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10-day meet begins today in Bangkok

ESCAP for more regional trade, investment

A 10-day annual meeting of the ESCAP will begin today (Wednesday) at the new United Nations Conference Centre at Rajdamnern avenue in Bangkok, reports UNB.

According to a press release issued by the United Nations Information Centre in Dhaka, Prime Minister of Thailand, Chuan Leekpai will inaugurate the 49th session of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific.

The session will review recent economic and social developments in the region and seek ways to enhance regional economic cooperation through, in particular, the expansion of investment and intra-regional trade.

Several countries including Australia, Bangladesh, China, Kazakhstan, India, Pakistan, the Republic of Korea, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu will be presented at the ministerial

New executives

of Rangpur

chamber

RANGPUR, Apr 20: The bi-

Golam Mostafa, a prominent

The fifteen executive mem-

bers of the newly elected body are - Mobarak Uddin, Tofazzal

Hossain, Momtaz Uddin, M Aminul Karim, Sree Ramkrishna Somani, M A Hamid, Kazi Md Junnun, Afzal Hussain, Imrul Hasan, Masud Ahmed, Rezwanul Karim Chowdhury,

Saiful Islam Jewel, Ahsan

Hamid, Nowshad Hussain and

China hopes to

become one of

top 10 trading

countries

Trade Minister said China

hopes to increase its foreign

trade to 200 billion dollar by

1995 and enter the ranks of

the world's top 10 trading

The China Daily quoted Wu

countries, an official newspa-

per said Monday, reports AP.

Yi, Minister of Foreign Trade

and Economic Cooperation, as

saying China will speed pas-

sage of its first foreign trade

law and improve and diversify

exports in an effort to meet

' Wu said China also will pur-

sue border trade with newly

emerging markets in the

former Soviet republies and

Southeast Asia. China's border

trade more than doubled last

China was the world's

eleventh largest trader in

1992 with a trade volume of

165.63 billion dollar ahead of

Taiwan, Singapore, and South

Korea but behind Hong Kong,

according to a recent Xinhua

News Agency report.

the goal.

BEIJING, Apr 20: The

Abdus Samad.

From Our Correspondent

ennial election of the Rangpur Chamber of Commerce and Industries was held recently.

cloth merchant has been elected as President while Nurul Haq and Mamunur Rashid Mamun, tobacco merchants, elected as Senior Vice President and Junior Vice

President respectively.

The annual meeting which will end on April 29 will consist of meetings of one Plenary, two Committees of the Whole and one Informal Working Group on Draft Resolutions.

In their deliberations, the delegates will use, among other documents, the 1992 Economic and Social Survey of Asia and the Pacific. The survey underlines the persisting competitiveness of several of the region's developing economics, linked to the successful implementation of an export-led strategy of develop-

The survey also points to the numerous economic cooperation agreements recently set up in the region, ranging from restricted schemes such as the "growth triangles" to inter-regional ones such as the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation, as sign of increasing "constructive fraternalism" in

at Emirates Holidays' launch recently.

Country representative of

Inited Nations Population

Fund (UNFPA) Charles H

Larsimont in Dhaka Tucsday

said that the population of

Bangladesh would stabilise at

300 millions by the year 2040

while it would be 200 millions

by the year 2020, reports BSS.

of reduction of population

growth continues Contracep-

tive Prevalence Rate (CPR) up

to 57 per cent could be

The UNFPA country repre-

scritative was speaking at a

seminar on "population poli-

cics and programmes in

Bangladesh" organised by,

Bangladesh Unnayan Parishad

(BUP) and Bangladesh Society

of Economists in collaboration

seminar as the chief guest

Health and Family Welfare

Secretary Syed Ahmed said it

was very difficult to raise the

as one of the best contracep-

tives he said it was proved in

many countries including

SAARC country Sri Lanka that

female education had positive

Terming female education

CPR beyond 45 per cent.

Earlier, inaugurating the

with UNFPA.

achieved by the year 2000.

He said if the present trend

The session will also focus on the restructuring and revitalisation of the United Nations in the economic and social

Besides, it will deal with a number of sectoral and the pacific, the regional strategy for industrial and technological development, population and sustainable development, women in development, urbanisation strategies, the Asian and Pacific decade of disabled persons and the social development strategy for the ESCAP region towards the year 2000 and beyond.

Special attention to be given to the problems faced by the transitional disadvantaged economics in the region, as well as, to the performance of the least developed and landlocked developing countries and that of the Pacific Island countries, the press release

Maurice Flanagan (L), Emirates Group Managing Director, with Hans Haensel (R),

Emirates General Manager, Product and Market Development, outting the ceremonial cake

300m population by 2040 AD

contribution in reducing the

Presided over by the

rate of population growth.

Chairman of BUP and Pre-

sident of Bangladesh Society of

Economists Dr Qazi Kho-

liquzzaman the inaugural

session was also addressed by

UNFPA country Director SK

Alok, Secretary General of

Economists' Society Dr

Khandaker Mustahidur Rah-

man and a representative of

BUP Abdur Rashid Chowdhury.

In his presidential speech

Dr Kholiquzzaman said the

present process of human re-

source development should be

reversed and decentralised for

a sustainable socio-economic

development in the country

which would contribute more

in achieving family planning

social consciousness supported

by strong social policy for

satisfactory development of

ditorium the inaugural session

was followed by a paper pre-

sentation session chaired by

the President of Bangladesh

Family Planning Association

Held at Diabetic Centre au-

He suggested creation of

Tk 8 cr for 80 uplift projects

MAGURA, Apr 20: Water Development Board has sanctioned an amount of Taka 8 crore for completion of 80 projects in three districts during current fiscal year under Ganges-Kobadak Development Programme, reports UNB.

Official sources said under the programme, re-excavation of canals and construction of bridges, culverts and roads will be started in Magura, Jhenidah and Kushtia districts soon.

With the completion of the projects irrigation facilities and road communication will be improved to a great extent.

Another report adds: Acute shortage of bullock has been prevailing in four thanas of the district causing serious setback in cultivation of land during the current season.

Villagers said about 50 per cent farmers have no bullock and most of them cultivate their lands on the share basis.

At present a pair of bullock is being sold between Taka 9,000 and 14,000 which is beyond the purchasing capacity of poor and marginal farmers.

In his keynote paper, Prof

M Kabir of Jahangirnagar

University said if the current

trends in fertility, mortality a

family planning programme

performance could be main-

tained it was realistic to ex-

pect CPR at 50 per cent by

1995 and 60 per cent by 2000.

Fertility Rate (TFR) per woman

would decline from 4.3 in

1991 to 3.3 in 1995 and 2.3 by

2000, and the population

growth rate would decline

from 2.1 per cent in 1990 to

1.8 per cent in 1995 and 1.7

Presenting a paper on cur-

rent issues on population poli-

cies and programmes in

Bangladesh Nilufar Ahmad of

BUP said education was the

first and foremost instrument

to achieve successful popula-

tion policy. But she said little

emphasis was given in this

makers impose family planning

programmes from above

whereas decision about family

planning lies in the hands of

poor illiterate men and women

She also said that the policy

sector.

in the country.

per cent in 2000, he added.

In that case the Total



From Our Correspondent

NATORE, Apr 20: At least 3,000 jobless labourers of about 150 closed small industrial units of northern region have been passing their days in extreme hardship.

There are 600 large and small industrial units in greater Rajshahi, Bogra, Dinajpur, Rangpur and Pabna districts of which 150 have been closed for lack of proper maintenance, shortage of capital and scarcity of fucl.

The break-up of the closed industries are : Thirtyfour closed out of 154 industries in greater Rajshahi district including Natore, 50 closed out

Berth Name of Vessels Cargo

of 172 industries in greater Bogra, 15 closed out of 108 in greater Dinajpur, 25 closed out of 73 industries in greater Rangpur and 25 closed out of 84 industries in greater Pabna districts, sources said.

All these units were established with the assistance of Bangladesh Small and Cottage Industries Corporation (BSCIC).

The small industries which were set up without the assistance of BSCIC have also been closed for fund shortage. Shortage of skilled manpower is one of the main reasons of the closure, sources said.

LPort Local Date of Leaving

Shipping Intelligence

CHITTAGONG PORT

Berth position and performance of vessels as on 20.04.93

No			Call	Agent	Arrival	TCAVILLE
J/1	Swift Wings	Wheat	Stng	Prog	08/4	22/4
J/2	Golden Lake	GI	Hong	Prog	12/4	21/4
J/3	Orang Berani	GI	Sing	BUN	16/4	22/4
J/4	Nand Bhargavi	GI	Hazi	OTL		24/4
J/5	Mars	Cement	Sing	Bright	31/3	22/4
J/6	lvyeverett	GI	Sing	EBPL	18/4	24/4
J/7	Fei Teng	GI	Dalc	Prog	06/4	26/4
J/8	Banglar Sampad	GI	Kara	HSC	07/4	22/4
J/9	Lily	GI	Company of the second of the second	Dynamic		20/4
J/10 J/11	Endurance Sca Arti (Attach:	Repair	Aqaba		25/1	25/4
砂原塔	19/4/93)	GTSP(P)	Ind	H & SL	16/1	26/4
J/12	AL Rahman	Urea	Mong	KSL	07/4	21/4
J/13	Fong Shin	Cont	Sing	BD Ship	18/4	22/4
MPB/1	Tiger Force	Cont	Col	RSL	15/4	24/3
MPB/2	Ingenuity	Cont	Sing	RSL	17/4	2
œ	Berry	Cement	Sing	Bright	29/3	22/4
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	(Ebb)	Wheat (G)		BSC	R/A	
TSP	Hang Cheong	Cement	Sing	н &н	28/3	25/4
RM/4	Vinta	Wheat (G)	CALLE	GSL	R/A	25/4
RM/6	Ronjay Choomie	Cement	Vish	PSAL	15/3	
DOJ	Banglar Shourabh	Comme	Tian	rort.	13/3	25/4
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DDJ/1	Barge:	-	51/22			
	Labroy-90/Tug	100		#		
	Y. Success	GI -	Sing	ILA	31/1	31/7
DDJ/2	Banglar Moni	Repair	Mong		12/4	N (50,500)
CUFJ	Banglar Asha	Repair	mong	BSC	R/A	25/4
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	Lombok	P.Mat	Sing	Anchor	31/3	31/8

VESSELS DUE AT OUTER ANCHURAGE

Name of Vessels	Date of Arrival	Last Port Cal	Local Agent	Cargo L	eding Port
Ji Lin	20/04	HongKong	Prog	GI	
Flying Dragon	20/04	Sing	USTC	Cement	*
Marcery Sea	20/04	Malc		Scraping	*
Optima 12/04	21/04	Sing	RSL	Cont	Sing
Qing He Cheng	21/04	S.i fai	BD Shtp	Gl Chinese	
Astra	22/04	Sing	USTC	Cement	
Niaga	22/04	Sing	MBL	GI	**
∆ur a	22/04	8,200	PSAL	Cement	
Kota Buana 13/4	23/04	Sing	CTS	Cont	Stng
Eponyma 8/4	23/04	Sing	RSL	Cont	Sing
Nomadic Lady	23/04	Cama	LAMS	Wheat (G)	(2007)
Banglar Doot	23/04	Mong	BSC		atakta
Loyal Bird	24/04	2 2 22	RRSA	Repair	53
NGS Express	22/04	Sing	BD Ship	Cement	į.
ORSH	25/04		USTC	Cement	20
Konjay victory	25/04	*	USTC	Cement	
Robert-e-Lee	25/04		Karna	CI New	Yourk
State of Andhra	wed)w	M ar sa	361 T	DE N	16 15
Pradesh	25/04	Mad	SSL	CI	UKC
Safina-e-Najam	25/04	## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ## ##	ASLL		arachi
Bo Tong Gang	26/04	₩	ASLL	Cement	eiden accessor.
Meng Kiat 17/04	26/04		AML	Cont	Strig
Fong Yun 17/4	26/04		BD Ship	Cont	
Mowlavi (E/L) 19/4	26/04	§	SSL	E/L Bandar	Abbas
Banglar Robi 19/04	28/04	Sing	BSC	Cont	Sing
Eastern Pearl	30/04	1500000	DBA	GI	
Safina-e-Ismail-2	30/04	*1	ASLL	MARKET 1500	arachi
Vishva Kaumudi	01/05	**************************************	SSL	GL Dundee	
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VESSELS AT KUTUBDIA

me of vessels	Cargo	Last port	Local agent	Date of arrival
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READY ON

Devel Over	CI	O.		10/04
Pearl One	GI	Cal	Cross	18/04
Samudra Rani	GI	Kara	SSL	18/04
Meng Lee	Cont	Sing	AML	18/04
Petr Starostin	Cont	Sing	CT	18/04
Continent-1	GI	Pena	CIA	19/04
NGS Ranger	Cont	Sing	BD Ship	19/04
PU Aspiration	Cement	Jaka	USTC	16/04

VESSELS NOT READY					
Altair Lee	Cement	Sing	Bright	22/03	
Xin JI	Cement	Lach	Khansons	15/04	
Handy Shipper	M.Seeds	Sing	Royal	19/04	

VESSELS AWAITING INSTRUCTION

Banglar Jyoti Shipsam	Cement	Titiz	BSC PSAL	R/A (18/04) 14/04
V	ESSELS N	OT ENT	ERING	
Fleistella Erotas Norbulk Namir Sea Destiny Ryong Song Stern Milos King Alexander Sea Rhapsody	Scraping Cement Cement Cement Cement Scraping Scraping Scraping	Sing Sing Viza Pada Sing Mong Pira Pachi	Bright Unimerin Boal AML USTC New Fund Je H &SL UMAL	15/04 16/04 19/03

MOVEMENT OF VESSELS FOR 21/04/93

OUTGO	ING	INCOM	ING	SHIFTING
J/2 J/12 MPB/1 MPB/2 RM/4 DDJ/2	Golden Lake Al Rahman Tiger Ingenuity Vinta Banglar Mont	J/13 J/2 J/12 NB	Meng Lee Petr Starostin Continent-1 NGS Ranger Ji Lin Handy Shipper Quing He Cher	

The above were the Tuesday's shipping position and performance of vessels of Chittagong Port as per berthing sheet of CPA supplied by HRC Group, Dhaka.

Exchange Rates

The following are the Commercial Banks' BC selling and TT (C), OD transfer buying rates for some selected foreign currencies effective on April 21.

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Currency	Selling B. C.	T. T. (C)	Buying OD Transfers
US Dollar	39.1326	38.9087	38.6339
Pound Sterling	60.3094	59.9923	59.5911
DM	24.4931	24.3377	24.1658
FF	7,2515	7.2060	7.1551
S Riyal	10.4602	10.4003	10.3269
D Guilders	21.7948	21.6520	21.4991
S Kroner	5.3001	5.2662	5.2290
Singapore Dollar	24.1336	23.9955	23.8260
UAE Dirham	10.6911	10.6299	10.5548
Kuwait Dinar	130.4837	129.7372	128.8209
Indian Rupee (AMU)	1.2485	1.2429	1.2367
Pak Rupee (AMU)	1,4609	1.4544	1,4472

Authorised dealers will apply T T clean buying rate for purchase of remittances of Bangladeshis working abroad.

Note: AMU-Asian Monetary Union.

Dhaka Stock Prices

At the close of trading on April 20, 1993

Index slightly recovers

Transactions at Dhaka Stock share market met with a relatively moderate gain in the All Share Composite Price Index following Apr-18's massive fall.

Business in terms of volume showed a slight gain of 32.11 per cent finishing at 10451.25 issues from Monday's 7,911 issues. On the other hand, business in terms of value recorded a small loss of 12.71 per cent ending at Taka 558135.75 from Monday's finish of Taka 639421.00.

Gainers regained control on the floor outnumbering their only rival, losers by a margin of 16 to ten. Trading at previous rates took a large share of 15.

Bangladesh Tobacco Company finished with a relatively larger gain on the day following Apr-18's huge loss from Tk 75.00 to Tk 50.00. It managed to recover 20 per cent of its prices and closed at Tk 60.00.

On the other side, Quasem Silk continued to lose ground. On the third day of its appearance in a short time it further lost 7.08 per cent of its prices and sacrificed for Tk 2.40 per

The Composite Index recovered after Sunday's nose dive. It added another 7.63 points to Monday's close of 359.9444 and finished at 367.5774.

DAY'S TRADING AT A GLANCE

DSE Share Price Index

Market Capitalisation (Tk)

Company's name	Previous	Closing	Change	Change	Number
	price	price	(absolute)	DODG NO. A MANAGEMENT	of shares
	Tk	Tk	7,-20	price)	sold
Gains (16) Shares:	N A	100	Same Sulmon and In-		10 Mg
BIC	50.00	60.00	10.00	20.000	367
Quasem Drycells	8.98	9.36	0.38	D 55-ATERESTICATION	
Green Delta	₽ 181.00	183.00	2.00	1.105	生命 (中の名乗行が名の)集役の場合
BGIC	169.00	170.95	1.95	1.154	TOO IN 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
United Ins	192.00	193.00	1.00	0.521	20
Eastern Cables	73.50	74.00	0.50	0.680	200
Singer Bangladesh	1424.70	1448.18	23.48	1.648	20 :+ : 2 : 2 : 2 : 2 : 2 : 2 : 2 : 2 : 2
Dhaka Vcg	83.62	84.45	0.83		
Ambee Pharma	12.10	12.20	0.10		
Beximeo Pharma	445.00	445.50	0.50		
Beximeo	19.80	20.05	0.25	1.263	3 2200
Ctg Cement	247.95	253.78	5.83	2.35	205
Monno Ceramic	295.00	296.00	1.00	0.339	10
Usmania Glass Debentures:	245.00	245.75	0.75	0.305	5 20
Bextmco Infusion	1588.00	1600.00	18.00	1.134	02
Beximeo Pharma	1222.00	1224.00	2.00	0.164	22
Losses (10) Shares:	AAG AIE	Ka PIDAK			
AB Bank	180.00	178.00	2.00	1.111	37
B Thai Aluminium	75.00	74.28	0.72	0.960	160
NTC	211.00	205.00	6.00	2.844	9.54
B Oxygen	70.00	69.57	0.43	0.614	
Eagle Star	14.20	14.00	0.20	1.408	
Quasem Silk	2.40	2.23	0.17	7.083	22.00
Satham Textile	64.14	64.00	0.14	0.218	7.1 HERME
Tallu Spinning	98.33	98.00	0.33	0.336	FE 275 15 15
Eagle Box	14.50	14.30	0.20	1.379	
Bata Shoe	33.42	33.00	0.42	1.257	

Shares: National Bank Ltd (20), Rupali Bank (110), 2nd ICB (40), 6th ICB (10), Bengal Food (11), Zeal Bangla (100), Tulip Dairy (25), National Oxygen (10), Ashraf Textile (100), Modern Dyeing (05), Padma Textile (30), Ibn Sina (90), Rahman Chemicals (20), Paper Processing (210), GQ Ball Pen (550),

DSE SHARES AND DEPENDING

United

ENGINEERING (19)

Bangladesh Autocars 100/5 54.94

B. That Aluminium 100/10 74.00

Renwick Jagneswar 100/5 67.00

Aftab Automobiles

Bangladesh Lamps

Bengal Carbide

Bengal Steel

Eastern Cables

Howlader PVC

Mctalex Corp.

Monno Jutex

National Tubes

Quasem Drycells

Singer Bangladesh

FOOD & ALLIED (23)

Panther Steel

A.B Biscuit

Apex Food

Aroma Tca

Alpha Tobacco

Aman Sca Food

B.D. Plantation

Ctg. Vegetable

Frogleg Export

Hill Plantation

Rabeya Flour

Rupan Oil

Tulip Datry

BD Oxygen

Yousuf Flour

Zeal Bangla Sugar

Eastern Lubricant

National Oxygen

Padma Oil Co.

Anowara Jute

JUTE (12)

Ahad Jute

Delta Jute

Gawsia Jute

Jule Spinner

Mutual Jute

Northern Jute

FUEL & POWER (00)

Gemini Sea Food

Modern industries

E.L. Camelita

Dhaka Vegetables

Bengal Food

B.T.C.

N.T.C

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Karim Pipe

Atlas Bangladesh

Aziz Pipes

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City Bank	100/5	280.00	Alhaj Textile	10/50	HERVIE DAY
I.F.I.C	100/5	173.00	Arbee Textile	100/10	112
Islami Bank	1000/1	1710.00	Ashraf Textile	10/50	30
National Bank	100/5	100.00	Chand Textile	10/50	9
Pubali Bank	100/5	100.00	Chand Spining	10/50	100
Rupali Bank	100/10	71.00	Desh Garments	100/10	50
UCBL	100/5	112.00	Dulamia Cotton	100/10	79
Uttara Bank	100/5		Eagle Star Textile	10/50	14
	gwaee woods		GMG Ind. Corp.	10/50	10.
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5th ICB M. Fund	100/10	*** "MINE SECTION SECTION SE	S.T.M. (ORD)	100/5	40.
6th ICB M. Fund	100/10		Stylecraft	100/5	130.
ICB Unit Cert.	100/10	02.00	Swan Textile	100/5	18
Sales Price		119.00	Tallu Spinning	100/10	98
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Green Delta	100/10		Ambee Pharma	10/50	12
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Wata Chemical 100/20 115.00 PAPER & PRINTING (06) 10/50 14.30 100/5 45:00 Monospool Paper Paper Converting 100/5 110:00 100/10 24.75 Paper Processing 10/50 50.00 Sonali Paper 10/50 51.67

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pex Tannery	100/5	370.
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ata Shoe	10/100	33.
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S.C	100/5	50.
hittagong Cemen	100/5	253.
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igh Speed .	100/5	80.
madri Ltd.	10/100	6.0

100/3	800.00	Aramti	10/50	37
10/50	60.00	Bata Shoe	10/100	33
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10/100	NT	New Dhaka Refac	100/20	80.
10/100	4.20	Pheonix Leather	100/5	90.
100/10	40.00	Savar Refractories	100/5	100
10/50	NT	The Engineers	100/5	100
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Rapid urbanisation pollutes Asian environment, says ADB

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MANILA, Apr 20: Asia's tecming cities, set to house half the world's urban population by the year 2020, face severe environmental degradation and pollution from rapid urbanisation, the Asian Development Bank (ADB) said Monday, says a Reuter report.

The Manila-based bank said contaminated water, congestion, pollution, malnutrition, overerowding and high crime rates may worsen in Asia's burgeoning cities without drastic action.

"A major challenge is to en sure that urbanisation is environmentally sustainable. The Asian Development Bank (ADB) said in a report published ahead of its annual meeting in Mantla next month

"The expansion of metropolitan areas in the region, including the emergence of mega-cities' can lead to unprecedented levels of pollution and environmental degradation unicss appropriate measures are taken.

By the year 2020, the urban population in Asia's developing countries is expected to balloon to more than two billion people from 849 million in

In 1950s there were only 19 cities in the region with a population of more than one

At least 12 of the world's 21 mega cities, those with more that 10 million people, will be in Asia the end of the century.

Bombay, Shanghai and Calcutta will each have more that 15 million residents and the populations of nine other cities will exceed 10 million, the bank said.

Although rapid economic growth in Asia has improved the quality of life for many

mained pressing problems

people, ADB President Kimimasa Tarumizu said in the bank's development outlook that poverty, population growth and urbanisation re-

There are dozens of Asian cities evolving into major metropolitan areas with populations of more than three million people. Most are growing

Problems range from paying for clean water in Indonesia, to

S Arabia won't retaliate against energy taxes

RIYADH, Apr 20: Saudi Arabia pledged Monday to maintain an oil policy that would serve importers as well as producers, apparently ruling out retaliation for energy taxes proposed by Europe and the United States, reports AP.

The Saudi Cabinet listened to a report by Oil Minister Hisham Nazer on the outcome of the international oil conference hosted by Oman last week that discussed the proposed taxes,

"The council affirmed keenness to see stability prevail in the oil market at present and in the future,"

Information Minister Ali al-Shaer said following the

The kingdom did not want to see the oil market "confronted by any sudden vicissitudes, while taking into consideration the joint interests of oil producers and importers at the same time," he

ing Gulf countries had mentioned the possibility of clamping import taxes on multibillion-dollar imports from the European Commu-

Oil ministers of neighbour-

China where factories and homes burn polluting coal growth and rural urban migra

tion have contributed to the the ADB explained.

The bank must work closely

with developing countries to raise the productivity and efficiency of urban economies to deliver basic infrastructure and services, specially water supply and transport, it said. This will require massive investment.

management of physical resources will not lead to a destrable pattern of development unless adequate attention is paid to price adjustments to encourage environment-

friendly behaviour," it warned. In future, the ADB will require countries to put greater emphasis on strategic planning to guide the allocation of re-

housing quarters in Manila, to improving winter air quality in Both natural population

rapid growth in urban populations in the Asia-Pacific region,

While explosive urban growth has helped spur Asian economic development, most large cities in the region face environmental problems arising from poorly-managed urban development and activi-

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sources in their cities.