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US envoy hosts reception

The United States ambassador in Dhaka David Nathan Merrill held a reception yesterday afternoon at his residence in celebration of the 218th anniversary of the declaration of independence. Proposing a toast on the occasion the ambassador said the United States of America upholds democratic values, freedom of expression and liberty of the people, reports BSS.

BLUE CROSS SCORE BOARD

World Cup USA '94

SUNDAY'S RESULTS

Second Round :

Game 4 : Romania 3; Argentina 2
Romania in quarter-finals.
Scorers: Romania— Ilie Dumitrescu 11, 18;
Gheorghe Hagi 57
Argentina— Gabriel Batistuta 16; Abel Balbo 75

MATCH STATISTICS		Romania	Argentina
Shots on goal		13	22
Fouls		16	17
Corners		4	4
Offsides		5	2
Yellow cards		3	4

Game 5: Holland 2; Ireland 0
Holland in quarter-finals.
Scorers: Holland— Dennis Bergkamp 11;
Wim Jonk 41

MATCH STATISTICS		Holland	Ireland
Shots on goal		16	19
Fouls		16	13
Corners		5	9
Offsides		1	6
Yellow cards		1	0

100% FULL CREAM SWEETENED CONDENSED MILK

US toxic fertiliser

BADC demands Tk 45 cr compensation

By S Y Bakht

The Bangladesh Agriculture Development Corporation (BADC) is seeking Tk 45 crore in compensatory damages from the supplier of the toxic fertiliser imported from the United States in 1992, according to well-placed Agriculture Ministry sources.

The corporation, as the importer of the fertiliser, has already filed a damage suit against the Washington-based supplier with the Dhaka Sub-Judge's Court, based on an earlier arbitration award, one source confirmed.

In April last, as per the terms of the procurement contract, the BADC chairman appointed an arbitrator to determine the amount of damages. The arbitrator awarded a total of Tk 45 crore in compensation.

disposals of toxic wastes.

The company, M/S Horsehead Resource Development, has already submitted a plan to take back the contaminated fertiliser, which is being scrutinised by the BADC. An agreement between BADC and the US company is expected to be signed later this month.

The cost for disposing of the toxic fertiliser would be met from a 600,000 US dollar fine imposed on Gaston Cooper and Staller Inc by a US court earlier this year. The court had set July 1 as the deadline for the company to present a detailed plan to take back the consignment from Bangladesh.

About 2,850 tons of the consignment remain sealed in 19 BADC godowns in the Chittagong area.

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Jahanara Imam's janaza today

By Staff Correspondent

The body of Nirmul Committee convenor Jahanara Imam arrived in Dhaka yesterday afternoon by a British Airways flight.

Thousands of mourners were present at Zia International Airport to receive the body.

Her namaj-e-janaza will be held today (Tuesday) at the National Eidgah near the High Court after Zohr prayers. She will be buried at the Freedom Fighters' Graveyard, Mirpur.

Saif Imam Jamil, the only surviving son of Jahanara Imam and relative Syed Hasan Imam accompanied the body from the USA.

Convenor of the Ekattor Ghatok Dalal, Nirmul Jatiya Samannay Committee Jahanara Imam died at a US hospital on June 26. She was suffering from cancer.

Awami League chief Sheikh Hasina, Dhaka City Mayor Mohammad Hanif, Workers' Party leader Rashed Khan Menon, Gono Forum President Dr. Kamal Hossain, JSD leader Hasanul Huq Inu, AL leaders Abdus Samad Azad, Amir Hossain Amu, Sajeda Chowdhury, JSD President Shahjahan Siraj, six of the sector commanders of the Liberation War — retired Major General KM Shafullah, Maj Gen CR Dutta, Major Rafiqul Islam, Col. Shawkat Ali MP, Lt.

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20-year master plan for afforestation

By Chapal Bashir

try's land area.

A team of consultants, appointed by the Ministry for Environment and Forest, conducted study on the country's forest resources with financial assistance from Asian Development Bank (ADB). The team has prepared the draft master plan on the basis of its study and submitted it to the ministry recently.

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