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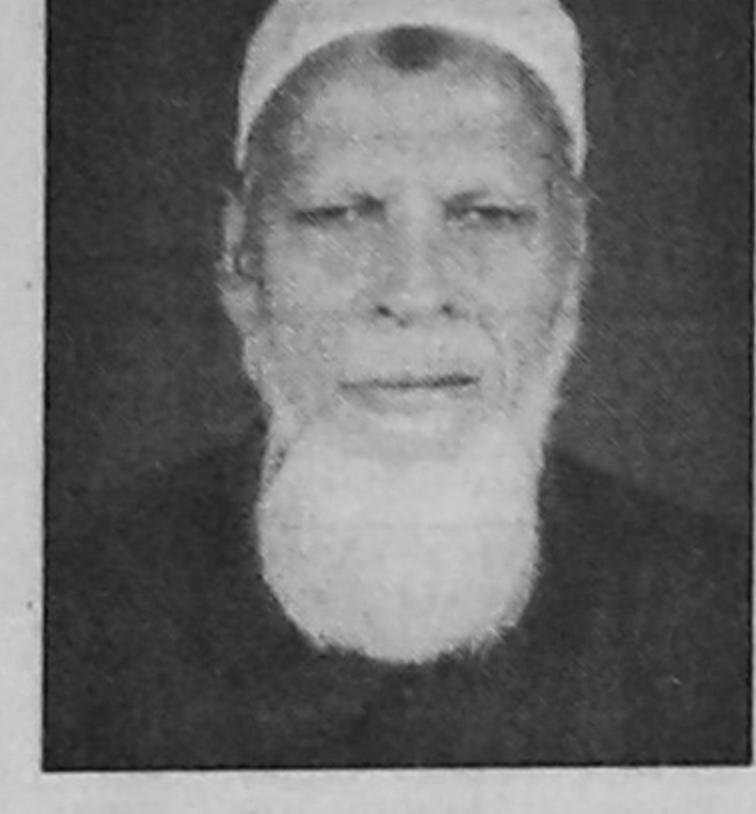
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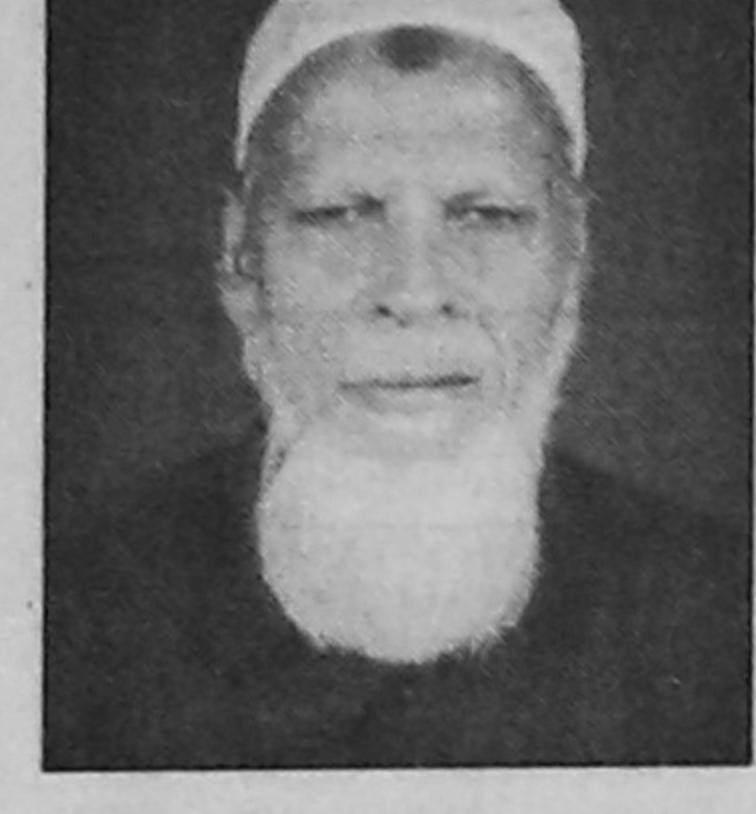
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Managing Directors of Chevron Clinical Laboratories, Industrial Promotion and Development Company and Siemens Bangladesh Limited signed contracts in the city yesterday. High officials of the organisations were also present on the occasion.

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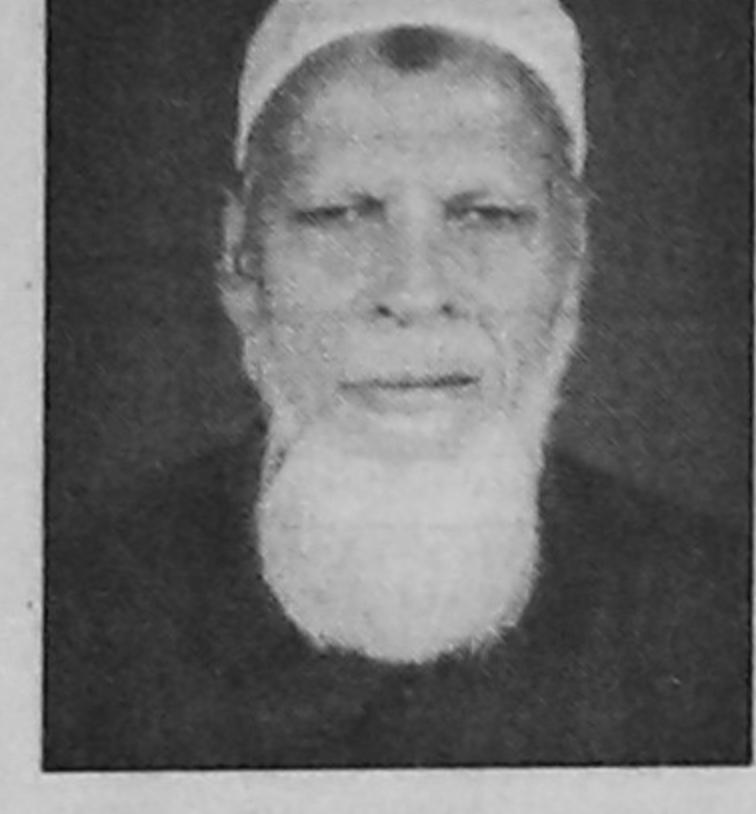
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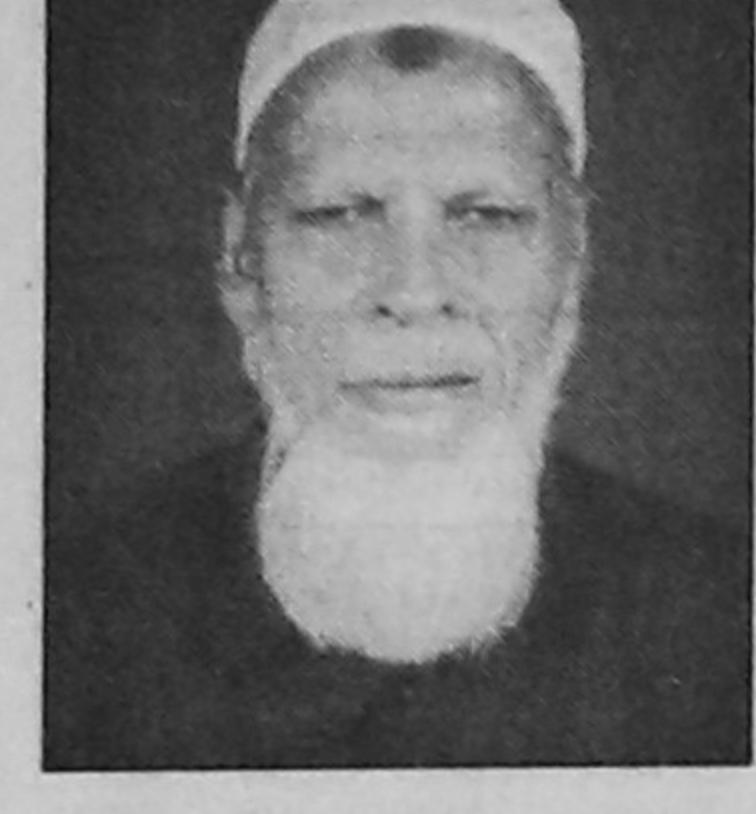
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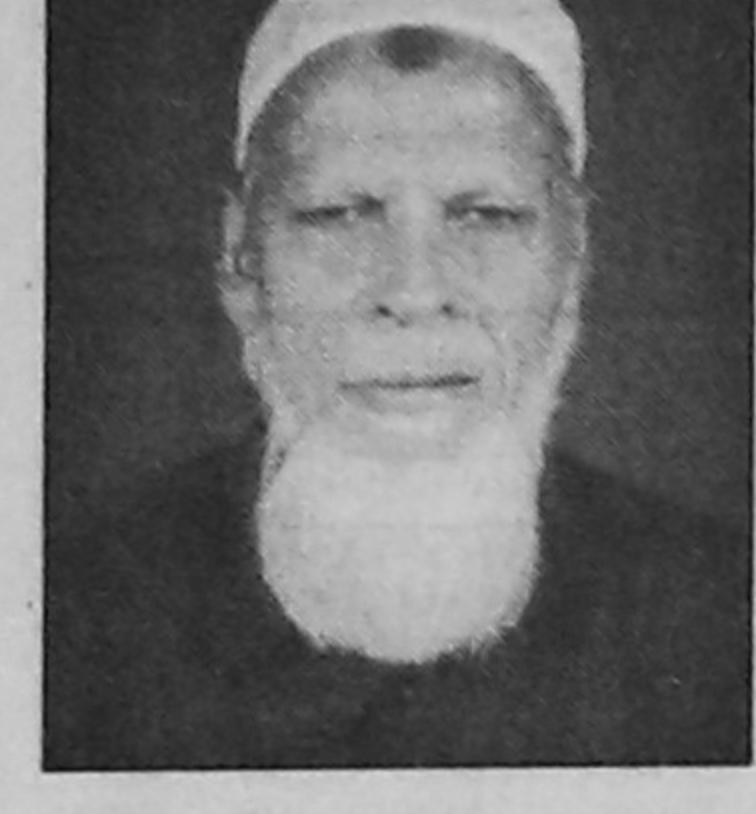
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