

International

Pak govt prepares for tough talks with US President

ISLAMABAD, Mar 24- Pakistan's military rulers prepared today for tough talks with US President Bill Clinton...

Musharraf said he would ask Clinton to play a role in the background for a settlement in Kashmir because India had rejected suggestions for mediation by Washington...



US President Bill Clinton (L) and daughter Chelsea (2ndR) look at some jewelry at a street vendor's stall...

'US not tilted towards either India or Pakistan'

NEW DELHI, Mar 24: US Assistant Secretary of State Karl Inderfurth yesterday said Washington was not tilting towards either India or Pakistan...

BRIEFLY

38 Thais killed in truck crash: Thirty-eight Thais were killed when a truck carrying sugarcane plant workers ran out of control going down a hill in northeastern Thailand...

Clinton to visit Germany in June: US President Bill Clinton will visit Germany at the beginning of June for a trip expected to include talks with European Social Democrat leaders...

The Stuttgarter Zeitung daily reported that Clinton would visit Germany on June 2 and 3 after postponing a trip originally scheduled for the beginning of May.



Wan Azizah Wan Ismail (L), Malaysian opposition deputy and wife of ousted deputy prime minister Anwar Ibrahim, shares a laugh with Asia-Pacific Women Parliamentarians' Conference President Chandni Joshi...

Russia forbids movement in Chechnya ahead of polls

MOSCOW, Mar 24: The Russian military in Chechnya has forbidden all movement around the republic due to fears that this weekend's presidential election may be sabotaged by rebel separatists...

The independent television channel said the military command had closed off all movement of traffic and civilians around the republic until Monday.

Moscow has repeatedly warned that rebel units have threatened to disrupt Sunday's elections, in which Vladimir Putin, the architect of the Chechen war, is the runaway favourite.

Rebel spokesmen have said they are regrouping and planning to hit back at Russian forces sweeping through the republic, even plotting a raid on the capital Grozny itself.

Russia has set up more than 300 polling stations in Chechnya to try and enable even displaced civilians to cast their vote. Many have said they will not bother, some even suggesting that the Russian military was trying to coerce them to vote.

Pakistan moves to close down most of Islamabad

Security measures for Clinton visit

ISLAMABAD, Mar 24: Pakistan's army and police forces were today preparing to close down most of Islamabad in a major security operation ahead of the visit of US President Bill Clinton...

Clinton, who will be the first US president to visit since Richard Nixon in 1969, arrives here at lunchtime on Saturday and will stay for just six hours at the end of a week-long trip to India.

As part of an elaborate security operation his schedule has still not been announced. The president is expected to arrive at Islamabad's military airport at Chaklala and travel straight to the Presidency, in the heart of the capital, Pakistani military officials said.

There he will meet Pakistan's President Muhammad Rafiq Tarar and military ruler General Pervez Musharraf, the army chief who seized power in a coup in October, and may also make a television address to the Pakistani nation.

Police patrol Kashmir towns after Sikh-Muslim clashes

SRINAGAR, India, Mar 24: Police stepped up patrols and leading clerics called for calm in Kashmir today after sectarian violence between Sikhs and Muslims provoked by a massacre of Sikh villagers.

Security in all the major towns across Kashmir state has been beefed up to prevent miscreants from making trouble, Kashmir's deputy police chief Ashok Bhan told AFP Friday.

Police are on look-out for miscreants, and we will deal strictly with them. Hundreds of Sikhs chanting 'we will spill blood for blood' were seen heading to Chatisngpora, a village some 70 km south of here where 36 Sikhs were taken from their homes and executed by unidentified gunmen on Monday.

Sikhs from all over Kashmir have been pouring into the village to offer their condolences to the bereaved families. A 24-hour curfew in the southern winter capital Jammu was eased to dusk-till-dawn following riots there Thursday night when Sikh and Hindu youths targeted Muslims in revenge attacks following Monday night's massacre.

Taiwan's new leader vows to avoid independence call

TOKYO, Mar 24: Taiwan president-elect Chen Shui-bian vowed to steer clear of declaring independence so long as China made no plans to invade, according to an interview published here today, reports AFP.

'I will not promote the two-nation policy incorporated in the constitution while I am in office,' Chen told Japan's Asahi Shimbun.

'Also I will not hold a referendum to choose between unification and independence, nor will I move to change the name of Taiwan,' he said in a rare interview with foreign media after his election victory.

'I will not declare independence as long as China does not plot a military invasion of Taiwan.' The next Taiwanese president said he aimed to engage China with negotiations on three topics -- direct exchanges, a peace agreement and fostering of mutual trust.

'We would like drastically to review and amend those policies based on the principle of reciprocity and on the key premise that Taiwan's security would be assured.'

Civil Aviation Authority of Bangladesh

Kurmitola, Dhaka No. CAAB/EM-3/1999-2000/10

Tender Notice

- 1. Name of work: Development of Rajshahi Airport (SH-Supply of spare parts for 2-100KVA FG Wilson Auto Engine Generating set)...

নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলীর দপ্তর

ভেড়ামারা যাত্রিক সরঞ্জাম বিভাগ পাউবোর্ড, ভেড়ামারা, কুষ্টিয়া

দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি

- ১. বালেশ্বর পানি উন্নয়ন বোর্ডের অধীন ১৯৯৯-২০০০ইং সালের 'এ/বি' শ্রেণীর তালিকাভুক্ত ঠিকানারের নিকট হইতে মাদারীপুর পওর বিভাগের অবকাঠামোর গেট তৈরির মালামাল সরবরাহের জন্য সীলমোহরকৃত দরপত্র আহ্বান করা যাইতেছে।

Taj Mahal a magnificent treasure, says Clinton

AGRA, Mar 24: A magnificent treasure, is how US President Bill Clinton described the Taj Mahal, while daughter Chelsea said the 17th century monument of love was a testament to man's work and God's inspiration, reports PTL.

Thank you for the wonderful tour of this magnificent treasure, Clinton wrote in the visitor's book after touring the marble mausoleum for over 90 minutes Wednesday evening.

Clinton, who along with Chelsea were escorted around one of the seven wonders of the world by a senior official of the archaeological Survey of India, evinced keen interest in the architecture and asked several questions about the marble inlay work and fountains in the sprawling lush green complex.

The US President expressed a desire to visit Emperor Shah-Jahan's tribute to his beloved wife Mumtaz Mahal once again. In her remarks in the visitors' book, Chelsea wrote, thank you for sharing this truly awesome place, with my father and all our company. It is a blessing to see such a testament to man's work and God's inspiration.

In case of unavoidable circumstances, if the total transport and communication are disrupted on the date of receiving and opening tenders will be received and opened on the next office day. Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders or part thereof without assigning any reason.

মোঃ শাহজাহান নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী ভেড়ামারা যাত্রিক বিভাগ, পাউবোর্ড, ভেড়ামারা, কুষ্টিয়া

Later, addressing a conference on 'US-India environment and clean energy' at the Taj Khema Hotel overlooking the Taj, Clinton said, standing in the shadow of the Taj Mahal, we can say it is a monument built in love. All important monuments are built for love.

Thousands of pilgrims flock to papal mass in Galilee

KORAZIM, Israel, Mar 24: Thousands of pilgrims flocked on foot today to a field overlooking the Sea of Galilee ahead of a morning mass led by Pope John Paul II, continuing his emotional pilgrimage to the sites of Jesus's life and death, reports AFP.

Israeli police said they expected the mass to draw up to 50,000 people by the tiny hillside hamlet of Korazim in what would be largest gathering of the pope's millennium tour and the largest such event ever staged in Israel.

However, the mass was delayed by one hour to 11 a.m. (3:00 pm BST) because of driving rain and winds overnight, although the weather had improved by early morning and the sun was shining over the site.



Taiwan President Lee Teng-hui arrives at the KMT party headquarters yesterday in Taipei. Lee resigned yesterday as leader of the KMT to take responsibility for the party's humiliating defeat in the March 18 presidential elections.

পুনঃ নিয়োগ বিজ্ঞপ্তি
বিদ্যুৎ বিল নিয়মিত পরিশোধ করুন
বাংলাদেশ পুনঃ উন্নয়ন বোর্ডের অধীনে সরকারী আদেশ অনুযায়ী প্রচলিত বেতনস্কেল ও ভাতাদিতে হিসাবরক্ষক এর শূন্যপদসমূহে মুক্তিযোদ্ধা ও মুক্তিযোদ্ধা/শহীদ মুক্তিযোদ্ধার সন্তানের কোটা পূরণের লক্ষ্যে ইত্যেপূর্বে সেক্টরভিত্তিক, ২০০০ মাসে দৈনিক ইকোকার, প্রথম আলো, বাংলাদেশ অবজারভার এবং ডেইলী স্টার পত্রিকায় প্রকাশিত নিয়োগ বিজ্ঞপ্তি অনুবৃত্তিক্রমে নিম্নে বর্ণিত শর্তে অস্থায়ী 'ভিত্তিক নিয়োগের লক্ষ্যে মুক্তিযোদ্ধা ও মুক্তিযোদ্ধা/শহীদ মুক্তিযোদ্ধার সন্তানের নিকট হইতে বোর্ডের নির্ধারিত ফর্ম পূনরায় আবেদনপত্র আহ্বান করা যাইতেছেঃ