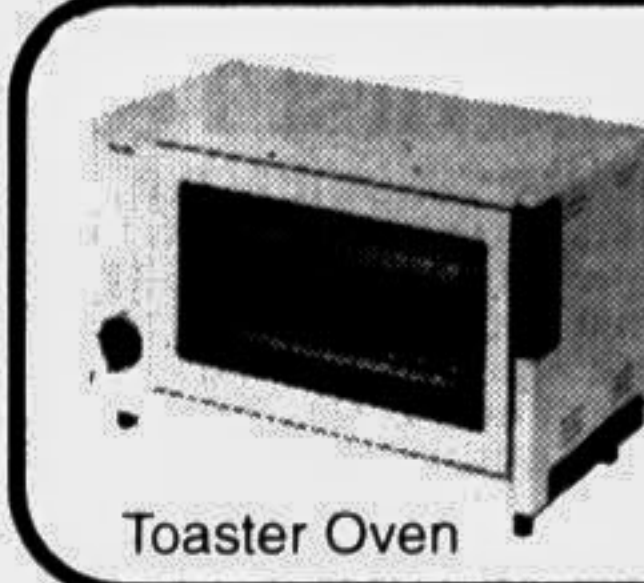




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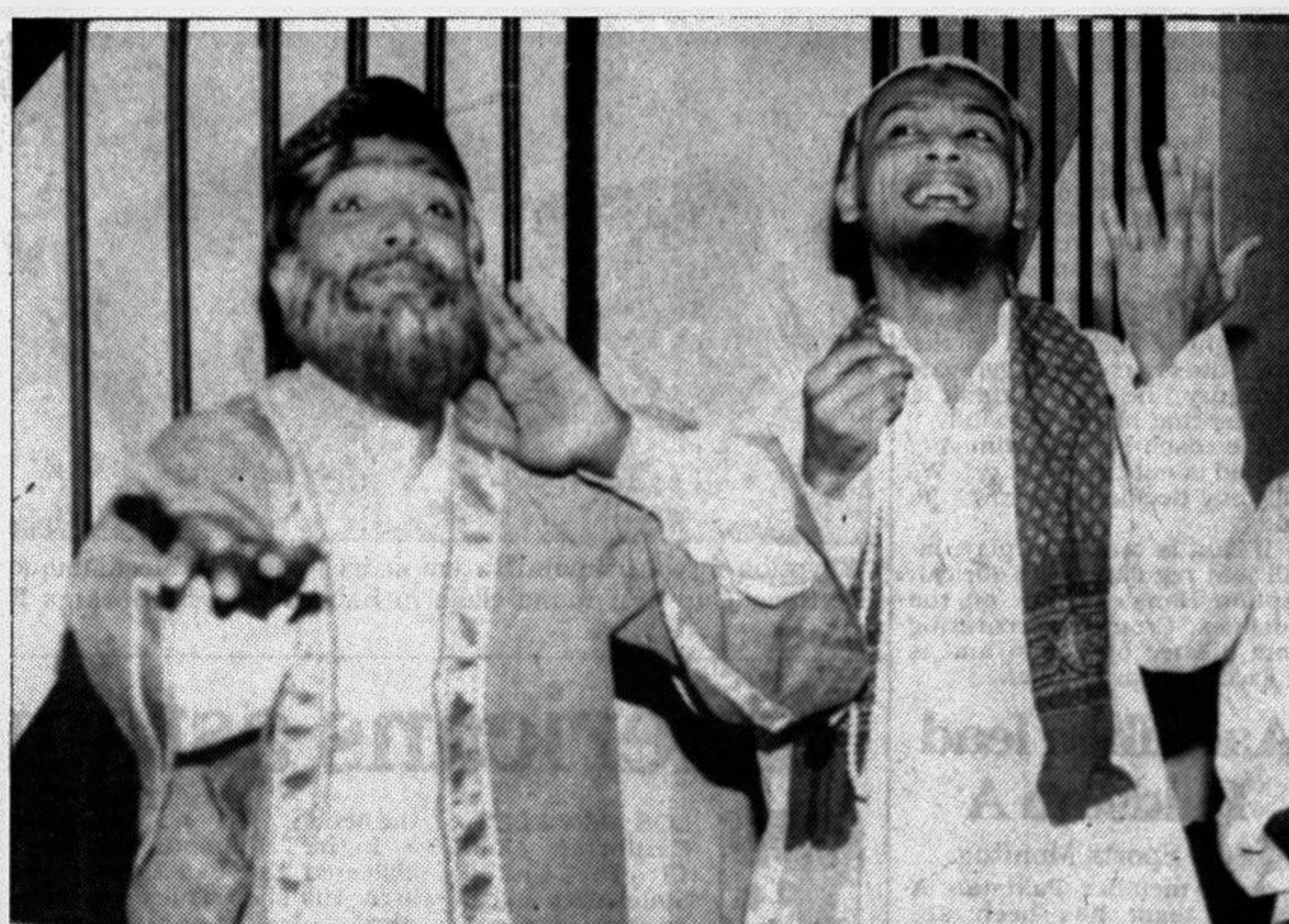
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PM tells foreign chamber team CHT a new area for massive investment

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday said the restoration of peace in Chittagong Hill Tracts has created a scope for massive investment by local and foreign investors, reports UNB.



Dhaka Nandonik staged a drama at the Central Shaheed Minar yesterday as part of the Amar Ekushey programme organised by Sammilita Sangskritik Jote. — Star photo

Cloths worth Tk 5.5 lakh robbed in city

By Staff Correspondent Dacoits robbed cloths worth about Tk 5.5 lakh after hijacking a truck carrying from Rayerbagh area under Demra thana in the city early yesterday.

Rice price Farmers in the northern districts said the yield was less because of no rainfall in November when the rice plants were in the graining stage.

Hasibur's membership

From page 1 Another professor of law at the university, Dr Mizanur Rahman, said Swapan's case can't be considered as an act of floor-crossing so far Article 70 is concerned as he has neither resigned from the party nor he has any scope to vote against it.

Build nation with spirit of '71: PM

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina called upon all, including members of the Armed Forces, to 'build up the nation with similar unity and sacrifice with which we liberated the country,' reports UNB.

MPs of ruling AL, JP praise govt successes

By Staff Correspondent The ruling Awami League and Jatiya Party MPs yesterday highly praised Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina 'for her government's various successes that include signing of Ganges Water Treaty with India and Peace Accord with Shantibahini.'

Fugitive held after gunfight with police in city

By Staff Correspondent A fugitive in several cases was arrested with firearms after his gang exchanged gunshots with police at Shewrapara under Mirpur thana in the city Tuesday evening.

Int'l seminar on Sylhet: History & Heritage begins

By Staff Correspondent SYLHET, Feb 11: A three-day international seminar on Sylhet: History and Heritage, organised by the Bangladesh History Association began in Sylhet today.

Transport workers

From page 1 houses were gutted and 50 people injured in the two fire incidents. The workers also damaged two fire service vans, two filling stations, and the transport workers' office in the town.

Wage earners remit Tk 6371 cr in '96-97

The remittance from the wage earners amounted to Tk 6,371.75 crore during the 1996-97 fiscal year when 2,27,584 people went abroad with jobs, reports UNB.

BNP press confce on CHT today

Opposition BNP will hold a press conference on the latest situation of the Chittagong Hill Tracts at its central office at 6 pm today, reports UNB.

Food deficit

From page 1 The concern expressed by Advocate Fazole Rabbi (JP) who apprehended a lower harvest of boro due to the cold spell that affected the seedlings.

PSC with Occidental

From page 1 analyse the contract terms and conditions and other related documents in detail, the sources added. The lawyer also commented that the government's refusal to extend the contract would create an adverse impact on the on-going second round bidding.

BNP press confce on CHT today

Chairing by Lt Gen (ret'd) Mir Saikat Ali, the meeting was addressed, among others, by Brig (ret'd) ASM Hannan Shah, Maj (ret'd) Haafuzuddin Ahmed MP and Jaiul Abedin Farooque MP.

FDI: Govt unhappy over performance

From page 1 "... The bureaucracy was yet to grasp the speed and the ethos of the changes the Prime Minister wanted to see through." Hasan told bureaucrats at the meeting held at the Commerce Ministry.

PW-51 discloses in court

Farooq wilfully gave his confessional statement He said he recorded the statement of the accused by the order of the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate and as per provision. He also gave certificate being satisfied after the statement.

Australia assures aid

From page 1 will be determined later. Bangladesh and his country enjoyed long-standing traditional ties and "we want to build upon the foundations of this relationship," Incidentally Australia was the first developed country to accord recognition to Bangladesh.

Take keds off

From page 1 for the Social Marketing Company (SMC) briefing yesterday at Noon, two of them wearing trainers, were asked by the club attendants to take off their shoes and wear sandals provided by the club. Otherwise, "they would not be allowed to enter the club," said an attendant.

2000 families

From page 1 the shortage of rice in the market has been created as the local mahajans and hoarders purchased paddy from the farmers in October-November and later sold those to traders outside the district in December-January at a higher price. At least 30 thousand maunds of paddy were there sold out from the area, they said.

SMC lock out

From page 1 "We did not go into any kind of action whatsoever but continued to serve the organisation as usual," Gafur claimed. "Some over-ambitious high officials are trying to destroy the company for their personal gains," he said.

Rejoinder

From page 1 The parties disagreed only on the equity split with Tullow offering 40% to Texaco/Chevron and 10% to Bapex while Texaco/Chevron requested 60%.

Akhteruzzaman

From page 1 and sent to jail, by a second class magistrate in the Kishoreganj district court. He, however, was released on bail the next day by an order of the additional district magistrate.

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