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## US, North Korea sign nuclear pact

GENEVA, Oct 21: Washington and Pyongyang signed here today a landmark nuclear agreement on restructuring North Korea's nuclear programme and easing tension in the Korean peninsula, reports AFP.

The pact, aimed at ensuring that North Korea will develop nuclear energy for peaceful ends only, was signed by the United States chief negotiator Robert Gallucci and North Korean Vice Foreign Minister Kang Sok-ju at North Korea's mission here.

The four-page accord contained an additional two-page confidential document, the contents of which will not be made public.

In addition to curbing North Korea's nuclear ambitions, the two sides notably pledged to 'move toward full normalisation of political and economic relations,' and work towards a 'nuclear-free Korean peninsula,' according to the official text.

The deal is billed as marking the end of any plans Pyongyang might have to build an atomic bomb, using plutonium from a type of reactor that will now be scrapped under the terms of the agreement — assuming the ambitions have not already been realised.

During the signing ceremony, Gallucci handed the North Korean a letter from US President Bill Clinton guaranteeing the delivery of light water reactors, which produce less plutonium than Pyongyang's present system, as well as oil in exchange for a freeze on its current nuclear programme.

On arrival in Geneva today, Gallucci who admitted in Washington that the accord was far from perfect, said he hoped 'this framework document ... should resolve the outstanding issue over DPRK (North Korea's) nuclear programme and ... set North Korean-American relations on a better track.'

The text notably said that 'the US will provide full assurances to the DPRK against the threat or use of nuclear weapons by the US.'

In return, 'the DPRK will consistently take steps to implement the North-South joint denuclearisation of the Korean peninsula' and would 'engage in dialogue' with Seoul.



Detective Branch Police arrested five suspected murderers of schoolboy Ishtiaq Ahmed Isha from the city yesterday. They are (from L) Biplob, Amjad, Babu, Habib and Prince.— Star photo

## Leaders return to dialogue today

By Staff Correspondent

Leaders of the ruling party and the Opposition yesterday met Sir Ninian Stephen at the state guest house Meghna and briefed him on the first round of dialogue Thursday.

Deputy Leader of Parliament Prof Badruddoza Chowdhury and Chief Whip Khandaker Delwar Hossain of the ruling party and Deputy Leader of the Opposition Abdus Samad Azad and Opposition Chief Whip Mohammad Nasim met the Commonwealth Secretary General's emissary. The informal meeting lasted an hour from 5:10 pm.

The leaders handed over to Ninian an audio recording of the first round of dialogue. The recorded speech of the delegation leaders of the two sides at the opening session will be translated by the officials of Parliament Secretariat.

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**NEWS BRIEFS**

- Housewife commits suicide**  
From Our Correspondent  
PATUAKHALI, Oct 21: A housewife, Aleya Begum, 26, of Bazargona village under Patuakhali Sadar Thana reportedly committed suicide by taking poison today at about 5:30 am.

## 32 killed in Seoul bridge collapse

SEOUL, Oct 21: At least 32 people were confirmed dead and 17 others were injured when one span of a bridge over Seoul's Han River collapsed during the early Friday rush hour, police said, report AFP, AP.

Earlier reports that 49 had died and 23 had been admitted to Seoul hospitals were the result of double counts from different morgues and casualty rooms in the confusion of the tragedy. Yonhap news agency sources said.

South Korean President Kim Young-Sem fired the Mayor of Seoul, blaming his office for the collapse of the city bridge.

Earlier Prime Minister Lee Yung-Dug offered to resign but President Kim rejected the offer, a Presidential spokesman said.

As many as 15 vehicles plunged 20 meters (70 feet) down to the water with the heavy concrete slab, some disappearing beneath the surface, while others, including a commuter bus, crashed onto it.

Six of the dead were identified.

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## Hasina urges govt not to foil dialogue

From Staff Correspondent

BARISAL, Oct 21: Awami League chief Sheikh Hasina today repeated her call to the government to accept the 'people's demand' for a caretaker government for holding free and fair polls.

The government must not foil the ongoing dialogue with the Opposition and push the country towards a situation of confrontation, the Leader of the Opposition in Parliament said.

Sheikh Hasina was addressing a public meeting at the Bangabandhu Uddyan here this afternoon.

The AL chief said a fair election is not possible by keeping a party in power.

"We shall arrange elections under a caretaker government if we go to power," she added.

The government should introduce the 13th Constitution amendment bill providing for holding at least three consecutive general elections under caretaker governments, Hasina said.

UNB adds: Criticising the rule of BNP, Hasina said ministers and MPs are involved in corruption but the Opposition is not allowed to discuss it in Parliament. "What's the use of sitting in Parliament, if we are not allowed to speak about people's problems and government's corruption."

Hasina expressed concern at the 'famine-like situation' and drought in northern districts and said when people are unfed, the ruling party is trying to get consolation by making false claim of development.

Unemployment, illiteracy

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## Flights to India may resume next week

By Staff Correspondent

Bangladesh is likely to resume airlines flights to India since plague-scare in that country has diminished, according to sources.

Officials of the Biman Bangladesh Airlines indicated that the flights may start sometime next week as many neighbouring countries have already restored air links with India.

Sri Lanka, Nepal and some of the South East Asian countries no longer have any restrictions on travel, trade and import of foodstuff from India.

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## We want elected people in every sector: PM

Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia yesterday said her government is working sincerely to strengthen the democratic institutions to give democracy an institutional shape, reports UNB.

"We want the country to be run by elected people in every sector. We also want to run the govt in a democratic way," she said while exchanging views on various local and national issues with the elite from Gulshan, Cantonment and Uttara thanas at her Hare Road office last night.

Begum Zia said there is an accountable government in the country and there is no scope for hide and seek. "We want to continue the democratic process at any cost," she added.

The elite put forward various local problems, including development of roads, traffic

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## Murder of schoolboy Isha in city Five teenagers held: Confess to police

Star Report

Thirty-six hours after the gruesome murder of schoolboy Ishtiaq Ahmed Isha in the city Wednesday morning, police had rounded up five teenagers on charges of killing the youngster with a kitchen bolt.

According to Detective Branch (DB) Deputy Commissioner Abdul Quayyum, who briefed newsmen yesterday evening at his Minto Road office, all five had confessed to having slaughtered Isha, a Class Ten student of Motijheel Central Government School and the only child of government servant Sheikh Mazhar Ali and his school-teacher wife, Shaukat Begum, while trying to commit a robbery at the victim's flat.

Quayyum told newsmen that a simple video cassette of an adult movie found at the place of occurrence— Flat No 701-2 at the Elyseum government rest house at Hatkhola Road— gave police the vital lead in resolving the murder mystery.

The arrested accused are: Zahidul Islam Prince, a student of Class Nine of the Motijheel Model School and son of Abdul Hakim of B-10/G Railway Colony, Shahjahanpur; Habibur Rahman Habib, a motor mechanic and son of Ismail Hossain (train driver) of B-19/Cha Rly Colony; Zakir Hossain alias Biplob (SSC passed), son of Khan Abdul Hossain, a street vendor, of Madhya Bashabo; Shaful Islam Babu (read up to Class

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## Rohingya repatriation resumes

From Our Correspondent

COX'S BAZAR, Oct 21: The repatriation of Rohingya refugees resumed today after a 15-day of break with 566 people of 107 families returning home.

The refugees crossed the Naaf river and went to Kaming Phong in Myanmar this morning raising the number of repatriated refugees to 81,858 so far. Officials of the UNHCR and Bangladesh bade them farewell.

The repatriation process was stalled on October 6 after the Myanmar authorities sealed off the border with Bangladesh citing 'plague contagion.'

After a meeting between officials of the border security forces of the two countries Maungdaw township Thursday the Myanmar authorities open.

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**শিল্প প্লট আবশ্যিক**

ঢাকা শহরের কেন্দ্র হইতে ৩০ মাইলের মধ্যে শিল্প স্থাপনের জন্য বাড় আকারের (২৫/৩০ বিঘা) নিম্নলিখিত উচ্চ জমি ক্রয় করিতে ইচ্ছুক। জমিটি মহাসড়কের পার্শ্বে অবস্থিত অথবা মহাসড়ক হইতে জমি পর্যন্ত প্রশস্ত সংযোগ সড়ক থাকিতে হইবে। হাই টেনশন বৈদ্যুতিক এবং গ্যাস লাইন সংযোগের সুবিধা বাঞ্ছনীয়।

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## Tough steps against fraud in manpower export soon

By Special Correspondent

The government plans tough measures to effectively check illegal activities and practices by unscrupulous manpower exporters.

Necessary amendments to the existing laws are being processed to deal with all malpractices, sources concerned said.

The Ministry of Labour and Manpower has been authorised by the Cabinet to propose necessary amendments to The Emigration Ordinance, 1982 under which the manpower recruitment business is controlled. The ministry has also been asked to formulate the amendments in coordination with the ministries of Home and Law.

Sources in the Labour ministry said the drafting is underway and the proposed amendments will be placed before the Cabinet soon for approval.

"Updating of the laws has become essential to check the activities of a section of manpower recruiting agents, for whose unscrupulous activities the innocent workers suffer," sources said.

The workers intending to go abroad for employment often fall victims in the hands of ruthless and fraudulent recruiting agents and incur financial losses and suffer great mental agony.

To protect the interests of the emigrating workers, as well as to streamline the manpower export, the authorities are considering inclusion of some strict provisions in the existing laws.

The proposed amendments are likely to incorporate en-

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ঢাকা

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আপনার শিক্কে টিকা দিন

**বিজ্ঞপ্তি**

ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের সম্মতিত করদাতাগণের জ্ঞাতার্থে জানান যাইতেছে যে, চলতি অর্থিক বৎসরের (১৯৯৪-৯৫ সনের) ৪ (চার) কিস্তির কর একত্রে পরিশোধ করিয়া উক্ত করের উপর শতকরা ১০% ভাগ রিবেটের শেষ দিন আগামী ৩১/১০/৯৪ ইং।

২) উপরোক্ত তারিখের মধ্যে কেক্যাসহ হাল সনের কর পরিশোধ করিয়া রিবেটের সুযোগ গ্রহণ করিতে সম্মতিত করদাতাগণকে বিশেষভাবে অনুরোধ করা যাইতেছে।

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৪) অতএব, আজই আপনার কর পরিশোধ করিয়া রিবেটের সুযোগ গ্রহণ করুন এবং মহানগরীর উন্নয়নমূলক কাজে সহায়তা করুন।

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## 45 killed in Kabul fighting

KABUL, Oct 21: At least 45 people were killed and 150 wounded in heavy fighting in Kabul today between forces loyal to Afghan President Burhanuddin Rabbani and his opponents, hospital doctors said, reports Reuter.

Artillery and rocket exchanges and aerial bombing started in southwest of Kabul just after dawn and later spread to different parts of the capital, lasting some four hours, witnesses said.

They said the fighting started with artillery and rocket firing around Kabul University, Deh Mazang area and the television mountain, known as such for its television tower. Later some other parts of the war devastated city were also hit either by shelling or bombing.