

Whirlpool HOME APPLIANCES USA Refrigerator Transcom Electronics Limited

The Daily Star

TOSHIBA TV For best picture quality buy only TOSHIBA Colour TV with BLACK STRIPE PICTURE TUBE RANGS GROUP

Friday's storms 12 killed in 4 dists

At least 12 people were killed, 54 missing and over 100 injured as nor'westers lashed Ramgati thana in Laximpur district, Bakerganj, Bhola and Patuakhali on Friday, reports UNB.

Two stabbed to death in city

Two persons were stabbed to death by a gang of assailants in Amin Bazar area under Savar thana late Friday night.

Meherpur by-polls Prof Mannan AL candidate

Prof Abdul Mannan has been nominated as Awami League candidate for the upcoming by-election in Meherpur-1 constituency, reports UNB.

Inside Today Article

The Shifting Sands of Iran's Revolutionary Politics Column: Perspectives by Brig (Rtd) M Abdul Hafiz Page 4

Law and Our Rights

Violence against women in Bangladesh: A 1998 perspective; and Dissolving the DB: The need of the hour Page 5

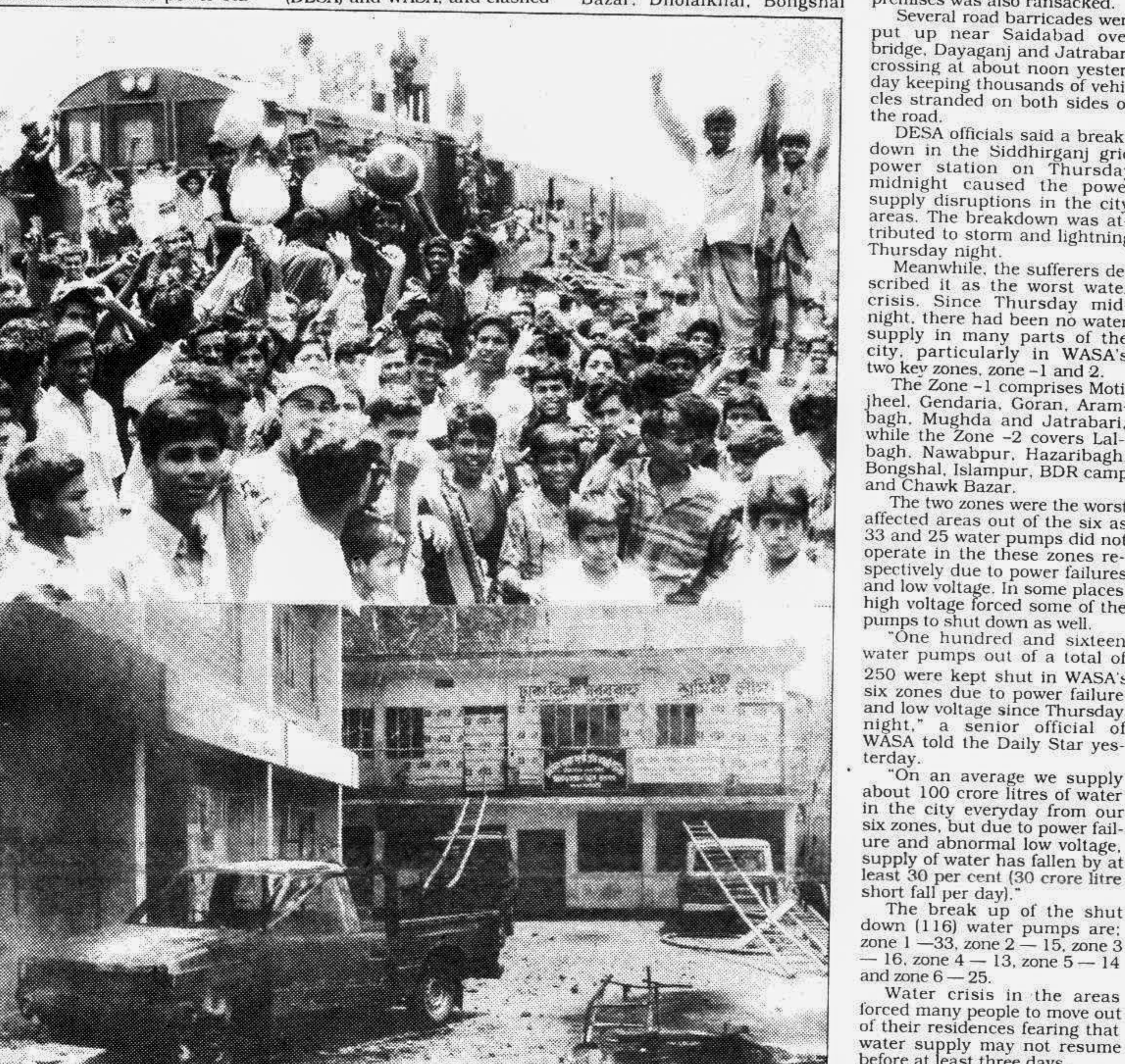
Business

Khulna Shipyard salvation hinges on red tapism Chinese PM blames US for trade talks failure DSE, CSE price quotations Pages 8, 9 & 10

Prayer Timings April 11 Fajr 5-30, Zohr 12-45, Asr 4-30, Maghrib 6-20, Esha 7-30

20 injured as police, mob clash War in Old City over worst water, power crises

At least 20 people were injured, two of them critically, in the Old City areas yesterday as police used rubber bullets and tear gas to disperse angry demonstrators protesting power and water disruptions.



(Top) Demonstrators protesting shortage of water, some with empty pitchers, stopped a Dhaka-bound train from Narayanganj near Saidabad yesterday morning. (Bottom) The damaged electric supply office at English Road in the Old City after protestors attacked the premises.

Kushtia killings: One held after 7 weeks

KUSHTIA, Apr 10: Police have arrested one Islam, aged about 30, in connection with the killing of JSD central leader Kazi Aref Ahmed and four others.

7 outlaws held in Magura

MAGURA, Apr 10: Police arrested seven members of outlawed Sarbahara Party from different parts of Shalikhah thana in the district Friday night, reports UNB.

BNP calls 8-hr hartal at Ctg today

CHITTAGONG, Apr 10: City BNP and its front organisations have called for an 8-hour hartal in the port city tomorrow.

Gap between people's hopes & realities Corruption by bureaucrats and failure of politicians blamed

Speakers at a round-table discussion in the city yesterday observed that hopes and aspirations of the people were not fulfilled even 28 years after independence due to corruption of civil-military bureaucracy and failure of politicians.

Li Peng arrives in city tomorrow Dhaka, Beijing to look for further trade, investment

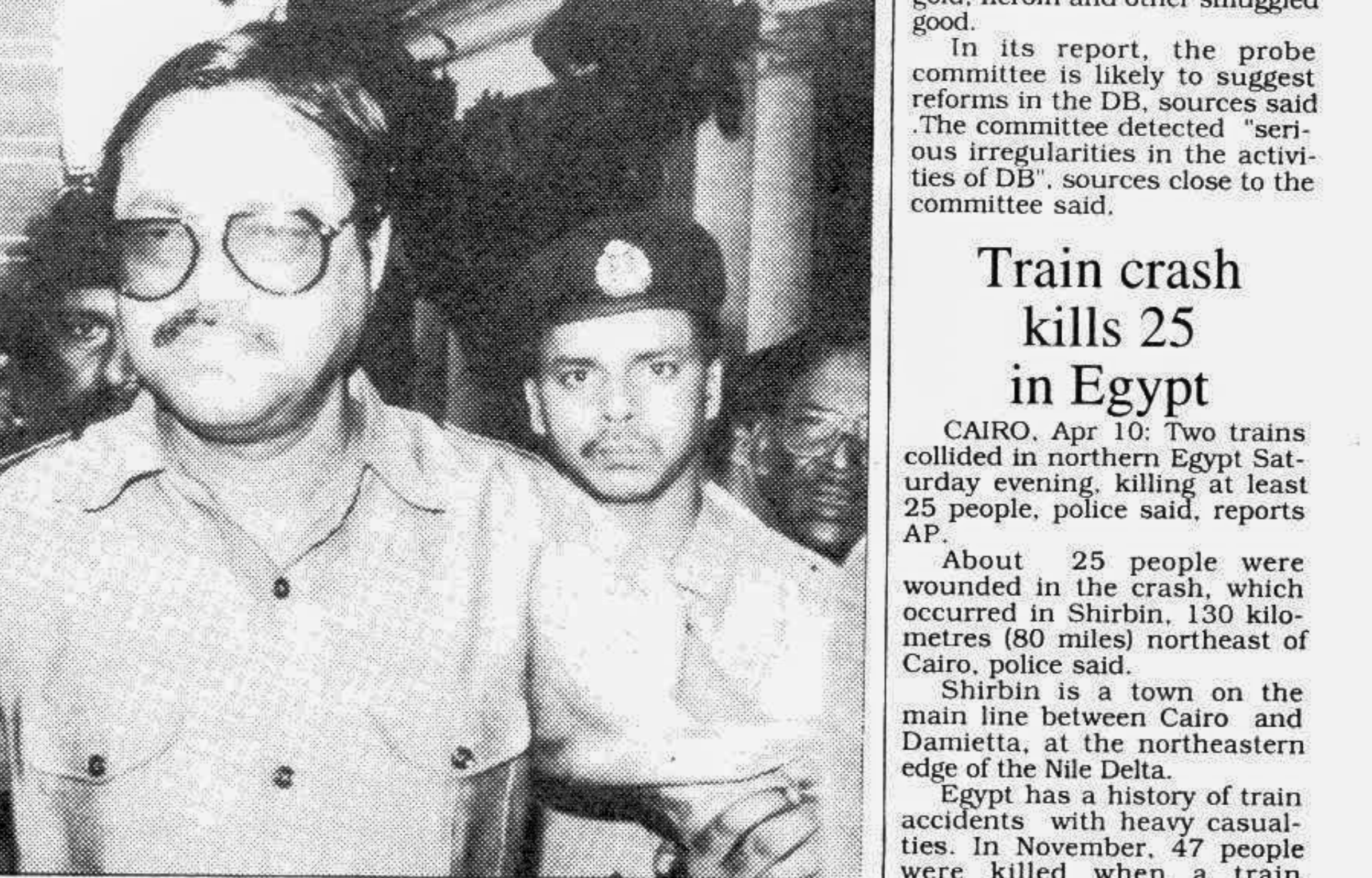
Expansion of trade and investment cooperation between Bangladesh and China will be emphasised during the forthcoming visit of a top Chinese leader.

Atrai murders: BNP MP arrested

BNP lawmaker Alamgir Kabir was arrested in the city by Special Branch (SB) police yesterday morning in connection with the killing of two ruling party leaders at Atrai in Naogaon on March 30.

A political vendetta: Khaleda

BNP Chairperson and Leader of the Opposition in Parliament Begum Khaleda Zia has strongly protested the arrest of party MP Alamgir Kabir and termed it a political vendetta.



BNP MP Alamgir Kabir elected from Naogaon, Atrai was arrested by police yesterday. — Star photo by Anisur Rahman

Pak minister resigns over power theft

ISLAMABAD, Apr 10: Syeda Abida Hussain resigned today as federal minister for Population Welfare and Science and Technology, an official statement said here, reports Xinhua.

Tale of a tokai-turned terrorist at DU

He started negotiating with the economics of existence at the tender age of seven. When for a favourably disposed child of his age the toughest challenge of life is getting up early to go to school, he began his quest for a life secured enough to ensure two meals a day and a place to sleep.

Shafi murder: SB's probe report today

DB canteen man Anwar was again placed on a three-day CID remand yesterday in connection with the killing of Jalal Ahmed Shafi.

Train crash kills 25 in Egypt

CAIRO, Apr 10: Two trains collided in northern Egypt Saturday evening, killing at least 25 people, police said, reports AP.

CID likely to interrogate Manik today

By Staff Correspondent CID is likely to interrogate Muhibur Rahman Manik MP at Chhatak today following permission from the Home Ministry yesterday, according to official sources.

3 Indian nationals held in Rajshahi

From Our Correspondent RAJSHAH, Apr 10: Three Indian nationals were arrested at Shaheb Bazar in the city yesterday noon.