural function.

Bangladesh Abbrity Samany Parishad organised a recitation session in front of the National Press Club in observance of the day. Bhashwar Banarjee presided over the session.

The National Democratic Party (NDP) and its front organisations jointly held a discussion meeting at the party central office in the city in observance of 'Shaheed Noor Hossain Day'.

Chaired by the NDP Secretary General Salahuddin Kader Choudhury MP, the meeting was also addressed by other leaders of the party Mesbahuddin Ahmed Sabu, See Page 12 Col. 3

### BNP seeks help to consolidate democracy

By Staff Correspondent

Bangladesh Nationalist Party Sunday reiterated its commitment to consolidate democracy and reach its fruits to the masses and called for cooperation from democratic forces to achieve those.

Addressing a rally in Fulbaria in the city in observance of November 10, the BNP leaders said both the party in power and those in opposition have equal responsibility to nurture democracy and ensure people's rights and

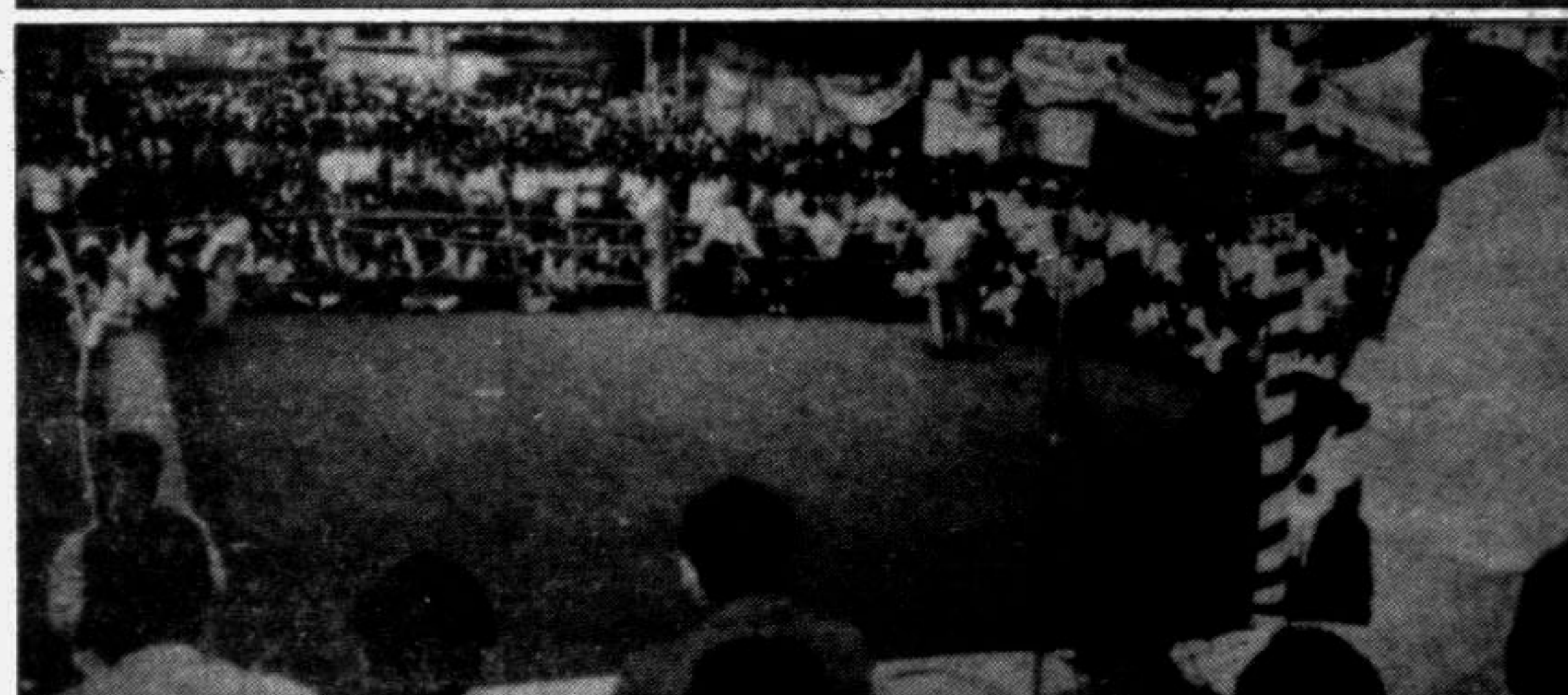
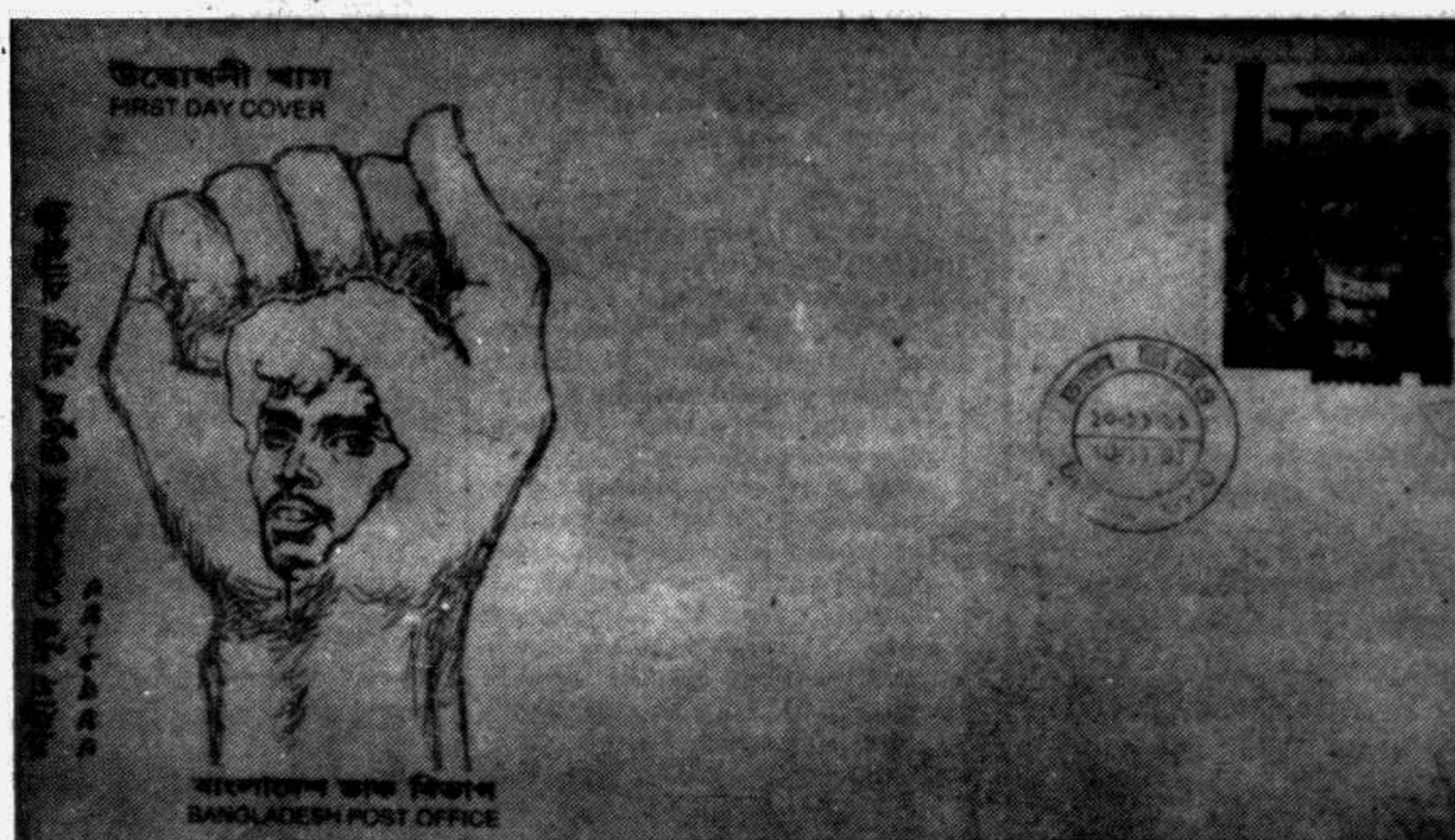
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### Probe all killings, Hasina asks Govt

By Staff Correspondent

Awami League president Sheikh Hasina Sunday demanded of the government a proper investigation into all the killings in the anti-autocratic movement and trial of the killers.

Hasina, also the Leader of the Opposition in Parliament, was addressing a big public meeting organised by her party in front of its central office at Bangabandhu Avenue in observance of November 10 as 'Shaheed Noor Hossain Day'. On this day in 1987, Noor See Page 12 Col. 7



Top: A postal stamp commemorating Noor Hossain, a martyr of 1987 anti-autocracy movement, was released by Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia on Sunday. Middle: LGRD Minister and Secretary General of the ruling BNP Salam Talukder addressing a rally at Fulbaria. Bottom: Awami League chief Sheikh Hasina speaking at a rally at the Bangabandhu Avenue in the city. — Star photo

The postponed SAARC summit—II

## What happened in Colombo

By Amanullah Kabir back from Colombo

A pall of gloom fell on the Sri Lankan capital, Colombo overlooking the Indian ocean, which, as it appeared, was fast carrying the shocking news with its waves breaking on the shores.

The enthusiasm, the scheduled SAARC summit generated among the people concerned, soon vanished with the announcement of the postponement of the summit and the next round of diplomatic maneuvering began in a changed phase of the situation.

Helpless by his biggest neighbour's unexpected stand only 24 hours before the opening of the summit, President Premadasa appealed to all the heads of state or government by telephone to save the situation. But he could not reach his message to the King of Bhutan who was away from the capital reportedly to tackle a law and order situation in the southern part of his country.

The prompt response to his appeal was learnt to have come from Bangladesh and Pakistan who soon launched diplomatic

efforts to salvage the summit. They contacted all the heads of state or government, but none except the Maldives President Mamoun Abdul Gayoom responded positively.

President Gayoom was reportedly first reluctant to join the "get-together" in Colombo since the summit had already been cancelled. But as current Chairman of the SAARC he could not avoid coming to Colombo to perform the "post-mortem".

Indian Prime Minister Narasimha Rao had first agreed to attend only the opening day's ceremony of the SAARC showing domestic affairs as reasons for his brief stay during the meet. But he later declined Premadasa's special invitation for a bilateral visit. Rao is learnt to be facing a tough challenge in the by-election on November 12, which he will have to win to remain Prime Minister and save the Congress from a leadership crisis.

Different circles in Colombo believed that Rao's refusal to See Page 12 Col. 7

### Chamber leaders want urgent steps to salvage stagnant economy

Star Economic Report

The business community wants the government to take immediate and urgent steps to "salvage" the economy from a stagnating situation.

The leaders of trade and industry review the prevailing economic situation with an alarming note.

Six major factors have broadly been identified by them as the causes of the present economic stagnation. They are: lack of firm government action to arrest the plummeting trends in production and investment in major sectors of the economy, absence of business confidence, blanket trade liberalisation at the "behest" of the donors, deteriorating law and order situation, indecision on the part of the banks and financial institutions, and loss of purchasing power in the rural areas.

The business community also resented strongly the government's decision to effect pay, salary or wage hikes without considering productivity or efficiency factors.

The Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI) in its latest review of See Page 12 Col. 1

## Crackdown on smuggling in Dec

The administration has decided to crack down on smuggling to weed out the illegal cross-border trade crippling the national economy from December 1, reports UNB.

A high-level interagency meeting Sunday planned the drive, setting a November 30 deadline for all involved in the illegal trading to dispose of all contraband goods or face severe punitive action.

Finance Minister Salfur Rahman convened the meeting to review the damaging impact of largescale smuggling on the economy and collate sugges-

tions from agencies concerned on effective means to curb the malaise.

Home Ministry Abdul Matin Chowdhury, State Minister for Textiles Major (Retd) Abdul Mannan, several senior secretaries, Naval Chief, chief of BDR, AIG of Police, representatives from Customs and NSI attended the meeting.

The meeting lasting three hours felt that contraband items flooding the market posed a severe threat to industry, trade and business and revenue earning and stressed the urgency of a vigorous anti-

smuggling drive backed by a strong political will.

"Shops have to be raided, surveillance of transit points has to be strengthened apart from plugging the entries," the Finance Minister said endorsing suggestions from BDR and Customs authorities.

Expressing concern at deteriorating law and order situation, Rahman urged the officials and representatives of law enforcing agencies to gear up concerted efforts to create an environment where people can carry out economic activi-

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### Two 'unwanted' Britons arrive soon

Star Report

Two British citizens, learnt to have been working against the Bangladesh community in London, are coming to Bangladesh in a couple of days.

The two Britons have been provided entry permits by the Bangladesh High Commission in London, it is reliably learnt. They have been allegedly involved in sexually abusing Bangladesh youths in East London.

Bangladeshis in East See Page 12 Col. 8

### Five-party wants jt declaration against violence

By Staff Correspondent

The Five-party Alliance Sunday called for a joint declaration by all political parties to uphold violence and terrorism.

A declaration of the alliance read out at a public meeting held at the 'zero point' urged political parties to expel terrorists and not to shelter them to curb violence and terrorism.

Hasanul Haque Inu, Convenor of the alliance read out the declaration at the meeting held in observance of See Page 12 Col. 5

## Croatia orders general mobilisation

ZAGREB, Nov 10: Croatian reservists in Dubrovnik, the Adriatic port which has been besieged by Yugoslav federal forces for 41 days, were ordered to report for immediate duty today as at least 20 people were killed and 20 injured in a heavy air and sea bombardment, reports AFP.

Croatian television said the general mobilisation, decreed by the Croatian Defence Ministry, came as Dubrovnik, blockaded by federal warships, came under intense shelling Sunday morning after an overnight lull. The attack on the city began at 6.30 am (0530 GMT), Croatian radio said.

Radio Zagreb said two people were killed and 20 injured in aerial bombardment Sunday and shelling by Yugoslav warships off Dubrovnik.

The Belvedere Hotel in the centre of town was destroyed by shelling from two warships which kept up their attack for 30 minutes, the official Croatian HINA news agency said.

Inhabitants of the medieval city remained in shelters where they have already spent nearly two days, HINA said. On Saturday, at least 20

Yugoslav soldiers and one Croatian civilian were killed in fighting in and around Dubrovnik.

Federal forces have vowed to disarm "by force" Croatian fighters in the city if negotiations between the two parties, which were due to resume Sunday in the nearby town of Cavtat, failed, Belgrade Television said.

Heavy fighting was also reported Sunday in Osijek, some 180 kilometers (110 miles) west of Belgrade, and in Sinj, north of the port of Split, while federal forces also shelled the port of Zadar.

Mortar rounds fell on Zadar overnight, hitting the port area and the old historical centre. Several buildings were damaged, Croatian radio said.

Fighting was also reported Sunday in and around the eastern Croatian town of Vukovar, which has been under siege by federal forces for more than two-and-a-half months.

The republics of Bosnia-Herzegovina and Macedonia have asked for exemption from European Community (EC) sanctions announced Friday in Rome, the Belgrade-based Tanjug news agency said. Earlier AP report from

Banja Luka adds: The Serb minority in Bosnia-Herzegovina voted Saturday on whether to secede from the ethnically mixed republic they share with Muslims and Croats.

The Serbs were expected to approve secession, which would heighten ethnic tension in the republic and in the crumbling Yugoslav federation, which already seared by violence in separatist Croatia.

But the two-day vote is largely symbolic — it was declared illegal by Bosnia's Muslim-dominated government. Results were not expected before Tuesday.

## Moazzem, Mahbub, Chand arrested

By Staff Correspondent

Former ministers Shah Moazzem Hossain and Mahbubur Rahman and former state minister Nurun Nabi Chand have been arrested on various charges.

Shah Moazzem Hossain and Nurun Nabi Chand, charged with alleged involvement in corruption regarding the purchase of gunny bags worth Taka 1.50 crore, surrendered on Sunday before the Metropolitan Magistrate. They sought bail but were refused and sent to custody.

The Ramna Police arrested and detained them. Allegations against them include misuse of power and misappropriation of government fund.

Earlier on November 6 the Special Branch of police arrested former minister Mahbubur Rahman who was in hiding since the fall of the Ershad regime, from his

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### Taka value depreciates

Star Economic Report

The Bangladesh currency has further been depreciated. The rate of depreciation is about 1.4 per cent in relation to the US dollar.

Under the new exchange rate made effective from Sunday, the average of buying and selling rates of US dollar is Taka 37.97 to one US dollar. The previous rate was Taka 37.58 for one US dollar.

The latest currency rate adjustments make the buying rate of one US dollar at Taka 37.72 and the selling rate, Taka 37.72. The rates, before this adjustment, were Taka 37.82 (selling) and Taka 37.33 (buying) for one US dollar.

### India expects to earn \$ 200m from arms exports

NEW DELHI, Nov 10: India expects to earn an unprecedented 200 million US dollars from arms exports in the 1991-92 year ending next March, according to Minister of State for Defence S Krishna Kumar, reports Xinhua.

India started exporting arms in 1988-89, with 18 million dollars worth of armaments exported, local press today quoted Kumar as addressing an "economic editors' conference" here Saturday.

The annual figure of arms exports rose to 32 million dollars for the following two years.

This year, armaments worth 54.5 million dollars have been exported and negotiations are on for the further sale of arms worth 160 million dollars, according to Kumar.

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