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### 6 killed, 35 hurt in 2 road accidents

At least six persons were killed and 35 injured in two road accidents in Savar yesterday, reports UNB.

Four people were killed and 30 injured in a collision between a night coach and a truck on the Dhaka-Aricha highway in Dhamrai thana early yester-

Police and witnesses said two unidentified bus passengers and two truck labourers died on the spot when an Aricha-bound truck rammed a Dhaka-bound coach from Natore near Belashar at 5 am.

The dead truck labourers were identified as Idrish Ali, 32, and Matiar Rahman, 30 of Sreerampur in Dhamrai thana Of the injured, 15 were admitted to Savar Sadar Hospital and the rest to Dhamrai Health

In another accident, two vegetable traders were killed and five others injured as a goods-laden truck overturned on Dhaka-Aricha highway early vesterday.

Police said Shukkur Ali. 25, and Mujnu, 22, died on the spot when the Dhaka-bound truck

### Medicine stolen from govt store recovered Plainclothes police in a spe-

cial drive seized 18 brands of medicine stolen from the government's central drug store. reports UNB. Acting on a tip-off a special

squad of CID police went to Mitford on Sunday afternoon and in a hectic search for more than two hours detected the pilfered medicines, worth over Tk 20 lakh, stored in a huge godown on the second floor of Jamal Mansion. Police also arrested Shatish

Chandra Barman from the godown, owned by one Yusuf, CID sources said. The recovered medicines in-

clude costly antibiotic, drops, syrup and different types of saline. A source in the CID said the

recovered medicines, which are to be sold in open market, are only a part of the chunk pilfered from the government drug

### Revenue earning

From Page 1 Collection of export duties was satisfactory in the nine

months. It stood at Tk 5281.51 crore, marking a 13.58 per cent growth over the corresponding period of last fiscal year. The collection was Tk 79.62 crore higher than the target and

Tk 631.55 crore higher than that of 1995-96 fiscal year. The target of excise duty collection for March was also sur-

passed by 126 per cent and that of the nine months by 19.04 per cent. It was Tk 102.18 crore higher than the target for the nine months of this year (1996-97) and Tk 377.91 crore higher than that of corresponding period of last year. Income tax collection was

Tk 19.54 crore higher than the target of March. It was Tk 127.92 crore higher than that of last year's corresponding period, registering a growth of 15.17 per cent, the release said.

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from Aricha carrying vegetable and rice turned turtle on the road near the Jatiya Smriti

Soudha at about 3 am. The five injured vegetable traders, who were travelling by the truck, were rushed to the Dhaka Medical College Hospital in critical condition.

Myanmar citizen dies in city hospital

By DMC Correspondent A citizen of Myanmar re-portedly died of AIDS at the Mohakhali Infectious Diseases Hospital in the city Sunday

Yu Chin Ling, 40, a fisherman, was arrested by police at Chittagong in 1996.

He was found carrying HIV positive virus while serving a six months prison term at Chittagong Jail in November last year. He was admitted to the Chittagong Medical College Hospital from where he was shifted to the Infectious Diseases Hospital. The body was sent to the

DMCH morgue yesterday afternoon, police said adding they could not confirm whether he died AIDS or not.

### Tofael

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of various items. "The local entrepreneurs as well as the national economy have suffered a serious setback from the sudden withdrawal of this restriction," he told the delegation.

Tofael said the developed nations were pledge-bound to take compensatory measures for LDCs to improve their overall capacity to respond to the opportunities offered by URA. But most of the LDCs, includ-

ing Bangladesh, are deprived of the compensatory measures, he

#### 2 more rescued From Page 1

the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate's court for recording their statements.

A number of police personnel were deployed around the staff quarters Sunday evening as several hundred people, reportedly the residents of a nearby slum, gathered in front of the building hearing the news that a woman and children were being held hostage there, witnesses said. Police had been waiting for

the senior assistant secretary and his family till midnight. As they did not come to their flat, police broke opened the door and took the woman and the boy to the Lalbagh thana. It could not be known

whether the woman and the boy were confined to the house. However, it was reported to police that the boy had been working in the house for quite sometime and the woman was brought to the house a day ago.

Earlier on Tuesday, police picked up three children - Dulal, Shahid and Imam — aged between 10 and 12, from the same house. Police said they did not find

the senior assistant secretary or his wife in the house, till last night.

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# questionnaire for

try's electoral process, the Electoral Reform Committee has taken steps to prepare a comprehensive questionnaire for eliciting public opinion.
The committee has asked

several prominent citizens including some intellectuals, for their opinions on how to prepare the questionnaire.

include delimitation of the constituencies, voter registration, identity card, registration of political parties, bank loan defaulters, election disputes, election irregularities, transparency in electoral system, election enquiry committee, control on election expenses, participation of women and disadvantaged people, and post

### Threat on life of YWCA GS:

Police recently arrested Hares, allegedly the leader of an organised gang of terrorists active in Mohammadpur area in connection with the incident They are now looking for his

Police also tightened security around the residence of the general secretary, Asrukana Das at Green Square under Dhanmondi thana and the YWCA office at Iqbal Road under Mohammadpur thana.

A gang of terrorists had demanded a toll of Tk 20 lakh from the YWCA employees and threatened the lives of Askill Asrukana's family if the to police.

Iqbal Road and set up their office there in November last year. The terrorists in Mohammadpur allegedly started disturbing the normal activities of the international organisation since the beginning of last month. A case was filed with Dhanmondi police on April 30.

the Bangladesh government to take action in the matter.

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on the issue. Telecommunica-Nasim already had a discussion on the matter with Opposition Chief Whip Khandaker Delwar Hossain on Saturday last. Replying to a query, Nasim

told The Daily Star that he was optimistic about resolving the crisis regarding formation of the standing committees on ministries soon.

### Hartal in Ctg

Chittagong division from all

walks of life to make the hartal a success.

Mozammel of Patia. The ruling party is unleashing terrorist activities at different places in the division, he al-

The BNP leader also alleged that the culprits were roaming under the shelter of a ruling party MP. Despite assurances of the Home Minister, police did

killers of party activists, unconditional release of BNP leaders and workers, and withdrawal of 'false' cases against his party colleagues. A report from Chittagong

adds: The City BNP yesterday organised a meeting at Nasiman Bhaban in support of today's hartal.

Chaired by city BNP Convenor Abdullah Al Noman, the meeting was addressed, by Mir Mohammad Nasiruddin, Ekramul Kabir, Dastagir Chowdhury and M Nazimuddin.

Processions were brought out in different parts of the city to drum up support in favour of the hartal. A torch procession was also brought out in the evening.

A Jubo Dal activist, identified as Malek Faruk, was injured in firing on a BNP procession at Kazirdeuri in the city on Sunday night.

### Bangabandhu's killers lives was deeply affronted when

"Bangladesh uses a major legal case to show it is no longer a basket case', writes a leading as a 'basket case', the paper said. US daily. The New York Times, that carried yesterday a major story, for the first time, on the trial of the killers of father of the nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, re-

ports BSS. The by-line story from its Delhi-based correspondent and twice winner of Pulitzer Prize John F Burns said for many in this country of 120 million, the trial is a matter of pride as well

as justice. "Bangladesh's belief in itself, badly battered after the 1971 civil war that won its indepen-dence but cost at least million

Army clarifies

### Camps in CHT being relocated, not withdrawn

The Army Headquarters has refuted a press report that the security of the non-tribals in CHT was at stake due to withdrawal of Army camps and outposts from the region in the face of demand by the repatriated tribals, reports UNB.

According to an Inter Services Public Relations press release issued in the city yesterday, the report - "government has started pulling out of Army amidst PCJSS' demand" - was unfounded.

It clarified that only an Ansar-controlled 'protection post' located on the land of repatriated family at Gobamura in Matiranga was shifted to a proper place to give the land back to its genuine owner.

Besides, some of the camps in Boirul area of Rangamati district are being relocated for strategic reasons to facilitate proper operation and it has no link with the demand of returnees or that of the PCJSS. "The readjustment is being made ensuring the overall security of the region." Different camps of the secu-

rity forces in the hill districts either increased or decreased on different occasion for strategic reasons. "Relocation of camps is rather a normal procedure,' the release added.

### Chief engr

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Jalil, Chief Engineer, Md Yonus Miah, Superintending Engineer (Manager), Kazi Abdul Hamid, Sub-Divisional Engineer and Farooq Ahmed Bhuiyan, Sub-Assistant Engineer of the Ashuganj Power Station.

#### GDP growth From Page 1

Prime Minister thanked the officials for attaining remarkable success in project formulation and implementation and directed them to increase the implementation rate further. She also asked the officials to be more active in attracting

in the country. "Procrastination in FDI will have to be removed at any cost," she told them, with a note of caution that the investors might lose interest if the pro-

direct foreign investment (FDI)

cess is time-consuming and if they face negligence. Interest has been created among the foreigners to invest in the country, she said urging all to cooperate with them in

all possible ways. She strictly directed the officials to remain alert so no investors shy away and also take steps to keep them in the coun-

Stressing the need for taking and implementing development projects in time, Hasina asked the officials to take decision in time for rapid development. Cabinet ministers, secre-

taries concerned, members of the Planning Commission and departmental heads were present in the meeting.

Secretary of State Henry A Kissinger described the country

The wound to dignity was all the greater for the fact that Bengalis have a reputation on the Indian subcontinent and beyond for peerless intellectual accomplishment, reflected in the many eminent scholars. scientists, doctors and writers the region has produced. The New York Times observed.

The paper said more than 21 years after this povertystricken nation lost its first leader and most of his family members in an assassination that marked the start of a long and turbulent period of military rule, a trial of the accused assassins has finally begun.
For Bangladeshis hopeful of

convictions when the trial ends, possibly months from now, the hearing has become a watershed in the life of the country, an occasion to demonstrate that it is finally becoming a nation under law. After a shaky start

Bangladesh has made major economic and social progress in recent times. Its last military government collapsed under popular protest in 1990, the paper said.

### 60 pc of migrants from rural to urban areas are females

Nearly 60 per cent of migrants from rural to urban areas are females and half of them have reasons relating to marriage to migrate, reports

According to a study on "Population Problems of Ur banisation in Bangladesh," urban areas are currently gaining around half a million people from the process of rural-urban migration after taking into account the loss due to reverse migration from urban to rural ar

The study, conducted by Dr AKM Ghulam Rabbani, former secretary of Statistics Division, said urban areas are currently gaining 0.69 per cent of rural population, while losing around 0.09 per cent of urban population by reverse migration to rural areas. So the net addition is more than 0.65 per cent of the rural population annually to urban areas. It said the current size of the

urban population is estimated by the Bureau of Statistics to be 26.3 million which is about 21.5 per cent of the mid-year population of the country at 122.8 million.

#### BPC plans From Page 1

during the 1997-98 fiscal year. These would be a Bangabandhu Memorial Tourist Complex in Tungipara, Sher-e-Bangla Tourist Complex in Barisal,

and Korotoa Tourist Complex in Panchagar. Of these, the first would be established using a Tk 2.76 crore government grant. The remaining two would be set up at a cost of Tk 4.04 crore and Tk 2.76 crore respectively, which would come from BPC's Annual Development Programme (ADP)

Sources concerned, however, pointed out that work on BPC's Teknaf Motel and Boat Club project was yet to begin because of disagreements with the Forestry Department over its proposed seven-acre site. Work on the Mongla Port Hotel has also not started.

allocation.

But they said more than 70 per cent of the work on other ongoing projects; including Kuakata Motel and Boat Club Cox's Bazar low-cost hotel, and hotels in Dinajpur and Madhobkundu; have been completed.

## 4 DSE councillors

signed as he is Managing Director of Reliance Insurance Company. He was replaced by Mrs Hosne Ara, the DSE chairman

An extra-ordinary general meeting (EGM) will be called soon to amend the DSE constitution so that "we could hold the election of the next committee before the term of the present committee expires. The date for EGM will be

ing which will also decide whether the resignation letters of two council members would be accepted. The DSE Chairman said that he was in favour of holding an early election of the nine-mem-

ber council body which is

schedule to complete its period

in December next.

fixed at the next council meet-

DSE Vice Chairman Ahmed Iqbal Hasan submitted his resignation letter yesterday evening while two other influential council members, Raquibur Rahman and Azam Chowdhury, submitted their resignation letters before the council meeting. It was adjourned earlier without any decision regarding the change of existing leadership of the bourse.

"I want to see new faces in the DSE executive committee", Igbal said after submitting his resignation. "My resignation would be effective from tomorrow (today) as I submitted it after the DSE office hours". The meeting of the DSE

council body was called amid

pressure from the DSE general

members to reconstitute the

nine-member council commit-

According to sources, the

pressure for resignation of all members including the chair-

The DSE council body had some responsibility of protecting the general investors during last year's upheaval, but it had totally failed.

This body should go immediately to restore confidence of the people in the stock exchanges," he stressed.

bers, who were holding a separate meeting at the DSE board room in the afternoon, told The Daily Star that all council members except chairman Imtiyaz Hossain were ready to They claimed that the rest of the council members had al-

ready sent "resignation papers to them. It is only a matter of time that this council body would be dissolved and a new committee would take charge, said a former chairman of the DSE, pre-

Price Index continued to maintain upward trend after plummeting to its lowest last week, since last year's boom, posting a 6.28 per cent rise when the in-

## **Electronic Scale** 100 gms Resolution accuracy

RU tense: Bombs

exploded, 4

arrested

From RU Correspondent

uation in Rajshahi University

still remains tense despite the

deployment of a large contin-

A police camp has also been set up inside the Shaheed

Shamsuzoha Hall. Most of the

examinations have been post-

poned. The bank and post office

on the campus remain closed for the last 9 days. An official of

the university said, the law en-

forcing agencies will stay on the

campus until the situation im-

of the strike called by the Is-

lami Chhatra Shibir, several

bombs were exploded on the

campus today while two bombs

were hurled at the residence of

Dr Abdur Rahman Siddique

last night leaving his minor

tinue their strike until its de-

sons along with a microbus.

The arrested were identified as

Nazrul Islam, Akhteruzzaman,

Al-Amin, and Rabiul Islam

2 universities

Meanwhile, the government

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has appointed 1,264 lecturers to

the vacant posts of government

colleges. A total of 138 associate

professors have also been pro-

given appointments to 475 va-

cant posts of secondary schools

recently and filled up 22 posts

of headmasters through promo-

projects have been taken up un-

der Annual Development Plan

during the current 1996-97 fis-

cal for development of sec-

ondary, higher secondary,

technical and university educa-

crore will be spent during the

current fiscal to implement the

primary and mass education

PM's letter

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exports from LDCs, reorienta-

tion of bilateral and multilat-

eral aid programmes in such

areas as building and strength-

ening physical infrastructure

and developing human and in-

stitutional capacities, facilita-

tion of bilateral and multilat-

eral debt relief, and granting of

fiscal and other incentives by

host countries to encourage FDI

flows to LDCs and supporting

multilateral action in this area.

relentlessly pursue policies

which would enhance their

supply capacity of exportable

goods, Hasina said a supportive

external environment and the

adoption of some special mea-

sures would enable LDCs to

share and participate in the benefits of globalisation.

The Prime Minister specifi-

cally called upon the G-7 sum-

mit to support the early conven-

ing of high-level meeting in

Geneva in support of LDCs, in

accordance with the decision

taken at the WTO ministerial-

level meeting in Singapore last

AL council

first day's programme will end

cil will resume at 9 am at the

Committee (ALCWC) - the high-

est policy making body of the

party - is expected to meet

again this morning before the

party goes for the council, party

On the second day, the coun-

The AL Central Working

with a cultural function.

same venue.

sources said.

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Assuring that the LDCs will

programmes.

The handout said Tk 914

Meanwhile, 44 investment

The government has also

moted to professors.

The ICS said, they will con-

Police today arrested 4 per-

daughter injured.

mands were met

Meanwhile, on the ninth day

gent of police and BDR.

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By Staff Correspondent

Animal blood meal, one of the main ingredients of poultry and shrimp feeds, is yet to be commercially produced in the country more than two years after it was developed by the Bangladesh Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (BCSIR).

in the country spend millions of taka in foreign currency each year to import the feeds. Animal blood, which is 'a good source of high quality protein' is the main ingredient of the feeds. At times an acute shortage of these feeds is reported in the country.

Sources at the Dhaka City Corporation (DCC) said that on any given day more than 3,000 cows, goats, buffaloes and sheep are slaughtered in the city. In

### Question-answer

From Page 1 Establishment, Fisheries and Livestock and Public Service Commission.

May 15 for Commerce, Labour and Manpower, Food, Disaster Management and Relief Ministries.

ment, Rural Development, Youth and Sports, Prime Minister's Secretariat, Election Commission and President Secretariat.

Technology, Education, Social Welfare, Women and Children Affairs and Primary and Mass Education.

May 25 for Home, Foreign, Special Affairs, Planning, Statistical Division and Implementation, Monitoring, Evalu-

### Animal blood meal yet to be commercially produced

Shrimp and poultry farms

May 19 for Local Govern-

May 20 for the Prime Minister's scheduled 15 minutes Cabinet Division, Science and

May 22 for Agriculture, Forest and Environment, Land, Defence. Armed Forces Division, and Civil Aviation and Tourism Ministries.

ation Division.

the absence of any local initiative to utilise the huge quantity of blood, most of it is wasted,

DCC sources said. More than two years ago, BCSIR scientists evolved the formula for processing blood to produce animal blood meal. The formula was handed over to the BCSIR's Industrial Liaison Cell for leasing the copyright to private entrepreneurs. The formula has not yet been used, although several firms have shown interest, it was learnt from sources in the BCSIR.

One private firm, which applied for the lease more than six months ago, is yet to receive any reply from the Liaison Cell An official of the Cell said leasing the formula has to be decided at a meeting which could not be held due to other engagements.

### Consensus

From Page 1 speech said that the studentyouths are now uncertain about their future. "A radical change is needed

to rescue them from the quagmire of uncertainty," Rahman added. Mahfuz Anam stressed the

need for developing new

thoughts forsaking the tradi-

tional thinking style to face the 21st century. He also dwelt on the importance of 'information wave' rather than 'industrial wave' to tackle the challenges in the

Ali Ahmed said the 21st century would emerge as opportunity rather than challenge. Prof Abdul Mannan felt the need for technology, quality

manpower and capital to face

the competition for survival.

next century.

Anupom Sen, however, stressed the need for change in the role of bureaucracy and the state to face the new challenges.

### निग्रान नारिभ

এতদ্বারা সর্বসাধারণের অবগতির জন্য জানান যাইতেছে যে, আমার মকেল, আরব বাংলাদেশ ব্যাংক লিমিটেড, প্রধান কার্যালয়, বিসিআইসি ভবন, ৩০-৩১, দিলকুশা বা/এ, ঢাকা-১০০০, নিম্ন তপসিলভূক্ত সম্পত্তি ক্রয়ের নিমিত্তে উহার মালিকগণ (১) মিসেস নাজমা জামান, স্বামী জনাব ফরহাদ জামান, (২) মিসেস শায়লা আলম, স্বামী জনাব আমিরুল আলম এবং (৩) জনাব সাফায়াত আলী, সর্ব পিতা মৃত সানোয়ার আলী, ৮২, কাকরাইল, রমনা, ঢাকা এদের সহিত গত ২৯/৪/৯৭ইং তারিখে এক বায়না চুক্তিপত্রে আবদ্ধ হইয়াছে। বায়নাকৃত সম্পত্তিতে কাহারো কোনো প্রকার দাবী দাওয়া বা ওজর আপত্তি থাকিলে অত্র নোটিশ প্রকাশের ৭ (সাত) দিনের মধ্যে দালিলিক প্রমানাদিসহ নিম স্বাক্ষরকারীর নিকট লিখিতভাবে জানাইতে অনুরোধ করা হইল। অন্যথায় তফসিল বর্ণিত সম্পত্তি নিষ্কণ্টক ও নির্ভেজাল বলিয়া গন্য হইবে এবং পরবর্তীতে সকল প্রকার দাবী দাওয়া বা ওজর আপত্তি সর্ব আদালতে অগ্রাহ্য হইবে।

### তফসিল ও বায়নাকৃত সম্পতির পরিচয়

জেলা - ঢাকা, থানা-রমনা, খাসমহল তৌজি নং ১৫৫৭৮, জে, এল, নং ২৮২, মৌজা - দক্ষিন সরাইস্থিত খতিয়ান নং ১০, সি,এস, দাগ নং ৪৮, জমির পরিমান - ১৬.৫০ (সাড়ে ষোল) কাঠা এবং উহার উপর নির্মিত দুইটি পাকা দালান বায়নাকৃত বটে। যাহার মিউনিসিপ্যাল হোলিং নং ৮২, কাকরাইল, ঢাকা।

> মোহাম্মদ মনজুর হাসান এডভোকেট, বাংলাদেশ সুপ্রীমকোর্ট হক এন্ত কোম্পানী ৪৭/১, পুরানা পল্টন, ঢাকা।

# आज ऊद दिषायन

আয়েশা মেমোরিয়াল স্পেশালাইজড় হসপিটাল হৃদরোগ, গাইনী ও নিউনেটাল-এর স্পেশালাইজড্ কেন্দ্র वारमापिटमा 13 स्थम हिकिरमा जगए नजन पप्रक्रम এক রোগী—এক নার্ম

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প্রধান অতিথি হিসেবে উপস্থিত থাকবেন জাতীয় সংসদের মাননীয় স্পীকার জনাব ভ্যায়ুন রশিদ চৌধুরী বিশেষ অতিথি লেঃ জেঃ (অবঃ) নুরউদীন খান মাননীয় মন্ত্রী, বিদ্যুত ও জ্বালানি মন্ত্রণালয় এবং ডাঃ এম আমানউল্লাহ মাননীয় প্রতিমন্ত্রী, স্বাস্থ্য ও পরিবার কল্যাণ মন্ত্রণালয়।

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### Electoral reform

### Steps to prepare public opinion

By Staff Correspondent

In a bid to reform the coun-

The projected reform areas

election evaluation.

# One arrested

By Staff Correspondent Police have identified the persons accused of demanding tolls and threatening the lives of the National General Secretary of the Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA) of Bangladesh and members of her family in the city.

associates.

rukana Das and her family members on April 8. The gang. reportedly from Mohammadpur area threatened that they would money was not paid, according The YWCA bought a house at

Several YWCAs from Switzerland, the Netherlands and Japan reportedly requested

JS session were holding informal talks tions Minister Mohammad

From Page 1 statement called upon people of

He blasted the government for not arresting the killers of Tushar and Nasir of Feni, Moslem of Mirersarai, and

not arrest any of the killers. He demanded immediate arrest and punishment of the

Meanwhile, Chittagong city Muslim League at a meeting yesterday expressed its solidarity to BNP's hartal programme.

tee, reform its constitution and expand the committee with nine more members, including six nominated by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Raquibur Rahman told newsmen that he quit the DSE council to pave the way for changing the current body.

"Thats why I resigned and hope others will also follow me.

ferring anonymity. Meanwhile, DSE All Share

#### address of welcome by chairman of the reception sub-committee Amir Hossain Amu. Awami League General Secretary Zillur Řahman will present his report when the session will resume after a break. The

December.

meeting was adjourned amid

However, some DSE mem-

dex closed at 1102.37 points.