ख्लान् त्यानवामा एकाछ सम्भात्य वर्

Sammilita Sangskritik Jote brought out a procession in the city yesterday protesting the bomb attack on Pahela

Musa and Shariar Kabir took part in

over the growing fanaticism in the

country and said the government

should take immediate steps to curb

it. They also demanded a ban on the

cism is allowed to grow and if they

take over the state power, then

democratic values would be

destroyed totally like in Afganistan,'

said Prof. Kabir Chowdhury while

explaining the objective of the

economic development in South

Asian countries and it also posed a

threat to democracy and the univer-

salideology of freedom of justice.

He said this would hamper socio-

In this regard, he underscored

the need for strengthening the role

religious-based politics.

forthcoming conference.

of the civil society.

The speakers expressed concern

"If the influence of such fanati-

Pledge to resist fanaticism

the discussion.

Petition against PSA

lenged first by BNP MP Manzoor Murshed Khan in January this year after he was accused of looting a sweet meat shop in Chittagong.

The High Court directed police not to arrest or harass the petitioners until disposal of its rule in this regard.

The case of Murshed Khan is yet to come up for hearing.

February 15 last year, it was initially used against criminals. But later on political activists outnumbered the criminals sued under PSA.

Stern action if miscreants escape, DMP chief warns officials

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Commissioner of Dhaka Metropolitan Police (DMP) Motiur Rahman said at a pre-hartal briefing in the city yesterday that the officials would be made responsible if miscreants escape the scene by exploding bombs and torching vehicles during hartal hours.

Police sources said that as many as 6,540 police and para-military BDR personnel would be deployed in the capital to maintain law and order during the oppositionsponsored 72-hour shutdown across the country beginning from six this morning.

The force would comprise 11 deputy commissioners of police, nine additional deputy commissioners, 25 assistant commissioners, 56 police inspectors, 324 subinspectors, 137 sergeants, 25 assistant sub-inspectors, 2077 members of riot division, 1433 members of special armed force, 15 platoons of armed police battalion and 12 platoons of para-military BDR. Besides, thana police, outpost police and police members from protection team would be also there.

JCD factions clash UNB, Habiganj

A clash between two factions of BNP's student wing JCD at Brindaban Govt College left at least

eight people injured on Saturday. Police and witnesses said the two factions of JCD were locked into the clash at about 1:00 pm over establishing supremacy in the college.

Roumari

FROM PAGE 1 Baraibari BDR camp, some 1500 vards off the Indian camp and started digging bankers around it.

Before the sunrise, the BDR personnel finding the camp cordoned opened fire on the BSF personnel, which led to deaths of 17 BSF and two BDR personnel and injuries of many others.

Local people who helped the BDR during the firing said the BSF members were equipped with heavy weapons and necessary paraphernaliathe fact that indicates their motive to capture the camp permanently.

According to the reports of different secret agencies, the capture of Padua by the BDR goaded the BSF into recapturing the Baraibari enclave along with adjacent Bangladesh territories. Although the BDR personnel gave a befitting reply on the spot, the BDR camps remain unprotected for most of the time.

lawyers have been confining all the

judges of the Supreme Court in the

judges' lounge and kicking the door

The lawyers were protesting the

High Court Division to the Appellate

Division in the second week of

Following the chargesheet, the

CMM issued warrant of arrest and

proclamation of attachment against

all the accused lawyers. The CMM,

however, subsequently retracted his

of the Chief Justice's office room.

appointment of two judges of the

Bail is denied to an accused until disposal of the case under the PSA. There is a time frame of completion of trial including investigations for which a maximum 45 days limit has been provided in the law. But there had been violations of the time frame in most of the cases.

Only 181 cases were resolved in the special PSA courts until January this year and 510 people were sen-Since its introduction in tenced for various offences, mainly mugging, robbery and extortion.

About 13,169 people were accused under the PSA, of whom 4809 were arrested.

JCD factions clash in Sirajganj

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Sirajganj

Ten activists of BNP-back Jativatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) were injured when two of its factions clashed at Shahjadpur town in the district on Saturday night.

Of the injured, thana ICD president Saiful Islam and general secretary Abdul Halim was admitted to the Sirajganj General Hospital.

Police and witnesses said the clash erupted when a JCD faction led by than a unit JCD member Babul Khan made an attack on a meeting of the other faction who were holding a meeting at thana BNP office at about 8:00 pm.

Both the groups used lethal and sharp weapons during the half-anhour clash that left the 10 JCD men

Later police charged baton and brought the situation under control.

Woman strangled

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

An unidentified young woman, aged about 27, was strangled by unidentified miscreants at her Madhya Bashabo residence in the city in the early hours of vesterday.

Police recovered the body from the house of one Khalil at 122 Middle Bashabo in the city's Sabujbagh

There were marks of injuries in her throat, police said. She might be killed as a sequel to previous enmity, police added.

Police, however, could not say the reason behind the killing.

Police sent the body to the Dhaka Medical College Hospital for autopsy.

A case was filed with Sabujbagh police station in this regard.

BEMEA

FROM PAGE 12 the BEMEA leaders said.

The leaders also demanded duty exemption on import of embroidery raw materials. Among others BEMEA Convenor M A Mannan, Joint Convenor Abdullah Al Baki were also present at the conference.

According to the leaders, about 1.5 lakh people have been employed at the embroidery industries, which retain about eighty per cent of its export income in the country.

Moreover, clearance certificate of the association should be made mandatory while permitting the import of machines as well as giving registration and trade and fire licence to new industries.

Stating all the facts yesterday a

petition was moved before the

bench comprising Justice M A Aziz

and Justice Mohammad Shamsul

Huda praying for a stay on all pro-

ceedings against the 17 petitioners

since a directive by the High Court

not to harass or arrest the petition-

The petition was moved by

Barrister Moudud Ahmed along

with a good number of pro-

opposition lawyers and all the 17

Present in the court among the

Case against 17 lawyers

for facing trial.

ers is still pending.

accused lawyers.

But the chargesheet was for- accused lawyers were Barrister

warded to the special judge of Dhaka Khandaker Mahabuddin Ahmed,

for trial, which subpoenaed the Barrister Nazmul Huda MP and

lawyers to appear before the court AdvocateJoynul Abedin.

Bank officer killed in road accident

BSS, Mymensingh

One person was killed in a road accident at Akua Haji Bari on Mymensingh-Fulbaria Highway of the district town on Saturday.

The victim was identified as Rais Uddin, 45, an officer of Sreepur branch of Sonali Bank.

Police said, Rais Uddin was run over by a passenger bus, bound for Fulbaria from Mymensingh, at Akua Hazi Bari. He was rushed to Mymensingh Medical College Hospital where the doctors declared him dead.

A case was registered with Kotwali police.

Shazneen

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Prevention of Women and Children Repression, Dhaka has recently adjourned the proceedings of the murder case until tomorrow following a time petition by the prosecution lawyers. The case was adjourned due to hartal, sources

A milad mehfil will be held after Asr prayers on Friday at house: NF. (J)-4, road: 83, Gulshan-2. Relatives, friends and well-wishers have been requested to attend the milad mehfil and pray for salvation of the departed soul.

Newsman

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the miscreants kidnapped the journalist from his village home at Shovna on the night of April 18. Later, he was found in unconscious condition on an embankment, one kilometre off his house.

The miscreants, suspected to be members of outlawed Biplobi Communist Party, broke his hands and legs and stabbed him indiscriminately, police said. Despite all possible treatment at

the KMCH Nahar Ali breathed his last on Saturday due to major brain damage and profuse bleeding, doctors said.

Meanwhile, the attackers also threatened to kill Nahar's wife if she lodges case.

remained suspended since January

WB and the governments of

Bangladesh, France and Japan. As

per agreement, WB would provide

Tk 336.45 crore, France Tk 137.83

crore and Japan Tk 5.45 crore. The

rest would be provided by

a visit of a WB team to Bangladesh

from its head office in Washington

Ctg journalists

ment to all the attackers, including

ward commissioner Mamun and

atmosphere as they face continuous

threat of death and bomb attack

while discharging their professional

Later, president and secretary of

Chittagong Sangbadpatra Parishad

M A Malek and Mainuddin Kader

Shawkat, Press Club president and

general secretary Akhtar-un Nabi

and Farouk Iqbal and CUJ president

M Nasirul Haq and secretary

Shahidul Alam met CMP

Commissioner A T Ahmedul Haq

Chowdhury and placed the same

the delegation that all the attackers

by Ward Commissioner Mamun

stormed into Purbakon office on

April 18 and beat up its chief sub-

editor Iskandar Ali Choudhury and

reading section in-charge Jalaluddin

Safety Act (PSA) accusing Mamun

A case was filed under the Public

would be brought to book soon.

The CMP commissioner assured

Meanwhile, an armed group led

duties," they said in the memoran-

"Journalists work in insecure

Yesterday's WB decision followed

Bangladesh government.

last month.

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demand.

and 18 others.

security of journalists.

The project is jointly financed by

Prof. Anisur Rahman, Prof. Prof. Anisur Rahman said the strength of fanaticism has increased Salahuddin Ahmed, Former foreign religious fanaticism developed in in the recent time due to lack of secretary Waliur Rahman, Barrister the society because of economic scientific education system in the backwardness. "The people tilted in Amirul Islam, Shudhanshu Shekhar Halder, Mohiuddin Ahmed, favour of it because they were frus-

Baishakh celebration at Ramna Batamul.

Speakers at a meeting yesterday

vowed to resist religious fanaticism

and establish a secular society free

exchange views with the leaders of

the civil society on forthcoming

three-day regional conference

against fanaticism and

ence will discuss the impact of

religious fanaticism on the society

and try to form a regional forum to

restore peace, democracy and

Chowdhury presided over the meet-

ing held at WVA auditorium in the

city. The Committee for

Annihilation of Killers and

Collaborators of 1971 organised the

Resuming on 47, the 25-year-old

opener also became the only

Bangladeshi player to score a back to

back half-century, pushing the

seventh ball of the day down to

His partner Aminul Islam could

add one run to his overnight score of

10 before he unnecessarily slashed

at a wide delivery from Zimbabwe

captain Heath Streak in the sixth

over, straight down the throat of

centurion of the tourists only

sparked off a sorry slide with batters

perishing one after another playing

at deliveries better to be left alone.

Bangladesh lost their last seven

wickets for only 63 runs with no one

pointed his coach once again, play-

ing a half-hearted shot to be spec-

tacularly caught and bowled by

right-arm paceman Nkala.

Skipper Naimur Rahman disap-

reaching the double-figure mark.

The departure of the lone Test

Dion Ebrahim at third man.

square leg for a single.

National Professor Kabir

protect basic human rights.

The three-day south Asia confer-

The meeting was arranged to

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

from communalism.

communalism.

Javed Bangladesh's joy Apart from a few, most of the

Bangladesh batsmen seemingly forgot that Test cricket is all about patience and partnership. Although a defeat was not at all unlikely, but Bangladesh's first away last November. match could have been more excit-

Borhanuddin Khan Jahangir, A B M trated over their poor financial

condition," he observed.

He felt the necessity of another

liberation war for resisting fanati-

cism in the society. He said that the

problem did not arise from a mere

cultural crisis, rather it is related to

the socio-economic condition of the

conspiracy against the state began

before December 16, 1971. He

underscored the need for promoting

politics based on the spirit of the

observed that most of the important

government positions had been

occupied by the people who do not

believe in the spirit of the liberation

Prof. Salahuddin Ahmed said the

Borhanuddin Khan Jahangir

liberation war.

Barrister Amirul Islam said the

ing had their fielders took those Riding on misfielding, Zimbabwe went on to score 457 in reply to

Bangladesh's 257 in the first innings. lot of missed opportunities when we were batting. They dropped a lot of catches and that cost them the most," told Zimbabwe captain Heath Streak after the match. Bangladesh dropped as many as five catches, and Streak said that the letoffs of centurion Guy Whittall, Grant Flower, Nkala and himself proved

dear for Bangladesh. "We failed to live up to the expectation as a team. Some of my players performed well. Javed in particular

batted brilliantly and Monjurul bowled very well," said Naimur. He however felt that his team did

not perform as bad as it did in its inaugural Test against India at home Coach Trevor Chappell described

the mind set-up of his players which did not allow them to differentiate between Test and one-day cricket as the reason for the defeat.

"If you look back, you will see a be mentally strong and should concentrate on building partnerships rather than looking for quick runs. I'm trying to teach them to leave more balls in Test but they are doing something else on the ground. I do not think that the opposition had to work really hard to get our wickets," he remarked.

Javed was later adjudged manof-the match. The second and final Test starts in Harare on April 26. (Scorecards and more stories on

Page 13) Gorai needs excavation

would eventually ensure a flow

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Now in the fourth year, the situation is all the same. Top project officials said if the Gorai is not dredged for the fourth time this year. there would be no flow of water in the coming lean season. The expensive and enduring

dredging programmes, apparently without any sustainable planning, has at least pleased some top government officials and ruling party leaders, as well. Stories of corruption and theft are subjects of gossips at all quarters in Kushtia.

Another top official of the project. stabilise the water flow of the Gorai, the river for the fifth time next year. initiatives were taken to recruit

that it took a long time.

"I think the consultants will submit their reports very soon. Meanwhile, the World Bank and other donor agencies have strongly recommended the release of funds for dredging the Gorai for the fourth time," the official said.

The project official claimed that the dredging programmes have ensured the flow of about 50 cusecs water during the current lean period. Boats were seen plying the river, which flowed on a narrow width of the actual Gorai river.

As soon as the studies are completed, the project officials would requesting anonymity told The launch the Gorai Restoration Project Daily Star that when they realised and this would not be possible that the Padma and the Gorai before November 2002. The officials needed to be properly trained to also hinted at the re-excavation of

"We would need an additional consultants. But the process of amount of about Tk 1,000 crore for recruitment was so complicated the new restoration project, which round.

of 150 cusecs water," said the offi-

Swapan Kumar Mondol, a local businessman, said the villagers along the Gorai in Kushtia felt that the river training was done poorly Shashuzzaman Moni, a lawyer, said that from the source of the river the dredging should have been done in a straight line but surprisingly, the engineers dredged a winding path, which made several villages all the more vulnerable to erosion.

Hatosh Haripur village along the river from Kushtia may go under the river when the rainy season starts.

While dozens of foreign experts, local engineers and the project officials wait for more money to pour in, huge dredging materials are lying idle. And local people only recall the days when the mighty Gorai flowed in its full fury the year

Yellow panel sweeps polls to RU bodies

RU CORRESPONDENT, Rajshahi

The 'Yellow' panel backed by the ruling Awami League and its allies has swept the elections to different academic committees of Rajshahi University (RU), bagging all the 33 posts, including 15 Senate seats, defeating the 'White' panel, an alliance of BNP and Jaamat backed teachers.

The elections were held on Saturday at the 200th academic council (AC) meeting of the university. About 300 members of the varsity's highest academic decisionmaking body took part in the meet-

Of the 15 Senate seats, 10 are earmarked for the college teachers and the rest for college principals.

The elected college principals are Jalal Uddin (Shaheed Shamsuzzoha College), Golam Mostofa (Mahtab Uddin College), Lutfunnesa Begum (Women's College, Pabna). Afsar Hossain (Syedpur Degree College) and Md Anwar Hossain (Rahanpur Bishwabidyalaya Parishad. Yousuf Ali College).

members every three years. Agricultural University and Dr Environmental Sciences (IES). Rustom Uddin Ahmad, the Director of Atomic Energy Medical Centre, departments were also elected to Rajshahi Branch, were elected the members of Board of Governors the University. They were from (BOG) of the Institute of Biological Sciences (IBSc), while Prof Shah Alam of RU Botany Department and Technology Departments

Prof Ranjit Kumar Shaa of RU Biochemistry Department were elected the members of Board of Studies (BOS) of IBSc.

Prof M Abdul Bari of RU Islamic History and Culture (IHC) Department was elected the member of Advisory Committee of Varendra Research Museum.

Prof Khondkar Farhad Hossain of RU Bengali Department was elected the member of BOS of the Institute of Bangladesh Studies (IBS).

Prof Arun Kumar Basak of RU Physics Department and Prof Shafiqunnabi Samadi of RU Music and Dramatics Department were elected the BOG members of the Institute of Education and Research (IER) while Prof Abdul Latif of RU Psychology Department and Dr Ganzer Ali of RU Computer Science and Technology were elected the BOS members of the institute.

Prof Dr A H M Zehadul Karim of RU Anthropology Department was elected the member of Bangladesh

Prof Ainun Nishat of IUCN and The RU AC elects 15 Senate Dr Dilip Kumar Dutta of Khulna University were elected the mem-Prof Shahi Alam of Bangladesh bers of BOG of the Institute of

Five chairpersons of five RU the Advanced Studies Committee of Economics, Botany, Philosophy. Management and Communication

Indian move a threat

said a resolution of the Central Liaison Committee (CLC) meeting held at the BNP central office yester-With BNP Secretary General

Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan in the chair, the meeting observed that the Indian Border Security Forces (BSF) without any provocation entered the Bangladesh territory through Roumari border in Kurigram and carried armed attack on BDR personnel and innocent people in a bid to occupy our territory.

Although the BDR personnel courageously resisted the BSF move, this groveling government has miserably failed to lodge firm protest with New Delhi against the aggressive move of the BSF.

The resolution said the BDR recaptured the Padua village in Sylhet, which had been illegally

occupied by the BSF for last 30 years. but they were compelled to fall back at the instruction of the government. This incident clearly proved the subservient and unassertive foreign policy of the Awami League

tory on a good number of occasions, and killed BDR personnel and innocent people, occupied lands and took away corps and cattle heads due to the subservient policy of the government. The CLC meeting said the gov-

It also said that India had

intruded into the Bangladesh terri-

ernment also failed to protest the Indian media's false propaganda against the BDR and Bangladesh. The alliance demanded that the

government resolve the problems and put an end to aggressive activities of India through discussion at diplomatic level.

72-hr hartal begins today

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Jamaat-e-Islami and Islami Oikya Jote (IOJ) held separate rallies and brought out processions.

Sources said component parties of the alliance have taken adequate "In Test cricket, you will have to | preparations so that the hartal is observed strictly. Instructions have been given to leaders and activists at all levels for increased participation in picketing.

A senior leader of BNP told The Daily Star yesterday that they came to know about a ruling party plan to foil the hartal on the last day by compelling the people and authorities concerned to roll vehicles on streets and keep markets and educational institutions open. "This will be suicidal and give rise

to more violence", he said.

The alliance has no plan to extend the hartal but if the ruling party tries to foil it, the hartal will be extended, he said. Meanwhile, frequent long-

reaction among leaders and activists of component parties of the alliance. Majority of the leaders and activists this correspondent talked to said hartal affects the commonman, not the government. They preferred road march,

period hartals have evoked a mixed

'mass procession' and public meetings, which will intensify the movement and help the component parties in the next election because people spontaneously participate in those programmes.

Hospital, ambulance, medicine and food shop, kitchen market and vehicles of fire brigade, newspaper, law enforcing agencies and emergency services have been exempted from the 72-hour hartal.

Rickshaw, rickshaw van and push cart will be allowed on roads from 2 pm to 6 next morning on Tuesday and Wednesday, a press release issued by BNP said.

Eight bodies of BSF men

personnel has sent waves of outrage across India with demands now growing for tit-for-tat retaliations. BSF chief Gurbachan Jagat

toured the sites of the worse military clashes in 30 years between the two friendly neighbours and speaking to reporters at the site, he condemned the 16 murders as custodial deaths. Home Secretary Pande's clean

chit to Prime Minister Hasina's administration also came after BSF chief lagat briefed top members of the Indian cabinet including Home Minister L K Advani and Prime Minister Atal Behari Vajpayee.

Describing the killing of the BSF personnel as a brutal act of mur-

der," Pande said autopsies had proved the bodies of the slain BSF personnel were badly mutilated. "It is quite clear that eight of the

bodies have point-blank bullet wounds. It is evident that injuries and the bullet wounds could not have been obtained in firing," he

Two BSF personnel undergoing medical treatment in a hospital in Dhaka and a body of another slain BSF guard were handed over to India later yesterday, Pande said.

A clear picture of what happened to the 16 soldiers would emerge after the two wounded BSF personnel return, officials said.

The Hotel Pashur, constructed

on two acres of land at a cost of

about 1k 2 crore, contains nine air-

conditioned twin and seven non-AC

twin-rooms and a 50-seat air-

an airport of international standard

spent Taka 16.34 crore for dredging

the Mongla port while efforts are

underway to procure one dredger

underway to procure 16 marine

vessels at a cost of Tk 61.20 crore for

Hasina said that steps were

for permanent use in the port.

would be constructed at Mongla.

The prime minister declared that

She said that her government

conditioned restaurant.

Implement '74 treaty Probir's right leg amputated

Radcliffe.

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January.

orders.

a man-made border, drawn by

There are complications. In some areas the borderline passes through villages. Rivers are changing their courses and new shoals are emerging", he said. The foreign secretary said peace

is now prevailing in the border areas and refuted reports that BSF beefed up its forces and brought in reinforcements at the points where skirmishes took place recently. No shot was fired yesterday. Both the sides are working to restore normalcy and people are returning to their homes. He said BDR and BSF held 19 flag

meetings in the last 24 hours, two of those at sector commander level, two at battalion commander level and 15 at company commander

He urged the media not to whip up unnecessary tension in the because it can incite troubles." He said a sector commander handed over to India after autopsy.

decided that shots will not be fired under any circumstances, and required, BDR and BSF will hold flag meeting immediately to defuse tension.

Asked about his reaction to blood at the intensive care unit of burning of Bangladesh National Flag in India, he said, none should indulge in such acts as it can create

Asked if Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina is kept informed of the developments, he replied, "Certainly our honourable Prime Minister is kept abreast of the situation and we are working to resolve the issues amicably to restore peace and maintain good relations with our neighour" Regarding complaints lodged by

inform them after we complete our probe" He however, said it is not possible to provide any time frame now. He border, which does not exist mentioned that bodies of the BSF men killed in the skirmishes were

Delhi, he said, "We will certainly

FROM PAGE 1 engaged in the operation. Till filing of this report at 8:35pm, the surgery was still on. Earlier, Probir received 26 bags of

the hospital where he has been under treatment since Friday. Probir also received bullet in his right hand and stab injuries in his lips and parts of his private parts. These injuries are not so serious.

doctors said. According to duty doctors and National Orthopaedic Hospital sources, Probir suffered multiple fracture in his right thigh from bullet injuries and two main veins (blood vessels) were also ruptured beyond repair.

injuries in his left arm and a big chunk of flesh in his thigh was damaged. Doctors said Prabir's femur bone

He also suffered serious bullet

during a one and half hour-long could not start. operation at the National Orthopaedic Hospital Friday night.

doctors at NICVD performed a wasseverely roughed up by a gang of bypass grafting which involved terrorists. Tipu suffers permanent reconnecting his veins taken from bone fracture in his left hand and other parts of his body. Prabir was shot and stabbed by a

riding a motorcycle alone. Meanwhile, two people arrested per last Wednesday night. in connection with the attack were taken on a two-day remand yester- Choudhury and journalist Jalal day. Shahidul Islam, 27, of Ahmed Choudhury of Purbakone protest rally yesterday at Janata Dumrakandi and Md Sadiar were seriously injured when a gang

kotwali thana. in the thigh was broken into six—since the investigating officer of the—gunned down in broad daylight last—terrorists.

pieces which was partially fixed casewas in the capital, interrogation year,

Earlier, in a similar incident, Tipu Sultan, the Feni correspondent of After he regained consciousness, United News of Bangladesh (UNB). right leg.

Two journalists of the daily gang of terrorists on his way back to Purbakone, a local Bengali newspa-Faridpur town after collecting infor- per published from Chittagong, mation on a robbery on Shohag were beaten up and three other Paribahan, a passenger bus. He was security men injured when terrorists attacked the offices of the newspa-

Rahman, 24, of Goalchamat are now of five terrorists stormed in and beat terday. in custody under the Faridpur themindiscriminately.

The latest victim of such attack is Nahar Ali, 36. Dumuria correspondent of a local daily Anirvan published from Khulna.

kidnapped from his residence in Shovna on the night of April 18. He suffered fractures in his legs and arm and also received stab injuries in many parts of his body. Ali succumbed to his injuries

According to police, Ali was

College hospital, where he has been since the incident. Meanwhile, journalists, political Chief sub-editor Iskander Ali leaders, social and cultural organisations and local people held a

vesterday at the Khulna Medical

Speakers strongly condemned Shamsur Rahman, the Jessore- the attack on Probir Sikder and Thanasources said last night that based senior correspondent, was demanded immediate arrest of the

AL govt can't be unseated month.

FROM PAGE 12 Digholia Secondary High School ground, was presided over by local Awami League leader Bashiur Rahman while another at Mongla Helipad by party's thana unit presi-

dent Idris Ali ljaradar.

State Minister for Works and Civil Aviation Engineer Mosharrat Hossain, state ministers for Disaster Management and Relief Talukdar Abdul Khalegue and for Social Welfare Dr Mozammel Hossain, Whip Mostafa Rashidi Shuja, Sheikh Helal MP, Munnuzan Suffian MP. Kazi Sekandar Ali MP and Sheikh Mohammad Nurul Hag MP also spoke.

The prime minister earlier inau- the Mongla port while steps have gurated newly constructed tourist resort "Hotel Pashur" of Bangladesh telecommunication and other Parjatan Corporation at Mongla. The PM also inaugurated two port.

Bank square in Faridpur town yesbridges named Srifaltala Bridge and Bisna Bridge at Rampal in Bagerhat crore respectively.

also been taken to develop the infrastructures of this important sea The prime minister formally

announced the nominations of built at a cost fTk 2.25 crore and 1.65 Whip Mostafa Rashidi Suja for Khulna-4 and Talukder Abdul She announced that work on Khaleque for Bagherhat-3 constitu-Rupsha Bridge would begin next encies.