US jet fires missile at Iraqi missile site

WASHINGTON, July 25: A US Air Force jet fired a missik at an Iraqi missile site Saturday after the plane was illuminated by radar, the Defence Department said. The iragis apparently fired back, but missed, reports AP.

But Baghdad denied Sunday that it had fired at a US plane or that its radar had locked onto the jet in southern Iraq.

Defence department spokesman Col Dave Garner said in a statement Saturday night that US Air Force aircraft saw what appeared to be a single surface-to-air missile launched in the same area. He said all US aircraft returned safely to base.

An Air Force F-4G "Wild Weasel" patrolling the southern "no-fly" zone in eastern Iraq fired the HARM missile about 1850 GMT, the statement said.

But Iraq denied the report. "Iraq categorically denies the reported (radar) illumination or the dispatch of an anti-aircraft missile by an Iraqi anti-aircraft battery in the southern sector against US planes yesterday (Saturday) evening," said a statement distributed by the Information Ministry in statement added.

If the Iraqis did fire at a US plane, it would be first time that President Saddam Hussein's forces retaliated with a missile since the unilateral cease-fire declared by Baghdad in January when President Clinton took office.

US patrols operate under standing orders to fire at Iraqi missile sites if they turn their radars on the patrolling planes.



An activist of the Jatiya Party in action in the city Star photo yesterday.

JP supporters go on rampage

By Staff Correspondent A group of Jatiya Party supporters went violent and damaged scores of vehicles in the city yesterday, witnesses and

police said. Earlier police broke their procession near Bijoynagar, witnesses said adding that one group ran towards the Dainik Bangla crossing and damaged nearly forty parked and moving

After a 20-minute rampage, the unruly JP workers had disappeared before police reached the scene.

Another group went to the Press Club and held a brief rally which was called as part of the observance of the opposition "Demand Day".

Antique smuggling

Bail prayers of all 3 accused rejected

The Chief Metropolitan Magistrate yesterday rejected the bail petitions of Kuwaiti national Tarek D M Saleh and his two Bangladeshi accomplices held for trying to smuggle out precious antiques, reports UNB.

C M M Shahiduddin Ahmed placed the accused under police remand for another two days when they were produced before the court.

Govt college teachers demand 100 pc selection grade

Government college teachers yesterday demanded of the government to allow 100 per cent selection grade scale on completion of four years' service, reports UNB.

A press release of BCS Education Association yesterday said the recent decision of the Establishment Ministry to provide 50 per cent selection grade to the teachers on completion of four years' service was not acceptable.

Road, rail links with Sylhet restored

By Staff Correspondent

Road and rail communications between Dhaka and Sylhet were restored yesterday after a disruption for five days.

Both rail and road communications were snapped as portions of the highway and the railtracks were submerged by flood water.

Railway sources said that the Upaban Express had left Dhaka's Kamalapur Station at 10 pm last night. The Surma Mail also departed from Dhaka one and a half hours behind the schedule at 10.30 pm.

"Iraq also denies that an Iraqi anti-aircraft battery in the southern sector has been hit by an anti-radar HARM missile fired by an American plane," the

It said that if a US pilot believed that tragts fired a missile at his aircraft, it was "an expression of hallucination on his part or that certain parties in the American administration are trying, as usual, to create a crisis for the certain well-knownpolitical purposes."

The confrontation was the latest in a string of incidents that have occurred in Iraq since the United Nations established no-fly zones through which Iragi aircraft are not supposed

JP protests Kamal's comment on Moudud

By Staff Correspondent

The Jatiya Party has protested Dr Kamal Hossain's comment on Barrister Moudud Ahmed who is a member of the parliamentary committee probing alleged corruption in the Ministry of Irrigation, Water Development and Flood Control.

In a press release, Presidium member Monirul Huq Chowdhury, MP said that Dr Kamal's defamatory comment at a meeting in Comilla violated the sanctity of Parliament and dishonoured its 330 members.

He said Moudud Ahmed was elected member of parliament by the people and parliament made him a member of the committee.

Dr Kamal's comment reflected his own mental state following repeated failure in elections after 1973, he said. Dr Kamal was a 'collaborator' during the Liberian War and took asylum in Pakistan, Manirul

Dr Kamal should apologise before Parliament as well as to the nation for his comment against Moudud Ahmed and the Jatiya Party, he further said.

\$ 10m MOU with India for trading goods

A commodity exchange agreement between Bangladesh and India was signed here yesterday for trading goods worth 10 million US dollars, reports

The memorandum of understanding (MOU) was signed by the Trading Corporation of Bangladesh (TCB) and the State Trading Corporation of India (STCI), says an official press

Under the MOU, Bangladesh will export newsprint, glycerine, paraffin wax, semi-tanned leather, raw jute, bitumen emulsion, Jamdani sarees, books, periodicals et cetera to

Bangladesh will import from India hospital equipment, cement and construction materials, tyre-tubes, ball-bearings, motor parts, agro goods and spices, bus and vehicle spares, components for TV set, salt, fruits, ambulance, chemical products and so on.

Meanwhile, agreements on importing salt have been signed by TCB with STCI, the release

R1y subsidy reduced to Tk 90 crore

Subsidy to railway was reduced to Taka 90 crore during 1992-93 fiscal year following stringent measures taken against ticketless passengers and cut in expenditures on

various heads, reports BSS. Subsidy to railway was Taka 105 crore in the preceding fiscal year (1991-92).

AL presidium member Abdus Samad Azad addressing a public meeting at Bangabandhu - Star photo Avenue in the city yesterday.

Opposition

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Mohammad Nasim asserted that no court could overrule the People's Court, which he said, possessed the supreme author-

Regarding the corruption charges against the Agriculture Minister, Nasim threatened dire consequences against 'attempts to bypass punishment' on any

The meeting was addressed by Nurul Islam Nahid, Kazi Aref Ahmed and Amir Hossain Amu.

BNP Council From Page 1 Col 8

Ahmed Siddiqui as its Chairman.

The 11 sub-committees are: Reception Sub-committee, headed by Prof AQM Badruddoza Chowdhury as Convenor, Management Sub-committee with ASM Mustafizur Rahman as Convenor, Finance Subcommittee, headed by M Saifur Rahman, Constitution and Manifesto Amendment Subcommittee (Convenor Barrister Nazmul Huda), Publicity Subcommittee with Fazlur Rahman Patal as Convenor, Office Subcommittee (Convenor Afsar Ahmed Siddiqui), Entertainment Sub-committee (Convenor Mir Shawkat Ali), Service Subcommittee (Convenor Mirza Abbas), Cultural Sub-committee (Convenor Prof Jahanara Begum). Drafts Sub-committee (Convenor Nazrul Islam Khan) and Invitation of Foreign Guests and Management subcommittee, headed by Akmol

Ibne Yusuf. The preparatory committee members are: Col (Rtd) Akbar Hossain, Tarigul Islam, Dr Khandaker Mosharraf Hossain, Abdul Mannan Bhutyan, Rafigul Islam Mia, Azizul Huq, Afsar Ahmed Siddiqui, Nazrul Islam Khan, Mir Shawkat Ali, Mirza Abbas, Salahuddin Ahmed, Begum Ahsanullah, Begum Sarwari Rahman, Gayeswar Chandra Ray, Amanullah Aman, Haris Chowdhury, Mofiqul Hasan Tripty, Shamsuzzaman Dudu and Zahid Hossain Chunnu.

SPGRC ultimatum

The Stranded Pakistanis General Repatriation Committee (Ejaz) yesterday urged the governments of Pakistan and Bangladesh to accept its 4-point demand by August 14, reports

The demands include issuance of Pakistani identity cards and Pakistani passports to stranded Pakistanis, inclusion of the names of eligible stranded Pakistanis in the voter list of Pakistan and allow them to exercise the rights of franchise in October election.

Serb leader tells Muslims

Accept ethnic division or fight to death

BELGRADE (Yugoslavta) July 25: The leader of Bosnia's Serbs has given his Muslim rival a stark choice to make at this week's peace talks: Accept ethnic division of the republic or fight to the death

They are militarily defeated, and we have no urgency to negotiate with them," the Serb leader Radovan Karadzic said'in a telephone, interview with The Associated Press.

Serbs earlier gave the Muslims a July 20 deadline to accept the division of Bosnia, an internationally recognized country, into three ethnic mini-states. But Bosnia's Muslim President "Alija Izetbegovic, wanting to keep Bosnia a multiethnic federation of Muslims, Serbs and Croats, refused to negotiate. Karadzic's men, who already

control 70 per cent of Bosnia, then sharply increased their assault on the biggest remaining multi-ethnic territory, Sarajevo. And Karadzic spelled out his goal: At the talks which begin in

Geneva on Tuesday, Izetbegovic

must sign a truce and agree to

"Our proposal for confederation is the last variant, and if it will not be possible, we will pursue our way, " Karadzic

izetbegovic has held out for a Herzegovina because he believes it is the only chance for Muslims to survive.

He believed the world supported the same ideal by its recognition of Bosnian independence in April 1992, which also encouraged lzetbegovic to hope for military support.

But the United States and western Europe, while lending humanitarian support and moral encouragement, have made abundantly clear that they have no intention of fighting Izetbegovic's battle for him on the ground.

Bosnian Serbs now confidently call their territory a Serb republic. Croats control nearly a third of the state. Muslims, about 44 per cent of Bosnian's pre-war population, have suffered huge losses and are reduced to a few isolated patches of territory.



Food Mintster M Shamsul Islam receiving Shri Lankan Minster for Food, Cooperatives and Janasaviya Weerasinghe Mallimaratchi at the Zia International Airport - PID photo yesterday.

Fresh floods in mid-region

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eastern hill basin was flowing eight centimeters above the red mark at Narayanpur, according to a bulletin of the Flood Forecasting Centre (FFC). It said that the Ganges con-

tinued to rise at all points. The mighty river recorded a rise by 41cm at Pankha, 30 cm at Rajshahi, 35 cm at the Hardinge Bridge and three centimeters at Goalando. The bulletin forecast that

the Ganges was likely to cross danger levels at Goalando and Bhagyakul by 6 am today (Monday), because of direct influence of the receding Brahmaputra.

The flood situation in the areas located downstream of the Brahmaputra might aggravate, it said. In Sylhet, Sunamganj,

Moulvi Bazar, Habiganj and Comilla districts, the flood situation might remain unchanged the FFC bulletin added. Our Staff Correspondent in

Chittagong reports: Four people

died by mudslide in Barkal and one at Magban areas of Rangamati districts. The flood - situation in Chittagong improved Sunday which had earlier affected 2.90

lakh people, according to the local district control room. The road communications between Chittagong and Cox's Bazar district restored Sunday while it remained cut off from Rangamati, Kaptai and Khagrachhari.

Ship movement in the Karnaphuli channel largely remained suspended Sunday,

BIWTA warning

By Staff Correspondent

The BIWTA has warned all types of river vessels and crafts to ply cautiously in the internal coastal routes.

The advice has been issued as many buoys have drifted away will the on-rush of flood water.

The BIWTA also mentioned that lamps inside many buoys had become inoperative due to immersion in water while many beacon lamps had fallen into water because of river erosion in many places, which might cause difficulties in navigation.

The BIWTA authorities said that although all efforts were being made to bring back normalcy by restoring the buoys and replacing the beacon lamps, it would not be possible till the flood waters fell to normal level.

Despite severe current in the channel, five ships were pfloted out while three others berthed in the port under special arrangement, officials informed.

Our Netrokona Correspondent reported: The flood situation took a serious turn in the district Sunday affecting all the 10 thanas.

A total of 16 people have died either by drowning or snake-bite over the last five According to the local offi-

completely washed away by the flood water. Our Correspondent from Habigani says: Thrée people

cials, five villages have been

died in the district Sunday bringing the death toll to five. The victims were identified as Jahangir, 7, of Madhabpur, Abdur Rouf, 40, of Azmiriganj and Manzur Mia, 30, of

The overall flood situation in the district remained static, local officials said. Our Gafbandha Correspon-

Nabigani.

dent reports: The flood situation remained unchanged Sunday despite the water receding in the Brahmaputra and the Ghaghat.

The Deputy Commissioner of the district told The Daily Star that a total of 96,288 people , had been affected.

Special operation against Sarbahara men in 4 dists

From Staff Correspondent BARISAL, July 25: Police has launched a special operation against the outlawed Sarbahara Party activists from today in four districts of the Barisal division, according to DIG office sources.

The four districts are: Bartsal, Jhalakathi, Pirojpur and Patuakhalt.

The operation has been initiated against the backdrop of increased activities of the Sarbahara Party in the districts.

Barisal and Khulna range reserve police and armed battalion police have started the operation jointly.

A total of 1605 activists of the Sarbahara Party were arrested from the six districts of Barisal division since April 1 this year. Of them 245 were arrested from Barisal, 481 from Patuakhali, 211 from Jhalakathi, 184 from Pirojpur, 123 from Barguna and 361 from Bhola districts.

Indian embassy official ordered to leave Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, July 25 Pakistan today accused an Indian embassy official of spying and ordered him to leave the country within a week, reports Reuter.

Indian High Commissioner (ambassador) S K Lambah de nied the charge against mission assistant V L Sharma, who does not have diplomatic status.

The Pakistani action came two days after Indian security officials arrested a Pakistani high commission driver in New Delhi on spying charges.

DC-10 crash From Page 1 Col 8 has been investigating the causes of the accident of the aircraft now undergoing repair

at the Biman's hangar at ZIA. The committee was due to submit its report within one month but one committee member said that "it will take three to four months to submit the report." He said that the British air

accident investigation branch where the 'black box' was decoded, usually took six months to two years to complete an investigation report. "It is a complicated and

takes time," the senior official Another Biman source said that the repairing work of the damaged aircraft was going on at the hangar. Structural repairing, engine overhauling. clectrical rewiring and other component tests are the four broad-based works to be done

highly technical matter which

to make the aircraft operational. Insurers of the aircraft, the Lloyds, would bear the expenses of the repair works under the supervision of the manufacturers McDonnell Douglas.

BCS rules

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The members of the privileged cadres under the amended rules included those of the general education, the judiciary, the technical educa tion, the public works, the co operatives, the roads and highways, the statistical, the public health engineering, the health and the family planning.

The writ petition was filed by Mofazzal Hossain, a member of the taxation cadre while Barrister Amir-ul-Islam moved the

The petitioner, seeking a rule nisi on the Ministries of Establishment and the Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs, argued that the said amendments were clearly violative of the country's constitutional provisions that had ensured equal rights and opportunities for every citizen at all level of state affairs.

The petition said, the Bangladesh Civil Service Reorganisation Order 1980, under which all the cadres were reconstituted, provided uniform terms and conditions for both

job confirmation and promotion. The relaxation of the rules for the members of 10 cadres had definitely given rise to discrimination against those of the rest, the petition argued, adding that the members of all the cadres had to cross the hurdle of identical examinations, at the entry point, which initially put them on equal footings.

The court, after a preliminary hearing of the petition yesterday, adjourned it for a week.

Marin leaves Dhaka EC Vice-President Manuel

Marin left here yesterday for Singapore to attend an ASEAN conference there, reports UNB. He was seen off at the Zia International Airport by Foreign Minister A S M Mostafizur

Rahman. During his 3-day visit to Bangladesh, Marin signed a protocol on 30 million dollars **ECU Integrated Food Assisted** Project and had meetings with the government leaders.

The Midnight File

LDP looks for new leader

TOKYO, July 25: Just days before the Liberal Democratic Party is to elect its new leader, there isn't a strong candidate in sight - and that could spell trouble for the scandal - plagued party's bid to keep power. In elections July 18, the Liberal Democrats fell short of a majority in Parliament's more powerful lower house for the first time since 1955, meaning their hold on government will end unless other parties agree to join them in a coalition, reports AP.

Israeli planes raid Syrian position: 2 soldiers killed

DAMASCUS, July 25: Syria said that Israeli planes attacked Syrian positions in Lebanon today, killing two of its soldiers. A military spokesman, quoted by Syria's official Sana news agency, said a third Syrian soldier was wounded in the raids, reports Reuter.

Attack on UN base in Sarajevo

SARAJEVO, July 25: A United Nations military base in Sarajevo was hit by a major shelling attack today just hours after the latest Bosnian ceasefire came into force, witnesses said. Burning vehicles, some still with their engines running, were abandoned during the attack. There was no immediate information on casualties, reports Reuter.

AL rally in Natore baton charged

From Our Correspondent NATORE, July 25: Police dispersed a rally of the Awami League here today by baton charge leaving about 50 people wounded.

The police action came immediately before the Deputy Inspector General of Police. Rajshahi Range, Raqibul Huda passed the street, adjacent to the local Press Club, where the rally was organised in observance of the 15-Party Alliance's nationwide 'Demand Day' to-

to clear the street, occupied by the demonstrators resulting in a traffic jam. But the organisers of the rally said the police attack came all in a sudden and without any warning. Indiscriminate baton charges

Police said their action was

led the leaders and workers run for safety. Of the injured, Advocate

Satful Islam, district AL chief, Advocate Mohstnul Huq. Al. leader and president of the District Bar Association, ALbacked Chhatra League district president Masudur Rahman Masud and general secretary Shartful Islam Ramzan and three other party activists -Hazarat, Mona and Jewel were admitted to different clinics of the town.

Natore district unit of the Awamt League has called a rally at the Nimtala crossing tomorrow in protest against the unprovoked police harassment.

Munir From Page 1 Col 5 complications arise", one senior official told The Daily Star on

The source said that the

condition for anonymity.

morning, and this was reportedly conveyed to his parents. Family sources, however, expressed their ignorance of

body would be handed over to

Munir's family on Tuesday

any date of execution. Munir, who killed his wife on April 8, 1989, was convicted and sentenced to death by a District and Sessions Judge Court. The verdict was upheld by the High Court and the Appellate Division also rejected

a review petition last month. The President, who has constitutional power to commute the sentence, also rejected appeals from Munir and his par-

Ctg, Sylhet airports to be upgraded soon

Sylhet and Chittagong airports will be upgraded to semiinternational airports very soon and necessary ground support equipment are being imported

for this purpose, reports UNB. This was disclosed yesterday by State Minister for Civil Aviation and Tourism Abdul Mannan while addressing as chief guest the meeting of the American-Bangladesh Economic Forum at a local ho-

"Though we have no ocean-

going vessels to bring foreign tourists in our country, we have tagged our national flag carrier. Biman Bangladesh Airlines, in this regard," he said. We have a lot of tourism potentialities in our country and

develop tourism industry," he Mannan called upon the investors to come forward to develop tourism industry in the

the government was trying to

private sector. Pak administration

From Page 1 Col 4 replace the chief secretaries, the top bureaucrats in each

Similarly, the Chairman of the state-run Radio Pakistan and the Pakistan Television Corporation have also been replaced to avoid bias in the national media.

Sources said the government was also finalising the list of political appointees to be sidelined ahead of elections. Official sources said the elec-

toral reforms proposed by various political leaders including Sharif's main rival Benazir Bhutto were also discussed. These include holding of both provincial and national as-

sembly polls on the same day and showing of the national identity cards by voters at the time for balloting. Among the proposals are also the dissolution of munici-

pal bodies and efforts to restrict

character assassination of op-

ponents during the campaign as

well as plans to stem the use of "drug money" in the polls. Sources said the Election Commission was in favour of the proposals on ID cards and might also limit the election ex-

penses of candidates.



ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশন

व्यापनात पतिरवम मुक्तत ও पतिष्ठत ताथुन আপনার শিশুকে টিকা দিন বিজ্ঞপ্তি

এতদ্বারা সিটি করপোরেশন এলাকাধীন সকল ব্যবসা প্রতিষ্ঠান/ দোকানপাট/কলকারখানা/ঠিকাদার/সরবরাহকারী/কমিশন এজেউ/ পেশাদারী ব্যাংক/বীমা ও বাণিজ্যিক কাজে ব্যবহৃত যান্ত্রিক যানবাহন এবং অন্যান্য সকল ব্যবসা প্রতিষ্ঠানের মালিকগণকে আগামী ৩০শে সেপ্টেম্বর, ১৯৯৩ ইং এর মধ্যে তাহাদের স্ব-স্ব ব্যবসার অনুকূলে প্রদত্ত টেড লাইসেন্স করপোরেশনের সংশ্লিষ্ট আঞ্চলিক কার্যালয়/ব্যাংক হইতে গ্রহণ/নবায়ন করাইয়া নেওয়ার জন্য অনুরোধ জানানো যাইতেছে। উল্লেখ্য যে, টেড লাইসেন্স নতুন/নবায়ন করার সময় প্রতিষ্ঠানের মালিকের ৩ (তিন) কপি সত্যায়িত পাসপোর্ট সাইজের ফটো দাখিল করিতে হইবে।

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