

# Defence Counsel claims 'Deposition of Rima's mother inconsistent'

The hearing of appeal against the judgement in the sensational Rima murder case continued for the second day Monday before a Division Bench of High Court, comprising Justice Md Baduzzaman and Justice Md Ruhul Amin, reports BSS.

# Y'slav, Libyan issues dominate Bali meet

JAKARTA, May 18: The Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) tried to shift its focus to economic challenges facing the Third World but events in Yugoslavia and Libya kept the group rooted in politics at a crucial conference that ended at the weekend, reports Reuters.

# Masood-Hekmatyar talks postponed

KABUL, May 18: A proposed meeting between Afghan Defence Minister Ahmed Shah Masood and his main opponent Gulbuddin Hekmatyar failed to take place today for unspecified reasons, officials said.

# Review Tinbigha pact, BJP repeats demand

CALCUTTA, May 18: The BJP President, Dr M M Joshi today reiterated the demand that the centre should review the Indo-Bangladesh agreement on the leasing out of the Tinbigha enclave, reports PTI.

# Sweden Polytech in Kaptai closed sine die

RANGAMATI, May 18: Sweden Polytechnic Institute in Kaptai upazila was closed sine die after a clash between two rival groups of students that left 15 people injured on Sunday, reports UNB.

# Ugandan minister due today

Kirunda Kivejinja, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of Uganda, arrives in Dhaka today on a two-day official visit to Bangladesh, reports UNB.

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Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia addressing a meeting at Sonatala in Bogra yesterday. — PID photo

# NAM: Mostafiz Unemployment major problem, says PM

SONATOLA (Bogra), May 18: Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia called for resisting those who wanted to create chaos and indiscipline in society to jeopardise the on-going uplift programmes for attaining self-reliance, reports BSS.



Jahanara Imam addressing a meeting organised by Nirmul Committee in the city yesterday. — Star photo

# Enemies of Liberation

From Page 1 Col 5 The members of the Bangladesh delegation to the Bali meeting included Ambassador Syed Moazzem Ali, who is Director General, International Organisations, and Ambassador A K M Farooq, Bangladesh Envoy to Jakarta.



Police arrested one person with a pistol from Purana Paltan in the city during hartal hours yesterday. More pictures on page 2 — Star photo

# One more Karachi businessman kidnapped

From M J Zahedi, Special Correspondent KARACHI, May 18: Yet another City businessman was kidnapped on Sunday morning, bringing the total of businessmen abducted or killed within the last two or three weeks, to 15.

The latest victim is a prominent Ismaili industrialist, Ashiq Ali Heerji Jesa. The 55-year-old Heerji is the President of the Aga Khan's Supreme Council for Pakistan and owns a TV sets assembly factory.

# Obhi

From Page 1 Col 7 The 14 other students arrested from the Jagannath Jall are, Manzur Alam Litu, Khandakar Abu Ashfaq, SM Farid Ahmed Sentu, Ekhlis Uddin Shishir, Sazzad Ahmed Shaon, Iqbal Hossain, Masud Karim alias Ayub Ali, Mostafa Kamal Shamim, Hedayat Ahmed Manzur Huq, SM Gul Reza, Mosharrar Hossain, Faruq Hossain and Swapan Kumar Baul, all belonging to BCL (M-I).

# People have endorsed 'verdict' on Azam: Hasina

By Staff Correspondent Awami League Chief and Leader of the Opposition in Parliament Sheikh Hasina in a statement Monday congratulated the people for making the half-day hartal in the capital a success.

# Stray clashes

From Page 1 Col 4 The official later visited Dewan Manjil and urged the Shibir supporters to refrain from further clashes.

# Formal talks

From Page 1 Col 7 Bangladesh Biman from payment of airport fees and cost of fuel in advance and Dr. Velayati said this special request would be looked into favourably.

# The Midnight File

Armenian troops capture Azerbaijani town KUBATLY, Azerbaijan, May 18: Armenian forces captured the strategic western Azerbaijani town of Lachin early today, freeing a route between Armenia and the enclave of Nagorno-Karabakh, an AFP photographer reported.

Ceasefire in Bosnia SARAJEVO, May 18: The warring factions in Bosnia-Herzegovina signed a ceasefire today. The truce signed at UN peace force headquarters covered all of Bosnia-Herzegovina and was to last "at least three weeks", UN spokesman Adnan Abdraziz said, reports AFP.

# Thai troops open fire

From Page 1 Col 4 gunfire. Reporters said the government had no choice but to use force because protesters were headed toward government buildings.

# Cyclone

From Page 1 Col 7 The district specially to Galachipa, Dashmina and Kalapara upazilas for shifting the people living in the islands to a safer place.