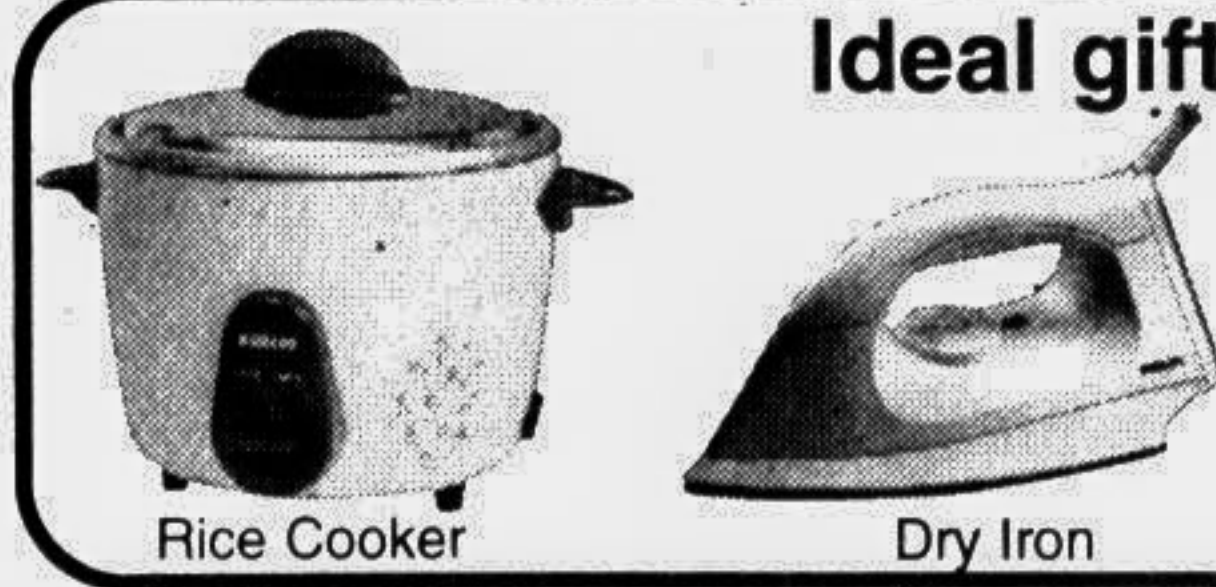


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### PM for closer coordination among all cadre services

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday asked the administrative officials to work with honesty, dedication and sincerity to make the administration more dynamic and people-oriented, reports UNB.

Addressing the annual general meeting of the Bangladesh Administrative Service Association in the city, the Prime Minister said the government has taken steps to develop a progress-oriented administrative system.

The Prime Minister emphasised the need for closer coordination among all the cadre services for the greater interest of the nation. The administration should be more dynamic, she added.

Hasina said the administrative reforms committee is working to make the administration more effective by bringing about a radical change through reforms.

### Arrest warrant

Litu repaid his principal amount of Tk 34 crore by January 15, 1997, or by an extended time of another three months, his loan will be deemed fully repaid.

If he failed to repay, the bank would execute decree for the total amount of Tk 137 crore. Simultaneously, the bank may also go for criminal proceedings against Abul Khair Litu if he cheques bounced.

Accordingly, post dated cheques were paid by Litu at the time of the settlement. But later, without paying the money, he applied to the court for extension of time. Artha Rin Adalat by an order on May 19, 1997, extended the time for repayment up to September 16, 1997. Litu at this stage, presented fresh cheques. He also applied to Al-Baraka Bank not to present the cheques until October 25, 1997.

The bank presented the cheques for collection on October 26, 1997, but the cheques bounced. When the bank threatened criminal prosecution against Litu, he went to the Fourth Artha Rin Adalat and filed a suit in which he prayed for an injunction for restraining the bank from initiating any criminal proceedings. Subsequently, he got the injunction.

But even after the High Court vacated the injunction, the order of the High Court was stayed up to March 30 on the application of Litu in the Appellate Division.

Until yesterday, Litu did not surrender before the court nor even been arrested. He could not be available while contacted over telephone late last night.

### Tofael

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the-people" programme at the AL central office at Bangabandhu Avenue yesterday.

The Commerce and Industries Minister said, 48 Least Developed Countries (LDCs) would get zero-tariff access in export to developed countries after the upcoming second-round minister-level meeting in Geneva on May 16 and 17. He said it was Bangladesh, as leader of the LDCs, made this proposal in the previous meetings in Singapore and Geneva.



Sammita Nari Samaj brought out a procession in the city yesterday protesting violence against women and children.

### Nari Samaj procession in city Build social resistance against rape, repression

By Staff Correspondent

More than one thousand children, women and men brought out a procession in the city yesterday to protest against rape and repression on women and children.

The joint march organised by the Sammita Nari Samaj (SNS) was participated by school girls, street children, university students, lawyers, women, human rights activists and a number of other professional men and women.

"Why is there no security for my daughter... Who will provide security to my child", read the black banner which the marchers carried from Shahabag Crossing to the Central Shaheed Minar via National Press Club in the afternoon.

The protesters, in a rally at the Shaheed Minar, urged the people to build a united resistance against rape and repression on women and children. They also demanded proper execution of the laws in this regard.

"We face repression in the workplace by seniors, on the road by the youngsters and in the house by the house-owners," said garment worker Shabnam while addressing the rally.

"We will not leave the street until we get proper trial of the Maria rape case," said an eight-year-old boy Jahangir, protesting the rape of the minor girl at the CMM's court building.

The Nari Samaj leaders called upon all to build up social resistance in the country so that all the houses, schools, colleges, offices, courts, roads, localities, bazaars, bus, train and launch terminals were safe for the women and children.

Barrister Lutfor Rahman Shahjahan, addressing the rally, advocated for the formation of a fact-finding mission involving all the human rights

### City BNP

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demanding early completion of Sayedabad Water Treatment Plant and introduction of emergency mobile water-lorries in the city.

Their other demands include repair of old pipelines and installation of new ones to ensure smooth supply of water to the city dwellers.

As part of the pre-announced agitation against the civic problems, BNP workers assembled at the Ramna Park since the morning and later marched towards the WASA Bhaban at Kawanbazar. They stayed there for nearly two hours.

### Rape victim

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from CID custody.

Meanwhile, police authorities suspended and issued show-cause notice on three policemen of the control room in connection with the rape incident. The policemen are Sub-Inspector Iqbal and constables Nazrul and Razzak.

UNB adds: Two more rape cases were filed with Kotwali thana yesterday against Obaidul Matabbar alias Mora.

The two sisters, Johura, 12, and Tahera, 9, who earlier told the police that Mora had raped them several months back, filed the cases.

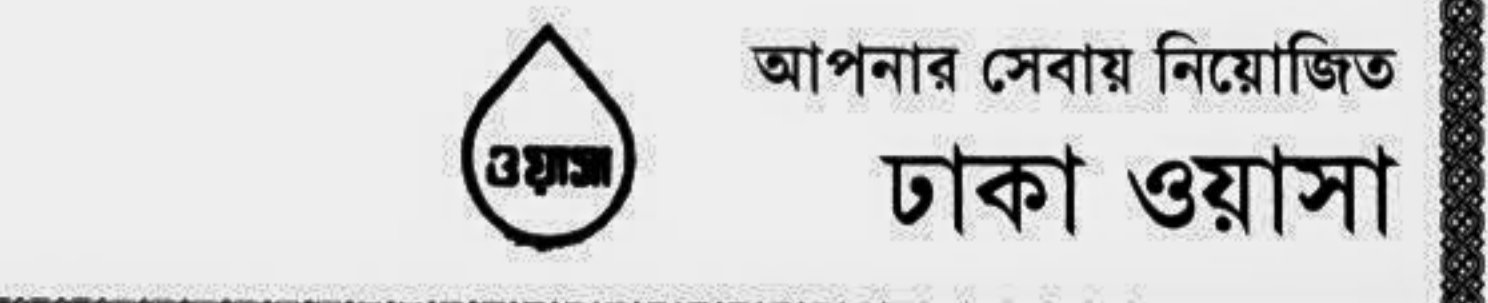
### ঢাকা ওয়াসা জরুরী বিজ্ঞপ্তি

ঢাকা ওয়াসার সম্মানিত গ্রাহকগণের জ্ঞাতার্থে জানানো যাচ্ছে যে, পানি ও পয়ঃঅভিকরের বিল পরিশোধে ব্যর্থ গ্রাহকদের সংযোগ তাৎক্ষণিকভাবে বিচ্ছিন্ন-করণের জন্য কর্তৃপক্ষ কর্তৃক পরিচালিত বিশেষ অভিযান চলছে।

সম্মানিত গ্রাহকগণের অনুরোধক্রমে হালনাগাদ পানি ও পয়ঃঅভিকরসহ সমুদয় বকেয়া কর সারচার্জ ব্যতীত পরিশোধের সময়সীমা ৩০-৪-৯৮ইং তারিখ পর্যন্ত বর্ধিত করা হলো।

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### Use environment-friendly technology: President

President Shahabuddin Ahmed yesterday said the environment and socio-economic aspects must be taken into consideration while selecting technologies, reports UNB.

"Development of domestic resources always cannot be possible by importing technologies from abroad as those technologies many times do not match with our country's environment", the President said while inaugurating the central programmes of the 21st National Science and Technology Week at the Osmani auditorium in the city.

He said the national progress and prosperity of a developing country like Bangladesh depends on successful and practical implementation of science and technology.

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### GrameenPhone

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Reacting sharply to the Grameenphone authorities' decision to impose charges on incoming calls on grounds of congestion in its network, the minister viewed that the problem arose as the company established more than 20,000 connections in a year when it was supposed to connect only 5,000 to 10,000 lines against the circuit the company was allowed to use by the Telegraph and Telephone Board under its agreement with the government.

In this regard, Nasim told the parliament that GrameenPhone ignored suggestions not to go beyond its capacity.

"They have done injustice to the customers and have acted against their interests... It's unfortunate. I believe in action and, if necessary, I'll cancel the company's licence if it fails to act as per its agreement with the subscribers", he told the House amidst cheers by members on both sides.

When contacted, a director of GrameenPhone, told The Daily Star that the company would file its reaction to the telecommunications minister's statement only after going through it carefully.

### BNP MPs enter JS

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mand that the Chair suspend the business of the House.

During an eight-minute noisy scene in the House, some of the BNP lawmakers were heard demanding resignation of the 'energy minister'. Given the floor to ask a supplementary question, Alamgir Mohammad Mahfuzullah, a friend of BNP said he needed a candle to raise his question. One of his party colleagues rushed to him with a candle.

"I see, you need candle even to ask a question", the Chair expressed surprise.

Getting the floor, AKM Shamim Osman of Awami League blamed the BNP members, who took candles inside the House, for the power supply disruption in parliament. It was a pre-planned act by the opposition and they knew about the incident and accordingly brought the candles, he alleged.

All the three candles were seen burning in the empty opposition bench for sometime but an attendant later removed those.

During the brief walkout, Deputy Leader of the Opposition Badruddoza Chowdhury, who joined his party lawmakers in the lobby, told newsmen that they staged the token walkout to protest the Deputy Speaker's continuing the sitting despite the power failure.

"It's unprecedented that power supply in the parliament falls while it is in session", he said.

Replying to a question, B Chowdhury said that the can-

### Indemnity Act

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his family and indemnifying the killers from all legal proceedings.

In the writ petitions it was also prayed for a declaration that the Bangladesh Murder Case filed with Dhanmondi thana and the Jail Killing Case filed with Lalbagh thana, in the city are illegal under the Indemnity Ordinance, 1975 which was incorporated in the Constitution through the Fifth Amendment.

Mrs Jones, 31, claimed that Clinton propositioned her in a Arkansas hotel room in 1991, when he was governor; Clinton says he doesn't recall ever meeting her and has firmly denied doing anything improper.

While the White House cheered the decision, Clinton's legal woes are far from over. Whitewater prosecutor Kenneth Starr is pressing his criminal investigation into whether Clinton lied about having sexual relations with White House volunteer Monica Lewinsky and encouraged her to cover it up.

"Judge Wright's ruling today has no effect on our authority and we will continue working to complete the investigation as expeditiously as possible," Starr said in a statement.

"We're going to be appealing and we're going to be fighting this issue," John Whitehead, one of the lawyers working for Jones, said in an interview on CNN's Larry King live programme.

"The judge is wrong," Whitehead said.

### Female literacy

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of educational deprivation in South Asia falls most heavily on girls and women. With an adult female literacy rate of only 36 per cent, the lowest in the world, the region is entering the 21st century with 243 million illiterate women who represent two thirds of the region's total adult female population.

Khadija Haq, the Vice-President of the centre, praised Bangladesh's effort and investment in the education and health sectors. UNDP's Resident Coordinator David C Lockwood also addressed the launching ceremony.

### Nominated members of DSE Council to be raised to 12

Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) Council at a meeting yesterday decided to raise the number of non-broker nominated councillors from six to 12, reports BSS.

According to a DSE press release, the latest decision, in line with the demand of regulators, would make it a 24-member council split equally by 12 elected and as many nominated non-broker councillors.

The DSE Council also decided to convene an extraordinary general meeting immediately to get its decision approved by the members of the bourse.

### Body to probe power failure at Sangsad Bhaban

A four-member committee has been formed to probe the power failure at Sangsad Bhaban during the parliament session yesterday morning, reports UNB.

The committee, headed by Additional Secretary of the Parliament Secretariat Amiyangshu Sen, has been asked to submit its report to Speaker Humayun Rasheed Chowdhury by Sunday, said an official handout.

### 9 dacoits held with arms in city

Police arrested nine dacoits along with firearms from the city's Gulshan area yesterday evening, reports UNB.

Police said the arrested - Shagar, Nurunnabi, Dekhar, Munnat, Al-Amin, Mokhter, Chan Mia, Faruque and Shohag - were the members of an organised gang of inter-district dacoits.

Acting on a tip-off, a special squad from Gulshan thana rushed to the area and cordoned off the dacoits in front of House No 31 and Road No 63 as they were preparing to commit dacoity in the area.

Sensing police presence, the dacoits tried to fire shots at the police, but the law-enforcers overpowered them.

### Showcause

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In Tangail.

In the writ petition it was alleged that Abul Hasan Chowdhury accepted a passport bearing No 701185593 from the British government on June 12, 1995.

Khander Mahbubuddin Ahmed moved the writ petition.

### Crash landing

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titude, speed of the aircraft, various engine parameters and even condition of the aircraft during the crash-landing. Besides, the voice recorder records all the conversations of the captain and co-pilot.

The affected areas in the city included Gulshan, Banani, Mirpur, Cantonment, Moham, madpur, Dhanmondi, Green Road, Kalabagan, Jhikatola, Tallabag, Asad Gate, Iskaton, Elephant Road, Moghbazar, Baily Road, Malibagh, Khilgaon, Rampura, Shahjahanpur, Kamalapur, Goran, Gandaria and all parts of the old city.

### BNP protesters, police clash in Ctg: 10 hurt

From Staff Correspondent

CHITTAGONG, April 2: At least 10 people, including a police personnel, were injured in sporadic clashes between police and BNP supporters in the city today.

Police said the trouble had started at around 6:30 pm today when BNP activists brought out a procession at Nur Ahmed Road protesting the arrest of a party leader from South Bakalia by detective branch police.

Detective branch personnel arrested Mohsin Khan, a local BNP leader, and his son Babu from their residence at South Bakalia at around 3:30 pm today in connection with specific criminal cases.

During the procession at Nur Ahmed Road a clash between police and the processionists took place. Police lobbed tear gas shells to disperse the agitators.

Police said the clash began when a gunshot at police was fired by the processionists.

A series of cocktails were blasted in the area and passing vehicles were damaged, police said.

Police arrested six persons from Nur Ahmed Road, near the BNP city office.

### Power failure

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power system immediately.

Energy Secretary Dr Toufique-Elahi Chowdhury along with PDB high officials rushed to Siddhirganj Load Dispatch Centre to monitor the situation and instruct engineers and officials to do the needful.

State Minister for Energy Prof Rafiqul Islam and the PDB Chairman monitored the situation from the Central Control Room.

Sheikh Hasina also instructed the authorities concerned to repair and rehabilitate the old power plants which were either lying idle or producing less power than their capacity.

Under instruction of the Prime Minister, army units deployed at different power plants were ready to assist the technical teams to ensure optimum power generation.

The Sangsad Bhaban, which seldom experiences power disruption, was also without electricity for hours.

Water supply in many areas was disrupted as water pumps could not be operated.

Petrol pumps stopped their regular services. As a result, many offices and houses which had stand-by generators, could not even ensure substitute power supply.

### Bridge

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immediately suspended traffic movement on Dhaka-Chittagong Highway through the bridge which remained enforced till about 9:30 am. A total of about 8,000 vehicles ply through the Dhaka-Chittagong highway everyday, officials said quoting government statistics.

Supported by sand bags and earth, the bridge was made temporarily operational for traffic movement. Only one vehicle was allowed to pass through the bridge at a time leading to a heavy traffic congestion on both sides. A huge contingent of police has been deployed in the area.

Meanwhile, the Roads and Highways Department started constructing a diversion road to restore normal road communication. Officials at the construction site told this correspondent that they started work on a diversion road since the morning and were expecting to complete it within the next two days. A Bailey bridge will be also constructed within a couple of days, the officials added.

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