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**PHILIPS** 

# PM promises better world for women, children

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has said the government wants to build a beautiful world where children and women will no longer be subjected to any torture and repres-

sion, reports UNB. "Our children and women are being tortured' and repressed," she said and announced the government's resolve to introduce more stringent laws to stop child and women torture and trafficking.

The Prime Minister was inaugurating a UNDP-sponsored children's art competition marking the .United Nations Day 1998 at the South Plaza of Sangsad Bhaban yesterday.

Hasina said the government is implementing the laws strictly to stop child and women repression. If necessary, more stringent laws will be introduced to eliminate child and women torture and trafficking. she said.

She lauded the UN system for "playing a very important role" to ensure world peace and protecting human rights, including the rights of children and women.

Bangladesh is also upholding those, she said, specially for protecting the rights of women and children.

Referring to the devastating flood, the Prime Minister said the catastrophe had also touched the children's minds that reflected in their paintings. Most of the children painted flood in their works to-

took part in the art competition at the wide plaza of the Sangsad

All the participating children drew pictures with various

changed pleasantries with

Golap Sinha Lane at Nan-

of their statement.

Meanwhile, Panchlaish police arrested one Ramzan Ali, a 'notorious dacoit' from Nasirabad today.

as many as five criminal cases. CMP sources said.

Bay. But the deal appeared to be diate release of Jonathan Polspent 12 years in prison for spya martyr by Netanyahu's government.

American officials were stunned, denying any Pollard deal, and the West Bank agreement suddenly seemed imperiled. Netanyahu even suggested Israel on his plane. Clinton

eight suspenseful hours. Finally, the agreement was saved when Clinton promised Ne-Pollard case. "I have made no commitment as to the outcome of the review.

## Key elements of the deal, ac-

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The pressure of sale of tickets was so high in the IFIC bank that officials there worked beyond midnight on Wednesday

till 2.30 pm, officials and employees of government and priwords from the cricket fans some of whom accused them of keeping tickets with them-

police did not cooperate with the bank authorities in managing the crowd outside the bank as some police officials were not given tickets.

stage that IFIC officials started charging each other for "misappropriating" tickets, the

During the row between the T&T official and the bank employees, the T&T official insisted on getting VIP gallery given as per pre-determined

#### SAVE MORE



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The children of Khelaghar, Kanchi-Kanchar Mela, Shishu Academy, UCEP, GSS, Proshikha, BRAC and Banaful

colour on a big, single cloth

#### Three held, arms recovered at Chittagana

Police said they raided a house at Golap Sinha Lane and arrested lqbalur Alam and Sabbir Ahmed. They also recovered the firearm on the basis

#### Land-for-peace deal cording to Israeli and Pales-

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glow of dawn rose above the marshes on the Chesapeake unraveling as the Israelis said litical prisoners. they had an understanding with the United States for the immelard, an American who has ing for Israel and is regarded as

he would take Pollard back to

said that was not possible. The accord hung in doubt for tanyahu he would review the

# Crazy indeed!

world cup. During sale of tickets late last week, there were demonstrations, processions and scuffles by angry cricket

fans who could not buy any

and Thursday and attended office on Friday and Saturday. After the regular sale hours vate organisations went to the IFIC Federation Branch and demanded tickets. The bank officials had to swallow bitter

selves. IFIC sources claimed that

The situation reached a sources said.

A view from gully Cup finals. tickets but was refused on the It was a good toss to win for ground that such tickets were Campbell and he had no hesitation in deciding to make the The T&T official then first use of the wicket. Despite a because angry and immediately very early setback when Grant after ards, the telephone lines Flower was caught, Campbell were disconnected, the sources sent a cautionary signal to claimed. Fleming that he meant business and scored his runs briskly. He



**BITS AND PIECES** 

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The Prime Minister went round the young artists and ex-

Cintiagong CHITTAGONG, Oct 24: Kotwali police last night arrested two persons and recovered one foreign made revolver from dankanan, reports BSS.

The arrested was wanted in

tinian officials: · Israel will release several hundred of 3,000 jailed Palestinians, whom Arafat calls po-

> \* A security plan with a timetable for Palestinians to arrest alleged terrorists and confiscate weapons, under CIA supervision. Israel dropped its insistence that suspects be ex-

tradited to Israel. An Israeli troop pullback from an additional 13 per cent of the West Bank.

\* Establishment of a joint Israeli-Palestinian committee to discuss a third troop withdrawal, which the Palestinians had hoped to nail down here. \* Opening a Palestinian air-

port in Gaza. \* Providing safe passage for Palestinians moving between Gaza and other Palestinian ar-

The accord broke 19 months of stalemate and set the stage for even tougher follow-on negotiations that are supposed to lead to a final settlement on the most difficult issues, including the future of Jerusalem, final borders. Palestinian aspirations for a state and what hap-

pens to Palestinian refugees. Discussions over the final status of Palestinian territories will begin in 10 days following Friday's signing of an interim Middle East peace accord, US Secretary of State Madeleine Albright said.

## Tickets

From Page 1 a ticket even for yesterday's

However, frustration of many were over when they found abundant tickets in black market around the Bangabandhu Stadium in the morn-

Prices of the tickets were not also too high than those of the prices sold in IFIC Bank, assigned by BCB to sell the tickets. "We will be loser in today's

match but hope finally profit will come in next few days, said a ticket seller in black market, who stocked several hundred tickets.

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was ably assisted by Johnson

scoring as fast as he could and

at 93 for three they were actu-

ally scoring at the rate of more

That must have caused

enough problems for Fleming.

With Andy Flower, the former captain, as his partner Camp-

bell went on scoring freely.

Andy was no chicken either. As

Campbell completed his half

century. Andy accelerated his

scoring and Campbell cooled

down letting Flower do the talk-

ing. That was a very sensible

thing to do. These two saw their

team pass the 200 mark and, as

Flower left at 211, Campbell

gradually crept into his century

- a great innings indeed. The

adventure that he embarked on

in the early stages could have

cost his wicket twice before he

had even reached 20 was no

fault of his. It was absolute

sloppy fielding of the New Zealanders for which they al-

On this wicket, on which the

ball was coming nicely on to the

bat, a 258 was a defendable total

especially in the foggy atmo-

New Zealand almost copied

the innings of Zimbabwe. After

sphere of an autumn night.

most paid dearly.

than six per over.



the start of the Wills Cup opener yesterday. Flanked by ICC supremo Jagmohan Dalmiya and her sports minister Obaidul Quader, she inspected the two teams (Zimbabwe being the other team) after declaring the eight-day cricket carnival open at a glittering ceremony at the Bangabandhu National Stadium. - Star photo

## PM sees match

From Page 1 tastefully decorated with flowers and enjoyed the match for nearly an hour.

Post, Telecommunications and Housing Minister Mohammad Nasim, State Minister for Youth and Sports Obaidul Quader, Deputy Minister for Shipping and President of Bangladesh Cricket Board Saber Hossain Chowdhury and President of International Cricket Conference (ICC) Jagmohan Dalmiya were present.

#### ICC donates

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cricket fraternity of the world extends its good wishes to the Bangladesh community." Dalmiya said. "The ICC wishes to make a token participation in the Prime Minister's appeal

He said the ICC must thank Bangladesh as this exciting tournament is the first of its kind across the world and the ICC extends its warm greetings to the sports-lovers of Bangladesh.

Biman

From Page 1 It was brought by Biman on lease to replace one of its F-28 aircraft which was badly damaged after crash-landing off Sylhet airport on December 22

last year. The aircraft was left in Bangladesh by its owner who participated in the bid hoping to sell it along with another

aircraft in its inventory. But a highly placed Biman official when contacted strongly denied the accusations

about wrongdoing. He claimed that the aircraft are in good condition.

Two committees-- technical and finance-- had evaluated the offers and found those "suitable to serve the airline's purpose both costwise and servicewise". the official said.

" We need a balance in our fleet. If we have an all F-28 domestic fleet instead of different aircraft, it would help us cut maintenance and operation

The official however admitted that they need the waiver

from CAAB. He hoped that it would get the waiver since the two aircraft are in good condition and worthy of buying. "Even if we spend Tk 10 crore on each of them it would still be worthwhile pricewise, he added.

early debacles. Stephen Flem-

ing and Adam Parore steadied

the innings. Fleming had pro-

moted himself in the batting

order and very rightly placed

him at number three. The ele-

gant left-hander led his side

from the front. As the asking

rate was going unreachable

heights, he had to accelerate

and a slight indiscretion, may

be tiredness, cost him his

wicket when he was very much

within the reach of a personal

milestone. When Parore departed it was a lost case for

them - at least that was on the

But this is one game that can never be predicted. Chris Harris

might have played many mem-

orable innings in his life but I

am sure he was not going to for-

get this one for many years to come. Like Miandad's last-ball

six at Sharjah many years ago, he sneaked a four through the

covers off the last ball to see Sri

It was tremendous experi-

ence at the venue with the elec-

tronic scoreboard showing

funny animations and provid-

ing the spectators with so many

greener and better than any

previous occasion and the at-

mosphere was superb except

that the mid-day sun was not so

was quite lively, with occa-

sional awkward bounce but by

whether it behaved like a young

Yes, of course the wicket. It

Only the players could say

The outfield looked much

Lanka in the quarterfinals.

statistics at a time.

kind on many of us.

and large placid.

scoreboard.

#### Kiwis beat Zimbabwe From Page 1 side at Harare last year.

Campbell, who was only to be blamed for handing over the victory on a silver plate, then haplessly watched a miss-hit from Petit race down the vacant third man region for four. The Zimbabwe captain was supposed to seal the country in the last three overs to save the lours. Instead, he set his men in such a way that left a lot of holes for Harris, who with all his experience exploited the gaps to snatch a exciting win. New Zealand needed three from the final delivery when Harris ended the chase in a fitting way. He ran towards the festive dressing room wielding his willow in the air in a manner of a general winning a battle. The defeat for Zimbabwe means a

trip back home. Apart from Harris' late heroics, in which he scored an unbeaten 37 off only 20 balls studded with half a dozen fours. the match was also marked by some quality batsmanship and excellent fielding.

Skipper Stephen Fleming laid the foundation of his side's victory with a composed 96 off 129 balls, which earned him the man of the match award. The talented left-hander put on 125 runs for the fourth wicket with wicketkeeper Adam Parore. who scored a brilliant 52. Fleming missed the magical threefigure mark, when trying to accelerate things, he went for a big hit but was outfoxed by offie Andrew Whittall

Earlier, the Zimbabwean total was built around a dazzling century from captain Alistair Campbell. The lefthanded stroke-maker, who won the toss in the afternoon and elected to bat first, more than justified his decision with a brilliant 100. It was the first one-day ton for the left-handed opener, whose pervious highest score was 77 against the same

## BNP calls hartal in Savar today

SAVAR, Oct 24: Local BNP has called a half-day hartal in Savar thana tomorrow protesting arrest of a BNP activists and filing of cases against some leaders and workers, reports UNB.

Dr Dewan Mohammad Shalauddin MP, alleged that police arrested a BNP leader and filed cases against several others on Thursday as a part of the government's repressive measures against the opposition leaders and activists.

Campbell, who took the toothless New Zealand bowlers to the sword right from the word go, gave his side an explosive start. Zimbabwe reached 50 in only 6.3 overs; their 100

coming in 17.3 overs. Campbell completed his 50 off only 43 balls, which included seven fours. He shared 65 runs for the second wicket with Johnson, who chipped in with a run-a-ball 27. But Johnson, who made his debut yesterday. will certainly try to forget the nightmarish first one-day appearance and his last over of

he match But the most enterprising part of the New Zealand innings was a 118-run partnership for the fourth wicket between Campbell and Andy Flower, who scored a swashbuckling 77 off 80 balls. The southpaw hammered eight fours and a huge sixer over mid-off in his flawless innings. For his maiden ton Campbell owes a lot to Nathan Astle, who dropped a straight-forward catch at cover when Campbell was on 66.

#### Private radio

From Page 1 casting Centre, Gonoshasthya Kendra, Sound Scape Entertainment Ltd. Multimode Transport Consultant Ltd, Radio Broadcasting FM Bangladesh Co Ltd . The proposals made by NGOs are Radio BRAC and Gonoshasthya Kendra .Another proposal has been made in the name of Radio Maria(Christian Communica-

tion Centre). Two proposals submitted on behalf of Rahim Halimun Associates and the Department of Marketing ,Dhaka University ,were cancelled as they did not deposit the earnest money of Tk 5 lakh each. Another proposal named Amar Desh was cancelled because it deposited the earnest money through a cooperative bank instead of a scheduled bank as required in

the tender specification. The other four proposals which were cancelled due to technical reason are Information Services Network Ltd. Partex Air Ltd , K T M Media Ltd and Dhaka F M.

The technical sub-committee in its report mentioned about the proposals submitted by the NGOs and Christian community and said, "Many countries do not give license for opening radio channels to those organisation"

As the matter is totally re-

lated with the policy the com-

mittee refrained from making

further comments.



Police taking to the DMCH an autorickshaw driver injured during the shutdown in Dolaikhal area in the city -Star photo yesterday.

## Housewife succumbs to burn injuries

By Staff Correspondent A teenage housewife suc-cumbed to burn injuries at the Dhaka Medical College Hospital yesterday, according to hospital sources.

Ruma, 18, wife of Ahsan Mollah of village Nagar Događi of Narayanganj allegedly set herself on fire after an altercation with her husband while watching a Bangla movie on the Bangladesh Television on Fri-She was rushed to the Dhaka

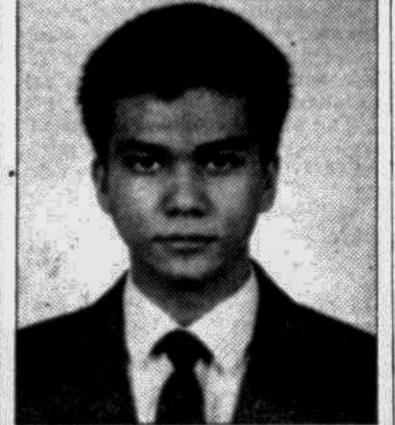
Medical College Hospital at about 8:00 pm on Friday and died in the early hours of yes-State minister's

car damaged

in Chittagong CHITTAGONG, Oct 24: The car of the State Minister for Disaster Management and Relief Talukder Abdul Khaleq was damaged today by a group of agitated students and their guardians in Boalkhali thana

here, reports UNB. The State Minister was going to attend a prize distribution ceremony of a school at Choumohani village under the same thana.

### Tareq's missing Cover-up by influential qtrs alleged



By Staff Correspondent Some ministers, political leaders and senior bureaucrats in connivance with police prevented proper investigation into the disappearance of Tareq, who has been missing

for more than two years. The allegation was made by Tareg's parents and a human rights organisation at a press conference at the Jatiya Press Club vesterday

Bangladesh Society for Enforcement of Human Rights (BSEHR), which conducted an investigation into the incident, said, \*Because of the negative role of police and influence by some powerful quarters, his (Tareq) disappearance still remains mysterious." Tareq's father M A Kashem

an industrialist, alleged that investigation into the case was not progressing because of "influence by some powerful ministers. He further alleged that a powerful ruling party leader has also been influencing the

investigation process since his

son was one of the prime ac-

cused in the case. Tareq's mother Josna Ara Kashem was also present. Sigma Huda, secretary general of BSEHR, released the investigation report of her organ-

isation at the press conference. \*Police has been conducting a show of investigation into the case and the real incident is yet to be unfolded," she said. Tarek's friend Rockey and

other associates who had earlier knocked him down at the dance floor of Steam Boat Restaurant (at Banani in the city) were directly involved in Tareq's missing, the investigation report said. Associates of Rockey included his friend Lubna and manager of the restaurant Habibur Rahman, it added.

"Why are police not arresting and interrogating them?"

the report asked. The only son of M A Kashem and a student of North South University in the city, Tareq disappeared on August 14, 1996 when he went to attend a cocktail party at the Steam Boat Restaurant.

### Hakim Saeed murder Suspect dies in Karachi police

KARACHI, Oct 24: A suspect in the murder of a former provincial governor has died in police custody, Pakistani officials said today, reports AFP. Fasih Ahmed was arrested

custody

following the assassination here last week of Hakim Saeed, who was also an eminent philanthropist and nationally known for his work in oriental medicine and education. The suspect, who was under interrogation by the crime in-

vestigation agency (CIA) of Karachi police, was found dead late Friday, officials said. The Chief Minister of southern Sindh province, Liaquat Ali Jatoi, said a judicial inquiry had been ordered to ascertain the circumstances in which the suspect died.

### 4 killed in wall collapse

NOGAON, Oct 24: Four members of a family were killed when a mud wall collapsed at Borbaria village in Raninagar thana of the district Friday night, reports UNB.

The victims were identified as Abeda Bibi, 45, Fatejan, 50, Sharifunnessa, 38, and Mahmuda Khatun, 7. All of them were asleep when the incident occurred.

#### Cessna crash

She felt that it would make the investigations thorough and transparent leaving all doubts about the crash that killed her daughter.

Responding to the petition.

the civil aviation minister asked concerned authorities to take necessary action in this regard, the sources said. Headed by MA Jalil, a civil aviation official, the committee

also included another CAAB official and an official from the Air Parabat Limited, which operates the Parabat Flying Academy. The probe committee was assigned to find out the exact

cause of the crash whether it was due to pilot's error, mechanical failure, poor maintenance or weather trouble. Both Fareea Lara, 26, and Syed Rafigul Islam, 24, the copilot, had commercial pilots licence and were training to become instructors. They were

training. The aircraft before its crash logged an average five hours of daily flying which is normal for a Cessna after routine check up if there is no mechanical fault.

scheduled to join the Air Para-

bat on completion of the

Three remaining aircraft are airworthy, two of them were kept grounded as there is no need for flying them, the company said.

#### Treasury loot Probe report likely today

BOGRA, Oct 24: The enquiry report on the treasury looting incident will be submitted by the probe committee tomorrow, reports UNB. The district authorities

formed a seven-member committee headed by the Additional District Magistrate (ADM) to investigate the incident. The committee was assigned to submit its report by Friday

DC Mohammad Shamsul Huq said the report could not be submitted in time due to the delay in its preparation. A group of miscreants broke the strong room of the treasury

here Monday night and took away judicial stamps worth about Tk 16.50 lakh. The authorities have suspended eight policemen for negligence of duty.

#### people, including eight suspended policemen. DU certificates

CID police interrogated 28

From Page Controller's office. The others are Shaheed, a medical attendant at Surya Sen Hall and Salek, a tea stall owner.

are M Sc, five M Com and three Earlier, a four-member probe committee was formed by the university authorities to

investigate the incident and

Of the stolen certificates, 18

asked to submit its report within 15 days. When asked, an official at the Controller's office said that "partially prepared certificates which were kept for delivery the following day, might have been

stolen. The Vice Chancellor and the Controller of Examinations of the university were not available for comments till the filing of this report at 10 last night.

# No work, no relief

From Page 1 fected families living in

makeshift houses on a nearly 11-km-long embankment-cumroad at Rupganj, Narayanganj. These families, whose original houses and land in the Narayanganj-Narsingdi Agrani Irrigation Project area are still inundated, are spending their

days in agony as they have no

work nor any relief to live on. "We received relief for sometime when the entire project area was flooded. But as soon as the water started to recede, relief operations stopped," says Abdul Aziz, a rickshawpuller.

Aziz with his two cows came

on the dam after a calf died of

cold in the flooded house. But he left his wife and the children "We, the human being, could survive on the chouki (wooden platform) but cows could not be

taken on it," he explained. The number of affected families taking refuge on the road along the villages of Murgakul, Bargaon, Dighiborabo, Narab-

hita, Durgabari and Khatun in-

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side the embankment was much higher. But others have meantime returned to their houses after the flood water, seeped into the protected area through the embankment, was pumped out. Yet a large number of homesteads and a vast area of farmland are still inundated with the stagnant water. Passing through the muddy road for a km or so, scores of

makeshift dwellings come to sight. The lined-up houses on the road have made it difficult for the transports to ply and left little space for the pedestrians to walk. Besides, marks of erecting such houses, now removed, were also witnessed in the row. Inside the embankment, boats were floating on the flooded land. The affected people also took

with them their cattle and goats giving the road the look of a typical village. In their desperate move to continue livelihood. a few of the affected families were found operating handloom machines in their temporary houses on the embankment.

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## ঢাকা বিদ্যুৎ বিতরণ কর্তৃপক্ষ DHAKA ELECTRIC SUPPLY AUTHORITY

ডেসার জরুরী বিজ্ঞপ্তি সমানিত বিদ্যুৎ গ্ৰাহকবৃদকে জানানো যাইতেছে যে, "উইলস ইন্টারন্যাশনাল কাপ" ক্রিকেট টুর্ণামেন্ট চলাকালীন সময়ে বঙ্গবন্ধু জাতীয় ষ্টেডিয়ামসহ ঢাকা মেটোপলিটন এলাকায় নিরবচ্ছিন্ন বিদ্যুৎ সরবরাহ এবং সঠিক ভোন্টেজ বজায় রাখার লক্ষ্যে ডেসা এলাকায় কিছু কিছু অংশে সাময়িকভাবে লোড-শেডিং করিতে হইতে পারে। উক্ত লোড-শেডিং বিভিন এলাকায় নির্ধারিত সময় ভিত্তিক হইবে এবং সাধারণতঃ সন্ধ্যাকালীন পিক-আওয়ার অর্থাৎ "বিকাল ৫-০০ টা হইতে ১১-০০ টা পর্যন্ত" সময়ের মধ্যে হইতে পারে। সাধারণভাবে কোন এলাকায় পর্যায়ক্রমে এলাকাভিত্তিক কম-বেশী ১ ঘন্টা লোড-শেডিং বলবং থাকিবে। তবে অপ্রত্যাশিত কারণে

লোড-শেডিং-এর সময় কাল ও পরিমাণে তারতম্য ঘটিতে পারে। লোড-শেডিং সংক্রান্ত অথবা অন্য কোন বিদ্যুৎ সরবরাহ সম্পর্কিত তথ্যাদি জানার জন্য নিম্নলিখিত বিভাগীয় নিয়ন্ত্রণ কক্ষের সহিত যোগাযোগ

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