

Hanging of businessman

Iran warns 'economic terrorists'

NICOSIA, Nov 24: The official Iranian news agency Irna on Thursday said the hanging of a businessman convicted of bank embezzlement was a clear warning to other 'economic terrorists', reports Reuters.

Irna said the execution of Fazel Khodadad 'indicates the economic health and security in the Islamic Republic of Iran and its firmness in countering any moves to disturb its economic system.'

'Foreigners and economic terrorists have been trying to obstruct the country's economic development during its reconstruction era and to this end they have not spared any efforts to hatch plots against the country,' it added.

'The Islamic republic decisively encounters any move that may endanger its economic security.'

Khodadad was executed on Wednesday at Tehran's Evin prison before dawn.

He was convicted in August on charges involving embezzlement of about 65 billion rials (21.7 million dollar at the official rate) from state-run bank Saderat.

Irna said the sum was 1,230 billion (410 million dollars). It gave no explanation for the discrepancy.

Barings collapse: Singapore formally charges Leeson with \$1.4b fraud

SINGAPORE, Nov 24: Singapore today formally charged extradited former Barings trader Nick Leeson with fraud and forgery linked to some 1.4 billion US dollars in losses which broke the venerable bank, reports Reuters.

The 11 charges were read out in court by an official of Singapore's financial police, the Commercial Affairs Department (CAD).

It was a lengthy process rather than the five-minute remand hearing that Singapore legal experts had predicted.

Most of the charges were long and packed with technical details, including those of individual trades in which derivatives market in which Leeson thrived before fleeing Singapore in February as word of his losses began to leak out.

CAD chief Lawrence Ang said his officers needed time to question Leeson, who was extradited on Thursday from Germany where he was arrested in early March after a six-day global manhunt.

Ang said it was not necessary for an immediate response to the charges from Leeson, the 28-year-old former whiz-kid greatly admired by colleagues in the days when he did millions of

dollars' worth of deals each day.

'As the accused has just been brought back to Singapore and CAD officers have not had sufficient opportunity to interview him, I'm applying that his plea not be taken at this stage,' Ang told the court before the charges were read out.

Leeson was expected to be remanded in custody pending his trial.

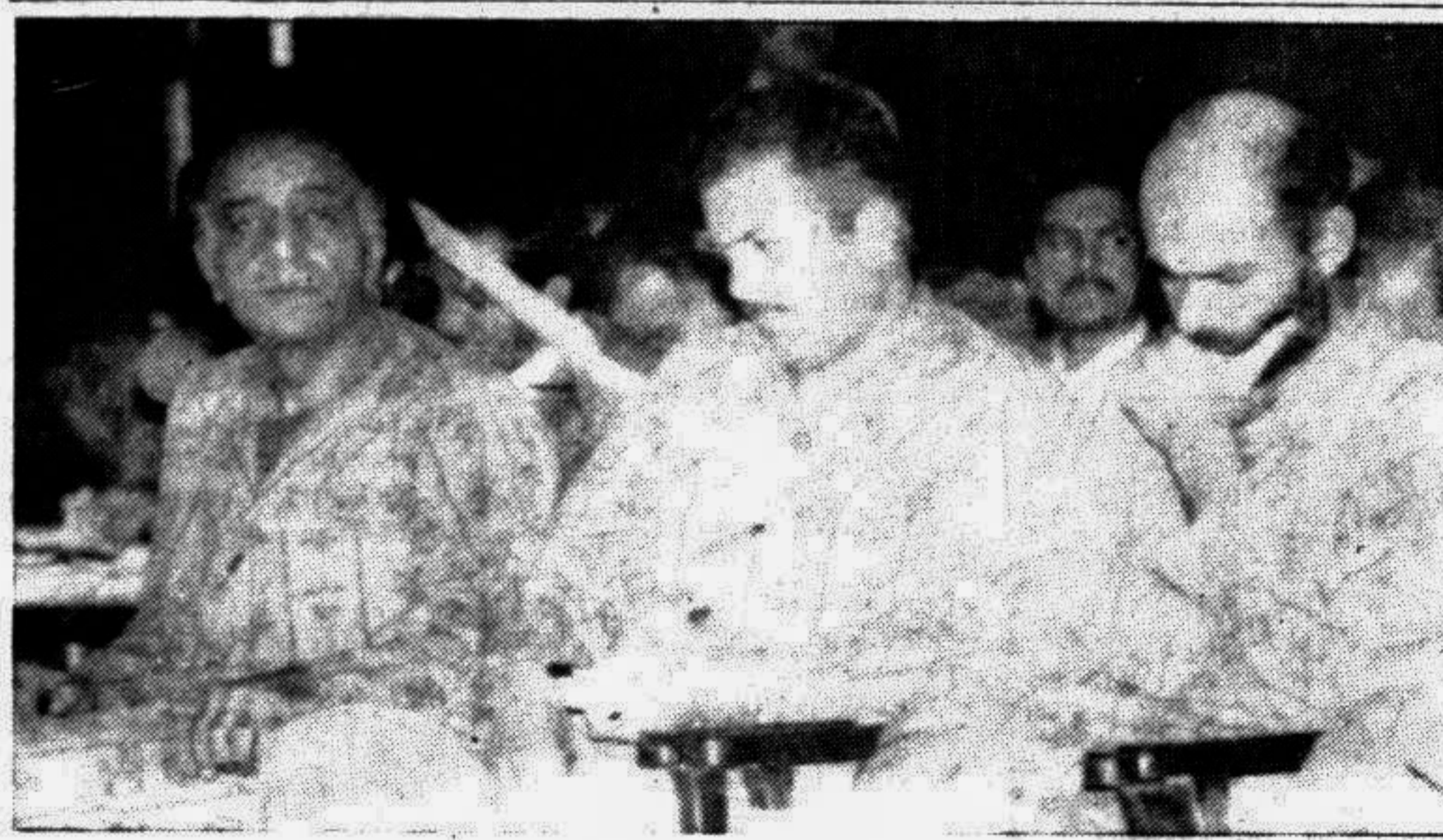
No date has been set, but Leeson's Singapore lawyer, John Koh, told reporters aboard the plane that few Leeson and his wife Lisa back to Singapore that he expected the trial to start before the end of the year.

After his detention in Frankfurt on March 2, Leeson fought hard to be extradited to Britain for trial in London, Barings' headquarters.

He opposed extradition to Singapore, originally saying he feared a show trial in a country which has a tough criminal code and various punishments including caning for certain offences. It also hangs convicted killers and drug traffickers.

None of those punishments would apply to Leeson, who faces a maximum 14 years in jail and in October he abruptly dropped an appeal against extradition to Singapore.

His lawyers have denied vehemently that the change of heart indicated a deal with the Singapore authorities.



File photo dated August 1995 of Fazel Khodadad (Far Left) 41-year-old businessman, during his trial in Tehran for his role in the illegal transfer of 200 million dollars from a branch of one of Iran's biggest nationalized banks, Saderat, in northern Iran in early 1992. Khodadad was executed on Wednesday in the first such punishment passed in Tehran for economic crime since the 1979 Islamic revolution. Moshen Rafiqhust (C) was sentenced to life in prison. Public Interest in the scandal has been heightened by the involvement of Rafiqhust who is the brother of one of the most influential individuals in the government, Moshen Rafiqhust. Man on far right is Ibrahim who was a former bank employee of Saderat was condemned to 15 years in prison. — AFP/UNB photo

WFP to deliver emergency shipment of rice to N Korea

ROME, Nov 24: The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) on Thursday said it would deliver an emergency shipment of rice to communist North Korea on Friday following an unprecedented appeal for help for relief from floods, reports Reuters.

A statement from the Rome-based agency said the shipment 'represents the first UN food aid ever sent to the country.' It consists of 5,140 tons of rice, the WFP said.

The WFP said the shipment, carried on a chartered Russian freighter to the Port of Nampo, was a first consignment under an 8.8 million dollars emergency relief programme for 500,000 people left destitute by this year's floods, the worst in 100 years.

The relief plan calls for the agency to provide a total of 20,250 tons of rice and 675 tons of vegetable oil.

'Our top priority is to get this emergency food assistance as quickly as possible to tens of thousands of people directly affected by the floods,' WFP Executive Director Catherine Bertini said.

Normally secretive North Korea has put the cost of the devastating rains at 15 billion dollars. Breaking with past practice of stubborn self-reliance, it allowed in UN and other foreign aid missions to assess the damage.

Jakarta's '96-97 budget forecast to rise 20 pc

JAKARTA, Nov 24: Indonesia's state budget for the fiscal year to March 1997 is forecast to rise 20 per cent to 94 trillion (40.9 billion dollars), said a press report here today, reports AFP.

Indonesia works on a balanced budget in which spending and revenue are equal.

In a workshop between Finance Minister Marie Muhammad and the House Budgetary Commission, the commission forecast the 1996-97 budget would total 91 trillion rupiah to 94 trillion rupiah, the Bisnis Indonesia daily said.

The figure compared to a forecast 78 trillion rupiah (34 billion dollars) for the current fiscal year.

Nana Juhana Sutarya, spokesman for the United Development Party, said tax receipts could increase up to 20 per cent.

Saiham Textile declares 10 pc dividend

The Saiham Textile Mills Ltd at its 14th annual general meeting (AGM) held at BCCI auditorium on Thursday has declared 10 per cent dividend for the year 1994-95, says a press release.

S M Qaisar, Chairman of the company, presided over the meeting and S M Faisal, Managing Director, spoke on the occasion.

The AGM adopted the audited accounts for the year '94-95 and approved 10 per cent dividend.

The company has expanded its mill by establishing spinning unit with 14,400 spindles at initial stage. In a bid to raise its capacity, the company has im-

ported additional machineries, increasing the total number of spindles to 25,920, which makes the mill a more viable and profitable project.

Moreover, the management has taken positive steps to enter the export market by supplying its fabrics to export-oriented garments industries.

The company is getting a good response in the export market and hoping to attract a good number of new customers, the press release added.

The cumulative effects of all these activities have contributed an increase in gross profit of Tk 68.7 million.



Saiham Textile Mills Ltd held its 14th annual general meeting at BCCI auditorium in the city on Thursday.

গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলীর কার্যালয় (সওজ) সড়ক বিভাগ, খুলনা (সওজ), দরপত্র আহবানের বিজ্ঞপ্তি

১৯৯৫-৯৬ইং অর্থ বৎসরে সড়ক বিভাগ, খুলনার অধীন নিম্নবর্ণিত কাজের দরপত্রের জন্য সড়ক ও জনপথ অধিদপ্তরে তালিকাভুক্ত প্রকৌশল/প্রকৌশলদের নিকট হইতে বর্ণিত কাজসমূহের জন্য বাংলাদেশ কর্মময় নিম্নাধিকারকারী কর্তৃক গলা-সীলমোহরকৃত খামে বাংলাদেশ কর্মময় নং- ২৯১১ তে দরপত্র আহবান করা যাইবে।

- ১। দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি নং : ১৩-সন-১৯৯৫-৯৬ইং সড়ক বিভাগ, খুলনা।
২। কাজের নাম : ১৯৯৫-৯৬ইং অর্থ বৎসরের জন্য খুলনা সড়ক বিভাগের অধীন বনোয়ারা-বরগাড়া সড়কের ৩৯ কিলোমিটার এক ৪র্থ কিলোমিটারের প্রকল্পের উত্তর পার্শ্বের সড়কসমূহের জন্য মটির কাজ।
৩। বরচের খাত : ২৬৬-রাজস্ব হিসাব বহিষ্ঠত।
৪। প্রাকৃতিক বাস্তব পরিমাপ : টাঃ ৪,৯৭,৪২৬/-
৫। সীলমোহরকৃত খামের নং : টাঃ ৯,৯৯১/-
৬। কাজ শেষ করিবার : ১৫ (পনেরা) দিন কার্যসমাপ্তির তারিখ হইতে।
৭। প্রকৌশলীর যোগ্যতা : 'এ' হইতে 'ই' সাধারণ প্রকৌশলী প্রকৌশল।
৮। দরপত্র গ্রহণ করার : ৪-১২-৯৫ইং তারিখ দুপুর ১২-৩০ মিনিট পর্যন্ত। ঐ দিন যথা সময়ে প্রকৌশলী কর্তৃক প্রকৌশলদের নিকট হইতে প্রাপ্ত দরপত্রসমূহ মুদ্রাঙ্কিত অবস্থায় খারকের বরাতে গ্রহণ করা হইবে।
৯। দরপত্র খোলার দিন, সময় : নিম্নাধিকারকারী অফিস কক্ষে ৭-১২-৯৫ইং তারিখ বেলা ১১-০০ ঘটিকার সময় উপস্থিত প্রকৌশলদের সন্মুখে যদি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকেন।
১০। যে সকল কর্মকর্তা দরপত্র : ক। তত্ত্বাবধায়ক প্রকৌশলী (সওজ), সড়ক বিভাগ, খুলনা
খ। নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী (সওজ), সড়ক বিভাগ, সাতক্ষীরা
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১১। যে সকল অফিসসমূহ : নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী (সওজ), সড়ক বিভাগ, খুলনা/সাতক্ষীরা/বাগেরহাট দিন ব্যতীত সকল কার্যালয়ে দরপত্র বিক্রয় করা হইবে এবং দরপত্রের সম্পর্কিত বিবরণ শর্তাবলী পাওয়া যাইবে তাহাদের নাম। দরপত্র গ্রহণের দিন কোন তফ-সীল বিক্রয় করা হইবে না।
১২। দরপত্র গ্রহণ, তারিখ : ৯-১২-৯৫ইং তারিখ বেলা ১১-০০ ঘটিকার সময় নিম্নাধিকারকারী অফিস কক্ষে।

কাজী গোলাম মোস্তফা নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী (সওজ) সড়ক বিভাগ, খুলনা।

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HK \$ 7m jewelry looted in Hong Kong

HONG KONG, Nov 24: Some seven million HK dollars worth of jewelry was looted yesterday from a house in the new territories of Hong Kong, according to an official release, says Xinhua.

At about 3 am, three masked people armed with two knives and a pistol-like object broke into the second floor of a village house and made off with about seven million HK dollars worth of jewelry, including jade and gold ornaments, diamonds, as well as 50,000 HK dollars cash from a safe.

Before their looting, the robbers tied up a 41-year-old man in the house and forced him to open the safe.

Shipping Intelligence

CHITTAGONG PORT

Berth position and performance of vessels as on 23.11.95

Table with columns: Berth No, Name of vessels, Cargo, L part call, Local agent, Date of arrival, Leaving. Lists various ships like Lady Elena, An Qing Jiang, Zalco Shirif, etc.

VESSELS DUE AT OUTER ANCHORAGE

Table with columns: Name of vessels, Date of arrival, L part call, Local agent, Cargo, Loading port. Lists ships like Kurobahi Enambelas, Norbuki Namir, Blue North, etc.

VESSELS AT KUTUBDIA

Table with columns: Name of vessels, Cargo, L part call, Local agent, Date of arrival. Lists Emerald Island, Lining, etc.

VESSELS AT OUTER ANCHORAGE

READY ON

Table with columns: Name of vessels, Cargo, L part call, Local agent, Date of arrival. Lists Emerald Island, Lining, etc.

VESSELS AWAITING INSTRUCTION

Table with columns: Name of vessels, Cargo, L part call, Local agent, Date of arrival. Lists Banglar Baati, Banglar Sampad, etc.

VESSELS NOT ENTERING

Table with columns: Name of vessels, Cargo, L part call, Local agent, Date of arrival. Lists Nippon Highway, Wil Cosmos, Sun Speed, etc.

MOVEMENT OF VESSELS FOR 24 & 25.11.95

Table with columns: OUTGOING, INCOMING, SHIFTING. Lists ship movements for 24/11 and 25/11.

The above were the shipping position and performance of vessels of Chittagong Port as per berthing sheet of CPA supplied by HRC Group, Dhaka.

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