Should all established areas

Not necessarily. Certain areas

If we build without considering

can make their own choices and

retain the same standard with few

the effects on the local environment.

we will be repeating the chaotic

scenario of the planned residential

areas in Dhaka. It will not be a happy

situation as residents have now

started to voice their protest, there.

The authorities may be able to do

started. A few apartments have

been constructed; many more are

probably in the pipeline. The prob-

lem here is that the process for

consultation with the community or

with the immediate neighbours is

absent. So one really does not know

what is happening till it is already

approved by the authorities con-

cerned. We need to change this

attitude, till clearly defined propos-

als are in place. We can do it differ-

ently. We all know that prevention is

better than cure. We can establish a

mechanism whereby all aspects are

considered and make adequate provisions. In case of deviations, we

have to ensure, either it does not

take place at all or is detected in the

government to take adequate steps

to ensure pleasant living environ-

ments, in the established planned

areas, and to formulate policies and

set standards for new areas. While

the authorities contemplate on such

issues we urge private individuals,

developers, community representa-

tives and professionals to take note.

A lot can be achieved on mutual

The choice is ours. We urge the

very initial stage and corrected.

The changing process has

little once the damage is done.

change into higher densities?

agreed upon changes.

# 20 die on polls day attacks in Kashmir

AFP. JAMMU. India

Twenty people, half of them civilians, were killed in a series of attacks by Islamic militants and clashes with security forces yesterday in Kashmir, where three districts went to the polls to elect a new assembly, officials said.

In the southern Poonch district, Indian soldiers acting on a tip-off cordoned off a suspected rebel hideout in a southern Poonch district, an army spokesman said.

The soldiers came under heavy fire as they began closing in on the rebel hideout in Sauijan village. 240 kilometres (150 miles) west of Kashmir's winter capital Jammu,

Indian troops returned fire, killing the four militants, he said. Police later reported that one civilian died in the crossfire.

A large quantity of arms and

The government plans to develop

'Purbachal' housing project on the

city suburbs into the country's

biggest satellite town, Housing and

Public Works Minister Mirza Abbas

Rupganj upazila of Narayanganj

and Kaliganj upazila in Gazipur, is

located 16 kilometres northeast of

the capital. The Balu river flows on

the west side of the project and the

kilometre long and 300-foot wide

link road from Pragati Sarani

be developed by Rajdhani

Unnayan Kartripakkha (RAJUK)

with all sorts of modern urban

facilities including communications,

education, healthcare and recre-

people will get employment oppor-

tunity and about 10 lakh people will

benefit directly or indirectly from

State Minister for Water Resources

Advocate Goutam Chakrabarty

vesterday castigated the remarks of

some leaders of Puja Udjapan

Parishad at its recent national

conference and urged the members

of the Hindu community to be alert

against any bid to disturb communal

annoved the members of the Hindu

community. It is a suicidal attempt

and conspiracy to destroy commu-

nal harmony and such remarks will

also create division in the Hindu

community," he told BSS in his

reaction to the remarks of those

leaders cannot be considered as the

feelings of whole Hindu community

as a large number of leaders who

attended the function were not

leaders started conspiracy to

destroy communal harmony when

any religious festival of Hindu com-

munity was about to take place or

any political situation against their

Dutta, Lalit Mohan and Nim

Chandra Bhoumik as anti-state, he

said such comments were not

unlikely from those people who

used to consider foreign country as

which is very much known for its

sycophancy for a political party was

out to create division in the Hindu

community and weaken the minds

Goutam urged the Hindu com-

munity not to be misled at the insti-

gation of the vested section and said

the community would celebrate the

venom of communalism

He said the identified section,

Terming the statements of C R

interest was created in the country.

He said a section of the Hindu

Goutam said speeches of some

Puia Parishad leaders.

allowed to speak.

their homeland.

"Remarks of those leaders have

harmony ahead of the Durga Puia.

'Some Hindu leaders

The minister said at least 3 lakh

The project envisages a six-

"It will be a major satellite town to

Shitalakkya river on the east.

(Khilkhet) of the airport road.

ation," Abbas told BSS.

BSS, Dhaka

Purbachal, which covers parts of

said yesterday.

'Purbachal to be

biggest satellite town'

ammunition were recovered from the dead rebels, the army said.

The clash came amid an earlymorning gunbattle in the summer capital Srinagar in which police raided a house of suspected militants. Two rebels were believed to have been killed, along with one

Islamic rebels had vowed to attack anyone participating in the assembly elections, but only minor violence was reported against polling booths Tuesday.

However, in overnight violence. a militant barged into the house of an activist for the ruling National Conference party at Nalwana in southern Doda district, shooting

Habibullah, 65, is the 34th propoll activist to be killed since India on August 2 announced the dates of the election. The first round was held September 24, while two more

RAJUK has acquired the project

lands and will start the development

work on priority basis in winter, he

said, adding that "We will try to

earmark the plots and distribute

those as early as possible maintain-

ity to meet the growing demand of

plot seekers in a bid to reduce the

of land for the six-kilometer link

road from Pragati Sarani has been

completed and the construction of

the road will be started in a couple

the project in July last year, but the

official developer did not get ade-

quate response at that time. As a

and abroad, as we decided to

proceed seriously," said Abbas

RAJUK invited applications for

pressure on other areas, he said.

"We are working on it with prior-

The minister said the acquisition

ing RAJUk's standard quidelines."

this housing project.

rounds will be held October 1 and October 8.

Police said rebels also beheaded 50-year-old Abdul Rahim, the uncle of former militant Javed Hussain Shah, who ran in the first round of elections for a seat in the state assembly.

Police said 10 another civilians were killed by militants around Kashmir, including two shepherds who were tending their sheep and goats in the Doda district.

The motives for the killings were not immediately clear, although a man killed in Anantnag district was said to have been a police informant At least 36,500 people have

died in Kashmir since an insurments about the incident. gency against Indian rule broke out After inquiry for several months in 1989. Separatists put the death and examining the 64 witnesses, including four magistrates and four doctors, the final charge sheet was filed on December 14, 1999 accus-

ing 24 people, including present Information Minister Tariqui Islam,

Nasim said Tariqul had filed a review petition in the High Court, but it was rejected after hearing the government side and the plaintiff He later appealed to the Appellate Division where the appeal is still

After assuming power, the government released all the accused except one and conducted a fresh inquiry to protect the real culprits, he alleged.

Referring to the bomb blasts at Ramna Batamul, Kotalipara, Christian mission in Gopalgani Narayangani AL office and CPB rally at Paltan, Nasim said the AL government either had completed the investigation or started investigation into all these bomb blasts.

He said the main accused in

Ramna Batamul and Kotalipara bomb incidents were arrested and they confessed their guilt. The government also unearthed a omb-making factory in Gopalganj. These incidents, he said, were

aimed at discrediting the Awami League government towards the end of their five-year-rule. Nasim alleged that the govern-

ment is also trying to protect the

accused in the journalist Shamsur Rahman murder case in Jessore by sending the case to deep freeze.

About the killing of four police men and looting of rifles from Randhunibari police camp in Sirajganj, he said although it is "quite clear that extremist groups were involved in the incident, innocent people and Awami League workers are being harassed."

The extremist groups also killed a local AL leader and ex-Upazila Chairman Firoz Master within hours of the police killing, he mentioned.

Nasim wondered why neither the home minister nor the state minister for home affairs visited the area or the families of the victims to express their sympathy.

Commenting on the Bari Commission, Sengupta termed the iudicial commission as unprecedented, unconstitutional and undemocratic. "The cat came out of the bag" with the report of the "socalled commission" and exposed the malicious intention of the government, he said.

Awami League leaders Abdul Mannan, Dr Mostafa Jalal Mohiuddin, Mukul Bose and Asim Ukil also attended the press confer-

## **Gujarat temple**

Federation of Teachers Association

They said the government has imposed a new timetable for all types of educational institutions without considering the class timing

could have discussed the issue prior

They alleged that RDD and DEO are harassing teachers in the name of implementing the new rule.

The leaders claimed that teachers usually stay at their educational institutions more than six hours a day for which they do not claim any overtime payment

said in a statement.

### Highwaymen

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"This time we got huge response from the public at home

(SP) visited the spot later. None could be arrested in this connection.

ing a woman were admitted to Rmu The superintendent of police

clear of encroachment.

place, but these traders return within a short time. And, with Ramadan and Eid-ul-Fitr just round the corner, it is highly unlikely that the city corporation would launch any drive to evict them.

Senior police officials who declined to be named said that such extortion started during the military regime of General HM Ershad. "That is why earning of each police station of Dhaka city is massive and an official may have to pay the higher authorities up to Tk 10 lakh to get a posting in one of the 22 police stations in the city," said an official source, requesting anonymity.

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Jatiya Party. He now claims to be belonging to the Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP). Babar is regularly seen at the Elenbury circle office of the roads and highways. He is also said to be financing the criminals who are on the run.

On the other hand, the brother raised to free Aslam from jail.

In December last year, police declared reward for the arrest of 23

Five of the criminals are now in prison while one died in mob beat-

Joy and Jabbar Munna are in Kolkata, Tokai Sagar in the US and Aga Shamim in Sweden.

came back to the city from their Kolkata hideouts last week. Liakot Hannan, Imam, Kochi, Killer Abbas, Haris and Manik are also hiding in

## **Timetable**

(BFTA) demanded cancellation of

The leaders said the government

to making the new rule

The decision is not realistic, they

Four of the injured persons includ-

### Rickshaw ban

According to sources, the cash is never deposited with a bank. Instead, it is kept inside an iron safe which can be found either in the police station warehouse or in the residence of a senior official. At the end of each month, the proceeds worth crores of taka are distributed. A fair share of the proceeds goes to high-ups in the administration, said

does not bother to keep these areas

### Cab drivers

Police said they would also tag the numbers on the taxicabs so that the passengers could contact them for any assistance. Passengers have also been urged to inform police about any irregularities so that they can take legal action against the cab drivers.

Besides, police would lodge complaints with the cab operators concerned in case of the irregularities. Police also quoted the Cab Association of Bangladesh as saying that it would sack the drivers

Police said five special check posts would be set up at the entry and exit points in the city. These check posts would gather information and pictures of the cab drivers and passengers.

caused the blast or whether there

the chief priest of India's largest mosque, the New Delhi-based Jama Masjid, told AFP. But Advani urged people of the

provoked by the attack. "I am sure that the people would understand that a conflict would serve the enemies of the country.' Advani said.

volatile state not to resort to be

AL leaders Suranjit Sengupta MP, Begum Matia Chowdhury,

Sudhangshu Shekhar Haldar and

the news conference.

Abdul Mannan Khan also spoke at

Nasim questioned the govern-

ment motive behind the formation

of the inquiry commission after the

trial in the case has already started

based on the final charge sheet. "It

is now clear that the BNP-Jamaat

government does not want to see

arbitrarily set up the inquiry com-

mission to probe into an incident

already unveiled through a pro-

longed investigation by the CID?"

Nasim said the "so-called"

commission prepared the report at

the direction of the government and

implicated him, former Prime

Minister Sheikh Hasina, Tofael

Ahmed and other Awami League

leaders to exact political vendetta.

"Even for the sake of fairness. the

commission did not seek our com-

"Why the government had

the real culprits punished."

"I can say that they think the developments in Jammu and Kashmir will strengthen India and so to divert attention, a big incident will be beneficial to them. I see in it a very deliberate design," Advani

The second phase of polling in

Indian Kashmir was held Tuesday

amid violence after a relatively incident-free first round, which had been welcomed by the Indian gov-India accuses Pakistan of backing militants in Indian-controlled Kashmir, although Pakistan denies

the charge and says it extends only diplomatic and moral support to the militant aroups. As Advani's address was being broadcast, a powerful explosion rocked the historic temple, accord-

ing to an AFP correspondent at the

were further casualties. India's home ministry in New

Delhi said elite "Black Cat" commandos had been rushed to Gandhinagar to try to flush out the gunmen and rescue the hostages. Hundreds of policemen, meanwhile, were surrounding the area

around the temple. Fire tenders were parked nearby while rescuers stretchered the dead and injured to waiting ambulances.

"I saw at least two people inside who are shooting from the terrace of the temple. There were at least four dead bodies inside, including those of a woman and an old man," said Jalpin Patel after being rescued. The militants, he said, were

talking in Gujarati and wearing dark Family members hugged those

who were brought out. More than 1.000 members of the public rushed to the temple site to watch the unfolding drama and

ignored a police cordon until a sudden burst of gunfire sent them scurrying for cover. Policemen used loudhailers to

call for blood donations from the public. Security personnel were

Prime Minister Atal Behari Vajpayee has cut short a vacation in the Maldives islands, and said he will return to India late Wednesday.

The rioting earlier this year broke out across Gujarat -- the largest state ruled by Prime Minister Atal Behari Vajpayee's Hindu-nationalist BJP party -- after a Muslim mob torched a train on February 27 that was carrying Hindu activists, killing Intermittent violence still contin-

ues in the state.

### BUET

the banner of "BUET Students against Violence" with a seven-point

Later, the BUET authorities imposed restriction on all forms of movement, including political rallies and distribution of leaflets.

In protest, general students started an agitation that ended with violence and police actions. Once again, the BUET closed on

integrity are respected. Without

authority or mandate from the

United Nations or without firm

evidence any actions will lead to

He said that other leaders at the

Malaysian Prime Minister

Mahathir Mohamad, also present,

said sanctions must be lifted now

that Saddam had agreed to readmit

UN weapons inspectors. "Britain

and America should listen to the rest

of the world," Mahathir told a news

has ruled out participating in any

military action against Iraq, with or

without UN approval, refused imme-

diate comment on Blair's report, and

noted only that newly elected

Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder was

flying to London later Tuesday to

discuss the matter with the British

sage to Russian President Vladimir

Blair also sent a personal mes-

The German government, which

severe consequences."

summit shared his views.

### goodwill and the time is ripe for us to 9-shooter

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shooter rifle and chasing pickets during a hartal in the city during the tenure of the immediate past Awami League (AL) government. Babul once served as a care-

taker at the Waizghat residence of Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal leader Noor-e-Alam Ziku. Since then he has been called 'Ziku Babul'. Later, he started working at

firm Madina Trading. He also took

part in AL rallies and processions.

Some local journalists went to former AL MP Haji Selim's business

## Nasim terms Bari report | Let dev in Dhaka make such attempts

Cox's Bazar The sense that anybody entering Cox's Bazar for the first time by road will be enthralled by the sight of the sea even from a two-mile distance.

The foamy waves, the crystal crest,

and the wide blue expanse of the

sea will greet her like an old acquaintance. Most tourists reach Cox's Bazar by noon, then they choose hotels, take bath, have lunch, take rest, and then go out to the beach to watch the sunset. They stay overnight, and on the following morning they go to the beach for a great sea bath. Before they do it, they can take the ride to Himchari by the open jeep. They return in an hour and then go into the sea for a bath. For some tourists it is for the first time, and for others it is for the umpteenth time. Nothing in

### JCD men

in Cox's Bazar.

Khaja Super Market and tortured him for about three hours.

life is more precious than a sea bath

As the news reached his mother Nurunnahar, she ran to the JCD office and saw her son being tortured. She cried for mercy and requested them to release him, but they were unnerved

Azmiri became unconscious. She took him to Narayangani Hospital. After three days, Azmiri was

shifted to DMCH, where he died.

When the family was returning to Narayanganj with he body, the JCD activists stopped them on the Dhaka-Narayanganj link road and threatened them not to hold his janaja near their Mission Para residence, local people said.

It was not known where the janaja was held. As the whole incident came to

light on Sunday (Sept 22), JCD cadres forced the family to leave their Mission Para residence.

the Mission Para residence of the victim's family on Monday but found none. Neighbours and other local people said the family was forced by JCD cadres to leave the house.

## Police on outlaw alert

The initiative was taken because of random murders, toll collection, dacoity, arms looting and fresh threats of arms looting and bank robbery. Moreover, the police's special drive against crimes, launched on September 13, could not attain any success so far.

The six trouble-prone districts are Natore, Rajshahi, Naogaon, Bogra, Pabna and Sirajganj. Natore and Chalan Beel areas are being used as safe shelters by criminals.

BNP leader and former Union Parishad (UP) chairman Abdus Subhan Master, Bisha UP chairman Mozammel Haq of Atrai and Cheukhali UP member Amjad Hossain Chowdhury Babul of Bagmara were killed by miscreants on August 30, September 10 and September 5 respectively.

On September 16, an armed attack on Randhunibari police camp in Shirajganj occurred on the fourth day of police drive. The outlaws left four policemen killed, nine injured and also looted arms and ammuni-

On the same day, former chairman of Kamarkhand Upazila Parishad and Awami League leader A T M Hamidul Haq alias Shiraj Master in Shirajganj was killed by miscreants.

Police could not recover any of the arms and ammunition looted from the police camp nor they could they arrest any of the killers of the four policemen and others till the filing of this report in the evening. However, they nabbed at least 1600 persons including seven alleged outlaws from the six districts since September 13.

### Sayeed

Sayeed and Mahbub Hassan Khan with Ramna thana in the city on

accused on September 9. Abu Sayeed and Mahbub Ahsan

Khan along with their lawvers

High Court earlier. Mahbub was granted bail by the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate's (CMM's) Court. Dhaka.

to the trial court for disposal, they

### Shaheed Minar

marches from other directions, sources said.

Terming the requirement to get permission to hold any programme at the Shaheed Minar 'undemocratic' and 'anti-constitutional', Shahriar Kabir said. "The government has surpassed the then Pak government in violating the people's

marched towards it defying curfew during the 1969 upsurge', he told The Daily Star yesterday.

Meanwhile, the EGDNC at a press conference in the city Monday asked the DU authorities not to act as police in guarding the Shaheed

## Muggers stab **CU** student

**CU CORRESPONDENT** 

student of the Chittagong University (CU) and beat and robbed his younger sister of her gold ornaments on the campus vesterday morning. Sanjoy Mitra, the student of the

Department of English, CU, and his younger sister who came to visit the university for the first time, were attacked near the fountain behind the Arts Faculty Building at With the spread of the news,

incident. Later, police arrested two persons on suspicion. In another incident on the campus, an activist of the CU unit of the Bangladesh Chhatra

admitted to the university clinic in a critical condition.

Bangladesh, concealing their identity

Assistant Metropolitan Sessions Judge's Court, Dhaka, on February 18 last year sentenced Chetia to three years' rigorous imprisonment and acquitted two others.

Khorshed Mia and Emdadul Haq Lal appeared for the state while Advocate Abdul Hasib Miah represented the accused.

## conspire to destroy communal harmony'

coming Durga Puja with full enthusiasm and festivity. He also urged the members of other religions to join the festival and said the government would provide all cooperation to celebrate the

festival Referring to the communal harmony in Bangladesh, he said in his constituency (Tangail-6) the number of total voter is one lakh 98 thousand. Of them, only 18 thousand are Hindus. But, being even a member of Hindu community, he was elected member of parliament from this constituency in 1996 and

2001 with a large margin, he said. He also referred that journalists most sensible and highly conscious section of society, have elected a member of Hindu community as the general secretary of the Jatiya Press Club (JPC) for two subsequent terms, despite the fact that most of the JPC voters are Muslims.

Criminals

Freedom Party and later with the

and nephew of Sweden Aslam have grabbed the Nawabganj Hospital construction job worth Tk 3 crore. They did not let any other contractor buy the tender schedule for the work. Only seven schedules were purchased, all by Aslam's relatives. On Monday, they dropped three schedules ensuring that the job goes to them. When other contractors protested this, they were asked to shut up because money is being

most wanted criminals.

The rest are on the run. Subrata.

Kala Jahangir, Pichchi Hannan

### result, the RAJUK sought further applications in last August and

FROM PAGE 1 In exchange, each of them gets about Tk 100 a day.

Throughout the city, thousands of illegal vendors are occupying footpaths, footovers and open spaces with direct patronisation of police. Although the Dhaka City Corporation is responsible for maintaining these public places, it

Sometimes, eviction drive takes

fixed phone 7124000-49 Ext. 2627. Traffic South Office 017-000991 Ext. 2578 and 418124, Traffic North 017-000992, Ext. 2580 and

A special team comprising members of the Detective Branch of Police would be on the vigil to stop hijacking of taxicab in the crimeprone Mirpur and other city areas. The cab drivers can also dial the DMP numbers just in case.

# Blair dossier on Iraq

warning against Washington and

London going it alone against

Baghdad without UN authorisation.

Egypt are keen to see Iraq's offer to

accept UN weapons inspectors

taken up instead of relying on the

unverifiable information put out by

in Cairo, challenged Britain to

substantiate its report, telling

Egypt's official MENA news agency

his country would even "facilitate a

visit by British experts so that they

can tell the world where these

French President Jacques

Chirac, speaking at the end of an

Asia Europe Meeting (ASEM)

summit in Denmark, said that, while

his country "naturally" did not have

the evidence presented in Blair's

Iraqi Foreign Minister Naji Sabri.

US and British authorities.

weapons are"

Powerful Arab nations such as

of inspectors.

-- It has "learnt lessons from previous UN weapons inspections" and begun already to hide "sensitive equipment and documentation" even after telling that United Nations

The dossier featured satellite

photos of alleged Iraqi weapons

sites, including one of a presidential compound that was described as far bigger than Buckingham Palace, the London home of Queen Blair is the European leader who most strongly backs Bush's tough line on Iraq, but while he agreed with Washington that "regime change

would be a wonderful thing," he told the Commons that the focus must be on disarmament. On the possibility of military action, he said, "We're not at the stage of taking decisions... but we have to be prepared to take that action" if Iraq fails to bow to UN

demands. Chinese Prime Minister Zhu Rongji warned that any attack on Iraq without a UN mandate would lead to unspecified "severe conse-

Malaysia and several other

UN asks Israel

Muslim nations reiterated their

The raid met fierce resistance and

prompted gunbattles in which

Palestinian hospital officials said

nine Palestinians, some of them

non-combatants, were killed and

Gaza in recent weeks in its quest to

put down the Palestinian rebellion,

but the clashes were particularly

heavy and the death toll unusually

It was the bloodiest day in Gaza

since Israel killed a Hamas military

commander, his lieutenant and 14

civilians in an air strike on Gaza City

Israeli media have criticised

Sharon for doing little to rein in

Hamas while besieging Arafat's

headquarters in response to two

suicide bombings which killed

seven people, both claimed by

Islamic militant groups, one of them

Troops have demolished most

of Arafat's presidential complex

since last Thursday and penned

him and more than 200 others into a

single building as they press

demands for the surrender of 50

suspected militants Israel says are

also holed up inside.

The army has frequently raided

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more than 20 hurt

on July 23.

Iraq's arms capabilities.

report, it did have "indications" as to

China, which has veto power on the UN Security Council along with Britain, France, Russia and the United States, was stronger in warning Washington and London. While insisting that Irag should

The UN Security Council

adopted a resolution demanding

Israel end its siege of the com-

European text that also called on

the Palestinian Authority to bring

those responsible for attacks to

been deadlocked on how to chas-

tise Israel for its siege, prompting

the Europeans to try to mediate and

did not use its veto power to kill the

resolution. Washington has previ-

ously vetoed similar resolutions,

but diplomats said it decided not to

Calling the resolution flawed

James Cunningham, the U.S.

safe haven in perpetuating conflict

Earlier, the White House said

President Bush "views what Israel

is doing now as unhelpful to the

cause of bringing about reform in

find a compromise.

support against Iraq.

in the Middle East.

Palestinian institutions.

US and Arab delegates had

The United States abstained but

Putin concerning Iraq, the British embassy in Moscow confirmed. In Israel, a government spokescomply with UN weapons inspecman, Avi Pazner, said that, while the tions, Zhu, who was at the ASEM summit, said, "We also ask that report was unsettling, it did not offer Iraq's sovereignty and territorial

prime minister.

Bush has called for a new Palestinian leadership "not compromised by terror" before resumpound, using a compromise ing talks on statehood. UN Secretary General Kofi Annan said Israel's battering of the Palestinian Authority was a "bank-

> ing several senior security officials, and that Israel would bring them to Chief Palestinian negotiator

soldiers destroyed a two-story house belonging to the family of Mohammad Farhat, an 18-year-old militant who killed five people in the Jewish settlement of Atzmona in March before being shot dead.

rupt policy" that bolstered extrem-Israeli Defence Minister Binyamin Ben-Eliezer said in a statement Monday he would not budge from a demand that Arafat hand over wanted militants, includ-

this time to avoid alienating Arab Saeb Erekat held talks with Arafat opinion in its campaign for UN Monday after Israel refused to give the Palestinians a list of the suspected militants in the compound and demanded Arafat draw up a list representative, said: "It failed to identifying them. explicitly condemn the terrorist Erekat said Arafat rejected the groups and those who provide them with political cover, support and

proposal. In Gaza, witnesses said Israeli

Terming the government's sealing off of the Central Shaheed Minar a violation of fundamental rights. noted literateur and leader of the Ekattarer Ghatak Dala Nirmul Committee Shahriar Kabir has said the government cannot bar any individual or organisation from holding rallies or demonstrations there since it is the pride and property of the people.

Though the Pak authority demolished the Shaheed Minar thrice, it did not even cordon off the Shaheed Minar or obstruct anyone when we

Mahbub hassan Khan was also ranted bail along with Abu Sayeed. **BAC Inspector Mohammad** Jahangir Alam, who is also investigation officer (IO) of the case, had submitted charge-sheet to the CMM's court, Dhaka against the two

appeared in the court and sought The lawyers submitted that Abu Saveed was granted bail by the

Later, the case was transferred

The trial court fixed October 6 for hearing of the case.

Muggers stabbed a first vear

11.00am, said sources. about 100 students of the English department brought out a procession on the campus, protesting the

League (BCL) was injured in an attack by some Islami Chhatra Shibir (ICS) cadres at 2.30pm e s t e r d a y Saiful, the BCL activist, was

## Chetia

In the other case for possessing foreign currencies, the Fifth

Assistant public prosecutors