# ( What's on today . . . . . )

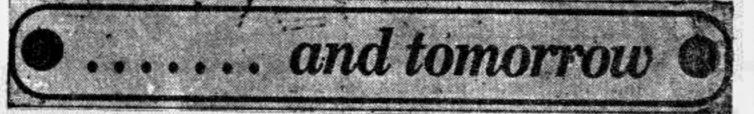
Musical soiree: Indian High Commission will hold a classical vocal recital by Kalpana Bhattacharya. Venue: Indian Cultural Centre. 754, Satmasjid Road, Dhanmondi. Time: 6:30

Concert: Alliance Française de Dhaka will hold a live concert by Conopy. Venue: Alliance Française premises. Time:

AAERSCI seminar: Allergy Asthma Environmental Research & Skin Care Institute will hold a seminar on 'Arsenic mitigation and lead pollution.' Venue: CIRDAP auditorium, Chameli House, 17, Topkhana Road. Time: 11.00 am.

Rally: Amnesty International, Bangladesh will hold a rally and submit a memorandum to the Indonesian embassy to express their concern over the infringement of human rights in East Timor. Venue: The rally will start from Gulshan 1 circle. Time: 11:30 am.

Stipend awarding ceremony: Bangladesh Association of Retired Servicemen of Education Boards will hold the first stipend awarding ceremony under its students welfare programme. Venue: Auditorium of Education Board. Time: 4.00 pm.



Painting competition: Purbita, a female artists' organisation, will hold a painting competition for children to mark its eighth founding anniversary. Venue: Institute of Fine Arts premises. Time: 3:00 pm.

Exhibition: The 14-day solo painting exhibition of Nadia Andaleeb Preema will be inaugurated. Venue: Alliance Francaise de Dhaka, Dhanmondi. The exhibition will remain open daily from 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm.



# Thundershowers likely

Due to ac ive monsoon, moderate rain or thundershowers with temporary gusty wind is likely at most places over the country during the next 12 hours till 6 pm today, reports UNB. Day temperature may remain nearly unchanged over the country, Met Office said.

Yesterday's highest temperature of 33.5 degree Celsius was recorded at Khulna and the lowest of 23 degrees at Sitakunda and Satkhira.

The sun sets today at 5:55 pm and rises tomorrow at 5:48 am. Maximum and minimum temperature and humidity

recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were: Temperature in City/Town Humidity in Percentage Morning Evening Dhaka

Chittagong . 28.3 Rajshahi Khulna Barisal 23.5 Sylhet 24.5 Cox's Bazar

# HERE and THERE

Speaking on the occasion,

the UNB Chairman said the

children by practicing in com-

petition of painting and patri-

otic songs, two powerful media

of arts, can flourish their cre-

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Sangshaptak's founder presi-

dent Mushtaque Ahmed Liton,

competition observance com-

mittee convenor Rahat Hossain

Khan, Imon Chowdhury and

Noor Hossain Swapan also

BAITET

An association for IT educa-

tion and training industry has

been formed in a general meet-

ing held recently at a local

restaurant in the city in order

to represent this sector and for

development and promotion of

its members, says a press re-

tion has been named Bangla

desh Association for Informa-

tion Technology Education and

neeting unanimously elected

he first ad-hoc committee. Md

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Bangladesh Limited (Phone

9 14411, 9128530, E-mail soft-

co @bol-online.com) has been

ele ed president. TIM Nurul

Kabir of Technovista as vice

president and Asif Hussain of

IBM-ACE (Phone 860075, E-

mail inter@bdmail.net) as sec-

retary general of the associa-

Global Village

was formally launched yester-

day evening with a pledge to

help combat arsenic contami-

nation and power shortfall in

Development and Cooperatives

Minister Zillur Rahman inau-

gurated the launching function

as the chief guest at Dhaka

Kibria and Deputy Speaker Ad-

vocate Abdul Hamid addressed

the ceremony as special guests.

US Ambassador to Bangladesh

John C Holzman and Chief En-

gineer of Local Government En-

gineering Department Monwar

Hossain Chowdhury spoke as

and former ambassador Waliur

Rahman chaired the function.

Chairman of Global Village

Finance Minister Shah AMS

Local Government, Rural

the country, reports BSS.

Sheraton Hotel.

guests of honour.

Global Village, a new NGO,

Members present in the

Training (BAITET).

The newly formed associa-

spoke on the occasion.

function as special guest

Youth Organiser Alhaz

CESTI seminar

A seminar on "Foreign Investment in Pharmaceutical Industry in Bangladesh" organised by Centre for Scientific & TiTechnological Information (CESTI) of the Alliancel Frant d caise de Dhaka in association with Rhone Poulenc and Fisons Bangladesh Ltd was held in the city yesterday, says a press re-

Prof A K Azad Choudhury. Vice Chancellor of Dhaka University was a guest speaker while AKM Shamsuddin, Managing Director of Rhone Poulenc, presented the keynote paper. The seminar was held in the Sasakawa auditorium of ICDDR.B.

Prof Azad Choudhury spoke on the fundamental background of pharmaceutical policy and politics. He gave a statistical and comparative view of research and development of pharmaceuticals in the developed and the developing coun-

Shamsuddin depicted the whole status of the pharmaceutical industry contributed by multinational and local companies in Bangladesh.

#### Confce on US society

The two-day ninth conference on "US Society and Culture", began at the Academy of Planning and Development in the city yesterday, reports BSS.

Jointly sponsored by Bangladesh Association for American Studies (BAAS) and the United States Information Service (USIS), over 50 teachers from different colleges are participating in the conference.

Vice-chancellor of Dhaka University Prof AK Azad Chowdhury opened the conference as the chief guest.

USIS Director John Kincannon, BAAS President Prof Niaz Zaman and General Secretary Prof AKM Nurun Nabi also spoke in the inaugural session.

#### Shishu Academy

A juvenile painting and patriotic song competition was held at Bangladesh Shishu Academy premises yesterday. reports UNB.

UNB Chairman Amanullah Khan inaugurated the competition as chief guest this afternoon.

Over 200 children, including handicapped ones, took part in the competition organised by Sangshaptak, a juvenile organisation.

## AL leader dead

Former legislator Nurul Qadir Junnu died of heart attack at his village home at Suktagram in Kashiani thana yesterday morning. He was 65. family sources said, reports

During his long political career, Junnu participated in the War of Liberation in 1971 and was elected an MP from Kashiani constituency in Gopalganj district in 1973 as an Awami League candidate.

He was a close associate of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Ra

Junnu is survived by his wife, two daughters and a son. He was buried at his family. gravevard in 'tagram village

Zillur Rahman listed the government efforts to help solve health, education, sanitation and housing problems of the rural poor.

# 32 rounded up

CHITTAGONG, Sept 22: Chittagong Metropolitan Police (CMP) arrested 32 persons including a notorious killer, from different areas of the city during the past 24 hours ending 6 pm today, reports BSS.

Detectives of CMP in a raid arrested Alauddin (26), an enlisted terrorist and killer, from Andarkilla General Hospital area yesterday evening. Alaudhas been wanted in connecwith five criminal cases cluding a murder.

Different thanas of CMP arrested 31 persons on various charges including terrorism. foll extortion and violatic



Heavy rainfall during Tuesday night has left the makeshift road on the lake at Dhanmondi Road No 32 on the verge of collapse. Wooden plant we beam placed that movement by pedestrians. - Star photo

Incessant rain

## Makeshift road on Dhanmondi lake damaged

By Staff Correspondent The incessant rain took the LGED engineers by surprise as the water level of Dhanmondi lake between Road 27 and 32 started to swell, putting huge pressure on the makeshift embankment-cum-road that was damaged partially yesterday.

The water from the swollen stretch of the lake gushed through the six-inch pipe, but the huge pressure of water caused damage to the makeshift road which had been built during the construction of the bridge. The difference of water level of the swollen stretch and the rest of the lake was found at about 15 feet.

LGED engineer Mahbubur Rahman told this correspondent that the unexpected rain had caused a small embankment to cave in early yesterday morning.

As the road — used only by rickshaws and scooters - was cut off, Dhanmondi turned out to be a traffic nightmare during the school hours yesterday.

The situation became worse due to an uprooted Krishnachura tree on the road-8; bridge. Huge traffic congestion was built up in the residential area which houses hundreds of schools, offices, clinics, hospi tals, and shopping centres.

### Sayeedi's punishment demanded

By Staff Correspondent

Leaders of Sylhet Division Development Council (SDDC) in a statement yesterday demanded exemplary punishment of Delwar Hossain Sayeedi for his comment on expatriate Sylhetees living in London.

Nasrin Rashid Karim and Wayjur Rahman, Acting Fredent and General Sacretary respectively of the SDDC, also expressed solidarity with the decision of citizens rally of Sylhetees for building a united movement against Sayeedi.

The citizens' rally was held on Tuesday at Sylhet municipal auditorium with municipal Chairman Badoruddin Kamran in the chair.

The SDDC leaders said Sayeedi has to seek apology through a press conference at the Jatiya Press Club for his comments which has tremendously hurt the sentiments of the inhabitants of Sylhet.

The leaders called upon all Sylhetees living at home and abroad to build up unified movement against Sayeedi.

## Top AL leaders

From page 1 tional image had been boosted.

"People will judge our performance in the next general elec-AL presidium member

Suranjit Sengupta called Khaleda's plan to topple the government "undemocratic, unconstitutional and unethical" and said "her plan would never come true".

"She is yet to gain support even from her party workers. not to speak of the common people. It's going to be another case of futile exercise," he said, referring to "the recent programmes which ended in futil-

#### Growth zones

From page 1 sation of policies and tariff

structure and dismantling of non-tariff barriers," he added. Madhukar Rana, former economic advisor of Foreign Ministry of Nepal, said subregionalism was a unique Asia-Pacific innovation in international development.

"Its success in East and South East Asia is now being replicated in South Asia. It appears that sub-regionalism is here to stay as effective instruments of multilateral co-operation," Rana said.

U San Tun Hla, Executive Committee Member of Union of Myanmar Federation of Chamber of Commerce and Industry (UMFCCI), said setting up of growth zone covering Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal, India and Myanmar would play an important role in international trade.

Tshering Dorji, General Secretary of Bhutan Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Badri P. Ohja, Secretary General of Federation of Nepalese Chamber of Commerce and Industry, a'so took part in the discus-

# WARPO for calling 57 transboundary rivers by their original names

By Staff Correspondent

The Water Resources Planning Organisation (WARPO) adopted a resolution to call 57 transboundary rivers flowing over Bangladesh by their original names rather than local ones at a contract group meeting on the proposed National Water Management Plan in the city yesterday.

Water sector experts discussed by what name the Ganges flowing in the country should be called and what would be an appropriate name for the Brahmaputra flowing over Bangladesh.

After a heated debate over the issue, the resolution was adopted over a strong note of dissent placed by the chairman of Space Research and Remote Sensing Organisation (SPARRSO) Dr AM Choudhury, who disagreed with the WARPO decision. He was for calling the Ganges as Padma and Brahmaputra as Jamuna as commonly used by the people of lower riparian countries.

Choudhury said that WARPO had no mandate to change the names of rivers and said that such an issue should be resolved in the parliament if major changes in rivers' name be an absolute necessity.

the meeting agreed to the formulate put forward by Tauhidul Anwar Khan, Director General of WARPO. Responding to the strong ob-

However, others present at

jection raised by AM Choudhury, the WARPO DG informed the meeting that if common names of the 57 cross-country rivers are used by all, it would

#### Nepalese minister keen to procure BRRI seeds

Nepalese Agriculture Minister Chakra Prasad Bastola yesterday expressed keen interest in procuring high yielding seeds of paddy and technology suitable for cultivation in different seasons in Nepal, reports BSS.

Chakra Prasad was visiting the Bangladesh Rice Research Institute (BRRI) at Gazipur. He was visibly impressed over the activities of the BRRI in evolving newer varieties of high yielding paddy seeds and their farming technology.

BRRI Director General Dr Abdul Hamid Miah received the Nepalese Agriculture Minister at the Institute and took him to different HYV research plots. He was also taken to laboratories and research sections of the

### One killed in road accident

GAZIPUR, Sept 22: An unidentified young man was killed in a road accident today at village Gazipoura on Dhaka-Gazipur Road under Tongi Pourasabha, reports BSS.

Police said, the accident occurred when a Kaliakoir-bound minibus ran over an unidentified young man on Dhaka-Gazipur Road at village Gazipoura. The victim died on the spot.

### Rubel murder

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yesterday. The ten of the 14 chargesheeted accused, including AC Akram and Mukuli Begum, were produced before the court yesferday at about 2

The rest four - SI Nurul Alam, constables - Mong She Oen, Abul Kalam Azad and Zakir Hossain - have been absconding since the killing of Rubel.

During yesterday's proceedings, lawyer for the arrested sub-inspector — Haiyatul Islam Thakur cross-examined the Nirala Begum Shilpi. The lawyer for the accused

AC Akrain Hossain, submitted a bail prayer but the judge did not pass any order in this connection. According to a CID investigation, Shamim Reza Rubel. 24, a BBA student of the

Independent University, was picked up by a team of Detective Branch of Police from near his residence on July 23 last year and was tortured to death in custody the same day.

The judge Molla Mustafa Kamal yesterday fixed October 11 and 12 for cross examination of sister-in-lar of Rubel.

be easy for official documentation. Besides, he argued, local people have the liberty of calling rivers by the names used lo-

"Of the 230 rivers in Bangladesh, we have 54 common rivers with India and three others with Myanmar. What we are trying to say is that instead of calling the tributary flowing in from Ganges as Padma, we will keep its original name. Likewise, we will not officially call a river Jamuna, rather cal it Brahmaputra," explained Tauhidul Anwar Khan saying that if needed, he would raise the issue at National Water Resources Council which will be headed by the Prime Minister.

The government has entrusted WARPO with the responsibility of preparing a National Water Management Plan by early 2001.

Chaired by Water Resources Ministry additional secretary AQM Quamrul Huda, yesterday's meeting also had detailed discussion on peoples' participation in water management programmes and the latest WARPO activities.

Some of the main water related problems faced by the people such as inadequacy of domestic water supply, inland flooding, poor drainage, waterlogging, siltation of rivers and canals, and shortage of both surface and groundwater for agriculture purposes were highlighted at the meeting for WARPO to take note of while preparing the plan.

Water resources experts, economists and officials representing Water Development Board, Bangladesh Inland Water Transport Authority, Department of Environment, Department of Forestry, Lucal Government and Engineering Department, Sunface Venues Monitoring Centre, John River Commission, and WARPO at tended the meeting.

## Ershad to address meeting at

Narsingdi Friday Jatiya Party Chairman H M Ershad will address a public meeting at Pubali Jute Mills Sports ground in Narsingdi on

Friday, reports UNB. JP secretary general Naziur Rahman Manju, party presid-ium members and other central leaders will accompany him.

He will also address two wayside rallies at Madhobdi Bus Stand and Danga High School ground, said a IP press release yesterday.

#### Smugglers

From page 1 eral places before the consignment was brought to the hotel for hand-over. "We are checking", he said but did not elabo-

Racketeers in at least five countries were involved in trafficking the heroin. The consignment was brought to Bangladesh from Afghanistan through Pakistan and India in land routes. It was to be flown to Birmingham, Britain, they said. "It is a complicated case. We are proceeding carefully". another source said.

The consignment was kept at the DNC DG's room amid tight security till yesterday noon. It was sent to the treasury at about 1:15 pm, the sources said.

The full consignment was not examined by the DNC. Only 700 grams of it was examined, which was found to be "pure and high quality heroin," the sources said. Earlier, the drug smugglers

volved in the smuggling.

porter might have been in-

Minister and WBPCC President were produced before the CMM court on Tuesday by Ramna po-ABA Ghani Khan Chowdhury. lice. The court placed them on Worried over the fact, CPI-M five days' remand for interrohad targeted its attack on the gation. The DNC is investigatcombine with its veteran leader ing the case under the superviand State Chief Minister Jyoti sion of the DNC DG. Basu lambasting TC leadership for helping BJP to get a foothold Geographically, Bangladesh is at the middle of the world's in the state.

Apart from raising the issue biggest heroin processing areas. So drug tycoons try to route of communalism, Basu also drugs through Bangladesh, they levelled the charge of corruption against BJP-led govern-Meanwhile, the DNC in a ment at the Centre. press release last night said the Both Trinamool Congress DG did not tell newsmen that a

and BJP, which have made stalocal businessman was inbility one of their poll planks, accused the Marxists of desta-The DG had told newsmen on bilising the Vajpayee govern-Tuesday that it was not possible ment and urged the electorate to cast their ballots to install a to bring the consignment "without any friendly area" and stable government at the centre. that a "local frozen food ex-

Analysts feel that this issue might impress the voters who ent election

happens to be the lone place in the city where people can seek professional advice regarding blood tests and other examinations. For information from IEDCR (which is located next to Mahakhali Green Market) people have been advised to call

Railway track

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Currently the railway car-ries freight from India at Dar-

shana where, on an average

time for traders using the Dar-

shana point. Traffic would,

carry containers nor link

Dhaka. It would not be possible

The other points where

trains deliver freight from In-

dia are Rohanpur in north west

vereh link Radhikapur in In-

food, boulder, cement and coal

expert Fertiliser and our

other hand, are imported from

Importers to bring dolomite, boulders and fruits from

Bhutan use another railhead at

Burimari which arrive by road

taken on passenger train ser-

vices between Bangladesh and

India, the sources added. Only

one special train is permitted to

cross the border annually to

Clinton

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Hasina thanked the US Presi-

Bangladesh.

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its cooperation.

dent for his remarks on

Supporting the three-point

agenda of President Clinton,

Hasina said it is also her

agenda. The agenda is poverty-

alleviation, international con-

flict-resolution and disarma-

ment particularly of biological

she has been working for peace

after nuclear detonation by In-

dia and Pakistan. She said that

she had visited these countries

Hasina said she would con-

and tried to defuse the tension.

tinue her peace efforts in the

South Asian region. She hoped

that the peace effort would fur-

ther be strengthened during the

countries attended the lun-

Hasina

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security to public life and prop-

erty. It is a public demand since

isting law is not suitable. To

combat terrorism and punish

the terrorists a stringent law is

necessary. So, we approved the

proposed law in the Cabinet. It

will go to the parliamentary

committee concrined and the

The Act is aimed to reduce

opposition has the scope to dis-

lengthy procedures of justice in

order to punish the terrorists

speedily and to eliminate re-

Hasina, said: "We had talked

with the Canadian government

for extradition of the killers of

Bangabandhu to Bangladesh,

and Canada had assured us of

sine aid not in ... it that the Spe-

cial Powers Act is a hindrance

to democracy. All previous gov-

ernments had used it. "AL is a

democratic political party and

Hasina said the FDI has in-

creased during the last three

years. US investors have ex-

pressed their eagerness to in-

vest in Bangladesh. US invest-

ment has increased to 800 mil-

lion dollars from a mere 25

"We are always conscious

about the interest of the country

while making any deals," the

W. Bengal polls

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Mukherjee and former Union

Minister Debi Pal switched over

to TC recently white some more

Congress leaders, however, re-

fused to agree that it would af-

fect the party's polls prospect

and accused Trinamoo

Congress leadership of engi-

neering defection in its ranks.

and chairman of the party's

campaign committee Somen

Mitra also charged Trinamool

Congress which branded

Congress as the 'B team' of the

Marxists, with helping CPi-M-

led front by dividing the

Analysts say any further

erosion in Congress votebank

would directly benefit the TC-

BJP alliance. In 1998 polls Tri-

namool Congress had bagged

seven seats while BJP had

opened its account in the state

by winning Dum Dum, the tra-

ditional stronghold of CPI-M by

a decisive margin of 1.37 lakh

decimated, had managed to re-

tain only Malda, the con-

stituency of former Railway

Congress which was nearly

Congress votes.

votes.

Former WBPCC president

Putting up a brave face.

are sitting on the lence.

million dollars, she added.

prime minister said.

About foreign investment

it will not misuse the law.

To another query, she said

Replying to a question.

pression on women, she said.

"To check terrorism the ex-

coming SAARC summit

The Bangladesh leader said

carry pilgrims to Medinipur.

No decision has yet been

from the Bhutanese side.

But the railway would not

however, be increased.

pleted soon.

telephone No. 881237. For those living outside the city areas have been advised to consult the concerned hospital doctors in their respective ar-

"As a precautionary mea-sure, we have already asked the hospitals and health centres to admit patients with complaints of fever on a priority basis," Dr Zakir Hassain Director of IEDCR told the Daily Star. An expert said, "Malaria is a

for importing consumer goods. tropical parasitic disease caused by four species of from India. Bangladesh have Meter gauge link with Nepal to mosquitoes. Of these the genus Paleiparun cargo. Agricultural products

disease - majaria- in the counlike pulse, onion etc., on the He said 'Anopheles annularis and vagus parasites car-

> in the plain land are the most dangerous that lead to cerebral malaria, coma and death." "Cerebral or severe malaria would cause unconsciousness.

ried by the mosquitoes that live

abnormal behavior, vomiting and diarrhoea and anaemia." the expert added. Dengue is a mosquito-borne

infection, which in recent years has become a matter of grave concern in the country due to its re-emergence in the region. Experts say the type of

mosquito that causes Dengue -Aedes Eegypti is found aplenty in the urban areas. However the 'classical' Dengue virus does not cause much harm but the more lethal one - Dengue Haemorrhagic Fever (DHF) can kill its victim.

DHF begins with high fever, bleeding, often characterized by enlargement of liver, and in severe cases, blood circulatory failure. The fever usually persists for 2-7 days.

An expert, who carried out several studies on Dengue attack said. "Aedes mosquito can fly a maximum distance of 50 yards. Once it bis a human it incubates in blood for about 4-7 days. Typically, dengue causes flu-like illness, severe browlache nain behind the eyes

and adults and cause rash in some parts of the body."

transmitting Dengue virus throughout its life. Infected

Unfortunately, there has been no assessment on the mosquito-born infection Dengue in the country. However, a three million-dollar USAID funded programme to assess how many people in the country are at the risk of

"There has been no specific study on how many people in the country face the risk of Dengue. So, we really don't have any picture on its prevalence rate. There also is no specific

Japanese Encephalities (JE) is an acute viral infection of the central nervous system. JE follows an incubation period of 4-14 days and it is mostly characterized by sudden onset of fever and aches, including headaches in children, gas-trointestinal pain and dysfunction may dominate the initial stage of the disease. Convulsions are also common in chil-

JE is the most important form of viral attack in South and Far East Asia causing at least 50,000 cases of clinical disease and 10,000 deaths each

There is no drug treatment for JE. Preventive vaccination is the single most important control measure. Currently three types of JE vaccines are in use; a mouse-brain-derived and inactivated vaccine based on the Nakayama strain is produced in several Asian coun-

A cell culture-derived inactivated vaccine and a cell cultured-derived live attenuated vaccine are produced in China and widely used under the Chinese immunization pro-

humans from infected animals like pigs and worling birds s showed the softhe people are infected with JE virus before the age 15.

# BNP to lay siege

she said. "Insha-Allah, we will restore the people's rights taken away by the Awami League and begin the process of development in the country."

movement is also against the EC because it has been involved in various misdeeds against the people. "The man (CEC) who is sitting at the EC has been rigging

elections and committing crimes since he took over. He (CEC) has completely turned the (EC) office into an AL office. she said. "We will compel him to resign. His ouster is also part of our one-point oust-government movement.

She warned against any attack on the BNP programmes by "the ruling party terrorists".

She alleged that AL "terrorists" positioned themselves on the rooftops, threw bombs and fired gunshots on the sit-in-demonstration participants on September 12. "After the terrorists' attack, police fired tear shells and bullets on the BNP leaders and activists.

Turning to forthcoming Upazila polls, the opposition leader said the government was conspiring to keep BNP out of the local elections through "intensified repression" on the

opposition. "I want to declare that the Upazila elections would not be held under the Awami League government. Now there is no scope to hold the Upazila polls and any efforts to hold the election would be resisted."

There is no reason to hold polls under AL and the present CEC because they failed to ensure free, fair and neutral polls in the past."

She also said the ID cards and the voters' lists were not acceptable either. "There is too many irregularities and incidents of manipulation in the process to prepare the ID cards and election cannot be held with voters using this ID card." Khaleda accused the gov-

ernment of failing to deal with India which she said had been "continuing attacks on Bangladesh at the borders, killing people and BDR personnel as well as looting our wealth."

She claimed as many as 40 Bangladeshis, including BDR men, were killed in Indian attacks at the borders in the last one year.

Khaleda said that India had already occupied 171 acres of land and Billonia's char at Feni. "In this way, the AL is handing over Bangladesh's land to India. "So this weak and subservient government has no right to stay in power."

She reiterated her determination not to let the government grant corridor facility to India. "We will not give transit or transshipment to India and resist all such ill-efforts at any cost," she added.

The opposition leader also alleged that the government was trying to reintroduce the one-party BKSAL system and curb the independence of judiciary and the press.

On the so-called public security act, she said the post-independence AL government had concentrated all powers in the hands of one person in the name of democracy and accountability, introducing the Special Power Act. "The new black law is also aimed at doing the same "hing."

ernment to curb the powers of the judiciary ... the highest court, the only place that gives people justice and hope. And we will not allow the government to snatch the freedom of the

rape, violence and kidnapping in the universities, corruption by the AL ministers and leaders. vandalism at banks, smuggling of drugs and arms became the order of the day.

On recent recovery of 25 kgs of heroin from Rajmoni Isha Khan hotel, she asked: "Who is the owner of the hotel? Which party does he belong to?"

men to join the one-point movement more actively she

President over the any this others by Prof AQM Badrudozza Chowdhury MF, Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan MP, Shahjahan Siraj, Abdullah Al Noman Salahuddin Ahmed, Alamgir Kabir MP. Abdul Hye MP and

From page 1 shaws, vending fish and vegetables or simply begging from door to door.

rain/thunder shower accompa-Apart frem Dhaka 102 mm at Maijdi. 122 mm at

Met office forecast moderate

Teknaf, 58 mm at Kutubdia. 112 mm at Cox'sbazar, 21 min at Chittagong, 82 mm at Khulna 121 mm at Patuakhali. Bhola had 70 mm, while the quantum of rainfall at Barisal was 63 mm, Faridpur 65 mm. Tangail 78 mm, Rajshahi 46 mm. Ishurdi 52 mm, Rangpur 4 mm and Dinajpur 14 mm.

officials said.

Babu few months back According to the sources Shamim, better known as 'Picchi Shamim' had an office

Talking to The Daily Star, Vice-chancellor of the university Prof. AK Azad Chowdhury said. "All illegal structures and shops on the campus would be evicted shortly (and) we will never allow any structure that

shelters terrorists." "The photocopy centres at the main gate of Arts Building (Kala Bhaban), Lecture Theatre and the Campus Shadow, a snacks shop at the car parking shade, will also be removed after providing photocopy machines under supervision of the university authorities", he

kidnappers, were produced before the Chief Metropolitan

They were arrested from the

Have blood test He also said, "Once infective, a mosquito is capable of

mosquitoes may transmit the virus to the next generation through its eggs. This fact alarms us most. If there is any case of Dengue in the city the government should immediately be taking all precautionary measures.

Dengue attack is to start soon.

creatment for Dengue," said an epidemiologist.

gramme. Bloodsucking Culicine mosquitoes transfer JE virus to

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Referring to the EC office press," she said. programme on September 30. She said rising incidents of the BNP chairperson said, "Our

Calling upon the country-

so said that more action premmes would be an anne ser the October 1 has as convenor Sauck Hossain Khok. MP. it was addressed among

# Shamsuzzaman Dudu MP.

Rain

nied by gusty/squally wind at most places over the country with moderately heavy to heavy fall at places today. office recorded 97 mm rains a Chandpur. 42 mm at Comilla

#### DU demolishes From page 1

The university authorities also evicted few of the shops recently following a clash be tween BCL leaders Shamin Ahmed and Mainuddin Ahmed

here and he conducted his busi ness from the office.

added.

Meanwhile, Ansar Ali and

Md. Nazrul Islam, two suspected

Magistrate's Court yesterday.

Palashi intersection Tuesday evening in connection with the alleged kid

The court later sent them to