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AL meeting tomorrow

By Staff Correspondent A meeting of presidents and general secretaries of the Awami League's Dhaka city unit and its adjoining district units will be held tomorrow afternoon at Bangabandhu Avenue to discuss the prepara tion for the grand rally of September 28. Party chief Sheikh Hasina will chair the meeting, while leaders of Gazipur, Narsingdi, My mensingh, Jamalpur, Tangail Munshiganj. Brahmanbaria. Comilla north, Narayangan and Manikganj districts will

be present.

Inside Today | OIC summit on Bosnia Oct 22-24 likely

By Diplomatic Correspondent

Secretary General of the Organisation of Islamic Conference (OIC) Dr. Hamid Al Gabid has said there is a possibility of holding a summit on Bosnia by the 52member organisation in New York between October 22 and

Addressing a press conference in the city yesterday at the end of his three-day visit to Bangladesh, he said that the proposal for a summit mooted by the Bangladesh Prime Minister received wide support from the OIC member-countries and could take place in New York during the UN celebrations marking its 50th anniversary when most of the heads of state and government were

expected to attend the

special UNGA session.

Dr Gabid, however, said that till now there was no firm date for holding a summit as it needed the final approval of King Hassan of Morocco, who is the current chairman of the OIC. The King, he said, would have consultations with the heads of state before a final decision could be given. He said there was also a proposal for holding a summit of the OIC Contact Group countries who had earlier met in Kuala Lumpur.

Explaining further, Dr Gabid, a former Prime Minister of Niger said that the Bangladesh proposal for a summit had already been circulated among all the OIC

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Oli drops plan to attend **CCC** function

From Staff Correspondent

CHITTAGONG, Sept 21: Communications Minister Oli Ahmed has reportedly dropped his programme to attend a function, organised by the Chittagong City Corporation (CCC) here on Saturday.

Oli Ahmed was scheduled to inaugurate the Agrabad connecting road construction work at 9 am, according to city corporation sources. Invitation letters were also distributed accordingly.

The PS to the CCC mayor talking to this correspondent over telephone today said: "The communications minister is not coming to attend our function. His APS informed me this morning that the minister would not be able to attend."

4-pt accord to make Sheraton 'profitable'

By Staff Correspondent

The Bangladesh Services Limited (BSL) and the Sheraton Overseas Management Corporation (SOMC), the owning and operating companies of the Hotel Sheraton respectively, reached a fourpoint understanding to resolve the persisting management problem of the lossincurring hotel and make it 'a profitable one.'

"This will help start a new era in the management of the Taka 200 crore hotel to make it a profitable one from today," said Major (retd) Abdul Mannan, State Minister for Civil Aviation and Tourism, and Chairman of the state-owned BSL, at a press conference at the hotel yesterday.

The press conference was and Tourism Secretary BSL, he added. Nuruddin Al Masud, Foreign

Secretary Faroog Sobhan and Senior Vice-President of the SOMC John H Henderson.

According to the new understanding, the BSL and the SOMC will commission a joint study to identify the reasons behind the losses incurred by the hotel and suggest measures to increase profitability within six months.

The SOMC will take "effective steps to attract more guests and tourists aimed to increase the occupancy in the hotel," said the state minister.

The SOMC will allow a finance committee to be formed by the BSL to closely monitor the sales and purchase in maintaining cost-effectiveness and will report to also attended by Civil Aviation the management board of the

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US Senate okays delivery of arms to Pakistan

WASHINGTON, Sept 21: With White House support, the Senate today approved a one-time waiver of the ban on military sales to Pakistan amid concerns it could signal US weakness on nuclear nonproliferation issues, reports Reuter.

The 55-45 vote would permit Pakistan to take delivery on 368 million dollar in US missiles and other military equipment held up by sanctions imposed in 1990. The sanctions were to remain in effect until Pakistan could certify it was not seeking nuclear weapons.

The Senate vote also paves the way for Pakistan to be reimbursed for, but not to receive, 28 Lockheed F-16A fighter aircraft it bought at the same time. The entire package of aircraft and equipment was worth 1.4 billion dollar.

Road blocked to protest police harassment

From Our Correspondent RAJSHAHI, Sept 21: Road communication between Rajshahi and other districts remained suspended for about two and a half hours from 10:30 am today after several hundred people staged a sit-in at the Katakhali Bridge on the Rajshahi-Dhaka highway. The demonstration was

organised to protest alleged harassment of the innocent people by police. Earlier, the people, led by

the teachers and students of Katakhali Adarsha College, brought out a procession raising anti-police slogans. It is alleged that Rezaul

Hossain, Sub-Inspector of Motihar Thana, arrested two students — Yunus and Masud - and made them accused in two dacotty cases recently.

Businessman rescued in city

By Staff Correspondent Police rescued a busi-

nessman held hostage at a house at Dhanmondi in the city and picked up two persons including a woman in this connection yesterday evening. The victim was identified

as Akram Hossain, 35, owner of a shrimp belt in Satkhira. Police took Nasir, 27, and Shahana Islam, 32, into custody for interrogation.

Akram was brought to Dhaka from Satkhira on September 1 by one Khaled Kibria Lucky on the plea of finding out one Mukul alias Muktar. Both had lent money to him, sources said.

But Lucky later held Akram hostage in a room on the third floor of a house at North Dhanmondi and demanded a ransom of Tk 3 lakh for his release, police

Akram, who was reportedly tortured during the last few days, suddenly found an eyeliner with which he wrote a letter, describing his life in 'captivity' and threw it See Page 8 Col 6



Romanian-recruit Lorentui (3rd from left) exults after opening the Abahani's account in last night's crucial Lifebuoy Premier league engagement against Brothers Union at the Dhaka Stadium. The defending champions blanked Brothers 2-0. (Details on page 10). — Star photo

Khurshid Jahan visits Yasmin's parents

Hamid Al Gabid

From Our Correspondent

DINAJPUR, Sept 21 Khurshid Jahan, woman MP from Dinajpur region, today visited the house of Yasmin. allegedly raped and killed by police on August 24.

Khurshid Jahan, elder sister of Prime Minister Khaleda Zia, also visited the houses of Siraj and Samu killed, among others, in police firing during demonstra tions against the killing of

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BSEHR probe in Dinappur incident

All because of corruption, politicisation of admn

By Staff Correspondent

the police in Dinajpur over the rape and murder of Yasmin was the manifestation of the people's grievance against corruption and irregularities of the deputy commissioner, police superintendent and local MP, says an investigation report of Bangladesh Society for the Enforcement of Human Rights (BSEHR).

"The Home Minister sho uld have had resigned following this incident. Instead he tried to defend the police till seven people were killed by the police and the situation out of control." Secretary General of the BSEHR Barrister Sigma Huda said at a press conference in the city yesterday, presenting the investigation report.

Even the Prime Minister took a very long time to react to the incident. None of the lady MPs made any comment.

The mass anger against Awami League chief Sheikh Hasina went to Dinajpur, but she only politicised the inci-

> issues seriously," Sigma said adding "we want punishment of the culprits." Following the Dinajpur incident on August 23, the BSEHR sent a two-member

> > See Page 8 Col 7 Nari Samaj's torch procession in city today

dent. It seems that politi-

cians do not take women's

By Staff Correspondent The Sammilita Nari Samaj combine of various women's organisations, will bring out a torch procession in the city tomorrow demanding security of women and resignation of the Home Minister. The procession, which

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Save Dhaka, Clean Dhaka campaign starts today

By Staff Correspondent The Save Dhaka, Clean Dhaka campaign starts today in all the 90 wards of the

Scouts and youths of different localities have already organised themselves to begin work for the campaign, which is expected to take place between 9 am to 11 am on the first Fridays of every month.

The organised units will advise residents on how to dispose garbage, keep their vicinity clean, maintain health and hygiene.

The garbage trucks of the Dhaka City Corporation will visit localities in support of the on-going campaign Conservancy inspectors of each ward have been instructed by the corporation to extend all assistance. The Save Dhaka, Clean

Dhaka campaign has been or See Page 8 Col 2

Recollections dominate DU jubilee function By Staff Correspondent

Thousands of jubilant students of the University of it could be. Dhaka celebrated the platinum jubilee of the highest seat of learning in the coun try yesterday amid merriment and gaiety.

Students, old and new clad in colourful attires gathered together in a reunion programme organised by the Dhaka University Central Students' Union (DUCSU). The day-long programme

included recalling old times by former students of the institution and cultural func tion in the campus to mark the 75th founding anniver sary of the university, popularly termed as the 'Oxford of the East', which started on its voyage on July 1 in 1921 with only 877 students.

Absence of colourful personalities, high achievers in national and international arenas, and national leaders passing out from DU or associated with DUCSU brought

the function way below what

Some of the former vicechancellors of the Dhaka University and some student leaders of earlier days, who had steered the students movements in the decades of colonial and Pakistani regimes, were however, present at the reunion to recollect their days at the university. But this could hardly make up for what was missing - a grand concourse of leaders of world academia and of living Methuselahs passing out from DU back in the 20s and 30s.

The DU Vice-Chancellor Prof Emajuddin Ahmed attended the reunion function. held at the evergreen mall area adjacent to the administrative building of the university as the chief guest while three of his predecessors and good many number of former vice presidents and See Page 8 Col 3

EARNEST APPEAL

We welcome the visiting OIC Secretary General H. E. Dr. Hamid Al-Gabid in Bangladesh. We share his concern regarding Bosnia. We equally appeal on behalf of most oppressed, depressed & tortured Stranded Pakistanis living in 66 shabby camps in Bangladesh to extend his material help & be pleased to take initiative in the coming OIC Conference to solve this human problem and save these lives from ruination. The question of these ill-fated people was once raised by the Government of Bangladesh in OIC conference at Sana, but since then there is complete Iull. We appeal to His Excellency the Secretary General of OIC to visit one of our nearest camps for five minutes to see for himself the tragedy because seeing is believing or allow a 5-man delegation to meet.

AL- HAJ M. NASIM KHAN

Leader of Stranded Pakistanis and Chief Patron S. P. G. R. C. Geneva Camp, Mohammadpur Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh National Board of Revenue

Dhaka

Subject: Submission of Income Tax Return for the Assessment Year 1995-96

One special consideration, the Government has fixed the last date for filing income tax returns both for normal and self assessments on 15th October 1995. Apart from existing assessees, all persons having a total income exceeding Tk 55,000 for the assessment year 1995-96, are required to file their returns of income and pay taxes on the basis of such returns by the 15th of October, 1995.

Income tax return forms are available in Head Post Offices of all districts. Returns forms for self assessment purpose are "GREEN" and for normal assessment purpose are "WHITE" in colour.

Assessees can file returns under self assessment scheme in "GREEN" return forms in accordance with the provisions of Rule 38 of the Income Tax Rules. Apart from that, the filing of normal returns in "WHITE" return forms, are open for all assessees.

Assessees filing their returns are requested to obtain acknowledgement slips in prescribed forms from the concerned tax offices.

All assessees who are required to file returns are expected to submit their income tax returns disclosing their correct income within the stipulated time, failing which they will be liable to penal action as per Income Tax Law. The Government expects that assessees will extend their wholehearted cooperation towards national revenue.

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Pakistan expels 13 Afghan diplomats ISLAMABAD, Sept 21 Taliban, a group of Islamic

Pakistan expelled 13 Afghan diplomats, including the charge d'affaires, on Thursday in retaliation for an attack on its embassy in the Afghan capital earlier this month, reports AP.

One person was killed and 29 employees wounded, including Pakistan's ambassador, when a frenzied mob of several thousand burned the embassy buildings and clubbed the employees within We are neutral in Afghan

affairs but if someone beats up Pakistani diplomats ... we can't be expected to turn the other cheek," Foreign Ministry spokesman Gul Hanif told a news conference in Islamabad. Pakistan blamed the em-

bassy assault on supporters of

President Burhanuddin Rab-

bani and demanded an apo-

But, Rabbani's government refused to apologise accusing Pakistan of supporting a rival Afghan faction known as the religious students turned guerilla fighters. Pakistan evacuated its em

bassy staff. Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto said it will remain closed until the government can guarantee its security.

Meanwhile, the Afghan diplomats have been ordered to leave Pakistan within 48 Seven of the expelled

diplomats work at the Afghan Embassy in Islamabad, and two each at the Afghan consulates in the southern port city of Karachi, southwestern Baluchistan provincial capital of Quetta and the Frontier city of Peshawar. There was no immediate

Embassy in Islamabad. The diplomats have not been charged with anything. but all of them are believed to

comment from the Afghan

be members of Rabbani's Jamaat-e-Islami group. We have tried to confine

our actions to people who directly hurt us." Hanif said.

Karachi strike KARACHI. Sept 21: Six

6 killed during

people were killed and at least 12 others injured in Pakistan's troubled commercial capital today, as violence erupted during the latest opposition strike here, wit nesses and hospital sources said, reports AFP.

The one-day strike, called by the city's powerful Mohajir Qaumi Movement (MQM) to protest against the alleged detention of two female activists, paralysed Karachi bringing business and transport to a grinding halt. The ethnic-based party.

which has been locked in a bitter long-running dispute with the government of Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto, is demanding the release of the two women and the arrest of the killers of another worker The six who died included

a fire-fighter, shot and injured while trying to douse a burning vehicle late Wednesday, he died in hospital today, taking the death toll in violence before and during the strike to 13 in 24 hours.