

## Metropolitan



Lalbagh thana unit of Awami League brought out a procession hailing the CHT peace accord and protesting the opposition-called dawn-to-dusk hartal in the city yesterday.

— Star photo



BNP brought out a procession during hartal hours in the city yesterday. — Star photo

## CHT peace accord hailed

RAJSHAHI, Dec 7: About two hundred teachers of Rajshahi University hailed the signing of the peace accord on Chittagong Hill Tracts between the Bangladesh government and Parbatya Chattagram Jana Sanghati Samity (PCJSS), reports BSS.

The teachers in a joint statement said that the peace treaty would help restoration of peace in the hill districts and Bangalees and *paharis* would live in a peaceful atmosphere.

Besides, the treaty would also help the government to carry out development activities in the hill districts and hoped that 'terrorist' activities would be stopped for ever.

The signatories to the statement included Prof Saidur Rahman Khan, Syndicate member and a teacher of Applied Physics, Prof Hassan Azizul Huq of Philosophy Department, Prof Azizul Islam of Chemistry Department and vice president, RUTA, Prof Zulfiqar Matin, Bangla Department, Prof Zahidul Hassan, Geography Department and Treasurer, RUTA, Prof Fazekuzzaman, Islamic History and Joint Secretary, RUTA, Prof Rezaul Karim, Department of Biochemistry, Prof M Shaidul Islam, president, RUTA and Prof Ilyas Hossain, a Syndicate member.

President, Rajshahi Bar Association, Advocate Abul Kashem, in his reaction said that the accord would pave the way for restoration of peace in the hill districts.

"Satirtha-71" a social organisation has congratulated Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina on signing an accord with the tribal leaders of the Chittagong Hill Tracts, reports BSS.

The Satirtha-71 at a meeting held Saturday with Tahmina Sayeed in the chair, expressed the hope that the peace accord would be implemented soon in the area with the active support of the people, pro-independence forces and the government.

## HERE and THERE

### Bangladesh Law Assoc

By Staff Correspondent

A 31-member new executive committee of Bangladesh Law Association (BLA) for the year 1997-98 was elected at the annual conference of the association held at the premises of Science Annex Building, DU, on Friday.

Abu Muhammad Murtash Kachhi and Mohammad Shajahan Sajju were elected president and General secretary respectively.

Other office bearers are: Vice presidents — Syed Humayun Akter, Humayun Kabir, GHM Abdur Noor and Monir Hossain, Joint secretary — Shahidul Islam, and Sheikh Ali Ahmed, assistant secretary

Monzur Alam, organising secretary — Anisur Rahman Sarkar Litu, education, research and literary secretary — Rezaul Karim Reza, publicity and public relations secretary — AK Hafizur Rahman Nehal, finance secretary — Golam Ahmed Bulbul, legal aid and social welfare secretary — Monzur Mohammad Shahnewaz Tipu, sports, cultural and entertainment secretary — Dihidur Maram Kabir, publication secretary — Mohammad Hossain.

## Weather

### Night temp may rise

Weather is likely to remain mainly dry with temporary partly cloudy sky over the country in the 12 hours till 6 pm today, reports UNB.

Slight rise in night temperature is expected across the country during the period, but it may fall in next two days. Met Office said.

The country's highest temperature was recorded 31 degree Celsius at Cox's Bazar and Teknaf while the lowest 11.4 degrees at Srimangal.

The sun sets today at 5:12 pm and rises on Tuesday at 6:30 am.

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Matin joined the PWD in 1965 as an assistant engineer and held various responsible posts. He is now Superintending Engineer in the Housing and Settlement Directorate. He is also Vice President of the Institution of Engineers, Bangladesh and is associated with various professional organisations.



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## Procession hailing CHT peace accord in N'ganj

By Court Correspondent

A 27-member executive committee of BCS (Judicial) Association was formed for the year 1998 during its annual conference held at the Engineers Institute in the city on Thursday.

Kazi Golam Rasul was elected president, while Jahanir Hossain Badal was elected secretary.

The conference, presided over by its president, Kazi Golam Rasul, District and Sessions Judge, Dhaka, was also attended by ATM Aizal, Chief Justice of Bangladesh, and Abdur Matin Khasru, Law Minister.

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## Raffle draw of Raowa Ladies Club meena bazar

## Workshop on bio-safety

A two-day workshop on 'bio-safety regulation for Bangladesh' began in the city yesterday, reports BSS.

Agriculture and Food Minister Matin Chowdhury inaugurated the workshops at the BC-SIR auditorium.

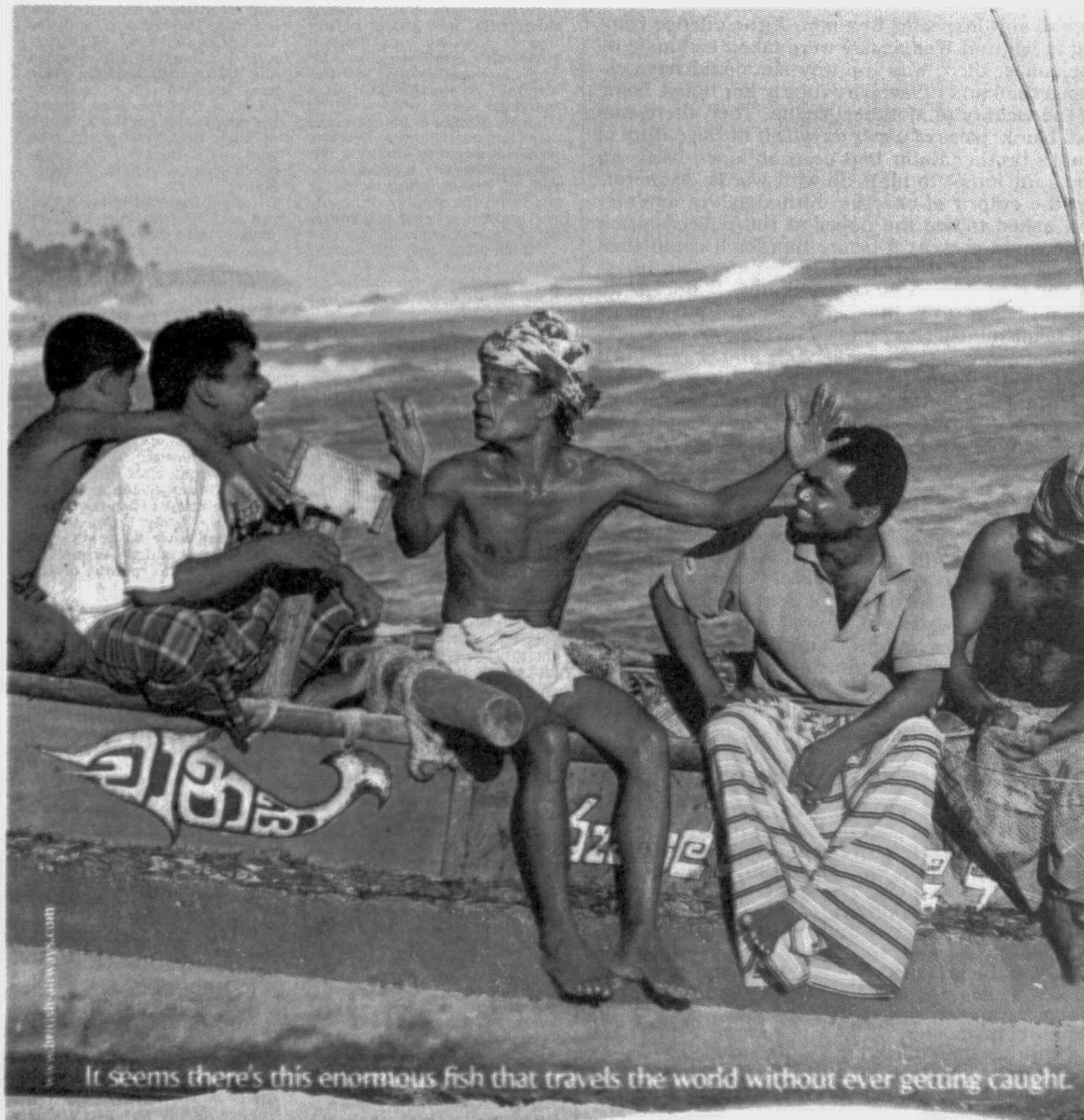
## Prof Sayeed returns

State Minister for Information Prof Abu Sayeed returned home yesterday after attending the fourth conference of the Information Ministers of the Islamic countries held in Senegal's capital Dakar, reports UNB.

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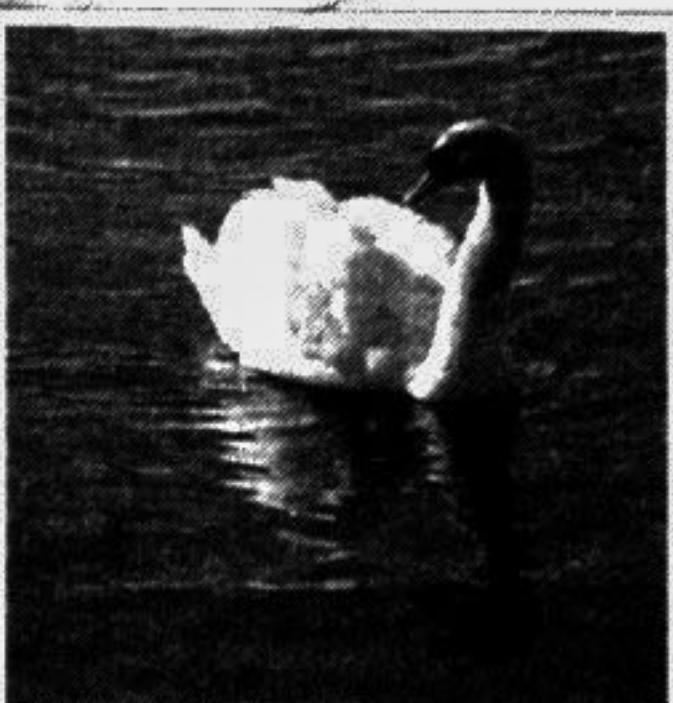


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