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CPD-SRS survey says

About 50 pc for punitive steps against loan defaulters

Some 85 per cent people believe that the debtors themselves are responsible for the huge amount of bank loan default while 52 per cent of them insist that punitive actions be taken against the defaulters...

A large section of people also feel that a greater autonomy and tax incentive can make the state-owned enterprises profitable. The results send signals to the government and donors...

Kibria: BB autonomous

From Page 1 Bangladesh Bank to work independently. Kibria said that the rate of bad loans in the banking system was 30 to 40 per cent...

the Bangladesh Bank since 50 per cent finance for the country's annual development programmes comes from abroad. He, however, said the central bank should have a good management to exercise autonomy.

Dhaka protests

From Page 1 in civilian clothes. "After landing," the press release said, "two persons alighted from the helicopter and asked the local people whether the place was situated inside India or Bangladesh..."

Manzoor Murder Case

Rule on DC for Maj Emdad's bail. A High Court yesterday issued a rule upon the deputy commissioner, Dhaka, to show cause within two weeks as to why accused Major (ret'd) Kazi Emdadul Huq should not be enlarged on bail in the Manzoor Murder Case, reports BSS.

4 boys rescued

From Page 1 Shafullah alias Shahjahan informed police that, his wife and children had been in Dubai. They very often send minor boys to Dubai.

India resumes

From Page 1 sources said. Tension is mounting in the border area centring this incident, the sources said.

2 child lifters

From Page 1 waiting along with her mother at Kishoreganj railway station for a Dhaka-bound train this morning. Local people caught the lifters red handed when they tried to leave the station with the victim Farida by a rickshaw cheating her drowsy mother.

PM, ministers discuss economic situation

The overall economic situation of the country was discussed on the eve of drafting the national budget for 1997-98 fiscal year at a meeting held at the state guest house Jamuna last night, reports BSS.

7 hurt in AL-BNP clash in Ctg

CHITTAGONG, June 8: Seven people were injured in a clash between the supporters of ruling Awami League and opposition BNP in front of Anwara thana parishad today, reports UNB.

Combing operations

More troops deployed in Tripura. AGARTALA, June 8: An army column has arrived in Tripura to strengthen combing operations against insurgents while more army columns are expected, according to official sources, reports PTI.

JS session begins tomorrow

From Page 1 seize the opportunity of discussing issues ranging from their local problems to national, political and economic issues. Parliamentary parties of ruling Awami League and opposition BNP and Jatiya Party will meet before the session begins to discuss their respective strategies for the session.

AL, BNP trying to destroy JP: Ershad

NILPHAMARI, June 8: Jatiya Party Chairman H M Ershad has said the ruling AL and the opposition BNP think of him as their strongest rival in the power race and they are spending lavishly to destroy his party, reports UNB.

Donated blood

From Page 1 Over 75 per cent of them have multiple sex partners and most of the partners are commercial sex workers. Nearly 75 per cent had also engaged in pre-marital sex, over half of them with known individuals.

BNP

From Page 1 blamed the government for hampering the interest of the farmers by increasing prices of agri-inputs and opening border for Indian products.

PM: Armed forces

From Page 1 peacekeeping force. Responding to various problems of the division, the prime minister said the government had already taken some steps for the development of army and some others were under consideration.

Bypolls

From Page 1 thana. Among the 1,79,286 registered voters in the constituency, a total of 92,037 are female and 87,249 are male. Of the six candidates, Abdul Wahab Khan was nominated by the BNP, Col (ret'd) Abdul Malek by AL, Mohammad Ramzan Ali by JP and Moazzem Hossain Khan Majles (Murad) by JSD (Rob). The two others are independent candidates, Kartik Chandra Saha and Krishak Mohammad Sadek of Krishak Sramik Mukti Andolon, EC sources confirmed.

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Ashes series England go one up

BIRMINGHAM, England, June 8: England went one up in the six-match Ashes series after beating Australia by nine wickets in the first Test at Edgbaston today, reports AFP.

3 stabbed, robbed in city

By DMC Correspondent A businessman of the airport area was stabbed in his stomach by a gang of four persons at around 7:30 am yesterday and robbed of Tk 40,000, said police sources.

Non-payment of bank loan has created serious problem: President

President Shahabuddin Ahmed cautioned that the purpose of privatisation might be frustrated if the buyers take huge bank loan for operating the enterprises and join the existing band of defaulters, reports UNB.

Murtaza murder Ex-Karachi police chief arrested

KARACHI, June 8: Pakistani police early today detained Karachi's former police chief in connection with the murder of Mir Murtaza Bhutto, estranged brother of former premier Benazir Bhutto, officials said, reports AFP.

JS standing bodies

From Page 1 ticularly BNP MPs, have already submitted some amendment proposals to the JS Secretariat. Post and Telecommunications Minister and an AL stalwart Mohammad Nasim told this correspondent that standing committees needed to be formed without further delay and hoped that some sort of modus vivendi could be worked out.

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