# Saifur cancels Ctg visit

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Talking to this correspondent Nizam said "the finance minister was scheduled to visit our chamber house on September 12 to exchange views with its members and other business people to sort out some of their problems But we had to cancel the programme in the face of threat of demonstrations. Mayor Mohluddin directly

### **ECNEC**

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proved five other projects. A 60-megawatt Shahji bazar Gas Turbine Power Plant project was okayed at a cost of Tk 142 crore. including a foreign exchange component of Tk 11 crore. Kuwait Fund for Development is expected to provide 28 million US dollar for the plant.

The Finance Minister di rected the executing ministry to immediately implement the project in view of an acute power crisis in the country.

Approval was also given to a Tk 57 crore project designed to connect Madhyapara Hardrock mine and Barapukuria Coal-mine with railway network to facilitate transportation of hardrock and coal.

The meeting approved another project for setting up National Institute of Cardio-Vascular Diseases and Hospital (Phase-2) in Dhaka at a cost of Tk 76 crore with a foreign exchange component of Tk 13 crore.

The ECNEC also gave a go to the "Water Resources Survey and Investigation Project" at a cost of Tk 83 crore. The UNDP will provide Tk 16 crore for the project.

The meeting endorsed yet another Tk 7 crore project to supply equipment for development and repair of roads in Dhaka City Corporation area this year.

was burnt down. The policemen there, usually unarmed, destroyed five newspaper of-

surging protests.

hundreds of unarmed policemen now demanded opening of the arms and ammunition depot. According to sources there, some shouted slogans and broke through barriers to get hold of arms. "We will kill the officers," some policemen

news spread that BDR has dition of anonymity.

told me that he would launch agitation against Saifur Rahman to foil his visit."

"When I myself, as a president of the chamber con veved this to the finance minister, he however, dropped his visit," Nizam

"Even. Mohiuddin threat ened to demonstrate at the Chittagong Chamber if we hold a meeting there with the Finance Minister." Nizam added.

When contacted Mayor Mohiuddin Chowdhury said "the Finance Minister did not come to Chittagong chamber when we became active to protest his visit as he made a funny comment in his speech that people of Chittagong were fortunate being hit by cyclone of 1991.

"By such comments, the Finance Minister wanted to mean that we became happy and lucky after getting stores of relief materials." Mohiuddin said adding "I am openly saying the people of Chittagong will not forgive him until and unless he repents for such utterance."

Our Staff Correspondent in Dhaka adds: Finance Minister Saifur Rahman was not available vesterday for his comments since he was out of the city.

### Pubna: 17 held

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action Nur Ahmed Masum Baga, VP of Edward University College Students Union, and Mohammad Tuhin, a leader Bangladesh Agricultural University, are among those

Six people, three of them children, have been killed during the recent factional fight of JCD activists - one group led by Tuhin and another by general secretary Mosabbir Hossain Sanju.

# Dinajpur: Faint hope

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started to attack police outposts one after one. At about eleven am, the first outpost ran for their lives. One by one all the outposts of the town were set ablaze by a vengeful mob. Mobs also attacked and

Armed riot police then moved into the town in presence of some magistrates and they faced tough resistance wherever they went. Witnesses said that one magistrate was held by the policemen at bayonet point. A bayonet was pointed just on his throat and he was forced to sign the firing order. Hundreds of gunshots were heard during the day. Seven people died and hundreds were injured before the police left the streets in the face of

At the Dinapur policeline.

shouted inside the policeline. "The situation was somehow brought under control as been drafted in," said an officer in the policeline on con-

By five in the afternoon the whole town was 'policeless.' BDR patrolled the streets. But waves of prowere taken away by the po-

"The SP could not decide whether to impose curfew. We heard him talking to higher officials somewhere. Then it was decided that an indefinite curfew would be imposed," said a magistrate.

By now, the BDR were announcing over loudspeakers that curfew had been imposed in the town. But people defied the order and kept vigil at every nook and corner of the town.

In the following days, the three policemen were arrested, the Police Super, the District Commissioner and two other police officers were removed and some national-level political leaders arrived in the town. The first political leader to arrive at Dinajpur after the violent incidents was Sheikh Hasina.

The ruling party, reportedly not finding anyone willing to go to Dinajpur, despatched a retired colonel turned minister to restore the damaged reputation. The minister, according to witnesses, publicly swore at the SP and the DC and promised that every victim of the inci-

dent would be compensated. Seven days had passed by before the police, a whole new lot drafted in from other districts, could resume their duty in Dinajpur town. But during the policeless days, not a single incident of crime was reported in the town. The people kept vigil day and

night. Now the police is back to Dinajpur but according to a wide section of people there. it would take a long time to restore people's confidence

# Person wanted

one person wanted in 16 cases and recovered 150 bottles of banned phensidyl syrup yesterday afternoon.

31, was involved in phensidyl business at Demra, Sutrapur and Shabufbagh for the last five years, police said.

There are also some murder cases against him.

Acting on a tip-off, police arrested Dipu when he was passing Delhi Muslim Hotel at Johnson Road under Sutrapur thana by an auto-rick-

According to police, Dipu organised an armed group of terrorists in Saydabad area for the protection of his illegal phensidyl business. The group was also involved in extortion and terrorism in Saydabad bus terminal and adjoining areas.

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Border Security Forces (BSF) soldiers are perched on a jeep as it hurls past a bonfire started by Srinagar residents to hamper movement during a prolonged encounter with Muslim militants yesterday in northern Kashmir. Two civilians and an Indian soldier - AFP/UNB photo were killed in a fierce gunbattle

## Stripping a stage-managed game: BCL

Chhatra League general secretary Ishaq Ali Khan Panna vesterday termed 'all lies and conspiratory' the report that the incident of 'digambar' happened at his verbal instruction, reports

In a press statement, he said the 'digambar' incident during the 72-hour hartal was a sheer bluff and stagemanaged game by the government to confuse people and divert current mass agitation.

Panna said already a lot of questions arose in public minds about the stripping incident but the government failed to give proper answer to the scepticism.

The incident took place near the position of BDR and police. He asked whether particular quarters were set to take the photographs of the assaulted man who was first publicised as a government official. Later, it was found that the man was not at all a government official

Panna also pointed out that the incident perhaps happened around noon. But within four to five hours of the incident, a leaflet on this filthy incident was widely circulated in Dhaka city. "Now any conscious person can guess that it was a preplanned and stage-managed incident.

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## 17 hurt as rival groups clash

SIRAJGANJ, Sept 20: A reports UNB.

Witnesses said the clash between the rival groups erupted at about 10 am as a sequel to their Tuesday's quarrel. Both the groups today blasted several homemade bombs and used lethal

gions

Another programme, recalling of past events and experiences of selected former DUCSU leaders and distinguished students will be held till 1 pm. They will also pay visit to their halls to which they were residents.

Later, a cultural programme will be held at 3 pm Renowned artistes of the country will take part in the programme.

at a meeting with the Vice Chancellor on Tuesday extended their cooperation to make the function a success.

Official sources said Dhaka University Teachers' Association in collaboration with the university authorities will hold another programme to mark the anniversary. But the date for the programme has not vet been set.

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## DCCI team off to Lahore

A 15-member team of Dhaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry (DCCI) led by its Director M Younus left here yesterday to attend an international business conference in Lahore, reports UNB.

Pakistan Business Forum will organise the three-day conference, beginning today (Thursday)

The conference is aimed at economic development of Muslim Ummah by developing their business. It will also give an orientation on business and industrial opportunities in Pakistan.

Organisers expected some 400 delegates from Pakistan and 50 other countries will take part in the conference.

# Constable stabbed

By DMCH Correspondent A person stabbed a constable of Tejgaon thana while trying to snatch his rifle yesterday.

The constable, Alta Hossain, 32, who received stab injuries in his hand, was taken to the Dhaka Medical College Hospital.

Tejgaon police said, two young men attacked Altai from behind and tried to snatch his rifle. Altaf, on duty near the Nabisco factory at about 5 pm was stabbed when he resisted them.

# resumo

RU classes

RU Correspondent RAJSHAHI, Sept 20: The classes of Raishahi University resumed today. The university remained closed for about two months.

However, only a few classes were held today because of thin attendance.

The fourteen residential halls were opened from yesterday.

Police have been deployed at various important points of the trouble-torn campus. All kinds of rallies and processions are banned on the campus from June 21, 1992.

The university was closed twice this year following violence between the activists of the Jativatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) and Islami Chhatra Shibir.

The first clash, which took place on February 12. left two students killed and many injured. As a consequence, the university remained closed for 106 days.

The last clash took place on July 22. It left over 50 in-

### Govt must realise Constitution can be amended: Mizan

By Staff Correspondent Acting chief of Jatiya Party Mizanur Rahman Chowdhury has said the government must realise that the Constitution can be amended according to the demand of time and requirements of the people.

In a statement yesterday, he said the Liberation War was not fought on the basis of the Constitution, rather the Constitution was framed after the victory in the war "Whatever is not included in that document cannot be termed unconstitutional," he added. The statement said "The

JP may enter into a discus sion with the government to formalise the electoral process and other aspects provided it resigned. Parliament was dissolved and publicly assured of holding general elections under a caretaker government before the Ramadan. In another statement

party Secretary General Anwar Hossain Manju demanded immediate release of party chief former president H M Ershad and criticised the government for 'lawlessness' in the country.

# The Midnight File

# Missiles fired at NATO plane over Bosnia

NAPLES, Italy, Sept 20: Two surface-to-air missiles were fired at a NATO plane over Bosnia-Harzegovina early today, but the aircraft managed to avoid being hit and did not return fire, the western alliance said here, reports

# Export earnings up

From Page 1 items, the quantity of frozen shrimp was 57.93 million pounds, fetching 260.70 mil-

tion dollars. According to the EPB data, the export of other types of fish also increased last year. The earnings from other types of fish stood at 44.98 million dollars and the quantity exported was 20.43 million pounds.

Although, the overall export earnings witnessed a sharp rise during the year. some sectors like agricultural goods, engineering goods, handicraft, petroleum goods. goods under crash programme and primary goods could not achieve their export targets last year.

Some sectors even recorded decline in export earnings in comparison with that of the previous year. Tea. petroleum by-products handicraft and agricultural goods are the main items in these sectors.

Export earning from raw ute sector increased by 39.37 per cent last year. The

# Hasina

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Hasina made the comments at the party's Dhanmondi office while addressing a group of political workers of Ward No 81 and 82 of Sutrapur thana who joined her party.

The Awami League president said the people gave noconfidence in the government by observing the countrywide hartal. She urged all to be prepared for making any sacrifice for realising the rights to food and franchise. People, she said, are living

in utter distress and insecurity due to the BNP's misrule. They want to get rid of this situation. "We want to establish proper management in every sector and peace and discipline in society." The opposition leader al-

leged that the government resorted to all means of killing, arrest, repression. falsehood and conspiracy to thwart the present democratic agitation. No autocrats in the past

could stay in power by resorting to these practices. The BNP will also not be able to save itself. Hasina told the newcomers.

She reminded that people's agitation had never failed. The present agitation also would see its victory.

Awami League leaders Zillur Rahman, Tofael Ahmed, Mohammad Nasim, Begum Matia Chowdhury, Prof Abu Saveed, Abdul Mannan and Siddigur Rouf Khan were present.

### UNGA session

From Page 1 Taiwan, regarded by Beijing as a renegade Chinese province, is virtually certain to fail even to get inscribed on the agenda.

Freitas Do Amaral also stressed the obligation of members to pay their dues. saying this applied 'to all member states, from the biggest to the smallest." The United States is both

the biggest contributor and biggest debtor, with arrears totalling more than 1.1 billion dollars. He said the United

Nations had to make an effort to be more efficient but the bureaucracy functioned on relatively few funds compared to peacekeeping. costing 3.7 billion dollars. He questioned whether

the United Nations should allow peacekeepers 'to become scapegoats for disagreement between member states' and favoured dispatching them only when effective conditions for their security could be guaranteed.

Boutres-Ghali, shortly before the session, said the United Nations faced a 'world revolution' now that the Cold War no longer provided a framework for international relations.

Today's conflicts are different - they are more likely to be inside states than between them, he told a luncheon. Today's politics are dif-

ferent - country after country is trying to democratise This is far from easy. Boutros-Ghali, who ends

his five-year term at the end of next year and may seek reelection, said, 'the future is ours to build. The United Nations is the place where it can be done. And without the United Nations it cannot be done

earning stood at 79.47 million dollars, according to the EPB bulletin.

The total export earnings of the country stood at 3472.56 million dollars last year, increasing by 37.04 per cent over 2533.90 million dollars in the previous year. The earnings also crossed the target for the year -3100 million dollars by 12.02 per cent.

About 34 per cent of the total exports from the country went to the US last year. Among the main items exported to the US were frozen shrimp worth 79.24 million dollars, garments 905.61 million dollars, knit wear 97.61 million dollars and jute yarn worth 12.13 million dollars.

The other major countries where Bangladeshi goods were exported are. United Kingdom, Germany, Italy France, Belgium, The Netherlands, Iran, Japan, Singapore, India, China and Pakis-

#### 48 die in UP bus plunge NEW DELHI, Sept 20: At

least 48 people drowned today when a bus plunged into a river in India's northern state of Uttar Pradesh, the United News of India (UNI) reported, reports Reuter.

#### Narsingdi From Page 1

Narsingdi Thana Health Complex and later shifted to the Dhaka Medical College Hospital in critical condi-

Local people alleged that police reached the spot in the afternoon. A case was filed with the local police against 50 people.

### Gabid meets PM

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Technical and Vocational Training and Research ICTVTR) established by the OIC at Gazipur in the late 1970s has recently been upgraded and renamed as the Institute of Islamic

Technology. The Prime Minister emphasised that the OIC member countries should make their regular contribution to this institute for its expansion and modernisation.

Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister A N M Eusuf and Foreign Secretary Farooq Sobhan were present on the

occasion. Earlier on his arrival in the morning at Zia International Airport, the OIC Secretary General was received by Foreign Secretary Farooq Sobhan. Pakistan High Commissioner in Bangladesh

Karam Elahi was present. Replying to a question, Al-Gabid indicated the possibility of a meeting of the heads of states or government of the OIC countries in New York during the current session of the UN General Assembly.

The OIC Secretary General said one of the objectives of his visit is to consult the Bangladesh government about a common stand of the OIC countries on the situation in Bosnia-Harzegovina and other problems facing the Muslim Ummah, which will be taken up in the UNGA session.

Responding to a question, Al-Gabid outright rejected a remark that the OIC had been following a slow course in tackling the Bosnian issue.

He said in unequivocal terms that the OIC has always been in the forefront since the beginning of the problem. The organisation is always in touch with the member countries in taking necessary measures, he added

The OIC Secretary General will address a press conference at Padma at 4:00 pm

today. He will leave for Riyadh tomorrow

#### DU student drowns From Page 1

Sources said, he was the organising secretary of the

JCD hall unit. According to sources, Mamun was swimming in the pond. It was raining at the time and at one stage he went under water. A team of the Fire Service and Civil Defence rescued

Mamun and took him to the Dhaka Medical College Hospital where doctors declared him dead. Further details were not immediately available

#### cessions continued. The streets was resounding with slogans. Most dead bodies

in 16 cases held By Staff Correspondent Detective police arrested

Golam Sarwar alias Dipu,

she agreed to early elections.

came hours after more than 160,000 workers in state-run industries went on strike in a pay dispute at the start of one

priority to labour issues in his negotiations with Ciller and called for 'realistic wages.'

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quires Ciller to stay on as caretaker prime minister until a new government is established.

three-hour meeting with her to try to renew a coalition agreement following his election as party leader last week.

of the biggest walkouts ever in Turkey. The number of

# Tansu Ciller

Baykal had just finished a

The main-opposition center-right Motherland Party has said it would extend its 8 support to a minority government headed by Ciller if Baykal's announcement 9

strikers will gradually increase to 350,000 by Oct 2. Baykal announced earlier this week that he would give

clash between the two rival groups at Rahmatgani in the town today (Wednesday) left at least 17 people injured.

#### DUCSU From Page 1

Meanwhile, leaders of various student organisations

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