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#### Foundation of youth training centre laid

SAVAR, Oct 16: Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina today stressed the need for expanding skill development training programmes for the youth and creating scopes for their employment to turn them into resources for the country, reports UNB.

She said the present government attached special importance to youth development programmes and allocated a higher budget for this sector.

Budgetary allocation for youth sector has been increased thrice than the previous year, she said while laying the foundation stone of a multi-storied building at Savar Youth Training Centre.

#### Gold smuggling: 2 more held

Detective Branch of Police arrested two people in the city early yesterday in connection with the smuggling of 3.67 maunds of gold, reports UNB.

The DB personnel arrested Haji Jalal from Malibagh and Polash from Paribagh areas.

The detectives also seized some important from the two suspects — uncle and nephew.

Customs intelligence seized some 11,750 tolas of gold at Zia International Airport on September 21.

#### Khaled Mamun new DMP Commissioner

Khaled Al Mamun who had lost his job during the Ershad regime but regained by a court order recently has been appointed Commissioner of Dhaka Metropolitan Police, reports UNB.

Officials at the Home Ministry said the government took the decision to call back the present Commissioner, Mohammad Salam, to Police Headquarters following reports from two intelligence agencies.

#### Yunus taken on fresh remand

By Staff Correspondent

Mohamad Yunus arrested in connection with the August 15 killings of 1975 was taken on a fresh remand for four days yesterday, according to official sources.

Yunus was arrested from Dhaka on October 7 and placed on remand the same day.

#### Hartal observed in Bandarban

BANDARBAN, Oct 16: A dawn-to-dusk hartal, called by the Bandarban Hill District Gano Parishad, was observed peacefully in the district today, reports UNB.

The parishad enforced the hartal protesting the growing terrorist activities by the outlawed Shantibhagini members.

They also announced a fresh agitation programme, including road barricade in Ruma, Malchi and Roangchhari tomorrow and Friday.

#### 2 killed in Ctg

From Our Correspondent

CHITTAGONG, Oct 16: Two persons were killed in two incidents here today, police said. Md Azad, 26, was shot dead at 7 am at Chandannagar in Nasirabad area by his rivals following a land dispute while Kamal Uddin, 30, succumbed to stab injuries at the Chittagong Medical College Hospital early in the morning. Kamal was stabbed by miscreants last night.



Guardians of the students of city's Ideal School and College brought out a procession yesterday protesting assault on the principal reportedly by some teachers on Tuesday for preventing them from private coaching. (Editorial on Page 4).

—Star photo

## National sports confce opens at Savar Identify games, set five-year target for success: PM

SAVAR, Oct 16: Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina today urged the sportsmen, sports organisers, trainers and experts to help the government evolve an effective workplan for development of sports in the country, reports UNB.

Though our position in the international sports arena is not very encouraging, it is certainly possible to achieve success in sports sector through sincere efforts, she said.

Inaugurating a three-day international sports conference at Bangladesh Krira Shikha Pratistan (BKSP) here in the morning, Hasina said special efforts should be made for development of sports.

We have to identify some sectors on the basis of success achieved so far in the international sports arena, and will have to take special care for rapid development in those sectors, she said.

She said the objective of this special programme will be achieving success in local and international fields in those games in next five years.

The Youth and Sports Minister

organised the three-day conference at BKSP complex to identify the problems of sports and find out ways for rapid development of this sector.

Hasina said only a few days ago Bangladesh's winning the ACC Trophy in cricket had earned fame for the nation. We have to continue this advancement. We have to try sincerely to achieve success in the ICC Trophy, she said.

The Prime Minister hoped that some day the country will produce world famous cricket stars. Sportsmen are now considered the symbol of peace and friendship, she said adding that popularity of sport stars is more than that of political leaders.

Hasina paid tributes to sports personalities who were martyred during the War of Liberation. Including cricketer Mushtaq, Jewel, footballer Mujibur, athlete Siraj and Shahed Ali and sports journalist Abdul Mannan Ladu Bhai.

She also recalled the contribution of renowned sports personalities of the country like football legend Samad, Hafez Rashid, Abbas Mirza, Alauddin Khan, athlete Rabeya Khatun

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## JS Task Force to see working of foreign parliaments

By Nurul Kabir

during the visit. The list of the legislators was yet to be finalised, the sources said.

The visits have been planned under the UNDP-sponsored "National Project" undertaken by the task force to strengthen the support services for the Lawmakers and the JS Secretariat to run the business of the House more effectively, said Amiyangshu Sen, Director of the project, told this correspondent.

The task force constituted last month was launched by Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina on October 30. Its terms of reference were formulated on the basis of a Needs Assessment Report prepared jointly by the UNDP and the JS Secretariat.

The task force would leave the country sometime in the last week of this month. JS Secretariat sources said adding that its members might need to undertake several separate tours to see the functioning of those parliaments.

The six other members of the task force are Chief Whip of the Jatiya Sangsads (JS) Abul Hasan Abdulla, Opposition Chief Whip Khandaker Delwar Hossain, Nargis Ara Huq, MP, of Awami League, BNP lawmaker Kamal Ibne Yousuf, Sabita Begum, Jatiya Party MP and Suranjit Sengupta, AL President member and Adviser to the Prime Minister on Parliamentary Affairs.

Twelve other MPs belonging to the Treasury and the Opposition benches would also accompany the task force members

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Analysing some aspects of the Needs Assessment Report, Amiyangshu Sen said: We need to conduct reforms in both the institutional and operational sectors to run the parliament effectively.

Under the planned institutional reforms, the task force would examine how to expand the role of parliamentary standing committees, such as discussing policy matters of a ministry in the standing bodies concerned.

Sen said adding, In such cases, the JS Rules of Procedure would need to be amended and the task force could propose such amendment.

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