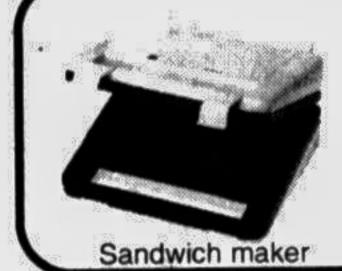


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## Alleged rape of students

## Victims may now file cases, says JUVC

By Raziur Rahman

with the matter."

By Staff Correspondent

tionary" and "anti-women."

characteristics of the adminis-

JU Vice Chancellor Prof

Alauddin Ahmed published in a

Bangla daily yesterday, SNS

said that the rapists at the uni-

versity were taking full advan-

tage of the authorities' "anti-

as "objectionable," SNS de-

manded withdrawal from such

stands. The VC is trying to "at-

tribute all guilt on the female

students though the allegations

of rapes against some male stu-

dents have been proved," the

chain the female students by

setting a timeframe to enter the

halls in the name of so-called

realities of the country." it

"They have been trying to

Terming the VC's comments

women" role.

ঢাকা বিদ্যুৎ বিতরণ কর্তৃপক্ষ

সাধারণ বিজ্ঞপ্তি

এই মর্মে মিরপুর এলাকার সম্মানিত বিদ্যুৎগ্রাহকদের জানানো যাচ্ছে

যে, ২৪-৯-৯৮ইং তারিখ হতে মিরপুর এলাকার বিদ্যুৎ সম্পর্কিত

পরিচালন, সংরক্ষণ ও বাণিজ্যিক পরিচালন সংক্রান্ত সকল কার্যক্রম

ঢাকা ইলেকট্রিক সাপ্লাই কোম্পানী লিঃ (ডেসকো) এর নিকট ডেসা

কর্তৃক হস্তান্তরিত হয়েছে। বিদ্যুৎ বিতরণ কর্তৃপক্ষ (ডেসা) এর অধীন

পরিচালন ও সংরক্ষণ বিভাগ, মিরপুর এবং বাণিজ্যিক পরিচালন বিভাগ,

মিরপুরে কর্মরত ডেসার সকল স্তরের কর্মকর্তা-শ্রমিক-কর্মচারীকে ২৫-

৯-৯৮ইং তারিখে মিরপুর এলাকা হতে প্রত্যাহার করা হয়েছে।

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নেই। ঢাকা বিদ্যুৎ বিতরণ কর্তৃপক্ষের কর্মকর্তা-শ্রমিক-কর্মচারীরা মিরপুর

এলাকায় বিদ্যুৎ সরবরাহে বিঘ্ন সৃষ্টি করছে এবং ডেসকোর কার্যক্রমে

বাধা প্রদান করছে - এই মর্মে কিছু সংখ্যক দৈনিক পত্রিকায় যে সংবাদ

প্রকাশিত হয়েছে তা সঠিক নহে। বিষয়টি মিরপুর এলাকার সম্মানিত

বিদ্যুৎগ্রাহকদের অবগতির জন্য প্রকাশ করা হলো এবং মিরপুর এলাকার

বিদ্যুৎ সংক্রান্ত সমস্যা সমাধানের জন্য ঢাকা ইলেকট্রিক সাপ্লাই কোম্পানী

লিঃ অর্থাৎ ডেসকোর সাথে যোগাযোগ করতে পুনরায় সম্মানিত বিদ্যুৎ

সময়মত বিদ্যুৎ বিল পরিশোধ করুন

ঢাকা বিদ্যুৎ বিতরণ কর্তৃপক্ষ

গ্রাহকদের অনুরোধ করা হলো।

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Referring to the interview of

tration," the statement said.

The Jahangirnagar University authorities and the police are reluctant to go for criminal proceedings against the seven BCL leaders punished by the JU Syndicate following allegations against them of raping some female students on the campus.

The syndicate expelled one BCL leader from the university for life and awarded varying punishment to six others on September 28. Earlier, the Syndicate had issued showcause notices against the seven on charges of rape and six on charges of abetting the rapists. The alleged abettors were acquitted of the charges.

"We have fulfilled our responsibilities, conducted investigation into the matter and even took disciplinary action against the accused on the basis of the Fact Finding Committee's report," Vice Chancellor Prof Alauddin Ahmed said.

"The victims may now file criminal cases against those already punished by the Syndicate." said the VC in reply to a question.

The committee report submitted to the VC and later discussed by the Syndicate revealed that more than 20 female students were raped and over 300 others were sexually harassed on the campus by the "armed cadres of a particular political party.'

Asked over telephone, a top official of the university told The Daily Star that the issue of filing criminal cases against the accused was not even discussed by the Syndicate.

The university authorities did not also discuss with legal experts of the university about the committee report. Police officials said that

they were not in a position to take up the case unless a complaint was lodged by a victim or the university authorities. But a leading lawyer, prefer-

ring anonymity, told this correspondent, "Every one knows



Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina visited puja mandap at Dhakeswari Mandir in the city - PID photo

## Govt-Opposition cooperation must to make JS effective: PM

noring petty party interests, only then we'll be able to run the parliament effectively and give democracy an institutional shape," she said.

Inaugurating the Institute of Parliamentary Studies (IPS) at Sangsad Bhaban in the afternoon, Hasina said that for the greater interest of parliamentary democracy, cooperation between the ruling party and the opposition is necessary.

Hearing of Zia

Murder Case

shifted again

hearing date of the Zia Murder

Case was again shifted as the

CID failed to submit its report

before the CMM's Court today,

notice on CID police for its re-

peated failure to submit the re-

Islam fixed November 10 as

fresh date for hearing of the

case and also asked CID to

submit its report along with

Kader Khan prayed for two

months' time to submit the re-

port but the court granted 40

the 222nd hearing date of the

FBCCI elections

formed the panel as the cham-

ber leaders requested me to do

so arguing that flooding across

Bangladesh would make elec-

been there on the ballot papers any way ... all the chamber

leaders were present at the

meeting. It's now up to the

presidents (of chambers) and

voters. They will decide by ex-

ercising their franchise on Oc-

tober 15," said the FBCCI presi-

The eight signatories are

Ramizuddin Fakir of Narsh-

ingdi Chamber, M Rezaul Malik

of Barisal Chamber, Moham-

mad Ali Sarkar of Rajshahi

Chamber, Golam Mostafa of

Rangpur Chamber, Nurul Hoque

Chowdhury of Gopalganj Chamber, Nitya Gopal of Chamber, Abul Kashem of Tan-

gail Chamber and Din Ali of

Satkhira Chamber.

"Their names would have

tioneering difficult."

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However, CID ASP Abdul

Court sources said today was

reports UNB.

showcause reply.

CHITTAGONG, Sept 30: The

The court served showcause

The court of AKM Monirul

representative David E Lockwood and Parliament Affairs Secretary Kazi Monjure Mowla also addressed the function. A message of Opposition Leader in Parliament Begum

Khaleda Zia was read out in the function. Begum Zia, in her message. wished the success of the Insti-

government through the pariament "We are strictly following parliamentary rules in formu-

lating every laws," said the leader of the House adding that even a single bill was not adopted through ordinance under the present government.

In this regard, she reminded: form of democracy."

#### "Parliament is the centre of all activities in the parliamentary tute and said she could not attend the function because of her

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ter in Bangladesh in future. Holzman disclosed that US President Bill Clinton has postponed his planned visit to Bangladesh in November this

Sheikh Hasina yesterday, the US President expressed his regret that he and Mrs Clinton are unable to accept her invitation to visit Bangladesh in Novem-

Explaining the reason for the postponement of the visit, President Clinton said Clinton had postponed his trip to South Asia because consultations with India and Pakistan on non-proliferation issues have not reached the point where a visit to the region would be most productive.

the speculation of food shortage due to flood in Bangladesh.

He said Food for Works Programme can help accomplish this later goal while also repairing the damaged infrastructure. Both the government and NGO micro-credit agencies seem to be addressing the issue of credit appropriately.

## Holzman: US investment

floods and other natural disas-

In a letter to Prime Minister

The US President said that progress is being made in talks with these countries and hoped situation will permit him and Mrs. Clinton to schedule a visit to South Asia next year.

In reply to a question, Ambassador Holzman disagreed that the Monica Lewinsky affair and the US Congress election in November have influenced his (Clinton's) decision to postpone the visit.

Holzman also brushed aside "I hope that will not be the

case," he said. The Ambassador said: "It seems to me that sensible measures are being put in place to import needed foodgrains, to provide food to most vulnerable and to infuse the purchasing power into a rural economy that has collapsed.

"These are reasonable responses to a crisis," Holzman said, adding that the main issue is whether the government and NGOs will implement these post-flood programmes quickly and efficiently.

The US Ambassador expressed his satisfaction over the government's assurance that it will use the army as necessary to operate the port of Chittagong to ensure that foodgrains imports are off-loaded and distributed efficiently.

The US Ambassador appreciated the role of major political parties in facing the flood crisis and supported the call for a new consensus in national politics and a new political climate" which, he said, presupposes some level of bipartisan cooperation. He said Bangladesh needs to

work hard in the coming months to repair the damage of the flood and to restore economic growth. This is not the time for par

tisan bickering, street politics, campus violence, and parliamentary walkout. The Ambassador said in fact there have been no nationwide

hartals, which would have disrupted the relief efforts for flood victims.

### Khoka

by State Minister for Information Prof Abu Sayeed wherein the writer specifically named Tofael Ahmed as a killer of Sheikh Mujib and four Awami League leaders - Syed Nazrul Islam, Tajuddin Ahmed, Capt Mansoor Ali and Quamruzza-

the real culprits involved in the killings, the ruling party is falsely implicating the opposition leaders as part of an evil design to persecute them.

### Abu Sayeed asks BNP chief to apologise

State Minister for Information Prof Abu Sayeed yesterday asked BNP Chief Begum Khaleda Zia to make an apology to the people for calling the elected government of Awami League 'uncivilised,' reports

The person who shows such an audacity of terming the present democratically elected government uncivilised has virtually undermined all the countrymen," Prof Abu Sayeed

In a strongly worded statement to the press, he said an open apology will have to be made to the people for making such an indecent and audacious comment. Leader of the Opposition in

Parliament and BNP chairperson Begum Khaleda Zia described Sheikh Hasina's government as uncivilised while addressing several public meetings in northern districts.

Prof Sayeed said those who do not believe in the basic concept that "people is the source of all powers" and grabbed power through killing, coup and conspiracy denying the people's fundamental rights, can alone utter such remarks.

## 50 hurt

From Page chased each other.

BNP brought out a procession protesting the arrest of the party's standing committee member K M Obaidur Rahman MP and another leader Nurul Islam Mantur. Angry demonstrators dam-

aged some vehicles during the Police lobbed about 15

rounds of tear gas shells to disperse the demonstrators. They picked up two people from the

The procession was led by BNP standing committee member Abdul Matin Chowdhury, Mirza Abbas, Abdullah Al Noman , and Sadek Hossain Khoka

Starting from the party's Nayabazar city office at 5:20 pm, the procession passed through North South Avenue, Paltan and Bijoynagar areas.

City BNP convenor Sadek Hossain Khoka has condemned and protested police attack on the party's peaceful procession and arrest of five activists.

In a statement Khoka said police without any provocation obstructed the BNP's scheduled procession.

## 20 chargesheeted

From Page 1 ployees were chargesheeted in both the cases. The chargesheet in the case with Uttara thana includes the director, a teacher and a student of the coaching centre and the owners and employees of photocopying shops.

## Alleged US hand

From Page 1 Holzman told an OCAB member while replying to a question

vesterday. Denfence lawyer in Banga-

accused in the case, who have been reportedly hiding in the US, Holzman said, "We have no extradition treaty with

to get the due process of law. "It is appropriate."

Holzman did not give any straight reply when asked if he supports the trial of the killers of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib and the killers of four national

"What I want the accused should be given due process of law," he said.

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however, saw no reason for complacence as "tougher days are ahead .... the days of reha-Anisuzzaman, who held a

press conference on September 13 on food situation, just a week ahead of another press conference by Food and Agriculture Minister Begum Motia Chowdhury, said there was "absolutely no feeling of parallel administration in the affairs of food and agriculture. One can't expect a better relationship than the two of us has developed both at personal and at official levels."

The Advisor, who is also heading a special committee on food situation monitoring, said there was no point in seeing any disagreement just because of the separate press conferences as, "our common intention was to feed people with up-to-date information. We act as one soul.

committee, formed last week, include the Finance Minister. Commerce and Industries Minister, Food and Agriculture Minister and Minister of State for Relief and Disaster Management.

### Insecticides From Page 1

The MPs, belonging to both the Treasury and Opposition benches, expressed their dissat-

isfaction at a meeting of the parliamentary body held at the Sangsad Bhaban. Agriculture Minister Begum Matia Chowdhury asked the officials concerned to take 'im-

mediate steps' to make sure that the crops are saved from the attack of insects like stemborer. According to meeting sources, the MPs who complained against the inadequate

supply of insecticides included Chairman of the committee Dr ATIM Fazle Rabbi Chowdhury of Jatiya Party, ruling party legislator Mizanur Rahman Manu And Anisul Huq Chowdhury also of the ruling party.

#### **BGMEA** From Page 1

But, he said, despite an order from the Prime Minister to continue export-import procedures in the port seven days a week. import is taking place only on five days:

"Officials of two government banks at the port are not willing to continue banking on weekly holidays shutting down import for two days," he said pleading for setting up a private bank at the port.

Quddus said trucks carrying garments on Dhaka-Chittagong Highway are also victims of police bribery. Besides, congestion on the highway is also hindering export activities, he added.

He said T&T officials also grab taka from garments owners if an STD line is cut for any reason. "If an STD line is cut for non-payment, it is not reconnected even after realising the outstanding bill. They give NWD connection and claim money for STD reconnection."

Faroog Sobhan assured the BGMEA leaders of taking up the matter with Bangladesh Bank. three public banks and ministries concerned.

Meanwhile, as BGMEA is going to hold a meeting with foreign investors in garment sector shortly, it informed the BOI that some of them are taking recourse to unfair means. "Some of the foreign in-

vestors had come to produce high-fashioned garments. But they produce low-cost wears which any local factory can do. He further alleged that some

foreign investors produce garments in other countries and only label here to capture Bangladesh quota.

### 63.46 pc pass dip-in-com exams

A total of 2,211 students passed this year's Diploma-in-Commerce examination under the Higher Secondary Education Board, Dhaka, according to results published yesterday, reports UNB.

The pass percentage is 63.46. In all, 3,484 candidates — 2,730 male and 754 female appeared at the examination. Of them, 674 secured first division, 1,515 second division and 22 third division.

### CID: 3 leaders From Page 1

inside the Dhaka Central Jail on November 3, 1975, following the change over of August 15.

The jail killing case filed on November 4, 1975 under Section 302/34 of the Penal Code was taken up by CID on September 10, 1996. The case was lodged with Lalbagh thana by the then DIG (Prisons) Abdul

All the three leaders now on CID remand were state ministers in the government of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman. They retained their positions in the government of Khandaker Mushtaque Ahmed, which took over following the killing of Bangabandhu.

#### DESCO From Page 1

started on Tuesday but it could not be completed because of non-cooperation from a section of DESA employees. State Minister for Energy

and Mineral Resources Prof Rafiqul Islam and local MP Kamal Ahmed Majumder visited the area last night and expressed satisfaction over the situation, according to sources. Supply of power was badly disrupted in the area for a cou-

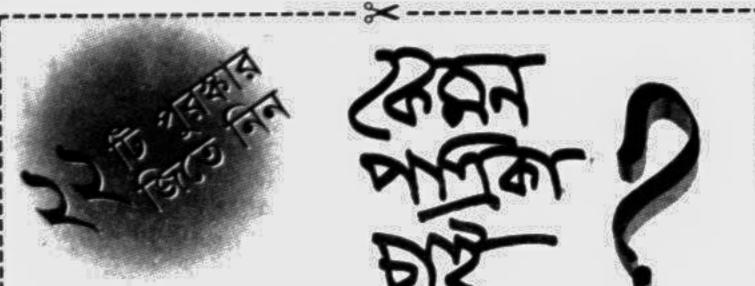
between employees of Dhaka Electric Supply Authority (DESA) and the Dhaka Electric Supply Company (DESCO). Power supply in Mirpur area was affected also because 10

ple of days as a result of a feud

power transformers had burst earlier. DESCO has procured 10 transformers and five of those have already been installed. The rest will be installed in a

few days, said a senior DESCO

Power supply in the rest of the area could be resumed after installation of the remaining transformers, he added.



একটা নতুন প্রথম শ্রেণীর জাতীয় দৈনিক কেমন হওয়া উচিত? এ সম্পর্কে আপনার মত খুবই গুরুত্বপূর্ণ। নিচের প্রশ্নগুলোয় আপনার পছন্দের উত্তরে টিকচিহ্ন (√) দিন।

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🗆 এক পৃষ্ঠা থেকে 'অমুক পৃষ্ঠায় দেখুন' বলে অন্য পৃষ্ঠায় চলে যাওয়া ৫. এছাড়া যদি কিছু বলতে চান, এখানে লিখুন:

পুরো ঠিকানা-উত্তরদাতাদের মধ্যে লটারি করে মোট ২২জনকে

দেয়া হবে আকর্ষণীয় পুরস্কার। প্রথম পুরস্কার ১টি : ২০ রঙিন ফিলিপ্স টেলিভিশন দ্বিতীয় পুরস্কার ১টি : ১৭ সাদাকালো ফিলিপ্স টেলিভিশন ভূতীয় পুরস্কার ১০টি : ফিলিপ্স বৈদ্যুতিক ইন্ত্রি ৪র্থ পুরস্কার ১০টি : এক ব্যান্ড ফিলিপ্স রেডিও

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> প্রকাশের প্রথম সপ্তাহের মধ্যে। প্রথমভাপো

একুশ শতকের দৈনিক সম্পাদক : মতিউর রহমান ১০০, কাজী নজরুল ইসলাম এভিনিউ, সিএ ভবন

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### Accused Lt Col (retd) Sultan Shariyar Rashid Khan was not seen in the place of occurrence and was not present at Banga-

Stating this in the Bangadefence counsel Abdur Rezzak Khan cited some judgements saying that to implicate a person in the murder, he should remain present at the place of

from Bangabandhu's residence.

Moreover, different witnesses said that Shariyar was seen at the radio station after 6:30 am, he said and argued that the time was under the cover of Martial Law. The charges of common intention and conspiracy are also

not tenable for Col Shariyar as

he was not in the place of occur-

rence and not in any place

mentioned by the prosecution

He said Shariyar resigned from the army in late 1974 and joined on August 15, 1975 after he was recalled by CGS Khaled Mosharraf. Maj Dalim, Maj

on August 14 night, the counsel said quoting from evidences. Pointing at "loopholes" in the recorded confessional

statement made by Lt Col Shariyar to a magistrate, the counsel said blanks in some of the columns of the prescribed form "cast doubt about the voluntary character of the docu-

fessional statement of his client a "spurious document" and prayed to the court to give due importance to the loopholes in recording the statement. "The magistrate also seemed to be under compulsion to

lawyer said, adding the magistrate did not even ask the accused whether he was tortured by police during his remand. But it is a requirement of law. Khan added. Quoting recording magistrate Abdul Awal's cross-exam-

assurance to the accused that he would not be sent back to police The lawyer said accused Shariyar was once taken to police remand at the instruction

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> Earlier, concluding his arlice remand again and again.

"Time and again Joardar

was placed to remand only to punish him," the counsel added. Joardar was always hon-

argument for Joardar, prayed to person is victimised.

the court to see that no innocent Advocate Khan will continue his argument for Lt Col Sharivar when the court resumes at

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man - in Dhaka Central Jail. He said instead of arresting

## Col Shariyar's counsel tells court

# Confessional statement is a spurious document

bandhu's residence to render assistance to the killings, reports UNB. bandhu Murder Case yesterday,

occurrence. The counsel submitted that evidences said that Shariyar was seen at Radio Bangladesh. which is four to five miles away

where so-called conspiracy was said to be hatched.

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ination. Rezzak Khan told the court that in his record he did not mention that he gave any instead of jail.

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Sheikh Moni killing and killings at Mohammadpur. gument for another accused Hony Capt (retd) Abdul Wahab Joardar, the counsel said the accused was improperly, incorrectly and illegally taken to po-

oured by the highest authority for his integrity and honesty in the army, Khan said adding the allegation against Joardar brought by PW-5, Gani, that he took away ammunition from the guard commander of Bangabandhu's residence was not corroborated by any other witness. Rezzak Khan, concluding his

10 am on Oct 5.

bandhu Murder Case on Monday argued in the court that Kissinger and the CIA were involved in the August 15 carnage. Asked if his country would hand over to Dhaka some of the

Bangladesh. Asked his comment on the trial of the killers of Bangabandhu, the Ambassador said the court seems to be following a due process. The Bangladesh government allowed the accused

leaders in Dhaka Central Jail.

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