

India to open up internet service to private cos

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Gujral promises to promote subsidies on food

NEW DELHI, Aug 9: Indian Prime Minister Inder Kumar Gujral yesterday promised to increase subsidies on food...

country's dwindling tiger population. The announcement came after 320 members of parliament...

of forest guards and provide modern equipment. The amount is not enough but we are not going to beg from donors."

Unemployment rate in Germany rising

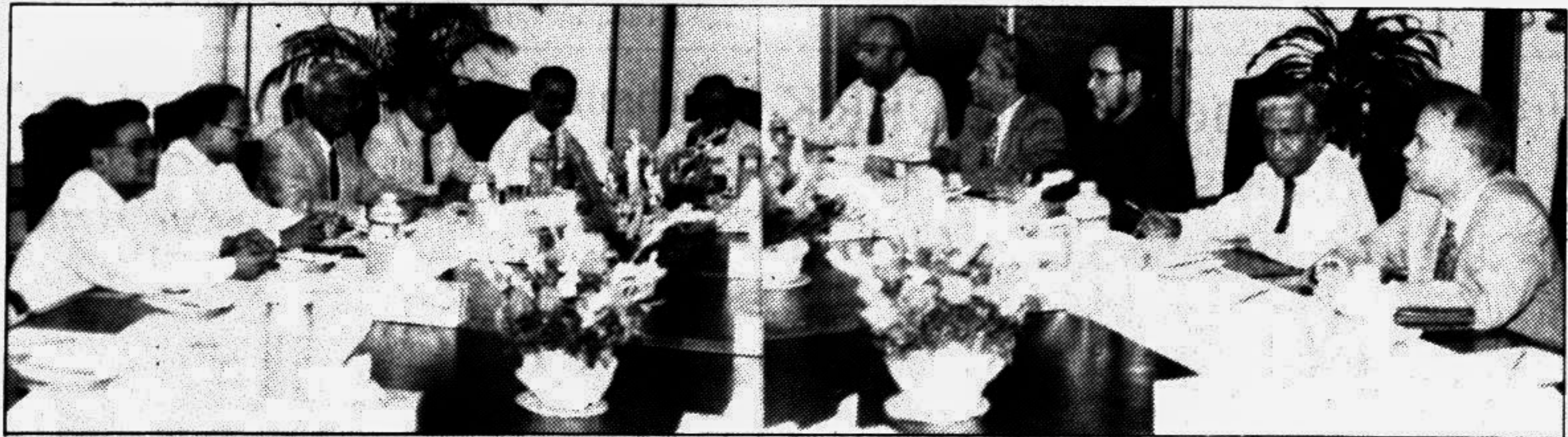
BONN, Aug 9: The number of people out of work in Germany rose to 4,354,300 in July...

Shipping Intelligence

Table with columns: Berth No, Name of Vessels, Cargo, L Port, Local Agent, Date of Leaving, Local Date of Arrival. Includes Chittagong Port and Vessels due at Outer Anchorage.

Industrial finance is there, say MDs

Star Business Report. Top executives of commercial banks refuted reports Saturday that they were unwilling to provide industrial finance.



Bankers Club Ltd brought together the managing directors of different banks at a meeting on Thursday at the Board Room of the City Bank Limited.

Suharto hopes ASEAN will reach its free trade targets

JAKARTA, Aug 9: The Association of Southeast Asian Nations celebrated its 30th anniversary on Friday with Asia's longest serving leader President Suharto confident that the nine-member bloc will maintain regional stability...

cluding high ranking officials and foreign ambassadors, attended the lavish celebrations held at Jakarta's Convention Center.

Thailand plans \$2.4b budget cut for '98

BANGKOK, Aug 9: The Thai government yesterday announced plans to cut its 1998 budget by 50-75 billion baht (1.6-2.4 billion dollars)...

Thai investors await details of IMF package

BANGKOK, Aug 9: Thai share prices would be stable next week pending more details of an International Monetary Fund (IMF)-backed economic rescue package...



Md Enamul Haque, Project Coordinator (Operation) of Association for Social Advancement, presided over an annual staff meeting held at Caritas hall in Barisal recently.

HK's economy grows 6pc in first quarter

HONG KONG, Aug 9: Hong Kong's economy grew 6.1 per cent in this year's first quarter, faster than the 5.5 per cent rate forecast for the gross domestic product for all of 1997...

Italian new car registration up

ROME, Aug 9: Italian new car registrations rose 54 per cent in July from the same month in 1996, according to figures released Friday by the Transport Ministry...

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Table with columns: Outgoing, Incoming, Shifting. Includes movement of vessels for 8-8, 9-8 & 10-8-97.

Why a nation of eye-witnesses stays silent

Agim Sadikv claims to know those responsible for the mayhem that left one person dead and several injured at an election rally in Lushnja, a dusty, coastal Albanian town.

Theresa Agovino writes from Lushnja, Albania. Crime and corruption have replaced Albanian's dreams of prosperity in the wake of the collapse of five speculative investment schemes.

ernment doing something, they will do something themselves," says a policeman who requested anonymity. "Albanians don't forget."

Motorola plans \$200m expansion in China

BEIJING, Aug 9: American electronics giant Motorola plans to spend more than 200 million dollars in expanding a Sino-US semiconductor joint venture in southwest China's Sichuan province...



Japan to continue aid to Vietnam despite ODA cut

HANOI, Aug 9: Japanese loans to Vietnam will not be affected by Japan's plans to cut overseas development aid by 10 per cent, official media reported Wednesday, says AFP.