

Hasina renews offer for dialogue with Khaleda

BOGRA, Apr 2: Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina today blamed the previous BNP government for giving transit to India and current power crisis in the country, reports UNB.

The BNP is now resorting to hartal when the present government is trying to implement their agreements, she said in reply to the opposition party's allegation against her government.

The Prime Minister renewed her offer for dialogue with Leader of the Opposition Begum Khaleda Zia on television and said: 'I don't tell a lie... I do open politics.'

Share market scam: Police hunt begins Warrants for arrest of 39 as SEC files cases

By Special Correspondent

The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), regulator of the country's capital market, has filed criminal cases against 42 persons of 15 listed companies and brokerage firms on charges of manipulating share prices through 'fraudulent' means during a bull run last year.

The dealers/brokers are: Doha Securities, Intiaz Hos-

sain and Co. SES Company Ltd, Premium Securities Ltd, HMMS and Associates, Securities Consultants Ltd and First Capital Securities Ltd.

Rahman, AB Siddiqui Rahman of Shine Pukur Holdings, Sohel F Rahman, Salman F Rahman and D H Khan of Beximco Pharmaceuticals, Zafar Ahmed and Zahir Ahmed of Amam Sea Food, Zafar Ahmed and Zahir Ahmed of Apex Food, Mohammad Bhai and Aziz Mohammad Bhai of Olympic Industries, A S Shahidul Huq Bulbul, Mohammad Raquibur Rahman and Abu Tayeb of Chittagong Cement, Mohammad Maqsoodur Rahman and Iftekher Mohammad of Chic Textiles and Mohammad Nurunnabi of Rupon Oil and Feeds Ltd.

2 gunned down inside PWD office in city

By Staff Correspondent

An unidentified gang gunned down two young men inside an office of Public Works Department (PWD) at Sher-e-Bangla Nagar in the city yesterday noon.

The victims were identified as Sohlab Hossain alias Shamim, 32, of Shewrapara and Khaled Hossain alias Mamun, 22, of West Agargaon. Both the victims were working for contractors, according to police.

Ministries asked to avoid increase of expenses

The government has asked all ministries to avoid increase of expenses of revenue budget in the current year, an official handout said yesterday, reports BSS.

Probe report: Irregularities by 45 members/brokers, listed cos

The enquiry committee on the stock market has identified at least 45 members/brokers and listed companies operating in the Dhaka Stock Exchange, reports agencies.

The 11 members/brokers identified are: Intiaz Husain (proprietor of Intiaz Husain & Co., First Capital Securities Ltd., SES Company, Premium Securities, IMMS and Associates, Securities Consultants Ltd, Doha Securities, Shakil Rizvi, Kazi Enayetur Rahman, Khurshid Alam, and Rakibur Rahman.

The committee interviewed a good number of people directly or indirectly related to share market operations. Almost all expressed their opinion that at the peak period some major shareholders, some associates having large shares and some sales department employees of the group and a few brokers operated directly and indirectly in a big way in the sale of Shine Pukur share and some other shares of the group namely Beximco Ltd., Beximco Fisheries and Padma Textiles.

Feni killings Police yet to nab any of the accused

Police said late last night that they had sent teams to arrest the persons sued by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) for manipulation as well as fraudulent and unethical acts in securities trade that led to the recent crash in the capital market of Dhaka.

NAM meet to focus on restructuring of UN

By M Anwarul Haq

Representatives of 113 countries of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) will meet in New Delhi from April 4 to 8 to deliberate on ways to make the loosely structured platform of the least developed and developing nations more cohesive and make a forceful plea to restructure the United Nations to make it more effective, according to diplomatic sources.

A resolution is also likely to be adopted for expansion of the UN Security Council for a more broad-based representation to create scope for a greater participatory role for the Non-Aligned nations.

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BJP may abstain from vote of confidence set for Apr 11

NEW DELHI, Apr 2: India's parliament will meet on April 11 to consider a vote of confidence in the ruling United Front coalition which lost vital support this week, Parliamentary Affairs Minister Srikanta Jena said today.

The session is on the 11th. The vote of confidence will be on that day, Jena told Reuters by telephone.

On Monday, President Shankar Dayal Sharma asked Prime Minister H D Deve Gowda to call a vote of confidence by April 11.

Corruption case Court rejects petition of Eskander, Tarek

A court in Dhaka yesterday rejected a petition of Major (retd) Sayeed Eskander and Tarek Rahman to dispense with personal attendance in court in a corruption case and permit their lawyers to appear and conduct the case, reports UNB.

Probe into fire incident begins CID seizes documents from N'ganj jute co

From Ehsanul Haque

NARAYANGANJ, Apr 2: The nine-member enquiry committee headed by an Additional District Magistrate to probe into the fire in the godowns of a raw jute exporting company on Monday, interviewed a wide section of people today.

A devastating fire, originating from an unknown source, destroyed nine godowns in the Popular Jute Exchange Pvt Limited premises by the river Sitalakha under Narayanganj Sadar Thana. With 28 large godowns and other facilities, the company is the largest raw



Bangladesh's fate hangs in balance

Rain forced Bangladesh to share points with Ireland in their second Group F match of the ICC Trophy in Kuala Lumpur yesterday, reports UNB.

The result, left second seeds Bangladesh needing victory in their final match against World Cuppers Holland on Friday, to be assured of a semifinal berth.

Businessman commits suicide

Mohammad Hossain, a younger brother of Gono Forum leader Mostafa Mohsin Montu, reportedly committed suicide at his Elephant Road residence in the city yesterday afternoon, police said.

বিশেষ বিজ্ঞপ্তি
গত ৮ই মার্চ ১৯৯৭ থেকে সকল খেলাপি গ্রাহকের গ্যাস লাইন বিচ্ছিন্নকরণের বিশেষ অভিযান শুরু হয়েছে। একই সাথে অবৈধ গ্যাস সংযোগ বিচ্ছিন্ন কার্যক্রমও চলছে।

Eyes of city Jubo League worker gouged out

Eyes of a Jubo League activist were gouged out and tendon of his left leg cut off by miscreants at Jurani in Demra thana in the city yesterday, reports UNB.

Storm kills one in Sherpur

SHERPUR, Apr 2: A middle-aged woman was killed, and 20 people were injured when a violent storm lashed four unions in Sadar thana early today, reports UNB.

45pc of food items tested by IPH are adulterated

By Staff Correspondent

The number of adulterated food items in the market is rising and officials of the Institute of Public Health (IPH) warn that unless laws against food adulteration are amended, the situation is sure to deteriorate.

The adulterated food items mainly include milk products, powder milk, condensed milk, sweetsmeats, oil and oil products, spices and various cereals.

After several inter-ministerial review meetings since 1987, the Bangladesh Pure Food Ordinance 1959 was revised and was retitled Bangladesh Pure Food Ordinance, 1994 and placed in parliament for approval.

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