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NEWS BRIEFS

Samad Azad off to China

Deputy leader of the Opposition in parliament and Awami League president member Samad Azad left Dhaka for China Tuesday on a fortnight's visit at the invitation of Chinese Association for International Understanding. Azad, who is accompanied by his wife, will visit Beijing, Hunchow, Huang Zu and other places. He will also make courtesy call on Chinese leaders, reports BSS.

Saudi envoy hosts reception

Charge d'Affaires of Saudi Arabia Ali Ahmed Abdulwahab Wednesday hosted a reception on the occasion of 61st National Day of the kingdom. The reception was attended, among others, by BNP Secretary General and LGD Minister Barrister Abdus Salam Talukder, Home Minister Abdul Matin Chowdhury, Leader of the Opposition Sheikh Hasina, political leaders, senior civil and military officials, members of the diplomatic corps, journalists and elite, reports UNB.

PNP calls hartal today

The Pragatishil Jatyatabadi Dal (PNP) led by Sawkat Hossain Nilu has called a half-day hartal across the country today (Thursday). A party press release said that the PNP called the hartal to demand release of the jailed president H M Ershad and the controversial Jamaat chief Golam Azam and some of its leaders.

BJMC chairman retired

Col (Retd) M Shariful Islam, Chairman, Bangladesh Jute Mills Corporation has been given retirement on completion of his 25 years of service as per Clause 9 (2) of Government Employees Retirement Act, 1974. Col Islam, who is an absorbed officer in Dhaka WASA, has been retired in the public interest, reports BSS.

UN General Assembly expels Yugoslavia

UNITED NATIONS, Sept 23: Yugoslavia was without a voice at the United Nations Wednesday, ostracized by the world community for waging war on former republics of the shattered Balkan federation, reports AP.
 The General Assembly voted 127-6 late Tuesday to bar Yugoslavia — now comprising only Serbia and Montenegro — from voting or speaking in its chambers or committees.
 Five African nations and Yugoslavia voted against what amounted to the most severe diplomatic sanctions ever imposed on a UN member.
 The Serb-led Belgrade government is left in near total international isolation, its economy already being strangled by a UN-imposed trade embargo.
 The United Nations has been stepping up pressure on Yugoslavia after determining that the Serbs were mostly to blame for the 15-month-old conflict in Croatia and Bosnia, which has left more than 20,000 dead by conservative estimates.
 It was not immediately clear, however, whether

Yugoslavia has been fully stripped of UN membership.
 Some nations, led by Russia, believe Yugoslavia can continue to maintain its UN mission, keep its name plate in the General Assembly hall, and participate in Security Council meetings if invited.
 The United States insists Yugoslavia is no longer a member and that its flag and assembly name plate should be removed Wednesday.
 US Ambassador Edward Perkins issued a statement saying Yugoslavia's membership in the United Nations has therefore expired.
 Yugoslavia's premier, Milan Panic, made a last-minute appeal to the General Assembly and then walked out before the vote.
 "I seek your support and recognition. Do not undermine a man of peace and peace-loving Yugoslavs," Panic begged delegates.
 Panic, a Serbian-born US citizen, warned that the suspension might hurt peace efforts, even though Belgrade will be allowed to participate in UN-sponsored negotiations

in Geneva.
 "We have cooperated with the United Nations in every way we could," he said. "We will continue to do so regardless of the action you take."
 Panic moved immediately to restore Serbia and Montenegro, requesting UN membership as a new state.
 The 15-nation Security Council has said it would review Yugoslavia's status by mid-December, but members such as the United States and Britain have insisted Belgrade first comply with peace accords. As permanent council members, the United States and Britain can veto any Yugoslav application.
 The punishment of Yugoslavia is without precedent in the 47-year history of the United Nations, of which it was a founding member.
 Even Iraq, subject to dozens of punitive resolutions after its Kuwait 1990 invasion of Kuwait, was allowed to continue as a UN member.
 South Africa, stripped of its voting rights in the General Assembly in 1974 because of its apartheid policies, also has

retained UN status.
 Yugoslavia claimed to have inherited the UN seat of the former six-member federation — similar to Russia's takeover of the former Soviet seat. It will still qualify for aid from the World Health Organization, UNICEF and other UN agencies, but such assistance is given to both UN and non-UN members.
 Four former Yugoslav republics have declared independence — Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Slovenia and Macedonia. All but Macedonia are now UN members.
 Besides Yugoslavia, nations voting against the measure were: Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Swaziland and Kenya. Twenty-six countries abstained, mostly Third World nations joined by China. Twenty other members did not vote.
 Zimbabwe's ambassador, Simbarashe Mumbengegwi, said the decision was not authorized under the UN Charter. He told the assembly the ruling "opens a Pandora's box."
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Govt plans to set up 10 textile estates

The government plans setting up 10 textile states in the country at a cost of Taka 500 crore, according to an authoritative source.
 Under the programme, 200 dyeing and finishing mills would be set up primarily to meet the demands of the garments industries.
 State Minister for Textiles, M A Mannan in an exclusive interview with The Daily Star Wednesday said that the processes to sanction loans had already started and that at

least 100 units would go into production by June 1993.
 The estates would be set up in Dhaka, Chittagong and Khulna.
 Meanwhile, an authoritative source said that any restrictions on import of grey cloth would soon be lifted and that grey cloth would be imported for these dyeing and finishing mills.
 On the other hand, both the Bangladesh Textile Mills Association and the Specialised Textile Mills and Power Looms

Industries Association are strictly against such import of grey cloth. They are of the opinion that such import will affect the local textile mills as they are already surplus in fabric production.
 The State Minister said that the import of grey cloth would be processed in the mills and then supplied to the garments units. He said that this step would save about 500 million US dollars annually for the country as the value addition of
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Mostafiz talks bilateral issues with FM's of Bahrain, Iran

Foreign Minister A S M Mostafizur Rahman spent another busy day at the UN headquarters in New York Tuesday, according to a message received in Dhaka yesterday, reports UNB.
 He met with the Foreign Minister of Bahrain Sheikh Mohammad Bin Mubarak Ali Khalifa to follow up matters of mutual interest which were discussed during Bangladesh Prime Minister's visit to Bahrain last month. They discussed issues related to peace and security in the region.
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Mustafiz rearrested, 10 others charged

Chairman and Managing Director of now suspended Bangladesh Commerce and Investment (BCI), Mustafizur Rahman MP, was arrested Wednesday and remanded in the Motijheel police custody for three days for interrogation.
 Mustafizur Rahman along with 10 others were charged with embezzling some Taka 1.61,29,841.
 A joint director of Bangladesh Bank Harunur Rashid Chowdhury lodged a case with Motijheel police on August 8, 1992 against 11 persons including Mustafizur Rahman in connection with embezzlement of the money.
 The other accused persons were Mozammel Hossain, Manjurul Abedin Chowdhury (circulation manager of weekly Swadip), Shahabul Hossain (vice president and manager of BCI), Nawsher Ali Molla (vice-president of BCI), Amzad Hossain (executive officer of BCI), Sagir Ahmed (BCI-Khulna), Kazi Amirul Karim (BCI-Khulna), Shah Alam Khan (cc accountant-3, Maulovi Bazar Branch, BCI), Shahidul
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Janata Tower Case HC rejects Ershad's revision petition

The High Court yesterday rejected a prayer of the former President, H M Ershad, to relieve him of the charges of accumulating wealth beyond his known source of income brought in connection with the funding of the construction of Janata Tower in the capital, reports BSS.
 The Special Vacation Bench of the High Court Division of the Supreme Court consisting

of Justice Habibur Rahman Khan and Justice M A Mannan "discharged" the criminal revision petition filed on behalf of Ershad.
 The High Court directed the lower court that the trial of the Janata Case in which Ershad, his wife Raushan Ershad and 19 others were implicated, may now proceed. It further ordered that the pa-
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BNP office may be shifted to Naya Paltan soon

The central office of the ruling Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) may be shifted from Dhanmondi to Naya Paltan soon, a reliable party source said Wednesday.
 The source quoting previous discussions among leading BNP members said that if the new occupant of the Rezia Villa at 28/1 Naya Paltan rented it to BNP, the party would prefer
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20000 get jobs in Malaysia

KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 23: Malaysia has allowed about 20,000 Bangladeshi workers, to finally get registered and employed legally, reports BSS.
 The visiting Bangladesh Minister for Labour and Manpower Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan expressed gratitude to Malaysia for this gesture as he met his Malaysian counterpart Dato Lim Ah Lek here yesterday.
 The Bangladesh minister requested the Malaysian Minister for Human Resources to encourage employers in his country's private sector to

employ larger number of Bangladeshi workers of all categories in construction and manufacturing enterprise in addition to plantation.
 He also made a request for employment of professionals like doctors, engineers, teachers and nurses, indicating that Bangladesh could supply these categories of specialised and skilled manpower at short notice and guarantee their quality.
 The Malaysian minister responded favourably but stated about the freedom of the private sectors who were allowed

to recruit from the country of their choice.
 He expressed his satisfaction over the Bangladeshi workers' arrival legally as against the Indonesian and Philippine workers who do neither come legally nor work with legal permit.
 The Bangladesh minister invited the Malaysian minister for a visit to Bangladesh which the latter accepted saying that the visit may take place at a mutually convenient time.
 Bhuiyan called on the Malaysian Deputy Minister of
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Credit line for CIS likely

The government is actively considering a credit line for the former Soviet states, now known as CIS (Commonwealth of Independent States), to facilitate Bangladesh's exports there on deferred payment basis.
 In an exclusive interview with UNB Wednesday, Commerce Minister M K Anwar said modalities for the proposed credit was under consideration of a cabinet sub-committee on finance.
 Initially, the volume of credit would be Tk 25 crore

but this might be raised subsequently, he said.
 "CIS are an extremely potential market for us but we are yet to penetrate there because we could not arrange credit for them," Anwar said.
 The Minister referred to reports on recent visits of two official delegations to several former Soviet states and they found tremendous export potentials of Bangladeshi products there.
 All the newly independent republics of the former Soviet Union have been running short

of cash and are opting for those exporting countries offering them credits.
 Turkey has recently entered the CIS markets with a 1.2 billion US dollar export credit. Some other Asian nations, including India and Pakistan, have also finalised arrangements for similar credit line.
 But the authorities in Bangladesh, despite the country's comfortable foreign currency reserves, have been dragging their feet in deciding
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Move to send 'efficient officers' to CHT

Authorities are considering deputing efficient officers into the local government administration of the hill districts, reports UNB.
 Official sources said here yesterday the move was part of the government's current initiative to resolve the crisis in the tribal insurgency-ridden Chittagong Hill Tracts.
 The officers to be posted in the three hill districts of Rangamati, Khagrachhari and
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Tension grips Ctg as CMC BCL leader succumbs

CHITTAGONG, Sept 23: Tension gripped the port city here following the death of a first year student of Chittagong Medical College today.
 Mahubul Alam, also an activist of Chhatra League of Chittagong Medical College unit was kidnapped three days ago while he was going to his college from Chandanpura area of the city. The abductors reportedly tortured Alam before they freed him on the same day.
 Chhatra League leaders blamed the activists of Chhatra
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Janaza of Gen Wasiuddin today

The namaz-e-janaza of Lt General (ret) Khwaja Wasiuddin, who died of a heart attack Tuesday night will be held today (Thursday) at 1.30 pm at the Dhaka Cantonment Garrison Mosque, according to his family sources.
 A second janaza will be held after the Asr prayers today at the Battul Mukarram national
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President summons JS session on Oct 11

President Abdur Rahman Biswas has summoned a session of the Jatiya Sangad at 4:00 pm on Sunday, October 11, according to an official handout issued here yesterday, reports BSS.
 This will be the 7th session of the 5th Parliament.

4 tribunals in div HQs to curb terrorism

The government yesterday constituted four additional tribunals for curbing terrorist activities in four divisional headquarters for speedy disposal of cases as defined in the anti-terrorism ordinance, reports BSS.
 An official handout last night said that one retired Sessions Judge has been appointed for each division of Dhaka, Chittagong, Rajshahi and Khulna.
 The tribunals have been constituted under authority vested by Clause 8 (2) of the anti-terrorism ordinance.

Deportation by Delhi Home secretaries likely to meet soon

The Home Secretaries of Bangladesh and India are likely to meet early next month reportedly to talk the new irritant in the bilateral relations — New Delhi's unilateral move to deport the so-called Bengali speaking migrants.
 According to some sources, the meeting is being planned amid Indian insistence that the two top bureaucrats discuss the issue.
 The meeting may be held in New Delhi, the sources said.
 Home Secretary Manjurul Karim, however, denied having any knowledge about the event.
 "I have no knowledge about it," Karim, contacted by phone, responded to The Daily Star queries last night.

Hasina gives Kamal a seat in Advisory Council

The Awami League President Sheikh Hasina has announced 11 names including that of Dr Kamal Hossain to the newly-created Advisory Council.
 A party press release said yesterday that the four remaining names would be announced later.
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NOTICE OF MEETING

ORGANISATIONAL MEETING FOR POTENTIAL PARTICIPANTS IN SECOND ANNUAL U.S. BUSINESS IN BANGLADESH TRADE SHOW, SCHEDULED FOR 30 JANUARY TO 1 FEBRUARY, 1993

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