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Demra thana gheraoed

From page Police said they seized the truck and took all the 35 persons, the driver and a contractor to the nearby thana at around 10 am in a bid to rescue them from the wrath of a mob.

Immediately, rumour of child lifting spread and several hundred people sieged the thana chanting slogans and demanding trial of, what they claimed, the child traffickers. Police locked the main entrance of the thana compound as the mob threw stones and shoes in

This created a traffic jam on the Sayedabad-Jatrabari road during the rush hours.

After repeated announcements through hand-mikes by police that those in the truck were workers, the mob with drew the siege at around 1:30

Interpol's help

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CID investigator. Salman Shah reportedly committed suicide hanging himself from the ceiling fan at his Eskaton residence early on September 6, 1996

But one Rezvi mentioned more than a dozen people, including himself, as killers of Salman. He made the statement to the court after being arrested dramatically from Salman's parental house.

Meanwhile, the investigators yesterday handed over the reports of Salman's post-mortem and viscera to the three-member medical board.

The board, headed by Dhaka Medical College Forensic Department chief Prof M Shamsul Haq, has been constituted to reexamine the post-mortem and viscera reports.

However, there is no possibility or re-post mortem of his body, said ASP Khaleguzzaman, who is leading the CID team in investigation of the death 'mys-

In another development, CID yesterday sent letters to servants of Salman's house -Dolly and Abul - for giving their statement regarding the death of Salman Shah.

Salman's father-in-law and former Bangladesh national cricket team captain Shafiqul Haq Hira has also been asked to make his statement to the

CID investigators. All of them have been asked to report to the CID office and give statement by August 8.

Tagore From page

Bangla Academy will hold a discussion meeting at 10 am in the seminar room of the academy today. Dr Rafiqullah Khan will present an article on Tagore literature while the discussion would be participated by Dr Razia Khan and Dr Mahbub Sadik with Sayed Akram Hussain in the chair.

The discussion would be followed by a Tagore song session. says a press release.

Shilpakala Academy will also hold a discussion and musical programme at 5:30 pm today at its auditorium.

Besides, another discussion at Children's Auditorium of the National Museum would be arranged by 'Rabindracharcha Kendro' at 6 pm today.

pm. The workers were then set free and police in a van escorted their truck upto Chittagong Road, some 8 kms off Demra

Police Station. Ziarul, 18, Tonna Mahmud, 40, and Abdus Salam, 50 three of the workers told reporters that all the 35 workers hailed from Kishoreganj of Nilphamari district and they were going to their place of work. New Kabir Steel', a ship breaking industry at Bara Awlia in Chittagong

Sadequl Islam, a labour contractor of New Kabir Steel said he rented the truck for Tk 8,000 to take the workers from Nilphamari to Chittagong. "We started at 5 pm on Sunday and were going to Chittagong. There is no question of child trafficking", he said.

Md Amanullah, driver of the truck, however claimed that initially, it was not the people who gheraoed the truck. Rather, a policeman stopped the vehicle and demanded toll. "As I refused to give toll, police took us to thana", he added.

Demra police, however, denied the driver's allegation.

BNP drafting its reply to BTV

By Staff Correspondent Drafting of BNP's reply to BTV's second letter reiterating the invitation for the Leader of the Opposition in Parliament Begum Khaleda Zia to participate in the 'Deshbashir Mukhomukhi' programme was in progress until yesterday.

Preparation of the draft began on Monday and is expected to be complete today, said a BNP central leader engaged in the

The reply reiterating BNP's precondition for BTV to give up its partisan and biased role is likely to be sent to the Director General of the state-run BTV in a day of two, he added.

12 feared drowned as trawler sinks in Bay

From Staff Correspondent CHITTAGONG, Aug 5: Some 12 crew members were feared drowned as a fishing trawler capsized in the Bay at outer anchorage of Chittagong port at 2

pm today. The port's radio control sources said they received a radio message of the accident from a ship at the outer an-

Ferry boat sinks in Barisal

From Staff Correspondent BARISAL, Aug 5: A passenger ferry boat capsized in Sonatola river of Hajipur ferryghat under Kalapara thana of Patuakhali district due to high tide and gusty wind at about 11 am to-

Witnesses said, the passenger ferry boat with about 50 passengers on board sank soon after sailing from the ghat.

No casualty was reported as all the passengers managed to swim ashore.

that the whole stretch of the 60

acres at the site was under the

rehabilitation scheme. "But

these people should have nego-

tiated with us before taking law

Administration official said they

had filed a general diary with

the Gulshan thana and moves

were now underway to evict the

occupiers. "We have just com-

pleted the land filling work at

the site. We will eventually give

some plots to the victims," he

dred people, led by Osman Gani

Khan, Awami League secretary

of Gulshan thana, moved into

the site and built the college in

a day. The L-shaped college has

been built in two units with

new corrugated tins on the

College, Established: 1992. Lo-

cal people said the school was

shifted from Uttar Badda. When

Rajuk field staff objected to the

move, they were driven off by

as the news reached Rajuk of-

fice on Sunday, two days after

the occupation, the employees

who had benefited from the al-

location started shouting slo-

gans in the office. The newly-

Rajuk sources said as soon

the angry local people.

On Friday last, several hun-

Another Rajuk Land and

in their own hands," he said.

wants, we will reconstruct it ac-

failed to keep its promise to rehabilitate us," Hasan said.

"In the original layout plan for this area, there is a school, a playground and a mosque. So before Rajuk turns those into plots we have taken our own initiative to move the school here from another place," said Abdul Hai Talukdar, a local leader of the "Rajuk's eviction resistance committee". Hai added that the people were ready to move the school in accordance with the layout plan.

cial of Rajuk, requesting anonymity said that between 1961 and 1968 Rajuk had acquired a total of 2,760 acres of land in Badda, Banani and Baridhara areas for development. "But Rajuk could not retain its development plans because the locals could not be evicted and eventually the Katripakhya is now left with 1,066 acres in these areas," said the official adding that Rajuk had plans to allocate 600 out of 1,000 plots from the Badda area for the rehabilitation scheme.

The official however admitted

elected Employees Association of Rajuk has demanded immediate removal of the college and handing over the plots to the

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Fresh tension at Surya

By DU Correspondent Tension gripped Surya Sen Hall of the Dhaka University once again yesterday as the activists of Chhatra Dal and

tivists. The trouble began when a room of the dormitory was damaged by some unidentified persons. The organisations accused each other for the inci-

The room is allotted against the name of an activist of Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal

The situation deteriorated further when an activist of Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) who was not a resident of Surya Sen Hall tried to enter the dormitory. Witnesses said that a JCD ac-

tivist objected his entry into the hall and soon they were locked in a brawl. Both parties hurled abusive words at each other during the incident.

Earlier, an activist of BCL misbehaved with a house tutor of the Surya Sen Hall Monday night when the house tutor asked him to produce his identity card while entering the

Report on Shima

Ingilab Editor, Publisher apologise

By SC Correspondent A M M Bahauddin, Editor of the Daily Ingilab, and A S M Baki Billah, Printer and Publisher of the daily, upon appearing in the High Court yesterday through their lawyer verbally begged unconditional apology for publishing a news item on a public meeting regarding the Shima Chowdhury rape case.

But the division bench of the HC, comprising Justice Md Mozammel Haque and Justice Md Hassan Ameen, directed the contemners to file written affidavits containing the statements they made verbally by August 12.

contemners to disclose the source of the news item.

sor Ananya Roy did not appear in the court and after the other contemners said that she resides in 35/A Laxmibazar, Dhaka, the court issued a rule afresh on her.

 The Daily Ingilab on July 23 published the news item headlined, "No Hindu police raped Shima of Chittagong.'

Quoting a press release on a public meeting, chaired by Prof Ananya Roy, the news item said that if the government fails to take action within December 15 against the responsible persons including a sitting Judge of the HC, the Hindu Nari Jagaran Samity will take law into their own hands.

ved for the two contemners.

Indian Army Chief meets Chiefs of Three Services

Indian Chief of Army Staff General Shankar Roy Chowdhury called on Chief of Army Staff Lt General Muhammad Mahbubur Rahman at the Army Headquarters yesterday, reports UNB.

During the meeting, they discussed matters of mutual interest, said an ISPR press release.

Later, he called on Chief of the Naval Staff Rear Admiral Mohammad Nurul Islam at the Naval Headquarters at Banani. Matters of common interest were discussed.

The Indian Army Chief also visited the Air Headquarters at the Dhaka Cantonment and called on the Chief of Air Staff Air Vice-Marshal Jamal Uddin Ahmed. They stayed together for some time and discussed matters of interest.

General S Roy Chowdhury arrived here yesterday morning on a week-long visit to Bangladesh. He is accompanied by his wife Krishna Roy Chowdhury and a three-member Indian military delegation.

Hartal

From page 1 police action on a post-hartal

rally. In a statement issued in people of the district to make called to protest police attacks

Bhuiyan said normal life in the sacred land of Sylhet was paralysed and economic activities were seriously disrupted due to government's "ineffi-

He said the government

Rivalry for leadership

From page 1 sional headquarters of Khulna and Rajshahi where the party is gripped with long running ri-

valry over leadership, according to insiders. Furthermore, the BNP is also facing internal conflicts in most of its 74 units on the question of local leadership of its front organisations, affecting smooth functioning of those

Internal conflict in BNP's Dhaka city unit also surfaced on Sunday when a meeting of the unit at the Opposition Leader's Minto Road official residence was marked with brawl. slogans and counter-slogans between the rival groups. Similar incidents also took place in many other places including Pirojpur where armed clash occurred over formation of committee.

In Khulna, two district convening committees — one backed by Khulna City Corporation Mayor Shaikh Toyebur Rahman and the other blessed by former Speaker Shaikh Razzak Ali MP - are functioning simultaneously. The "authorised committee" is using the local BNP office while the "revived committee of the rebels" is operating outside.

Announcement of a new convening committee by the party high command on July 21 angered the followers of Shaikh Razzak Ali and they later revived "their committee."

Members of the new committee were reportedly chosen by Shaikh Toyebur Rahman who managed to get it approved by

Leaders of JP (Z-M), Jamaat hold talks

By Staff Correspondent The leaders of the Jatiya Party (Z-M) and Jamaat-e-Islami held a meeting in the city to discuss the present political situation of the country and also the possibility of a broad based unity among the parties in the opposition, said separate

press releases issued by the respective parties. Kazi Žafar Ahmed, co-chairman of the JP (Z-M). Shamim al Mamun, secretary general and Moinuddin Bhuiyan, presidium member of the party held a meeting with Moulana Abul Kalam Mohammad Yousuf. Naib Amir of the Jamaat, Matiur Rahman Nizami, secretary general, and Ali Ahsan Mohammad Mujahid, assistant

the releases said. Prior to the meeting Kazi Zafar Ahmed had also met Golam Azam, the Jamaat chief in the city last afternoon.

secretary general of the party,

ADB to fund

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purchase of electricity between the two countries and other matters relating to technical is-

Prof Alagh told the House that the project envisaged export of surplus power from eastern states of India to western Bangladesh and import of surplus power from eastern Bangladesh to the north eastern region of India.

He told the questioner that initially this would benefit the eastern and north-eastern states of India.

Answering to a question on import of surplus power from Pakistan, Prof Alagh said the proposal was at a preliminary stage and added that a feasibility study would have to be commissioned after mutual consultations.

On electricity exchange between India and Nepal, the minister of state said the exchange of power takes place at 17 places along Indo-Nepal border through the existing transmission work.

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around 4:45 am to replace my

shift. I handed over charge to

him and asked him to hoist the

the party chief after he secured a better place in the BNP central leadership following his submission of resignation. The Mayor had resigned protesting conflicts in the Khulna BNP but

later withdrew his resignation

letter following requests by the

party hierarchy. The new convening committee in Khulna has been instructed to form an executive body through holding a district council session within three months. But the move is unlikely to succeed unless the long-running dispute over local leadership is resolved. The dissidents are desperate not to let the new convenor, Syed Issa, a close aide of the Mayor, become president of the Khulna district

Bickering in BNP's Rajshahi city unit is now mounting ahead of the move for bringing fresh leadership in it. There also, two conflicting groups are operating — one backed by Rajshahi City Corporation Mayor Mizanur Rahman Minu and the other by former state minister

From page 1 BNP national executive committee at the Naya Paltan central office of the party in the city yesterday, Mannan Bhui yan said AL's misrule and policy of appeasing India had pushed the country on the verge

"The party was now attacking the nationalist and patri otic forces for its design to jeopardise the country's sovereignty, shatter its economy and destroy all other demo-

The BNP secretary general also alleged that there was no rule of law and security of public life in the country. "A mass upsurge has become inevitable...the patriotic people will have to pull down the subservient government," he vie-

Ahead of the local government elections, the ruling party was sending its possible contestants to jail through filing cases with false charges against them, he added. "But no repressive tactic will succeed. Rather such practice will bring its downfall.

elaborate programmes to celebrate BNP's 19th founding anniversary on September 1. A committee was formed at the meeting with Mannan Bhuiyan as its convenor and Sadek Hossain Khoka, MP. as the member-secretary. Besides, the meeting also formed two subcommittees - one headed by Abdullah Al Noman and the other by Haris Choudhury - for this purpose.

A resolution adopted at the meeting expressed concern at the situation in Sylhet and decided to take up massive programmes aimed at making the people aware of the government's misrule.

Other BNP leaders including Ashraf Hossain, Abdullah Al Noman, Prof M A Mannan, Haris Choudhury, Fazlur Rahman Patol, MP, Bargatullah Bhulu, MP, Mizanur Rahman Minu, Khurshid Jahan Haq, MP, and Ahmed Nazir also spoke at the meeting.

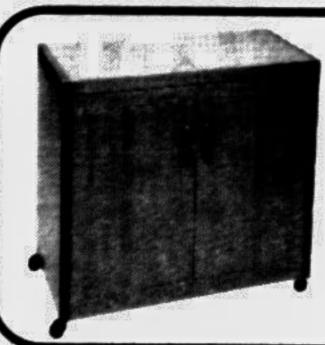
Boat capsize

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30: of Shaoratoli village, pur village, Hossain Ali, 45, of

Police said locals and fire service rescuers recovered the bodies from the river till this afternoon.

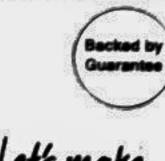
Two people were still missing, relatives said the rest swam



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Madrassah teacher stabbed to death in Moulvibazar

From Staff Correspondent SYLHET, Aug 5: A madras-sah teacher and leader of the Jamaat-e-Islami was stabbed to death allegedly by the activists of Bangladesh Chhatra League (S-P) this afternoon at Bhabaniganj bazar of Barlekha thana in Moulvibazar.

Amin Ahmed Tapader, 30, of village Hatlighat and teacher of Mansur Madrassah of Kulaura thana came under attack while he was returning home after attending a Siratunnabi (SM) mahfil at Juribazar at about 1-

ing as the Islami Chhatra Shibir and Muktijoddha Chhatra Command called Siratunnabi Mahfil and rally at this morning.

activists of pro-AL student

snatched in city

By Staff Correspondent

About six unidentified men intercepted a microbus of the company when it reached near its Dhanmondi head office on Road number 11A at about 9 pm. said police quoting the complaint filed with Dhan-

Reazuddin, was returning to the office in the vehicle after collecting the money from Patuatuli area in the old part of the

3.5 lakh was kept. Police could not arrest any

Depression crosses West Bengal coast

within 48-km of the depression centre is about 50 kph rising to 60 kph in gusts and squalls Sea will remain rough, said a Met office bulletin Maritime ports of Chit

hoisted local cautionary Signal Number Three. Under its influence, a heavy to very heavy rainfalls accompanied by squally wind with a speed of 60-75 kph is likely to

Chittagong divisions.

experience a moderately heavy to heavy rainfalls accompanied

Tense situation was prevail-

the same venue at Juri bazar, A case was filed against nine

Tk 3.5 lakh

A gang at snatchers took away Tk 3.5 lakh from a marketing officer of Pakiza Dying & Printing Ltd at Dhanmondi in the city Monday night.

mondi thana. The marketing officer, Md

The attackers broke the glass of the microbus and took away a briefcase in which Tk

one in connection with the inkilling. cident till last night. "I plead not guilty, Sir," a

Deep depression over north Bay moved slightly northnorthwestwards and it was crossing West Bengal coast near Sagar island at 9 pm yesterday, reports BSS. Maximum sustained wind

tagong, Cox's Bazar and Mongla have been advised to keep

occur over the country's coastal districts of Khulna, Barisal and

The rest of the country may by gusty or squally wind.

ing the issuance of "Green Cards," reports UNB. The clarification came in the wake of recent reports in some newspapers here regarding the possible cancellation of "Green Cards" in the possession of American legal permanent residents residing outside the

The US Embassy in Dhaka.

United States. A USIS special release said: The 1-551, commonly called a Green Card, is evidence of legal permanent residency in the United States, and holders of the Card are permitted to reside

and work in the US. Although Green Card holders can travel outside the United States, they are expected to maintain their US residency and are required to file tax returns listing income from all

sources worldwide.

A Green Card holder who remains outside the United States for more than 12 months without obtaining advance permission from the US Immigration and Naturalization Service has abandoned US residency and cannot use the Green Card to travel back to the US.

Individuals in this situation should come to the Consular Section of the US Embassy on any Tuesday for information on options that may be avail-The US Immigration and

Naturalization Service (USINS)

Ctg mass killing From page 1 injured on January 24, 1988 when police opened fire on the then opposition leader Sheikh Hasina's entourage on way to attend a public meeting at Laldighi Maidan, close to the

court building area, during the

Ershad regime. Four years and two months after the incident, Advocate Shahidul Huda filed the case against Raqibul Huda on March 5, 1992, accusing him of mass-

nervous-looking Huda in the dock replied when the Judge asked him whether anything to say to the court after order for the framing of charge against him. After one-hour hearing held

on Monday, the hearing re-

sumed today and continued

has the authority to screen all persons seeking to enter the

United States. The USINS will question any Green Card holder who has been outside the United States for more than six months to determine whether that individual is excludable under US immigration law or has abandoned US legal residency status during a protracted stay over-

Any US Green Card holder who has been outside the United States for more than six months should be prepared to demonstrate at the port of entry that they have maintained their legal residency in the United States, the release

HighCourt

the Rangamati Hill District Local Government Council (Amendment) Act. 1997. Khagrachhari Hill District Local Government Council (Amendment) Act. 1997 and the Bandarban Hill District Local Government Council (Amendment) Act, 1997 under which ad interim local government councils were formed wherein the members of the councils

Barrister Moudud Ahmed and Barrister Ziaur Rahman appeared for the petitioners while Attorney General K S Nabi and Deputy Attorney General Shahabuddin Ahmed ap-

Jigatala

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all of them were released later. The fish and vegetable vendors were also driven away

of the vendors were seen operating at a nearby multi-purpose shopping centre. In the evening, the evicted

vendors held a rally at the spot

protesting, what they said, the illegal eviction without prior notice. Local people said the unauthorised bazaar was operating with the help of local mastaans

who collect tolls from the sell-

from 12:30 pm to 1:45 pm. 5th plan: Businessmen

tion of the plan, he suggested private sector capacity building. He also called for complete reorganisation of the Board of

gested creation of a link between BOI, EPB, Foreign Ministry and the private sector for export growth. Selective support to some export sectors like leather and electronics was also suggested in the meeting. Stressing on speedy liberali-

The FBCCI president sug-

sation. Harun pointed out that the previous liberalisation efforts did not succeed because some sectors had failed to carry out necessary reforms. "If we fail to reduce the cost of transaction, liberalisation

tors," he said. role in the next five years, but "our hands should not be tied." He sought proper support from

the government.

An FBCCI executive committee member, Noor Ali, cited bureaucratic problems as one of the main hurdles to industrialisation. He said he had to wait 11 months and collect 350 signatures to get a gas connection for his brickfield. Dr Alamgir assured that the

government would extend every cooperation to the private sector to achieve the targets of the plan and said the reliance on the private sector in the plan is a "revolutionary step." He said the government

as patriotic citizens. The minister agreed that the pace of privatisation should be accelerated. He also suggested that the four parties of the sick units — workers, management, owners and banks - should

would treat the entrepreneurs

sacrifice in rehabilitating them. About the problems of the private sector, he said he would suggest the prime minister to form an advisory body — "The Prime Minister's Enterprise Council" — with representation from the private sector.

Records tumble

Jayasuriya through the two days, helped himself to 25 boundaries during his 551minute knock. The pair joined the illustrious company of West Indian

greats Gary Sobers and Frank

Worrell, who batted for two

days against England in the Barbados Test way back in the 1959-60 season. But the Sri Lankans outscored Sobers and Worrell, who put on 165 on the fourth day and 207 on the fifth. The current pair made 283 on Mon-

ruthless demolition of the Indian attack. The total is Sri Lanka's highest in Test cricket, beating the previous best of 547 for eight against Australia at

day and another 265 today in a

Colombo in 1992. They start the final day's play on Wednesday 50 ahead of India's first innings score of 537 for eight declared, and set for more feats in a Test that is certain to end in a draw.

Records tumbled under the rampaging blades of Jayasuriya and Mahanama, who began their partnership on Monday morning after debutant Indian spinner Nilesh Kulkarni had removed Marvan Atapattu (26) with his first ball in Test

cricket the previous evening. Jayasuriya, 175 overnight, reached his double century within 35 minutes of the start when he pulled seamer Venkatesh Prasad for his 25th boundary.

He then surpassed his country's previous best individual score of 267, made by Aravinda de Silva against New Zealand in

(17 balls), also became the leading Test scorer in 1997 when he was on 188. He passed West Indian Lara's tally of 730 from nine matches,

this year. records and the Indian bowlers, Mahanama moved sedately from his overnight score of 115 past his previous best of 153,

"I have always wanted to play a long Test innings, so this one made me very happy," a tired Jayasuriya said later. "It's an honour to be the highest

"I have been told of Lara's record. But I am too tired to think of it now," he said.

Sri Lankan manager Duleep Mendis hoped Jayasuriya would surpass Lara on Wednesday to add another feather in the cap of the world's one-day

Test playing nation by the year 2000, and this knock will hop a long way in achieving that

eastern side of the Progoti Sharoni, hardly 100 yards from Badda police outpost under Gulshan thana. They also put up a signboard, 'Mahanagar

employees.

of Sylhet for successfully observing the hartal and protested

Dhaka yesterday, he urged the today's hartal in Sylhet town and repression, a complete suc-

ciency". would have to face the consequences for its attack on the peace-loving people of Sylhet.

Kabir Hossain, MP.

of ruination.

cratic institutions," he added.

The meeting chalked out

Khalilur Rahman, 26, of Shah-Khalilabad village and Ali. 35, of Hatubhanga village.

the Lancer force till about 7:00 am and came out of the shed when they left the place," he

shed, I saw body of an army personnel of the patrol team and found another injured," he said adding that the patrol team used to be sent from the Ganobhaban.

"Then I went inside and saw

that Bangabandhu along with

we stayed for a day and then returned to Comilla," he added. Special Public Prosecutors

Serajul Huq and Razzak Ali

Khan took the deposition of Ab-

dul Gani. They were assisted by

Mosharraf Hossain Kajol, Touhidul Islam Bahar and oth-The PW-5 also identified the

and a half and was cross-examined by nine out of 14 lawyers of the state defence yesterday. When the judge adjourned the court for lunch break at about 2:00 pm, one of the lawyers of the state defence said that the absconding accused

then went inside the sentry "I along with others in the sentry shed were encircled by

cused in custody may not think that they are being prejudiced by the state defence.'

early morning of August 15. 1975. Both of them were carrying stenguns and the force accompanying them had rifles, he When the lawyers of the state defence suggested that he

that he did not ask Huda and

Noor whey they came to the res-

idence of Bangabandhu in the

Gani said the CID had recorded his statement on the incident on December 24 last year. He came to know that he was made a witness in the case when the court issued the summon. He also told the court that he had earlier reported this incident to his commanding of-

not satisfactory. To another suggestion that he was involved in the incident, he answered that it was not

"When the attackers stormed

Nuruzzaman in Sector-7. After the war, he joined Comilla cantonment on the instructions of Col Gias. Gani retired in 1987.

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Law concerning US 'Green Card' not changed

clarifying the current policy. yesterday said there has been no change in the law concern-

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were nominated by the govern-

peared for the government.

from the road on Sunday but they rearranged their shops the same day. Following the eviction, some

Investment (BOI) and the Export Promotion Bureau (EPB).

would be disastrous for us. Liberalisation should go hand in hand with reforms in other sec-The FBCCI chief said they are ready to play the leading

1991, shortly before Tea. Jayasuriya, who holds the world record for the fastest half-century in one-day cricket

and now has 869 runs against his name from just seven Tests While Jayasuriya battered

and reached 200 after tea. scorer for Sri Lanka.

A modest Mahanama added The wicket was slow, you had to graft for your runs. I am glad we could do it for two days.

champions. We aim to become the best

College erected overnight

cording to their plan," he said. Nasimul Hasan, a young man from the locality said the victims held several meetings with officials of Rajuk and the Works Ministry earlier in which they were assured that the plots would be allocated to the victims on priority basis. "We have lost trust in Rajuk because it has made us landless and then

When contacted, a top offi-

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Sen Hall

Chhatra League accused each other of disturbing their ac-

dent, campus sources said.

The court also directed the Another contemner Profes-

Barrister Abdur Razzak mo-

Major of their Regiment, came to Bangabandhu's residence and checked the guard. "After checking the guard, Joarder took away my ammunition, saying he will change those with new ones. But he left the place in his vehicle without giving any ammunition." Gani said. "Havilder Abdul Quddus along with his guards came at

> National Flag and also told him that Wahab Joarder Saheb had taken away the ammunition and that he would give those later," Gani told the court. When Quddus started hoisting the National Flag with the tune of the bugle, bullets started coming from the south-

dence, Gani said.

and some khaki".

shed.

southern side," Gani went on, adding that he came out of the room after the firing stopped. "I saw Capt Bazlul Huda, Maj Noor and some forces getting down from a vehicle which stopped in front of Bangabandhu's residence. Some of them

were wearing black uniforms

Capt Huda asked him, "How are

you Gani. What is happening?

Then he started talking over the

wireless set he was carrying.

He also told the court that

ern side of Bangabandhu's resi-

about seven minutes and I went

to the guard room on the

"The firing continued for

"As he finished conversation over the wireless set. Maj Mohiuddin of Lancer along with his force reached in front of Bangabandhu's residence. "Shouting 'hands up' and firing gunshots, they then entered Bangabandhu's residence. I

Gani also told the court that while in the sentry shed, he heard noise of gunshots and screams. "As I came out of the sentry

his family members were shot dead. "After that I returned to our camp at Rd. No 31 while Havilder Quddus remained on duty. "In the evening we were taken to the Ganobhaban where

accused, Wahab Joarder, in the dock. The day's proceedings began at around 11:00 am and continued till about 4:30 pm. The

PW-5 made his deposition be-

fore the court for about an hour

were prejudiced when the defence lawyers cross-examined the prosecution witnesses after At this, judge Kazi Golam

Rasul asked them why they did not raise the objection immedi-

During the cross-examination, Gani also told the court

was not present at the place of occurrence, he denied and said that he was present there.

true.

ficer, Capt Bashar. Gani also told the court that his performance while on duty on the day of the incident was

the house, we could not counter it as we did not have any ammunition," he added. Gani told the court that Gani participated in the Liberation War and fought under Lt. Col

After 20 years and seven months of service in the Army.

Bangabandhu Murder Case The judge also observed, "The court considers the state as the complainant in this case and it has also appointed lawyers of the state defence. They are asked to cross-examine the PWs first so that the ac-