

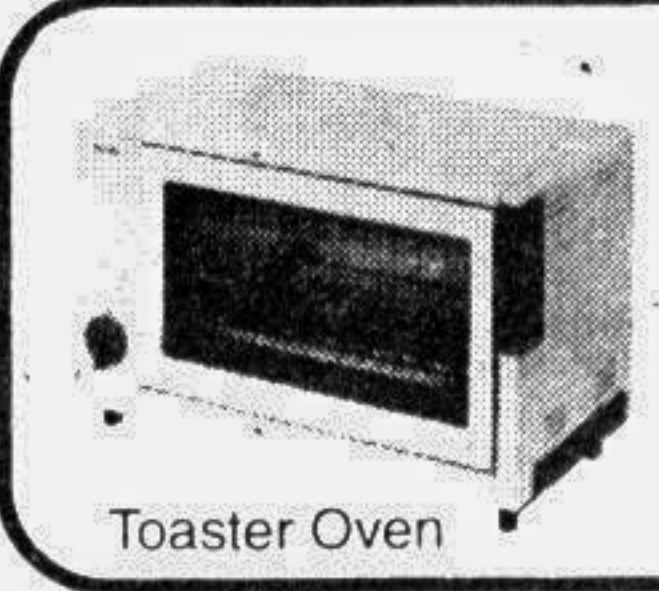
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Improving trade imbalance with India

'Removing tariff barriers, getting zero-tariff access needed'

Immediate steps to remove tariff and non-tariff barriers and providing zero tariff for Bangladeshi products...

Young man killed in Ctg

From Staff Correspondent CHITTAGONG, Aug 9: A young man was killed by his rivals in Moghul area...

Khaleda goes to Bogra tomorrow

BNP Chairperson and Leader of the Opposition in Parliament Begum Khaleda Zia...

Anup Chetia

Chetia and allowed the authorities to supply his recent photographs and thumb impression to the Indian authorities...

PM: Police officials

Referring to the demand of the association for setting up a staff college for police, the prime minister said the government would think about it...

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currency further, stop border smuggling, seek reduction in tariff and non-tariff barriers on Bangladeshi exports to India.

Encouragement of more Indian investment into Bangladesh and making the SAPTA more meaningful and operational are two other things...

Speaking on the occasion as chief guest, commerce secretary Syed Alamgir Farooq Chowdhury said huge trade deficit does not mean that Bangladesh gave India any special advantage...

He said to change the present situation and catch a huge neighbouring market, Bangladeshi exporters should change their focus.

The focus of our exporters is

to get into the US and European markets, he said. 'We have to change the focus.'

The commerce secretary, however, urged the businessmen to identify their problems in getting into the Indian market.

Referring to his meetings with the Indian side regarding implementation of the SAPTA arrangements, Chowdhury stressed the need for overcoming Indian phobia that Bangladesh could be used as the channel of Chinese goods...

CDRB president Dr Mizanur Rahman Shelly delivered the welcome address while FBCCI vice-president Kazi Shaiful Islam gave the vote of thanks.

Boatman shot dead by KNM security guard

From Staff Correspondent KHULNA, Aug 9: A security guard of Khulna Newsprint Mill (KNM) shot dead a boatman yesterday morning at Khalishpur.

The incident took place when the boatman was allegedly stealing geon wood from the eastern bank of Bhaibrab river under Khalishpur thana.

Draft Nat'l Land Utilisation Policy to be submitted to PM by Dec

The steering committee on formulation of National Land Utilisation Policy yesterday decided to submit the draft policy to the Prime Minister by December 31, reports UNB.

Intern docs

secretary of the movement committee in a written statement demanded reintroduction of a pay-scale and doubling of their remuneration.

PCJSS

chiefs in Bandarban and Khabrahari the formation of the RC has been delayed, he said without elaboration.

5 get life-term for murder in Jhenidah

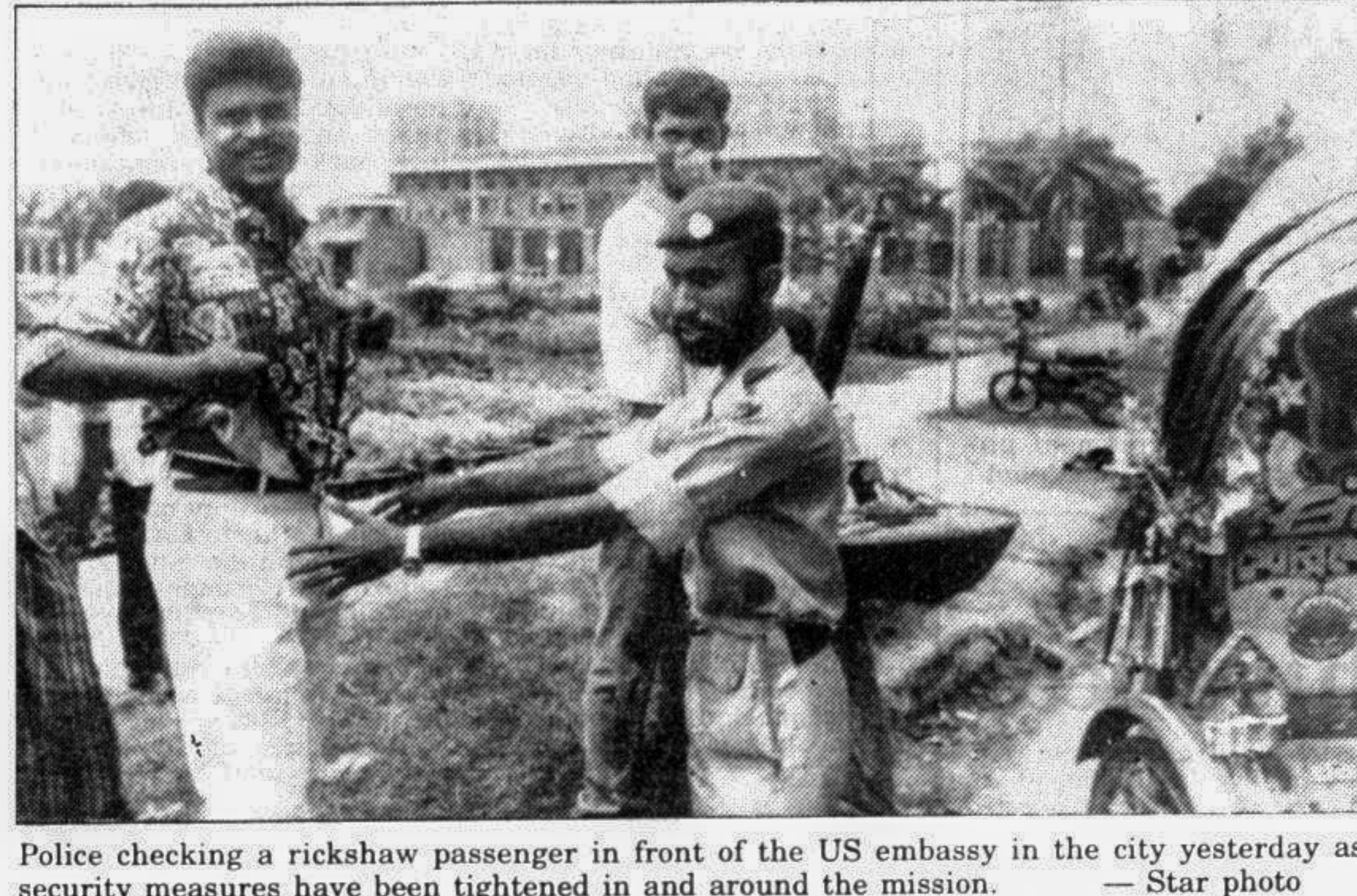
JHENIDAH, Aug 9: A court here today sentenced five people to life imprisonment for murdering a man in 1990, reports UNB.

One gets 17-yr RI for rape

MYMENSINGH, Aug 9: A man was handed 17 years rigorous imprisonment (RI) by a special court here today for kidnapping and raping a girl in 1994, reports UNB.

Rape: 3 arrested in N'ganj

NARAYANGANJ, Aug 9: Police arrested three persons from different areas of the town last night on charge of raping a 21-year-old woman at around 9 pm yesterday.



Police checking a rickshaw passenger in front of the US embassy in the city yesterday as security measures have been tightened in and around the mission.

Bangladesh to get British 'millennium gift aid'

Britain will provide 'millennium gift aid' to 80 countries, including Bangladesh, under its Millennium Gift Aid scheme, reports UNB.

The eligible 80 countries were specified in Regulations laid by the Treasury on July 31.

Members of the public of those countries will be able to donate money to assist education, health and anti-poverty programmes under the scheme.

Mannan Bhuiyan assigned to resolve conflicts in N'ganj BNP

BNP secretary general Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan has been assigned to resolve the party conflicts in Narayanganj.

Islamic Varsity reopens

KUSHTIA, Aug 9: Islamic University reopened today amid tight security, reports UNB.

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JS body for evolving ways to overcome curse of N-war

The Parliamentary Standing Committee on the Ministry of Foreign Affairs at a meeting held in the city yesterday stressed the need for evolving ways to overcome the curse of nuclear war, reports BSS.

It described as 'timely' the initiative Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina had taken to diffuse the tension generated in the region following the nuclear tests by India and Pakistan.

Discussions took place on the nuclear tests carried out by the two countries in the subcontinent and the role played by the ministry of Foreign Affairs.

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BJP govt in fresh trouble Jayalalitha rejects pact on water dispute

MADRAS, Aug 9: A powerful ally has challenged India's minority government by rejecting a pact on a water dispute involving two southern states...

The regional AIADMK party said it would not accept a panel to be headed by prime minister Atal Behari Vajpayee to settle the dispute between Tamil Nadu and Karnataka over the waters of the Cauvery river running through both provinces.

Jayalalitha Jayaram, the AIADMK leader, who wants more water for her home state of Tamil Nadu, said the pact endorsed by heads of both the states was a 'betrayal of interests' of the farmers of her state.

'It is totally unacceptable,' Jayalalitha said in a statement. 'Jayalalitha wants Vajpayee to draft a law ensuring that Tamil Nadu is given water by Karnataka. She argues farmers in Tamil Nadu are facing starvation and poverty because of lack of water for their crops.'

The Times of India newspaper said AIADMK's rejection of

Flood Probe report

at the upstream is also likely to deteriorate slightly. However, the FFWC said, the situation in other areas in the Ganges basin, except the districts along the Padma, is likely to improve.

Flood situation may improve at the upstream of the Brahmaputra-Jamuna while from Sirajganj to downstream it may remain unchanged.

Static situation may prevail from Bhaibrab Bazar to downstream in the Meghna basin.

The flood situation in the city and central parts of the country is likely to improve slowly, the FFWC said.

Meanwhile, 35 people have so far died of diarrhoea and 57,011 others affected in the flood-hit districts, the health department's control room said.

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