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Defense Counsel tells court Farooq signed confessional statement under coercion

Police illegally confined Col Farooq, an accused in the Bangabandhu murder case and tortured him to sign a prepared confessional statement in front of a magistrate...

The confessional statement of Farooq was not countersigned by the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate. It was not the confessional statement of Farooq, said the Defence Counsel.

"Confessional statement of an accused after seven days of remand in police custody is highly suspicious," the counsel quoted a judgement.

Non-govt teachers, employees to get financial support after retirement

The proposal for post-service financial facilities for teachers and employees of the country's non-government educational institutions will be implemented soon as the Education Ministry has finalised the rules and regulations of the Non-government Teachers-Employees Welfare Trust.

The directives (new rules) of the trust will be effective from first July of 1990, the source said.

5 hurt as boiler bursts in city

At least five persons sustained burn injuries when a boiler of a foundry blew up at Postogola under Demra thana in the city yesterday afternoon.

Hospital sources identified the injured as Habib, 30, Lutfar, 35, Ishak, 35, Yusuf, 40, and Rustom Ali, 35. All employees of the foundry, they were admitted at the burn unit of Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH).

Rubel murder

The CID is expecting to get permission from the home ministry and the IGP today, the sources said.

Besides, the IO has to get a "positive opinion" from the public prosecutor before seeking government's permission.

Dhaka's call at UNGA

He said elements and factors that affect the global ecosystem and environment are inter-linked. They transcend national frontiers and can only be addressed meaningfully by nations acting in concert.

"Highest priority should be given to this issue, which is a matter of survival for many peoples," he said.

Dhaka-Tangail road link restored

MIRZAPUR, Tangail, Sept 22: Traffic movement on the Dhaka-Tangail highway resumed tonight reopening the capital's direct route to the north through the Jamuna Bridge, reports APB.

Air Commodore Ziarat new Civil Aviation authority Chairman

Air Commodore TA Ziarat Ali, PSC, has taken over as the new chairman of Civil Aviation Authority, Bangladesh, an official press release said yesterday, reports BSS.

JU students

Meanwhile, the General Students' Unity (GSU) yesterday announced that it will boycott classes today protesting the "Syndicate's failure" to take any action against the rapists.

Forex

An interest of 7.75 per cent while that of pound sterling will be 8 per cent. Both the bonds will have a five-year term.

Employment Bank to help create jobs: PM

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday said employment generation in the society is essential to build up a strong economy and steer the nation toward progress and prosperity, reports UNB.

"We'll involve the unemployed youth forces to build up a strong economy by utilising their dormant potential," she said, formally launching the first Employment Bank for the educated unemployed youths of the country.

Bldg collapsed in explosion caused by leak in gas pipeline

The one-storey building at West Jurain collapsed on late Saturday night due to an explosion caused by a leak in the gas pipeline, according to the inquiry committee report submitted to Petrobangla yesterday.

Probe body finding

The three-member committee headed by the Managing Director of Gas Transmission Company Ltd, a subsidiary of Petrobangla, submitted its report yesterday, sources said.

Congestion at Ctg port yet to ease 30000 MT foodgrains unloaded in 6 days

CHITTAGONG, Sept 22: Over 30,000 metric tons of foodgrains were unloaded from five ships at Chittagong Port in the past six days, Port sources said.

Diarrhoea

Rezia Khatun (30) and her daughter China (12) of Itna thana, Jarina (1) of Astagram thana and Nazrul Islam of Ba-jitpur thana died from diarrhoea on Monday.

Wage Board

The High Court gave this order on a writ petition filed by Dr. Md Ramiuddin on behalf of the Daily Purbakon, published from Chittagong.

Sonali Bank

A total of 51 candidates are in the race for 15 posts of executive committee members from the Association Group, which has this year its turn to elect the president.

A battle against nature

need fodders. I can survive somehow on atta (flour) but the cattle would have anything as they too had a tough time," Ali said.

Union Cabinet recommends President's rule in Bihar

PATNA, Sept 22: Bihar administration today sounded red alert across the state following the union cabinet's recommendation for the imposition of president's rule, reports PTL.

Multipurpose

After seven years, the government plans to go for a circular rail track on the embankment to run monorail commuter service, said the official.

People want jobs, not relief: Khaleda

SHARISHABARI, Jamalpur, Sept 22: BNP Chairperson Begum Khaleda Zia today expressed grave concern over the sufferings of people and asked the government to gear up relief and income generating activities for the flood affected people, reports UNB.

She demanded immediate launching of food-for-work and test relief in addition to vulnerable group feeding programme.

FBCCI election

election has drawn top politicians and power brokers into the fray. But this year, in a departure from tradition, much of the electioneering has taken place behind the scenes, which allowed a group of known defaulters to take an "active and manipulative" role, the sources said.

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still flowing above the danger levels.

Piles of garbage

Local businessmen said they had bought bleaching powder and spread it over the pile of sludge to prevent diseases from spreading.

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