

BRIEFS

Major to visit India with 17 businessmen LONDON, Jan 19: Prime Minister John Major will be accompanied by 17 top British businessmen when he visits India for meetings with government and business leaders next week...

Gulf conflict won't affect oil price CARACAS, Jan 19: The current conflict in the Gulf between the United States and Iraq will not affect oil supplies or prices...

Kuwait, neutral zone declared as risk areas LONDON, Jan 19: London insurers on Monday declared Kuwait and a neutral zone between the Emirate and Iraq as war-risk areas...

Dollar slips, gold rises in NY NEW YORK, Jan 19: The US dollar fell against other major currencies Monday as international talk swirled around possible interest rate changes...

Mexico to sell off state-owned companies MEXICO CITY, Jan 19: The Treasury Department said it plans to sell off 37 state-owned companies this year...

Ivory Coast PM defends privatisation ABIDJAN, Jan 19: Ivory Coast Prime Minister Alassane Ouattara began a vigorous defence of his privatisation plans in parliament on Monday...

Cuba's bid to develop oil sector HAVANA, Jan 19: Oil starved Cuba, which is seeking to develop its domestic oil deposits, next month will offer 11 onshore and offshore blocks for exploration and development...

Romanian recession to end soon: PM BUCHAREST, Jan 19: Romanian Prime Minister Nicolae Vacarotu on Monday rejected criticism that his left-wing government was stalling on reforms...

EC decides to reappraise trans-Atlantic farm deal

BRUSSELS, Jan 19: The European Community decided Monday to reappraise a transatlantic farm deal in a move that could scuttle the pact with the United States...

France and farm organizations have countered this. If the new study disclaims the EC negotiators it would question the whole deal again...

It is very important for the EC not to appear to be rescinding on the deal, Farm Minister John Gummer said. "It would add to the US ability to demand further concessions."

BCCI case Witness accuses Clifford's partner of involvement

NEW YORK, Jan 19: The first witness in the BCCI bank fraud case against former US Secretary of Defence Clark Clifford alleged on Monday that Clifford's partner was involved in the scandal-ridden company's illegal operation...

Clifford and Altman were indicted by a New York state grand jury for allegedly taking bribes in exchange for helping BCCI hide its illegal ownership of US banks...

Dhaka Stock Prices

At the close of trading on January 19, 1993. Transactions almost static. Business on Tuesday at the share market of Dhaka Stock almost remained static except changes in value...

Table with columns: Company, Previous Price, Closing Price, Change (absolute), Change (% over), Number of Shares. Lists various companies like DSE Share Price Index, Market Capitalisation, etc.

ASEAN pins hopes on Clinton's pledge for continued growth

SINGAPORE, Jan 19: As US President-elect Bill Clinton prepares for office, South East Asia's political and business leaders say they are pinning hopes for the region's continued economic expansion...

cently, access to the US market and a sympathetic ear in Washington are crucial to ASEAN. The 25-year-old ASEAN groups Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand...

Indian central bank eases credit to industry, agriculture

BOMBAY, Jan 19: India's Central Bank on Monday unveiled a package of measures to help stimulate the economy by easing credit to industry and the agriculture sector...

Ciba Geigy's new plant inaugurated

A new veterinary medicine manufacturing plant of Ciba-Geigy was inaugurated at Tongi Monday. Environment, Forests, Fisheries and Livestock Minister Abdullah-al-Noman, the chief guest along with Hans Beat Gurtler, head of the animal health division of Ciba, Switzerland, inaugurated the animal health production unit of Ciba-Geigy (Bangladesh) Limited...



Ciba Geigy's Managing Director G G Doege briefing the newsmen on inauguration of the new factory at Tongi.

Karnaphuli Paper Mills face closure for want of water

CHANDRAGONA (Rangamati), Jan 19: Production in the Karnaphuli Paper Mills (KPM) may face setback within a week due to scarcity of water, officials said, reports UNB. The KPM, the largest industrial unit of BCCI and manned by 6,200 employees and officers, consumes 10,000 tons of water on an average in every operational hour.

BFIDC resumes timber extraction Another report adds: Bangladesh Forest Industries Development Corporation (BFIDC) has resumed the extraction of timbers after an impasse of about four years, mainly due to insurgency in the hill tracts. Karnaphuli Timber Extraction Project (KTEP) which...

The water level in the down-stream of Karnaphuli has sharply fallen beyond the suction level as a result of abnormal fall in water-level both underground and in the Karnaphuli river. The authorities said they are arranging floating water-pumps on barges as a temporary measure to meet the emergency requirement. The mill, the largest manufacturing plant in Asia, produces 100 metric tons of paper every day and 30,000 metric tons per annum. It produced 31,638 metric tons of paper in the last financial year exceeding the production target, official sources said.

ROK won't accept opening of rice market GENEVA, Jan 19: Government and opposition members of a South Korean parliamentary delegation said on Monday their country could not accept even a minimal opening of its rice market under a long-delayed world trade treaty, reports Reuter. A draft text for an accord among the 108 states involved in the Uruguay Round negotiations provide for an end to all bans on imports and their progressive replacement by tariffs. "Comprehensive tariffication without exception is absolutely unacceptable to the Korean government," delegation head Si Chae Jeong told a news conference.

Shipping Intelligence CHITTAGONG PORT

Table titled 'Berth position and performance of vessels as on 18.01.93' with columns: Berth No, Name of Vessels, Cargo, L. Port, Local Call, Local Agent, Date of Leaving Arrival.

VESSLS DUE AT OUTER ANCHORAGE

Table with columns: Name of Vessels, Date of Last Port Arrival, Local Cal, Local Agent, Cargo, Loading Port.

VESSLS AT KUTUBDIA

Table with columns: Name of Vessels, Cargo, Last Port, Local Cal, Local Agent, Date of Arrival.

VESSLS NOT READY

Table with columns: Name of Vessels, Cargo, Last Port, Local Cal, Local Agent, Date of Arrival.

VESSLS AWAITING INSTRUCTION

Table with columns: Name of Vessels, Cargo, Last Port, Local Cal, Local Agent, Date of Arrival.

VESSLS NOT ENTERING

Table with columns: Name of Vessels, Cargo, Last Port, Local Cal, Local Agent, Date of Arrival.

MOVEMENT OF VESSELS FOR 19/01/93

Table with columns: Outgoing, Incoming, Shifting. Lists ship names and destinations.

DSE SHARES AND DEBENTURES

Large table listing various companies and their share/debenture prices. Includes sections for BANKS (10), INVESTMENT (08), INSURANCE (04), ENGINEERING (19), FOOD & ALLIED (23), FUEL & POWER (04), JUTE (12), and MISCELLANEOUS (17).

Exchange Rates

Table showing exchange rates for various currencies: US Dollar, Poundsterling, DM, S. Riyal, S. Guilders, S. Kroner, Singapore Dollar, UAE Dirham, Kuwait Dinar, Indian Rupee (AMU), Pak Rupee (AMU).