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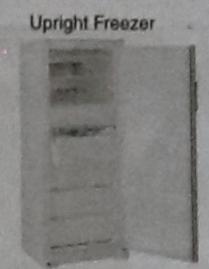
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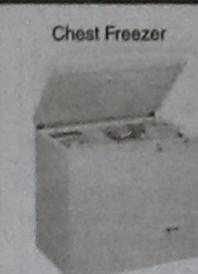
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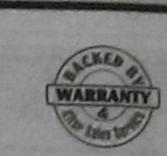
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Registration of 132 HSC examinees valid, declares HC

The High Court yesterday declared valid the registration of 132 students of Motijheel Model School & College who were allowed to sit for the HSC examinations in April under an interim order of the court, reports UNB.

The judgement came upon a writ petition filed by an examinee, Marufa Akhtar Jharna, and others challenging action of the government debarring them from appearing in the examinations.

The division bench comprising Justice Mainur Reza Mohamamd Mozammel Hossain pronounced the verdict after hearing both sides.

The court had earlier issued rule upon Chairman of Dhaka Education Board, Secretary of Education Ministry and Principal of the college to show cause why their action against the petitioners would not be declared illegal. It also issued an

interim order allowing the students to sit for the examination while keeping their results withheld till disposal of the pe-During the hearing the coun-

sel for the respondents submitted that the registration of the examinees were faulty. That is why they had been debarred from the examination, he said.

Refuting the contention, the counsel for the petitioners ar gued that the young students could not be held responsible for any fault in the registration. Chowdhury and Justice When their fees were taken, college authority and the Board officials should see that the registration was done properly. Some of the examinees pre-

tears of joy after hearing the verdict and embraced each "I feel very happy. We have

won and finally truth prevailed," an examinee told UNB?

'Mori's trip recognition of Dhaka's growing importance in region

By Diplomatic Correspondent

Japanese Prime Minister Yoshiro Mori's visit to Bangladesh was a recognition of the growing political clout of Bangladesh in the region for its 'stabilising role', Foreign Secretary Shafi Sami said yes -

"Mori's trip was a landmark visit. It was a recognition of our growing political importance and appreciation of our role as. a stabiliser in the region." he said at a post-visit press brief ing at the Ministry of Foreign

Quoting the Japanese PM, Sami said, "Mori considered Bangladesh as the first country he had the opportunity to make a bilateral visit after taking over the mantle of premiership. Mori had participated in the G-8 conference earlier but tripwise Bangladesh was the first country he set foot on."

Terming Mori's visit 'very productive and a great economic and political success," the foreign secretary said Japan considered Bangladesh as a country where democracy has taken roots and which is playing a 'stabilising role in regional politics and acting as a catalyst for enhancing regional cooperation.

importance of regional cooper-

ation and was supportive of Bangladesh's efforts relating to

Mori, he said, also recounted Bangladesh's initiatives in matters of SAARC and Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina's peace moves during her visits to Islamabad and Delhi following their nuclear explosions in

Dhaka's ambassador to Tokyo Jamil Majid, who was also present at the briefing, said Japan considered Bangladesh as a close ally" and a very important development partner. The foreign secretary said

Mori's recent visit could be termed Japan's "thrust on Asian diplomacy."

Responding to questions on Japan's bid for a permanent seat in the UN Security Conneil and Dhaka's stand in this regard, Sami said, "Leaders of both the countries agreed to support reforms in the Security

Asked if Dhaka shared the Japanese spokesman's statement during Mori's visit that Bangladesh had supported Japan's bid for membership of the Security Council in 1997 and reiterated it this time, Sami said without explaining. Sami said Japan valued the "Our position is one of mutual understanding."



Four-party opposition alliance led by BNP brought out a procession in the city yesterday sent in the court were found in | to protest murder of city BNP leader Advocate Habibur Rahman Mondal.

Law regarding demarcation of pourasavas to be amended

The Cabinet at its weekly meeting yesterday decided to amend the existing law regard ing resolving disputes on the demarcation of pourasavas, reports UNB.

The meeting was held at the PM's Office with Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina in the

The Cabinet also approved a proposal for vesting the super vising authority of the funds al-See page 11 col 8

56 more dengue cases in city

By Staff Correspondent Fifty-six more people with dengue fever were admitted to different hospitals and private clinics in the city yesterday. Sources said Dhaka Medical

College Hospital admitted 21 patients with dengue fever yes terday while Mitford Hospital in old Dhaka reported admit. ting 3 patients with the fever.

Dhaka Shishu Hospital a Agargaon reported admitting 4 fresh cases while BIRDEM reported admitting 7. The Red Crescent Holy Family Hospital reported admitting 6 patient with dengue

fever vesterday while Bangladesh Medical College Hospital reported admitting 4. Central hospital at Green Road and Samarita Hospital reported admitting 3 and 5 re spectively and Al-Raji Hospital reported admitting 3 patients

with the fever yesterday.

Opposition will stage demonstration today By Staff Correspondent

The BNP-led opposition alliance will stage demonstration and bring out separate torch processions across the country today to mobilise support in favour of tomorrow's half-day hartal called to protest killing of a BNP leader in the city.

City BNP joint secretary Advocate Habibur Rahman Mondal was killed allegedly by the ruling party-backed terrorists in the old part of city on Sunday morning. As part of the programme,

the BNP, Jatiya Party, Jamaate-Islami, Islami Oikya Jote, Progressive JAGPA Nationalist Party, Democratic League and Nationalist Democratic Alliance will hold rallies and bring out torch processions in all city, district and thana headquarters this after-

In the city, BNP will bring out a series of torch processions

One shot dead in Fatikchhari

From Staff Correspondent CHITTAGONG, Aug 21: A youngman was shot dead by armed terrorists in a predawn attack at village Daulatpur of of Sher-e-Bangla Exchange Fatikchhari thana today, police admitted the disturbance and

Didarul Alam, 18, came un - CMD Processor.' der attack by the terrorists at 3:30 am while he was going to number series were not solved Haitchakia village in an autorickshaw.

A case was filed with Fatikchhari thana in this regard, but none was arrested so

from Mahakhali, Mirpur, Naya Paltan, Farmgate, Newmarket. Hazaribagh and Shayampur ar

BNP's Ramna, Matijheel Sabujbagh, Khilgaon, Lalbagh, Kamrangir Char, Sutrapur and Kotwali thana units will join the central procession to be brought out from Nava Paltan. Badda, Cantonment and

Gulshan thana units will

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jointly bring out torch proces-

Telephone trouble

By Staff Correspondent

More than 2000 telephone lines under Sher-e-Bangla Nagar Exchange have turned into 'one way system'. Lubna Marium, a resident of

Sobhanbag Jute Colony, complained that she was only receiving phone calls but could not make a single out-going call since yesterday afternoon. A portion of the subscribers

of 811 number series yesterday could only make any call while the rest could only receive in coming calls. When contacted an official

said it was due to a 'problem in Problems involving 811

till filing of this report last

The exchange official, however, informed that they were expecting to solve the problem by this morning.

No witness to August carnage to identify killers: Defence was involved in the incident.

Along with Bangabandhu. his family members were killed as the killers did not want to keep any witness to identify them later on, reports UNB.

It was said by a defence counsel in the High Court yes terday to suggest that there is no eyewitness to the August carnage for identifying the killers. Concluding his arguments

for condemned prisoner Lt Col (retd) Mahiuddin Ahmed in the Bangabandhu Murder Case, lawyer Khan Saifur Rahman said the prosecution witnesses who claimed to be eyewitnesses to the August 15, 1975 incident 'are not believable" as the killers did not keep any eyewit-

ments vital to the innocence of abouts were not known. He said the paper book of the case, it is the accused were suppressed. "It was a malicious prosecution. He said if the service books

and tank history were submitted, then his clients would get favour. Because the service bring Maj Huda. book alone could prove that Lt Col (dismissed) Farook Rahman was once tried in a Martial Law court, so there could not be a second trial for him and Mahiuddin's service book would prove that this Mahiuddin is not that one who

AL leader's son

arrested for

taking ransom

CHITTAGONG, Aug 21:

Police tonight arrested the son

dence and Awami League leader

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Punchlaish thana while realis-

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MM Mahfuz was caught red

as ransom from Mohammad

Hathazari upazila, near a nurs -

kidnapped Iqbal Sunday and

demanded Tk 20 lakh as ran

som. Iqbal earlier reportedly

gave him a cheque of Tk 2 lakh.

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Chikondandi union

Police said Hannan's son

chairman

Malifuz and his accomplices

Dhaka Bar

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Awami League.

Iqbal,

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were in service when the mur - ment der case was filed. So they should be tried in Martial Law court and not in any civil court. So is the case of Mahiuddin,

he was in LPR. So, as per the Army Act, Mahiuddin would also be tried in Martial Law "This court is not competent

because when the case came up.

to try Mahiuddin and two others. So, all the proceedings of the court have become vitiated." he submitted. Khan Saifur said the prosecution knew that 11 other ac-

Investigative Officer had admitted going to Bangkok thrice to

Huda should have withdrawn himself and court should have adjourned the case as omission of the state defence had prejudiced the interest of the other Amin and Justice ABM Khairul Khan Saifur said that as per noon.

the Evidence Act, confessional The defence counsel said two statement is not substantive ev. other condemned persons - idence and the accused can't be Abul Hashem and Marafat Ali - punished on the basis of state.

He said there was no evi. dence that Col Farook and Col Mahiuddin took part in the killing of Bangabandhu.

Challenging Adv Serajul Huq, the Special Public Prosecutor in the case, Khan Saifur said he is neither impartial nor neutral, because he was an MP and he spoke against Khandaker Mustaque Ahmed after the killing of Bangabandhu.

At one stage of yesterday's proceedings, one judge of the cused were abroad so they two-judge HC bench. Justice He submitted that docu- should say that their where- ABM Khairul Huq, said as per the prosecution also suppressed seen that there was only one that Maj Bazlul Huda was in man, that is, Col Jamil, who Bangkok, pointing out that the rushed in his bid to save the live of the President.

Advocate JK Pal, state defence for condemned person Li So, the state defence for Maj Col (retd) Khandaker Abdur Rashid, will put his arguments on death reference of the Bangabandhu Murder Case when the court of Justice Ruhul Huq resumes Wednesday after-

Vested quarters file

the people, so that they can get justice and the rule of law can be established in the country." she said, as the latest contempt of court petition was filed yes-

the people to remain alert about "conspiracy against independence and sovereignty of the country She made the observations

meeting marking the National Mourning Day.

Mujibul Huq Mujib, Dr Mizanur Rahman, Jahangir Kabir Nanak, Advocate Sydur Rahman, and SM Zahid. Mirza Azam MP conducted the meet-

the Awami League government, with the anti-liberation forces unleashing threats of toppling the government. Hasina regretted that BNP and its allies were giving open

support to the killers and were filing cases against her. She alleged that Leader of the Opposition in Parliament Khaleda Zia promised support and protection to the killers. Mentioning the planting of

bombs at Kotalipara targeting her, the Prime Minister said having failed in movement, they were now taking direct ways to kill her. They have become desperate, because they know that they will not be able to win the election or be successful in movement.

Criticising the Opposition

"But shamelessly Khaleda is celebrating her birthday to satisfy her vengeance," the PM said. "Those who can celebrate false birthday on the tragic day have perverted mentality. See page 11 col 6

১৯৯৬ সাল পর্যন্ত বাংলা একাডেমীর প্রকাশিত গ্রন্থ ৫০% কমিশনে বিক্রি হচ্ছে।



বাংলা একাডেমীর নতুন বই

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একুশের সাারক গ্রন্থ ২০০০ ॥ সম্পা, সেলিনা হোসেন ও অন্যান্য ॥ ফুল্য : ১০,০০ 🛘 এক্শের প্রবন্ধ ২০০০ ॥ বা.এ সম্পাদিত ॥ মূল্য : ৮০,০০ [বই বিক্রির সময়সূচী: সকাল ৯টা থেকে সন্ধ্যা ৬টা পর্যস্ত]

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বাংলা একাডেমী জাতির মননের প্রতীক DFP-20035-17/8

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Hearing of contempt cases

From page 1 ply that it he was not been given a copy of the petition and that he had the right to defend him-

The court said, time was given for that and asked Amirul Islam to explain whom was he representing. Amirul Islam said he was representing Barrister Shawkat Ali Khan. The court wanted to know whether Shawkat Ali Khan was a member of the Executive Committee of SCBA. He said he was not an EC member of the

Amirul Islam then wanted to said. make a submission, and he was

allowed. Islam argued that the contempt petition or the contempt law should be considered taking into consideration the fundamental right to freedom of speech. The PM's speech and the statement reflected people's sentiment. She talked of law and order and security of the people and the state.

"She said security of the people and the state was at stake. It was not intended to in terfere in the administration or delivery of justice, but to remind all how granting of bail hampers the process of delivering justice when criminals on bail commit crimes again. This is not contempt, Sir. She was only exercising her fundamen tal , right and freedom of speech", he added.

At this stage, he was inter rupted by the court, which pointed out that he was given enough time to make his submission. The hearing was adjourned until Wednesday.

Mainul Hosein argued, "We are not only challenging the criticism against the judiciary. Our submission is that the PM overstepped the line between the judiciary and the executive power. Her statement is an interference and obstruction to the process of justice. She is saving that after arrest, courts set criminals free. This state. ment is designed to deprive the judiciary of its independence and freedom in delivering jus-

Barrister Hosein also accused the PM of trying to create sanctions," Lalit Mansingh, a police state. "She is trying to India's top bureaucrat in the

it lightly, but very seriously. We

On arguments of Amirul tocratic state. The right to free- conviction.

took 16 days after the 30th July tion filed on behalf of 339 proresolution of the Executive opposition lawyers, Barrister Committee of the SCBA. But Rafigul Hug said that the PMs none of the EC members chal- remarks undermined the judi lenge the contempt petition ciary and rule of law. Through though some of them differed her interview with BBC the whole world came to know that "Sheikh Hasina is the Prime the judiciary is corrupt and in-Minister of the country. That is efficient, which has under-

> The petition has been filed to uphold the judiciary. The case has been filed by 339 lawyers and the court should have been taken it suo moto.

Islam and the AG, he said, remark despite reminders not "Freedom of speech is some- to do so, it is a shame for court" thing and a calculated act to he said. Quoting from the undermine court's indepen- Universal Declaration of dence is something else. She is Human Rights, he said one can talking of reintroducing an au- not be called a criminal till

sanctions demanded

demanded lifting of economic sanctions as Japanese Prime Minister Yoshiro Mori arrived on a three-day visit to the

technology hub, from Pakistan bours India and Pakistan to

On Tuesday, Mori will visit an electronic city in Bangalore. where he is likely to announce a relaxed visa regime for Indian software experts keen to work in Japan.

Delhi. "Sanctions are counterproductive. A country like India will not be intimidated by the

The sanctions were acting as an irritant in India-Japan relations, Mansingh told reporters at a briefing on Mori's visit. Japan imposed economic

sanctions on India and

Pakistan after the two countries conducted nuclear tests in 1998. Mori will reach the Indian capital on Tuesday and hold talks with the president, the prime minister and the foreign

But he will meet with Indian business leaders to explore in vestment potential in India. Japan is India's fourth largest investor. Trade between the two countries exceeded 4.5

In the Pakistani capital, Mori asked India and Pakistan to eliminate nuclear weapons and sign the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty, officials said.

cases against me: PM Prime Minister Sheikh ing Hasina yesterday said vested Hasina said conspiracy had started soon after formation of

quarters filed cases against her only to protect the killers, re-"What I have said, said it for

handed while taking Tk 18 lakh terday against her. The Prime Minister urged

> while addressing a condolence meeting organised by Awami Jubo League at the Osmani Memorial Hall yesterday after-Jubo League organised the

Karlin Hiron, assistant general Jubo League chairman and Health and Family Welfare Minister Sheikh Fazlul Karim Selim presided over the meet-

Shoilendra Kumer Adhikari,

The lawyers brought out a silent procession and marched around the court premises at the end of the protest meeting.

Advocate Kazi Iqbal Hossain and Jubo League leaders Whip

League General Secretary

secretary of the Bar, also spoke on the occasion. Alam is known ing, also addressed by Jubo

as pro- BNP and Hiron as pro-

CMM of Dhaka, condemned Mondal's killing and expressed sympathy for the victim's fam-

leader for celebrating a "false" birthday on August 15, Hasina said neither her school certificate nor her biography shows August 15 as her date of birth.

usurp the right of the judiciary dom of speech can not cross the and of the defendants. She limit, infringe on the right of wants to exercise the power of a courts and the right of defenpolice state. We have not taken dants," he added.

with me personally.

why her statement on the judiciary is so important and significant, and so we took it very seriously", Barrister Hosein

Moving the contempt peti-

mined the honour of courts.

"When someone repeats a

Mori in India: Lifting of

BANGALORE, Aug 21: India

country today, reports AP. Mori flew into Bangalore, which is India's information where he urged hostile neighsign a nuclear test ban treaty and end their tensions over the Kashmir dispute.

He will also meet representatives of nearly 40 Japanese companies, which have set up joint ventures in Bangalore. 1,750 kilometers south of New

foreign ministry, said in New

minister on Wednesday. He is not scheduled to sign any agreements in New Delhi.

billion dollar in 1999. Mori is the first Japanese Prime Minister to visit India in

जलाधात भारा कार करान रो उग्राम

বর্ষা ও জলাবদ্ধতার কারণে নগরীর বিভিন্ন এলাকায় প্রায় সকল বাড়ির ভূগর্ভস্থ ও ছাদের জলাধার অপরিচ্ছন, অস্বাস্থ্যকর ও জীবাণুপূর্ণ হয়ে পড়েছে। এসব জলাধারে ধারণকৃত পানি ব্যবহার করলে বিভিন্ন ধরনের পানি বাহিত রোগের প্রাদুর্ভাব ঘটতে পারে। এমতাবস্থায় পানি নেমে যাওয়ার সাথে সাথে

পরিশ্কারের স্বাস্থ্যসম্মত উপায় নিম্নরপঃ প্রথমে জলাধারে জমাকৃত পানি উঠিয়ে ফেলে জলাধারের তলার ময়লা, কাদা উত্তমরূপে পরিষ্কার করতে হবে। জলাধারের দেয়াল ব্রাশ দারা ভালোভাবে ঘষে-মেজে পরিশ্কার পানি দিয়ে ধুয়ে পানি ফেলে দিতে হবে এবং তকনো ও পরিশ্কার কাপড় দিয়ে জলাধার মুছে দিতে হবে।

বিভিন্ন বাড়ির জলাধার স্বাস্থ্যসম্মত উপায়ে পরিশ্কার করার জন্য ঢাকা ওয়াসার

সম্মানিত গ্রাহকসাধারণকে অনুরোধ জানানো যাচ্ছে। বাড়ির জলাধার

এরপর প্রতি লিটার পানিতে ০.১ গ্রাম ব্লিচিং পাউডার মিশিয়ে সলিউশন তৈরী করতে হবে এবং উক্ত সলিউশনে ভিজানো পরিষ্কার কাপড়ের সাহায্যে জলাধারের তলা, ছাদ ও দেয়াল ভালভাবে ৩/৪ বার মুছে নিতে হবে। এভাবে মুছবার আধ ঘন্টা পরে পুনরায় পরিশ্কার পানি দিয়ে জলাধার ধুয়ে ফেলতে হবে এবং সমস্ত পানি পরিশ্কার কাপড়ের সাহায্যে মুছে নিতে হবে।

উল্লেখ্য, ৪৫০০ লিটার বা ১০০০ গ্যালন পানি ধারণ ক্ষমতা সম্পন্ন একটি জলাধার একবার পরিশ্কার করতে প্রায় ৫০০ গ্রাম (অর্ধ কেজি) ব্লিচিং পাউডার প্রয়োজন। এ ক্ষেত্রে বিশেষভাবে লক্ষ্য রাখতে হবে, জলাধার পরিম্কারের কাজে নিয়োজিত ব্যক্তির শরীর, হাত, পা ও পোশাক যেন যথায়প পরিম্কার-পরিচ্ছন থাকে যাতে কোন প্রকার রোগ জীবাণু সংক্রমণের সম্ভাবনা না থাকে।

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