

BGMEA begins anticrime campaign

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Bangladesh Garment Manufacturers and Exporters Association (BGMEA) yesterday distributed posters with a call for social movement against extortion and crime.

The poster distribution was part of a massive anticrime campaign by the BGMEA.

The campaign came in the wake of the garment sector's loss of around Tk 2.34 crore to robbery and mugging since last December.

The decision on the campaign was taken last month at a BGMEA meeting with garment owners, who have been preyed on by muggers and extortionists in recent times.

Home Minister Atif Hossain Chowdhury formally distributed the posters among BGMEA members at the BGMEA office at Karwan Bazaar in the city yesterday. State Minister for Commerce Barkatullah Bhui attended the programme as special guest.

Formation of a human chain by all garment workers and meeting locals in the areas where garment factories are located are also part of the campaign.

The home minister termed the BGMEA initiative a step forward to the social movement against crime. He hopes the country would be crime-free if other organisations follow the BGMEA's path.

The minister admitted that the

country's police force lacks logistic support. Appreciating the readymade garment sector for its contribution to the economy, the minister said it is his ministry's foremost duty to protect the industry and its workers from crime.

Welcoming different initiatives by the government to curb crime, BGMEA President Kutubuddin Ahmed said the readymade garment sector lost around Tk 2.34 crore to robbery and mugging since last December. Besides, extortion has cost the industry another Tk 50 lakh in the same period.

"If the government can give businessmen a crime-free society, the apparel sector alone would be able to earn so much foreign exchange that there would be no need for foreign direct investment (FDI)," said the BGMEA president.

Buriganga

FROM PAGE 1 riverside land has been lost to encroachers.

The BIWTA chairman said that 443 encroachers were evicted last year, with 267 illegal installations to be evicted now.

Housing and Public Works Minister Mirza Abbas said he had expert reports confirming that the Zia International Airport is at a risk of being inundated in flood season due to encroachment on rivers, canals and low-lying areas.

The taskforce also decided to involve the government-appointed attorney-general.

The shipping minister asked top police officials and deputy commissioners of Dhaka and Narayanganj to immediately launch the eviction drive.

Vice-Chairman M Shamsul Islam, Vice-chairman of Bangladesh Paribesh Andolon Muzaffer Ahmed, Vice-chairman of Bangladesh Paribesh Andolon Abdullah Abu Sayeed, Country Representative of IUCN Dr Arun Nishat, Editor of The Daily Star Mahfuz Anam, FEJB Chairman Quamrul Islam Chowdhury and Editor of The Holiday Enayetullah Khan, among others, attended the meeting.

Bank robbery

FROM PAGE 12 tions. The investigators believe the robbery might have been pre-planned and suspect involvement of some bank officials and employees.

"They kept the vault room open and a large amount of money at the cash counter which is questionable," said a DB official.

Meanwhile, DB teams made several raids in different areas of the city but failed to make any arrest. Also, four policemen have been stationed at the bank on a round-the-clock watch.

The number of clients at the bank has gone down since the incident and the situation there has tensed up after the manager and an official were summoned by the DB for interrogation.

AL leader's son

FROM PAGE 12 the Bangladesh Penal Code (BPC) for Kidnapping Mohammad Mohsin, 18 and Mohammad Saem, 19.

The court also framed charges against all the accused under sections 302, 34, 109, 114 and 201 of the BPC for killing, abetment, criminal liability and destruction of evidences (alamats) of the case.

In the case filed with Sutrapur police station, it has been alleged that Mohsin and Saem of Shariat Kumar Das Lane under Sutrapur thana were picked up from their houses by a gang allegedly led by Rahid Hasan Sumon on September 15, 2000.

The gang took the two to Gandaria Rifle Club and tortured them for Tk 50,000 ransom.

Later, the gang, killed the youths, slashed their bodies into twelve pieces and dumped those into a manhole. Police recovered the pieces from the manhole the following day.

Mohammad Amin Miah, father of Mohsin, one of the two victims, filed a murder case accusing 14 people including Rahid Hasan Sumon.

The investigation officer (IO) of the case submitted a charge sheet against Rahid Hasan Sumon and 14 others on March 3 last year.

But the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate's (CMM's) court, Dhaka ordered further investigation into the sensational killing following a naraji petition (no-confidence petition) submitted by Amin Miah.

The detective branch (DB) of police after investigation submitted a supplementary charge sheet to

the CMM's court against Rahid Hasan Sumon and 33 others on May 19 this year.

Baghdad

FROM PAGE 1 threat of war. "We are always opting for the path of peace," he said.

The resolution demands that Iraq cooperate fully with inspectors, who can go anywhere at any time to search for weapons of mass destruction.

It warns that Iraq faces "serious consequences" if it doesn't comply - and the United States has made clear that an Iraqi failure to cooperate will almost certainly mean a new war.

But the Iraqi leader's son offered a way out. Oday Saddam Hussein proposed making Arabs part of the U.N. team, echoing a recommendation from the Arab League.

Blix's office said it has trained inspectors from 49 countries, including six Jordanians, one Moroccan and five Turks. "We don't get too many applications from Arabic countries and we would welcome more applications from people who have the right expertise," one official said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

ElBaradei said the IAEA in the past had "many inspectors from many Arab countries" and this was not a problem.

AL: Hasina's life

FROM PAGE 12 her licensed arms. The government of Khaleda-Nizami has to take the responsibility for the insecurity that Hasina is exposed to after surrendering her licensed arms, AL warned.

The government decision has made Hasina's life vulnerable to the insecurity posed by the self-proclaimed killers of Bangabandhu, AL General Secretary Zillur Rahman told newsmen after the meeting.

Following a recent government order for surrender of all licensed arms, Hasina's private secretary Nazrul Islam applied to the home ministry to exempt her from the order. In reply, the ministry on Tuesday said all licensed arms have to be deposited as per the order.

The meeting also came down heavily on the government's 'ploy to round off the fifth session of the parliament summarily'.

The government had dragged parliament sessions day after day without Awami League, but now when the party has decided to join the session, it is trying to cut short the duration, Zillur said.

In a separate resolution the AL also demanded of the government to supply Boro seeds to farmers at

4 hurt as JCD factions clash at RU

RU CORRESPONDENT

At least four people were injured in an armed JCD clash between two factions of JCD at Rajshahi University (RU) yesterday.

Campus sources said supporters of the two factions -- one led by Anwar Hossain Uzzal and the other by Ahmed Muiz Shimul -- clashed over capture of a room at Suhrawardy Hall of the university at around 6-15 pm.

Both sides exchanged fire and exploded crackers during the clash that lasted half an hour.

The injured JCD activists are Imam and Monowar of Shimul group are Mamun and Hafiz of Uzzal group.

They were admitted to RU medical centre.

Police have been deployed on the campus to avert further clash.

File complaints

FROM PAGE 1 Colonel Nazrul Islam of the Inter Services Public Relations (ISPR), who was present at the briefing, told reporters that the authorities would take necessary actions upon receiving valid allegations. He said if someone is harassed by troops, they can also send written complaints to the ISPR Directorate, Road No. 1, House No. 9/A, Dhaka Cantonment.

He also requested people to send opinions regarding the current anti-crime drive through e-mail at ops_cleanheart@yahoo.com. However, he requested the complainants to put down their names and addresses while sending opinion or lodging complaint.

About the death of an aged man named Mohammad Abul Kashem at Tangail, he referred to a report from the local administration which said the 73-year-old man was arrested on November 2 on suspicion as part of the current joint drive.

To another query about summoning of an editor of a Bangla daily by an officer of the DGF, the PIO said it was not linked to the Operation Clean Heart.

Two fishermen

FROM PAGE 1 bodies floating on the sea.

Meanwhile, our Bariat correspondent says around 60 fishermen aboard eight trawlers are still missing.

The cyclone inundated vast tracts of land in the southern region, damaging farmlands and shrimp beds.

Many islands were cut off from the mainland while scores of fishing trawlers are still missing in the Bay of Bengal.

Five-to-seven-foot high tidal surge swept through some coastal areas during the cyclone.

According to our Khulna correspondent, no information could be gathered about the fate of some 3,000 fishermen living in the Dublar Char. But it is feared that most of the fish processing units on the island have been damaged.

Vast tracts of land at Paikgacha, Koira, Batiaghata and Dakopa Upazilas of Khulna district have been inundated due to tidal surge.

Our Patuakhali correspondent said around Tk 6 crore worth of crops have been damaged in the district.

Fuel price

FROM PAGE 12 last year. He also told her that fuel is being smuggled to India where prices are much higher.

So, he said, it has become 'imperative' for the government to increase the price to 'check smuggling' and 'minimise the losses due to international price increase'.

"Last year the country incurred a loss of Tk 1000 crore in oil sale and the amount could reach to Tk 1800 crore this year," the state minister said.

However, industry people differ with the government rationale to increase the fuel prices. "Instead of turning to other options, the government every time opts for an increase in the fuel price whenever the prices shot up in the international market or there is any apprehension of fuel smuggling," said a industry insider.

"If there is really any fuel smuggling threat the government should gear up vigilance in the border instead of putting burden on the common people and the industry," said a businessman preferring not to be named.

Also, he said reduction of import duty and VAT could be an option to reduce the losses.

According to sources, the Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation (BPC) pays around Tk 3,500 crore each year to the national exchequer as duty and VAT for importing fuel.

According to the new energy ministry proposal, price of each litre of octane would be around Tk 35, a straight 17 per cent increase on the current Tk 30 a litre. Petrol would cost Tk 33 per litre, an 18 per cent jump from the current Tk 28. Diesel and kerosene would cost Tk 21 a litre, which are now selling at Tk 17. Furnace oil will sell at Tk 12 a litre, a 33 per cent jump from the existing Tk 9.



Leaders and activists of the Bangladesh Krishak League demonstrate, demanding supplies of high-quality boro seeds, in a procession in the city yesterday.

2 killed, 5 hurt in Pabna road mishap

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pabna

Two persons were killed and five others injured when a jeep collided head-on with a bus on the Pabna-Iswardi highway Tuesday evening.

The dead were identified as M Mohiuddin, assistant engineer of PDB and Aftab Hossain, driver of the jeep.

Police and witnesses said, the accident occurred when a Pabna bound Pajero jeep from Iswardi collided head-on with Rajshahi bound passenger bus at Monoharpur at around 5.15 pm.

PDB assistant engineer Mohiuddin died on the spot while driver Aftab Hossain at Pabna General Hospital.

The injured, identified as superintendent engineer Idris Chowdhury, assistant engineer Golam Mohammad, store-keeper Altab Hosain, Monirul Islam and Tareq, were first admitted to Pabna General Hospital and then shifted to the Rajshahi Medical College Hospital as their condition deteriorated.

Police seized the bus but its driver managed to flee.

3 engrs of Ctg WASA suspended for corruption

BSS, Ctg

The Chittagong WASA on Tuesday suspended three officials of its engineering section including the Chief Engineer for their alleged involvement in corruption.

The authority also served show cause notices on two more engineers on the same charge, official sources said yesterday.

The punitive measures followed reports of two separate inquiry committees earlier formed by the WASA on alleged charges of corruption.

The suspended officials are chief engineer Mohammad Abul Quasem, executive engineer Kazi Abu Taher and sub-assistant engineer Abdul Qudus.

Superintending engineer Shaiful Islam and executive engineer Shafulal were served show cause notices.

The suspended WASA officials allegedly helped a private construction firm Al Meher Enterprise in misappropriating a huge amount of money.

The Al Meher Enterprise is owned by Abdul Latif Tipu, son of former Labour and Employment Minister and Awami League leader MAMannan.

7,633 arms deposited so far

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Only two days to the November 15 deadline for depositing licensed firearms, 7,633 weapons have so far been surrendered with different police stations in the city till yesterday.

There are 189,265 licensed firearms across the country. The previous Awami League government prior to its completion of tenure issued 3,636 licences from January 1, 2001 to July 18, 2001. Principal Information Officer Khondker Monirul Alam told reporters yesterday.

The Gulshan Police Station received the highest 2,100 weapons since the government issued the arms deposit order on November 5.

A total of 810 weapons were deposited with the Ramna Police Station, 738 with the Dhanmondi, 516 with the Mirpur, 512 with the Mohammadpur, 410 with the Moulshahi, 331 with the Khilgaon, 327 with the Sutrapur, 315 with the Teigaon, 247 with the Cantonment, 222 with the Lalbagh, 204 with the Kotwali, 193 with the Pallabi, 173 with the Sabujbagh, 141 with the Demra, 140 with the Shyampur, 122 with the Badla, 105 with the Hazaribagh, 26 with the Airport and one with the Kamrangirchar police stations.

After the deadline, the government would verify the licences and take action against those who would not obey the order.

AL lawmakers storm out

FROM PAGE 1 it was discussing their demands and a decision was yet to be made on the issues.

"We walked out as the ruling party tried to impose its unilateral decision on us," Chief Whip of the Opposition Abdus Shapid told reporters after the meeting.

The BAC headed by Speaker Jamiruddin Sircar decided that the session would sit for nine days until November 26, everyday (barring Friday and Saturday) from 11:15am to 4:00pm except for the opening sitting that begins at 11:00 today. In the meeting, the AL demanded that the session sit at least for 20 days.

Prime Minister Khaleda Zia was also present at the meeting.

However, the meeting felt that duration of the session might be extended, if necessary.

According to meeting sources, the opposition raised seven issues for discussion in this session, leading to a debate on the proposed discussions. The issues are arrest of opposition MPs in the ongoing anti-crime army drive, the law and order, price hike of essentials, increased tariff on gas and electricity, seed crisis, corruption in administration and alleged irregularities in open market sale (OMS) of rice.

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this morning before attending today's sitting. The meeting would discuss opposition strategies as regards its demand for discussions on various issues, AL sources said.

Some eight bills are scheduled to be introduced in this session, the BNP secretary general said. He added it needs to be the session might be dragged for two more days for discussion on and passage of the bills.

He suggested that the AL lawmakers could give notice for discussion on any issue, which can be talked about, if the Speaker permits.

Finance and Planning Minister M Saifur Rahman, Chief Whip of the House Khandakar Delwar Hossain, Law Minister Moudud Ahmed, Industries Minister MK Anwar, PM's Parliamentary Affairs Advisor Salahuddin Quader Chowdhury and KM Obaidur Rahman of the BNP and Roushan Ershad of the Jatuya Party were also present at the BAC meeting.

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Army-criminal shootout

FROM PAGE 1 ing 19 listed criminals, across the country during the last 24 hours ending at 8:00am yesterday. They also seized 19 firearms along with 18 rounds of ammunitions. The confiscated firearms include two pistols, seven revolvers, six shotguns and three pipe guns.

The army has so far seized 824 firearms, along with 22,944 round of ammunition, and arrested 5,457 people including 1,382 listed criminals since the anti-crime drive against began October 17.

Our correspondent in Magura reports that the army arrested a suspected criminal, Zahirul Islam, at his Meerpara residence in the early hours of yesterday. Islam was later produced before the court with a detention prayer and was sent to jail.

Our Pabna correspondent reports that the joint forces arrested seven people including the district secretary of the Jatuyabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD), a vice-president and a former general secretary of the Pabna Edward College unit of the JCD.

Our Khulna correspondent reports that the joint forces picked up the circulation manager of a local newspaper, Biswanath Golder, 38, circulation manager of the Dainik Prabartan, was hauled up from his village home at Baitaghata. Earlier, troops also searched the newspaper office at Shamsur Rahman Road in Khulna city.

The army team also arrested three listed criminals in different parts of the city early yesterday.

They also arrested two listed criminals from Bagerhat - Mohammad Ali of Rampal Upazila and Shaikh Mohammad Ali of Bagerhat town. Both are activists of the ruling Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP).

Twenty-six people were also arrested in Batiaghata Upazila of Khulna.

Our Sylhet correspondent reports that the army has so far arrested 90 and seized four pistols, two revolvers, 18 locally made arms along with 200 rounds of ammunition.

The arrested include city ward commissioner and joint convenor of the district Jubo League, former vice-president of the district JCD, joint convenor of Fenchuganj Upazila BNP and two UP chairmen of Sadar Upazila.

Our Bogra correspondent reports that a Jubo Dal and two Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) activists were arrested in Bogra town and Dupchanchia Upazila yesterday.

A correspondent from Sathkhira reports that the joint forces picked up two listed criminals and seized two pipe guns from them.

The weapons were recovered from the residence of Abdul Majid, one of the two criminals arrested. Majid and Giasuddin Khan were later handed to police.

Our Rajshahi correspondent says the joint forces and police separately arrested 273 people from the 16 districts of Rajshahi in the last 24 hours and seized three firearms. A revolver and a pipe gun were recovered from

Serail colony of Boalia area in the city.

Meanwhile, the police arrested 810 people including eight listed and 480 wanted criminals across the country during the last 24 hours. Police also seized 16 firearms along with 67 rounds of ammunition. Fifteen people were also arrested for possessing firearms.

A press release of the Dhaka Metropolitan Police (DMP) said that they have arrested 103 people including four car lifters in a special operation in the city yesterday. A team of detectives arrested four people, suspected to be members of an organised car-lifting gang after raiding the city's Sahjadpur area and also recovered a revolver.

In a press release, Inter-Service Public Relations (ISPR) Directorate yesterday said that navy personnel have so far recovered 19 pistols, 18 shotguns, two 303 rifles, one revolver, one double barrel gun along with 75 rounds of ammunition and arrested 30 people including six listed criminals.

Besides, another contingent of the Bangladesh Navy recovered two revolvers, six pistols, nine single-barrel guns, one double-barrel gun and one shotgun, a walkie-talkie, 28 cocktails along with 120 rounds of ammunition from Hatia area yesterday. It also seized accessories for making gun and arrested 206 including 50 listed criminals.

Laden hails attacks

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Canada, Germany and Australia."

The supposed bin Laden said: "What has happened since the conquests of New York and Washington up until now -- like the operations on Germans in Tunisia, the explosion of the French tanker in Yemen, on the French in Karachi, the operations against the (US) Marines in Fialaka (Kuwait), on Australians and Britons on the explosions in Bali, as well as the recent hostage-taking in Moscow and other operations here and there -- were nothing but the response of Muslims eager to defend their religion and respond to the order of God and their Prophet.

On October 12, a car-bombing in the Indonesian tourist resort of Bali left more than 190 people dead, mostly tourists.

Four days earlier, a US Marine was killed and another wounded when Islamist gunmen opened fire on soldiers during military manoeuvres on the Kuwaiti island of Failaka.

And on October 6, a French oil tanker was holed by a bomb off the coast of Yemen, and a Bulgarian sailor killed.

The reference to Karachi was to the killing on May 8 of 14 people, including 11 French, on a bus, while that to Tunisia was of the bombing of a synagogue in Jerba in which 21 people, including 14 Germans, died on April 11.

"Australia was warned about its participation (in the war) in Afghanistan and its ignoble contribution to the separation of East Timor (from Indonesia). But it ignored this warning until it was awakened by the echoes of explosions in Bali," the speaker said.

On October 23, Chechen separatists took several hundred people hostage in a Moscow theatre. When Russian special forces moved in three days later, 128 hostages died as well as the 41 hostage-takers.

With the exception of the Moscow incident, all the others have been attributed to al-Qaeda.

"If you suffer to see your (people) killed and those of your allies in Tunisia, in Karachi, in Fialaka, Bali and Amman, remember our (people) killed among the children of Palestine, in Iraq ... and in Afghanistan," the speaker said.

"As you look at your dead in Moscow, also recall ours in Chechnya."

"For how long will fear, massacres, destruction, exile, orphanhood and widowhood be our lot, while security, stability and joy remain your domain alone," he asked.

"What Bush, the pharaoh of the century, did by murdering our children in Iraq and what Israel, the ally of America, did in bombing houses of the elderly, women and children in Palestine, using American planes, was enough for the wise among your leaders to distance themselves from this criminal gang."

He went on: "Our people in Palestine have been massacred and subjected to the worst of suffering for nearly a century.

"If we defend our people in Palestine, the world gets agitated and coalesces against Muslims under the cover of the war against terrorism, unjustly and in a false way.

"Do your governments not know that the clique in the White House is made up of the greatest murderers of the century?"

Among them, the speaker characterised US Defence Secretary Donald Rumsfeld as the "butcher of Vietnam who has killed more than two million people."

Saying such an imbalance had come to an end, he added, "It is high time that equality be established to this effect," promising more terrorist operations against Western targets by young Muslims "committed before God to pursue Jihad (holy war)."

In Washington, a US official, asking not to be named, said the CIA was to analyse the voice on Al-Jazeera's tape to determine if it was bin Laden's.

The Qatar-based satellite channel did not provide any details on how it obtained the tape but said it showed that bin Laden was still alive at least until the Moscow hostage-taking in late October or the October 28 killing of a US diplomat in Amman.

On October 6, Al-Jazeera broadcast what it said was another recording of the al-Qaida chief in which he issued a new threat to strike US economic interests until Washington renounced its "injustice and hostility" toward Arabs and Muslims.

Ever since the US-led attack on Afghanistan late last year, there has been debate on whether bin Laden, who was in hiding there, had survived those attacks.

A former Afghan commander said in Pakistan on Monday that bin Laden was still alive and hiding in Afghanistan.

Meanwhile, the voice on an audiotape broadcast by Qatar's Al-Jazeera television praising recent terrorist attacks was definitely that of al-Qaida leader Osama bin Laden, according to a Japanese voice expert, a report said Wednesday.

Matsumi Suzuki, a voice expert whose testimony helped convict the killers in the 1983 assassination of Philippine opposition leader Benigno "Ninoy" Aquino, said there was no mistaking the voice, Kyodo news agency reported.

The head of the Tokyo-based Japan Acoustic Lab said the tape had been recorded in a room and the al-Qaida leader's voice was hoarse, suggesting his health had deteriorated, Kyodo said.

According to a transcript of the tape issued by Al-Jazeera in Doha, bin Laden praised the attack on a French tanker in Yemen, the hostage-taking in Moscow and the bomb blast in Bali which killed more than 190 people on October 12.

"As you assassinate, so will you be (assassinated), and as you bomb so will you likewise be," he said in the Tuesday broadcast.

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Suzuki was unavailable immediately for comment, a member of staff at Japan Acoustic Lab said.

Officials quoted by US television networks have also said a preliminary analysis of the tape by intelligence experts indicate the voice on the tape is the al-Qaida leader's.

The White House said Tuesday it would make no judgement about the tape's authenticity.

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ADP projects

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"Present rate of funding implies on an average, a total project implementation period of around 11 years, much higher than the desirable norm of 4-5 years. The average implementation period for non-aided projects is generally higher than the average because of their inadequate funding."

The situation, the bank pointed out, is worse for the rural development sector where it will take 22 years to complete the remainder of the investment programme.

As a case in point, the WB referred to the road sub-sector where benefits from the extensive rural road network have been severely curtailed because of the poor condition and incomplete state of roads. (Only 1-2 per cent of total project costs has been allocated annually for thana construction road and public priority road and bridges projects.)

"The current resource allocation policy appears quite sub-optimal in terms of maximising benefits of public investment and warrants rationalisation, prioritisation of the ADP investment portfolio and allocation," the bank said.

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