Armed forces kept above politics: PM

KUWAIT, Oct 31: Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina said here today that her government had kept the armed forces absolutely free from politics and maintained its prestige and chain of command, reports BSS.

The present government has kept the armed forces absolutely free from politics and upheld its prestige as an institution and maintained its chain of command," she said while addressing the Bangladeshi soldiers stationed her as members of the United Nations Peace-Keeping

She said in the past the national institution like the armed forces was used for gaining political interest on many

The prime minister told the soldiers. "I hope that you will set an example to the nation and the country through discipline, principle, honesty and dedicated

She referred to the excellent services rendered by the Bangladesh Armed Forces members in different peace-keeping missions

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One killed in Rajshahi clash

From Our Correspondent RAJSHAHI, Oct 31: One person was killed and 20 others were injured in a violent clash between two rival groups of villagers at Berpara village in Poba Upazila this noon.

The dead was identified as Jalep. 30, of Jangalpara village under the same thana.

Police and witnesses said the clash ensued as a sequel to a previous enmity over toll collection at a customs corridor in the same village. Both the warring groups used lethal weapons in the clash lasting for about three

Boral murder

From page 1 accused Sayed and Bablu Kazi who were arrested along with 10 others within six hours of the killing of the Awami League leader.

The rest are Sikar, Shyamal and Khairuzzaman. A local leader of the ruling

party, Kalidas Boral was killed in the town on August 20.

Ibrahim Khaled From Page 1

"I am optimistic because Pubali Bank holds high prospects," said Khaled, who is respected for his moral and professional standards.

Khaled began his career with Habib Bank in 1963, and after the independence, he joined Agrani Bank. Before joining the central bank, he was the Managing Director of Sonali Bank.

Shamsi

From page 1 to record his statement. The statement was recorded in about three hours from 2:30 pm.

Zia said his father was not giving him enough money for personal expenses and so he was having difficulty in keeping relationship with his friends.

So, he along with three of his friends decided to abduct Shamsi, son of businessman Tawsif Shamsi for ransom, Zia

Zia said they took him to the National Park at Gazipur on October 16. He, along with Saluddin and Alamgir strangled

Shammi, Zia confessed. When Shamsi died, the four left the body at the park and

returned to the city. Then they called Shamsi's

father over phone and demanded ransom. After recording the statement, the Magistrate sent Zia to Dhaka

Central fail. After the murder Zia went to Chapai Nawabganj with a group of preachers. He was arrested

there and brought to the city on October 27.

Earlier, the three other accused in confessional statements before the CMM's court also said that they abducted and killed Ammar, an O level examinee, only for ransom.

BPC Clarifies

oil price hike in the international

The rejoinder said that due to

BPC's tender as they did in the past. This contributed to increase in premium involved in limited offers received in recent tenders. "But the proposition of going for spot tender in lieu of term tender in the present price hike can not be considered as an acceptable alternative," it said, citing example of a spot tender in January where the lowest bidder quoted a premium of US 2.6 dollar per barrel whereas the premium quoted by the lowest bidder in January-June, 2000 term tender was US 1.75 dollar and 1.13 for group A & B respec-

tively per barrel It added that higher international oil price pushes the cost of freight and level of premium. However, this higher premium does not necessarily mean that BPC will have to pay higher price for imported products, since cargo price mostly depend upon price prevailing on cargo arrival date at Chittagong."

of the United Nations across the

Hasina said the role of Bangladesh peacekeepers in the UN peace missions have proved their worth through high skill, discipline and efficiency. 'This has earned laurels for our armed forces in the UN peace-keeping missions," the prime minister

The prime minister noted with satisfaction that the members of the Air Force and the Navy have been performing duties reposed in them.

She thanked the Kuwaiti government for recruiting more soldiers in Kuwait.

Sheikh Hasina, who is also holding the charge of the Ministry of Defence, said the government had changed the names of the ranks of different soldiers including the officers to keep pace with the modern world.

She said the brigadiers would now be called Brigadier-General while a Sepoy will be called Sainik, Lance Naik as Lance Corporal, Naik as Corporal, Havilder as Sergeant, Naib Subedar as Warrant Officer. Subedar as Senior Warrant Officer and Subedar Major as Master Warrant Officer.

2 fruit sellers shot in city

By Staff Correspondent

Two fruit sellers received bullet wounds when miscreants fired shots at Kalapani in Mirpur section 12 in the city yesterday eve-

They victims were identified as Mohammad Iqbal, 14, son of late Sirajul Haq and Bhulu, 14, son of one Ali Ajgar. Both of them sells fruit at the Kalapani area.

Iqbal received bullet wounds in his right thigh while Bhulu in both the thighs, DMCH source

Witnesses said a gang of youths led by Ujjal, Ripon, Saleh, Kala and Musa started firing shots at about 7:30 pm leaving the two seriously injured.

Israeli gunships From page 12

offices in the towns of Khan Yunis and Rafah

Barak's chief police adviser, Danny Yatom, said the rocket attacks were intended as a warning to Fatah whose gunmen have taken the lead in shooting attacks on Israeli targets. 'We are trying to signal the Palestinians that we know who is responsible." Yatom told Israel army radio today.

Monday night's attack was one of the most intense in 34 days of fighting.

JCB clarification

Junior Chamber Bangladesh (JCB) in a clarification on a news headlined "Fraudulent Practice for JCI Membership" published in The Daily Star on Tuesday, said that contrary to the news, JCB was affiliated with the US-based Junior Chamber International in November last year.

The clarification said, JCB was formed in 1998 with the objective of developing leadership skills for its members and for providing networking opportunity. The USA based organisation JCI, after satisfactory review of the activities of JCB has provided it with Potential Affiliation in November

"Furthermore, JCI has given us full support in organising an international leadership course in September 2000, which was inaugurated by Finance Minister SAMS Kibria," it said.

Petrobangla

From page 1 Moulavibazar-2 gas field and the rest was paid to 'various third party contractors', it said.

Petrobangla also refused to accept Unocal's projected 'loss' of Tk 134 crore, saying it was base-

However, Unocal admitted that the 'compensation' actually meant 'business loss'.

JS body

From page 12 remove all sorts of malpractice in the TCB functioning.

According to the available statistics, there have been some 2,277 dealers, 1081 in Dhaka and 1196 in Chittagong, for distribution and supply throughout the country. In the period between June and July this year, market, traders and oil enter- the TCB distributed 24,300 prises were not participating in tonnes of sugar from its stock and about 28,265 tonnes in August-September. The remainder would be distributed soon, the meeting was informed.

> The meeting also discussed the state of revenue and expenditure, productions and export promotion of the Bangladesh Tea Board. The country earned a total of Tk 37 crore in the period between July and September this year.

> The terms of reference, organogram and overall activities of the Export Promotion Bureau (EPB) were also tabled for discussion in the meeting, sources said.

> Presided over by committee chairman Razi Uddin Ahmed Raju, the meeting was attended by Mir Shakhawat Ali Daru, Mohammad Muhibur Rahman Manik and Biren Sikder of Awami League, and Akhter Hamid Siddique, Professor Shahidul Islam and Sarwar Jamal Nizam of

Commerce Minister Abdul Jalil attended the meeting on special invitation.



Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina (R) called on Kuwait's Minister of Finance and Communication Sheikh Ahmad Abdullah al-Sabah (L) in Kuwait City yesterday.

Kuwait ready to help

Hasina separately at the Bayan Palace today.

During the meetings Sheikh Hasina requested the Kuwaiti ministers and chamber leaders to take advantage of incentives offered by her government for foreign investment in prospective power sector, agro-based industry, tourism and information

There are a lot of opportunities for Kuwaiti investors to invest in sectors like power generation and exploration of oil, gas and mineral resources," she told the Kuwaiti leaders. She said another oil refinery

would be set up in Bangladesh in government

cooperation with the Kuwaiti In response to the prime minister's request, the Kuwaiti Oil

Minister, Sheikh Suad Al-Sabah,

Mufti's bail stayed

Nezami Islam

calls hartal in

Chittagong

From Our Correspondent

ists of the Nezami Islam party

went on the rampage and clashed

with police here after the higher

court stayed the bail for release of

Mufti Izharul Islam Chowdhury

South district units of Nezami

Islam Party, an affiliated organi-

sation of Islami Oikya Jote (IOJ)

also called for a dawn-to-dusk

hartal in Chittagong on Novem-

ber 2 protesting the higher court

also a central leader of Nezami

Islam party was granted bail by

the High Court on Thursday and

expected to be released from

Chittagong jail today. But the jail

authorities got an stay order on

The agitated supporters of the

Mufti brought out a wildcat pro-

cession and went on the rampage

protesting rejection of bail and

demanding immediate release of

and clashed with police in differ-

ent areas of Andorkilla and Asker

during the clash. Police later

dispersed them and arrested 12

BB okays

From page 12

tee that it will give at least 5 per

cent dividend annually after three

years from the date of repayment

The dividends will be shared by

the EDF and the central bank at

tists at a seminar observed yes-

could be the best solution to

replace the depleting hydrocar-

bon resources and to meet the

huge demand for future energy,

saving the earth from further

of the scientists as the best

source of renewable energy, was

followed by biogas, hydro wind

and tide for developing countries

as Bangladesh, which are fighting

nology Noor Uddin Khan inaugu-

rated the 3-day international

seminar titled "Commerciali-

sation of Renewable Energy Tech-

nologies" at BRAC-CDM in the

use of renewable energy, Noor

Uddin said the appropriate meth-

ods of using the sources of renew-

With a call to popularise the

Minister for Science and Tech-

Solar energy is the first choice

environmental degradation.

a severe power crisis.

Renewable energy, they said.

terday, reports BSS.

people in this connection.

of the first instalment.

75:25 ratio.

They damaged over 12 vehicles

Over 20 people were injured

the bail from higher court.

Mufti Izhar.

IOJ leader Mufti Izharul Islam.

Chittagong City, North and

this evening.

CHITTAGONG, Oct 31: Activ-

said, a delegation would visit Bangladesh in November this year to study feasibility of the proposed refinery. He said another delegation

would be visiting the country in the same month to assess the prospects for cooperation in the energy sector. In the meeting with the visiting Bangladesh Prime Minister

Kuwaiti Finance Minister Sheikh Ahmad Abdullah Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah assured that necessary steps would be taken to expand volume of trade and commerce with Bangladesh.

Bangladesh exports to Kuwait were worth USD 2.41 million in 1999-2000 while imports from Kuwait cost USD 26.29 million.

The Minister said he would also request the Kuwaiti businessmen and investors to invest in agro-based industry and IT

sector to avail of the advantage given by the Bangladesh govern-

He said Kuwait development assistance for Bangladesh would increase to 300 million US dollars from USD 265 million through Kuwait Development Fund.

Currently the Kuwaiti fund is giving financial assistance to 14 development projects in Bangla-

Kuwait Interior Minister Sheikh Mohammad Khaled Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah assured the Prime Minister that he would look into various problems faced by Bangladeshi workers, including getting Kuwaiti visa. Bangladesh is the second-

largest manpower-exporting country to Kuwait after Egypt There are 2 lakh Bangladeshis working in Kuwait at present.

Landslides kill 43 in Indonesia

JAKARTA Oct 3: Raintriggered landslides killed at least 43 people and buried hundreds of houses on Indonesia's main island of Java, local officials said today, reports AP.

Gatot Arif, a local government spokesman in the town of Cilacap, said 30 people were buried alive in seven different landslides in the region early Monday. At least 20 houses were destroyed.

He said local villagers were searching through tons of mud and fallen debris themselves and police and soldiers were on their way to the region to help in the rescue effort.

Arif said the death toll could rise as he feared more bodies were buried under the mud. In the neighbouring district of Banyumas, around 400 kilome-

ters southeast of Jakarta, police

One shot in city By Staff Correspondent

Muggers shot a rickshawpassenger and snatched Tk 50,000 in cash and a cellular phone from Bhanga Press in the city's Demra area yesterday morning.

Abdur Rahim, 40, salesman of a plastic factory, came under attack by the miscreants when he reached near Short Bridge at Sayedabad at about 11:30 pm.

The gang of six stopped his rickshaw and asked him to hand over his valuables. But they shot at his right knee when he refused to pay the money and valuables. Rahim was sent to Dhaka Medical College Hospital with bullet wounds.

islands of the country which the

national power grid is yet to

very bright," Dr IM Dharmadasa

of Sheffield Hallam University,

UK, said in his paper on The

Photovoltaic Technology for

developing countries; Ways For-

ward' at the seminar in which 60

scientists from USA, UK, and

SAARC countries are participat-

ing. Acting Chairman of Rural

Samad presided over the session.

Electrification Board (REB) MA

desh and other countries have

only option to go for renewable

energy as the fossil oil resources

are being depleted rapidly while

the population is increasing. The

global population, he said, has

doubled in the last 40 years and it

will be doubled in another 30 to

AKM Sadrul Islam of BUET

said there are huge potentials of row.

Dr. Dharmadasa said Bangla-

said six people were buried alive when landslides struck several villages also yesterday. On Sunday, seven people were

killed in another landslide in the nearby district of Tasikmalaya. In addition to the landslides, incessant rains since Sunday have also caused floods in two other districts, damaging hun-

dreds of houses and leaving at least 4,000 homeless. Landslides in Indonesia are frequently triggered by heavy tropical rains falling on areas already loosened by widespread deforestation.

Report on proposed Consumer Protection Act submitted

The Law Commission yesterday submitted its report to the government on the proposed Consumer Protection Act, 2000, reports UNB.

The proposed law provides for establishment of agencies for protecting consumers' interest and for settlement of consumers' disputes.

The report was formally handed over to Secretary-in-Charge of the Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs M Abdul Hye by Secretary of the Commission Ikteder Ahmed.

While preparing the report, the commission took into consideration opinions and suggestions of various interest groups, particularly the Consumers' Association of Bangladesh, different chambers of commerce and industries, and individuals.

deprived of electricity.

"The future of solar energy is access to electricity, he said.

In Bangladesh, only 18 per

popularise solar energy in rural

areas, said solar energy could be

utilised in rural homes, remote

cyclone shelters, railway signal-

remote area telecommunications.

barriers in popularising renew-

able energy in the country. These

are: lack of confidence among

rural people, lack of government

initiatives, absence of financial

support to bridge the gap between

buyers and sellers, absence of

fiscal incentives to private com-

panies to use Photo Volta (PV) and

the high cost of imported solar

The seminar will end tomor-

modules, CFL and FTL lamps.

ing, navigation lighting and

He, however, identified some

Kuwait: Accord From page 1

"Recruitment and employment of manpower between the two

countries shall be done according to the laws, systems and procedures enforced in both countries and after obtaining skill level measurement certificate of the workers from the concerned authorities in his country," said the accord.

The agreement provides that the employer may himself choose the manpower or attend the process of choosing or empower his representative to attend the selection process as per the applied rules and regulations.

The accord further said that the application forms for recruitment in the two countries should include the required conditions and specifications of the job seeker in addition to the contracting period, the job he is recruited for, specified wage and facilities or any other condi-

BNP campaign From Page 12

public meeting, the meeting observed.

To mobilise public support for the 'grand' rally, the city BNP will hold workers meetings in all the 21 thanas from today and rallies and processions on November 4-5, the sources said.

But BNP's three allies --Jamaat-e-Islami, Jatiya Party and Islami Oikkya Jote-- are yet to start preparations for public meeting. The leaderships of the parties have not yet given any instruction to their units and front organisations in this regard. sources said.

A senior leader of BNP vester day said the central leadership of the party is yet to give any 'concrete instruction' to the city committee and its front organisa-

He said BNP units in Mymensingh, Narsingdhi, Munshiganj, Narayanganj, Savar Manikganj and Keraniganj contacted the party central leadership and showed interest to join the programme. But the units are yet to get any 'specific instruc tion', he added.

But units in districts and thanas adjoining the capital have been asked to be prepared for the public meeting, he said.

Jamaat-Shibir

From page 1 opposition's processions in the city during hartal or other agitation programmes to spot the killers involved in Bahaddarhat incident.

Talking to this correspondent, convenor of Chittagong Unit of opposition alliance Min Mohammad Nasir Uddin said that Jamaat-Shibir activists are keeping a low profile due to vigorous police drives.

'Renewable energy best answer Meanwhile, 23 activists of

BNP rally

From page 12 cent of the population have ence and sovereignty. He also asked them to take fresh vow not Niaz Rahim of Rahim-Afroz to leave the street until the fall of Company, which is trying to the AL regime.

Several thousand Juba Dal activists with colourful placards and festoons paraded different city streets in a procession.

Juba Dal leaders Mirza Abbas, Gayeshwar Chandra Roy and Moazzem Hossain Alal also addressed the function, among others. BNP leaders Col (Retd) Oli Ahmed MP, Abdul Matin Chowdhury, MM Rezaul Karim, Sadek Hossain Khoka, Nazrul and social welfare organisational | Islam Khan and Rajshahi City Corporation Mayor Mizanur Rahman Minu.

Juba Dal's founding President Abul Kashem and general secretary Saifur Rahman were also present at the function. Both of them are now involved with Jatiya Party.

Student leaders contest from Banari Para,

From page 1 students due to severe organisational problems pronounced by violent intra-party feuds. This, observers feel, may induce many JCD leaders into intense politicking for nomination for national

Nazimuddin Alam of JCD, Sultan Mohammad Mansur and Akhteruzzaman of BCL, and elected to the parliament.

Akhteruzzaman edged out Milan to be elected from a Kaliganj constituency in 1996 while Amanullah Aman defeated Mostafa Mohsin Montu, a Jubo League leader, both in 1991 and 1996 polls. Nazimuddin Alam was elected from a Bhola seat in run in the coming polls. BCL leaders seeking Awami

League nomination this time around -- namely the organisation's former president Enamul leaders Anser Ali Khan Joy and Haque Shamim, general secretary Ishaq Ali Khan Panna, Shah Alam and AZM Nasir -- all stand a tions. very good chance to win a place in

from any of the Shariatpur constituencies while Shah Alam may

Barisal. Panna could go for a

Pirojpur constituency. Former BCL president Moinuddin Hasan Chowdhury, who lost in 1996 elections, is taking all-out preparation to get elected from the Satkania-In 1996, Amanullah Aman and Louhagara constituency of Chittagong. He managed a third

Incumbent BCL general secre-Golam Faruque Ovi of Jatiya tary Ajay Kar Khokon is expected Chhatra Samaj (JCS) were to contest from Nilkli-Bazitpur constituency. Vice-presidents Balram Poddar and Shahjahan former JCD leader Fazlul Haq Alam may run for the Babuganj-Ujirppur and Brahmanbaria constituencies respectively. JCD president Habib-un-Nabi Sohel will be a strong candidate

position in the last polls.

while general secretary Nasiruddin Ahmed Pintu wants 1996. All of them are expected to the Lalbagh constituency in the capital. ABM Mosharraf Hossain may contest from a Patuakhali constituency while his fellow JCD

from a Rangpur constituency

A few leaders from lesser student bodies also want to run for Shamim is expected to run parliamentary seats but, according to sources, stand a very little chance.

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tions with capacity of 450 MVA

tions (11KV), 82 panels (11KV), a

437.25 kilometre 11 KV under-

ground and aerial cable with

necessary accessories and 1500

pole mounted sub-stations will be

Abduction: 10

get 24 yrs' RI

each in Barisal

Court here today awarded 24-

year rigorous imprisonment (RI)

to 10 people each under the Pub-

lic Safety Act for abducting one

Kabir Hossain for ransom.

50,000 each and in default to

pronounced the verdict after

examining 15 witnesses in the

The case in brief, plaintiff

Kabir Hossain was abducted by

the convicts and confined him in

an ice factory near the fish pro-

cessing zone on the bank of the

suffer another 5 years in jail.

case filed on April 25.

river Kritankhola.

The convicts were also fined Tk

Sessions Judge Abdus Samad

reports BSS.

BARISAL, Oct 31: A Special

completed by June 30, 2003.

The installation work will be

Besides, 268 switching sta-

will be installed, it said.

Munshi Bazlul Basit Anjum are

also on the hunt for BNP nomina-

DESA, Chinese co sign contract on power project

By Staff Correspondent

A contract for partial implementation of the fourth phase of Greater Dhaka Electricity Supply Project was signed between DESA and Guangzhou International Economic and Technical Cooperation Company of China in the city yesterday.

The 400 crore taka contract includes 66.37 million US dollars, of which the Chinese company will give 60 million US dollars as per the agreement. Bangladesh government will provide the rest amount, said a press release last night.

DESA Secretary Mujibur Rahman and President of the Chinese company signed the contract on behalf of their respective organisations. State minister for Energy

Power and Mineral Resources

Prof Rafigul Islam, Power Secretary Arabunda Kar, Chinese Ambassador in Dhaka Hu Qianwen were among others present on the occasion. Yesterday's contract was signed under a supplier's credit

agreement signed on June 30 last

year between Bangladesh Gov-

ernment and the Chinese com-As per the agreement, a nine kilometre 132 KV power supply line, a nine kilometre 132 KV underground cable, a 17 Kilometre 33 KV overhead line, a 33

Kilometre 33 KV underground Ershad

From page 1

Justice Bimalendu Bikash Roy Chowdhury of the Appellate Division retired today, we will hear the petitions after reconstitution of the Division next week.

Ershad was not present in the court when his lawyers appeared with the petitions.

Marubeni

From page 12 was negotiating with its partner Sithe to bring it back to the pro-

The Cabinet Purchase Committee in September last year approved awarding the contract for the Phase-2 project to Marubeni-Sithe on condition that the joint venture would work as per terms agreed by AES. Later PDB gave AES' contract

papers including the PPA, Gas Sales Agreement (GSA), Land Lease Agreement (LLA) and Implementation Agreement (IA) to Marubeni. But after being notified about the award, Marubeni-Sithe

to the controversial issues regarding Kafco. Marubeni is one of the leading stakeholders and main contractors of Kafco.

stayed away from negotiations on

different pleas including solution

Obaidul Haq From page 1 the Institute of Business Admin-

ups reflected his commitment to the society. Professor Abul Kashem Fazlul Hug praised his "unique style of writing" which made even the most complicated of issues easily

istration (IBA) said that Obaidul

Haq's columns and other write-

comprehensible for the readers. was never a journalist but have become one today at the age of 90," said Obaidul Haq in an emotion-choked voice. Your

reception has made me a journal-He thanked everyone involved in organisation of the reception and said that it would be a price-

less memory for rest of his life. The ceremonial began with the veteran journalist cutting his birthday cake. Then, Zahiduzzaman Faruk, editor of the financial daily, read out a

brief life-sketch of Obaidul Haq. Santosh Gupta, Bazlur Rahman, editor of the Daily Sangbad, Iqbal Sobhan Chowdhury, editor of the Bangladesh Observer, Dr Muntasir Mamun, Mohammad Salahuddin, president of the Bangladesh Photojournalists' Association (BFJA), Saleh Ahmed Chowdhury and Nelufar Banu

were present among others. Later, the noted columnist was presented with his portrait from the daily's staff.

2294 murders in 9 months

A total of 285 people were killed across the country in March this year and of them 255 were nonpolitical killings while 30 were killed in rioting. The number was 322 in the corresponding period of the previous year. Of them 289 were non-political killings, one was killed due to political reason while 32 died in rioting.

As many as 298 people were killed in April this year and of them 252 were non-political killings, one political while 45 were killed in rioting. The number of killing during the same period in the previous year was 342. Of them 291 were non-political, two were political and 49 in connection with rioting.

During the month of May this year, 288 killings took place and of them, 261 were non-political and 27 linked with rioting. The number was 339 in the previous year. Of them, 301 were murone for political rivalry and 37 in rioting.

A total of 310 killings took place in June this year, of which 275 were non-political, two were political while 33 were killed in rioting. The number was 306 in the same month of the previous year with 278 non-political killings and 28 killings in rioting.

The number of murder was recorded at 315 in the month of July this year. Of them, 285 were killed for non-political reasons, two for political reasons and 28 in rioting. The number of killings was 279 in the same month of the previous year, of which 252 were non-political, two political and the rest lost their lives in rioting.

A total of 299 people were murdered in August this year, and of the killings, 274 were nonpolitical and 25 linked with rioting. Of the total of 309 killings in the same month of the previous year 274 were non-political, two political and 29 were linked in rioting. In September this year, the

number of murder was recorded at 275 with 257 non-political and 18 in connection with rioting. The number was 331 in the same month of the previous year, with 303 political killings while 28 dered for non-political reasons, were killed in rioting.

Jamaat-Shibir were convicted in to our requirements' From page 1 a case on October 24 by a special 32 were killed in rioting. tribunal here under Public Safety In February this year, 243 Act (PSA) in connection with an GAZIPUR, Oct 31: Rapid able energy in the coming days renewable energy in the country people were killed across the armed attack on a police van at depletion of fossil oil accompa- could take us to the pinnacle of and identified the northern country. Of the killings, 216 were Satkania. nied by the threat of mushroomnon-political while 27 were killed development. He opined that region, Sylhet and Chittagong Hill Police said the trouble took ing population in the world is renewable energy will help in rioting. The number was 260 in Tracts (CHT) as the 'most potenplace at Satkania on March 17 forcing countries to go for in develop Bangladesh as this tial areas for hydro energy. the same period of the previous this year after arrest of a Jamaat search of alternative sources of energy can be generated indeyear with 231 non-political and Arvindh Vijh, a Shell (India) leader Shahjahan Chowdhury. energy to run the wheel of modern six political killings while 23 pendently at any place, especially representative, said around four civilization in near future, scienpeople were killed in rioting. in remote areas including the billion people of the world are still