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Mixed UN report on Advani briefly detained Iran nuke plan **BBC ONLINE**

REUTERS, Vienna

UN inspectors delivered a mixed report on Iran's nuclear activities yesterday that failed to either confirm or disprove US allegations the country is secretly trying to build nuclear weapons.

The UN's International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) said in a confidential report circulated to diplomats and obtained by Reuters that Iran planned a test of a uranium conversion facility soon.

It said Iranian technicians had told IAEA inspectors they planned to convert 37 tons of "yellowcake" uranium into uranium hexafluoride -- which one Western nuclear expert said could in theory be enough to build five atomic bombs.

Iran insists the only purpose of its nuclear program is electricity generation. It denies having done any uranium enrichment close to the level needed to fuel a power plant, let alone weapons. The U.N. agency said it "contin-

ues to make steady progress in understanding the (Iranian nuclear) program," though its investigation is not complete.

"It is a work in progress," a senior Western diplomat said of the investigation, adding that the IAEA's sixth such report on Iran was "a mixed bag. The report will be discussed at a

meeting of IAEA Board of Governors in September, when Washington is expected to renew its call for the board to report Tehran to

Opposition chief whip gets phone threat

UNB, Dhaka

An anonymous caller yesterday phoned Opposition Chief Whip Abdus Shaheed and threatened him with dire consequences. The opposition chief whip said

the caller, perhaps a young man, phoned to his parliament office intercom no. 2375 at about 2:10pm. Shaheed told the news agency that he could not understand the

motive behind this threat He said his family members had also received abusive phone calls 4-

5 months back. Barely a year ago, his house in Srimangal came under attack twice. He wrote letters to then home minister Altaf Hossain and the speaker, but no action was taken.

Jalil says can prove

the U.N. Security Council for violating its non-proliferation obligations. However, diplomats at the U.N. say Washington has few supporters.

highly-enriched uranium.

Albright said: "It's roughly enough about five crude nuclear weapfor ons of the type Iran could conceivably build." But he added: "There's nothing in this report that says

Youth held near Sudha Sadan on suspicion STAFF CORRESPONDENT

'Gotcha Iran!"

Police arrested a young man in front of Leader of the Opposition Sheikh Hasina's Sudha Sadan residence on suspicion yesterday, 11 days

after she survived deadly grenade attacks on a rally. The suspect, who gave his name as Jahangir, son of Sobhan Khan of Pathalia in Chandpur, said he was looking for a leader of the main opposition Awami League (AL) of

which Hasina is the president. Jahangir could not say whether the AL leader from his area, Shamsul Huq Bhuiyan, was in Dhaka. Dhanmondi police said Jahangir, who claimed to have done his

master's from Kabi Nazrul Islam College in Dhaka, was probably a mentally imbalanced man. They said he answered them inconstantly during preliminary interrogation and a prescription for

drugs relating to mental illness was found in his pocket. Jahangir said he was looking for a job in Dhaka staying at a relative's house in Khilgaon after arrival in the

pital a week ago. He said police picked him from a lakeside restaurant near Sudha Sadan in a claim that police denied instantly, saying they caught him for suspicious movement in front of lasina's house.

AL rally on Bangabandhu Avenue August 21 killed 19 people, including Women's Affairs Secretary of the party lyv Rahman and injured over 200 others. Hasina survived the attack with

detained the country's main opposition leader, Lal Krishna Advani during protests against the arrest of a colleague

David Albright, a former U.N. weapons inspector and currently president of the Institute for Science and International Security (ISIS) said the test planned by Iran could produce 100 kg of weapons-grade

charge, police said. Speaking purely hypothetically, Police in Bangalore, capital of southern Karnataka state, say more than 1,000 demonstrators were held at the rally.

Detentions without charge to prevent disturbances regularly occur in India Bharti of the Hindu nationalist BJP

> was sentenced to 14 days in custody in August over charges that she incited Hindu-Muslim violence 10

Indian police yesterday briefly

the arrest and jailing of Uma Bharti.

They were later released without

o prevent violence, police said.

years ago. Advani had agreed to head a week of demonstrations beginning yesterday against her detention.

"We will continue this peaceful agitation in the name of truth and iustice for the next seven davs. Advani told the rally before police intervened.

The demonstrations are scheduled to end with a public rally on 8 September to be addressed by former prime minister, Atal Behari Vajpayee

The government in Karnataka agreed on Monday to drop all charges against Bharti, who resigned as chief minister of Madhva Pradesh state before she was arrested.

A court hearing yesterday at which she was expected to be released was postponed until Saturday

Bharti, a firebrand Hindu nun, is one of the most charismatic politicians in the BJP.

She is accused of participating in a rally in Karnataka in 1994 which led to clashes between Hindus and Muslims after she unfurled the Indian flag over a prayer ground disputed by both communities Several people were killed in riots

that followed

carries a 0.75 percent service

charge and has 40 years to maturity

increase manpower recruitment

Quamrul Islam will leave Dhaka

for a visit next week to four Middle

Qatar, the United Arab Emirates and

Bahrain to explore the possibilities

of increased manpower export

Eastern countries such as Kuwait,

with a 10-year grace period.

WB okays FROM PAGE 12

credit will help improve governance in the education sector, which has repeatedly been identified as a maior development challenge facing Bangladesh, the WB pointed out. Given the strong linkages

A series of grenade attacks on an tion strategy.

The credit from the International grievous inner ear injury. Development Association (IDA), the WB's concessionaire lending arm,

\$2b Tata investment

Meghnaghat.

BNP

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celebrates

steel and power to India. In case of

fertiliser, it plans to export only after

Meeting sources said the group's

They also said, although Tata did

requirements are acceptable, as

Bangladesh has similar agreements

with foreign companies like AES

not quote any price for the continu-

ous gas supply, there are standard

agreements with companies like

Kafco, where there are provisions

for compensation in case the seller

or the buyer fails to supply or con-

president and peace and progress of the country and welfare of its

and its front organisations followed the prime minister to pay homage.

and activists later went on a cleanli-

ness drive in different parts of the city. BNP also distributed saplings among

LGRD and Cooperatives Minister Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan, Environment Minister Tariqul Islam, Health Minister Dr Khandaker

cleanliness drive in Sutrapur, Kotwali, Demra, Sabujbag, Khilgaon, Ramna, Tejgaon, Mirpur, Badda and Labagthangs

at 4:00pm today at Mahanagar Natya

Mancha. Khaleda will attend the

said, urging women to add a spark

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Haiera Sultana. Hosne Ara

Khanam, Maksuma Nargis, Shirin

Hag. Farida Akhter and Ivv

Rahman's sister Shamsunnahar

an obituary reference to mourn the

a procession and paraded through

city roads before terminating at the

Bangladesh Mahila Samity

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Sramik Jote, Ain-O-Salish Kendro

Nari Pakkhya, Samata and Nari

The Awami Mahila League

Prof Khaleda Khanom read out

The women activists brought out

Siddigui also addressed the rally.

killing of lvy and others.

High Court Mazar

Mamtaz Begum, Khushi Kabir,

to the oust-government movement.

BNP holds a discussion meeting

The leaders and workers of BNP

Senior ministers and BNP leaders

sume gas as stipulated in the deed.

meeting the domestic demand.

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and considering the subsequent hartals and announcement of a month-long opposition programme

to unseat the government. Affirming that the political unrest has made the investment 'chancy', Mosharraf Hossain said it made Advani refused a police request to some top Tata principals including move during a demonstration in the Group Chairman Ratan Tata to southern city of Bangalore against defer their visit to Dhaka from September 6, as was scheduled, to Advani and other Bharativa mid-October. Janata Party leaders had been held

> certain about the Tata delegation's October visit, Hossain told The Daily Star that it all depends on the situa tion then on the political front.

Asked if the government was

"They are scared by the series of hartals." he noted.

The state minister also apprehends that the perturbation of such a heavyweight investor is sure to send negative signals to other potential investors who now would be more sceptical and cautious in

vesting in Bangladesh. "But, if we have received investment from industrial majors like Tata, it would definitely have boosted the foreign investors' confidence," he underscored.

According to other meeting sources, in its initial proposal Tata has sought uninterrupted gas supply at a reasonable price for at least 20 years to set up three indus-Health Minister Dr Khandaker Mosharraf Hossain, Law Minister Moudud Ahmed, Communications Minister Nazmul Huda, Jute and Textile Ministers Shajahan Siraj, DCC Mayor Sadeque Hossain Khoka, DCC ward commissioners and BNP activists launched the elegantinger drive in Sutrapur trial units -- a power plant, a steel mill and a fertiliser factory. The group asked for suitable

land in one of the four districts --Ishwardi, Sirajganj, Jessore and Khulna -- to build a 1000-megawatt power plant and a steel mill with an annual production capacity of 2.4 million tonnes of steel.

Its fertiliser factory with a planned annual production capacity of one million tonne Tata wants to set up in Chittagong. function as chief guest.

The group proposes to export

Women activists

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the leaders of the main opposition, she said, demanding an impartial probe into the violence

Frontline AL leader Motia Chowdhury alleged more than 20 people were killed in the August 21 attack and police hid some bodies. Motia said the attackers also

wanted to free a number of killers from Dhaka Central Jail where a grenade was found on the day.

"The present government has been killing popular leaders of the opposition in a systematic way and the August 21 attack was not an isolated incident," she alleged.

Citing police atrocities on women between poverty reduction and and opposition demonstrators human capital development, delivduring hartals, she accused the erv of high quality education, espegovernment of using law-enforcers cially to poor people, is a major goal to suppress women and the opposiof the government's poverty reduc-

"There is no way to protest Pragati Sangha participated in the programme democratically in the country," she

PM pledges ICT

formation of Bar's probe committee

UNB, Dhaka

Barrister Rokanuddin Mahmud convenor of a six-member Supreme Court Bar Association probe body on August 21 grenade attack has said they want to find out the culprits and evil forces involved in the heinous act.

"There should be no misunderstanding about our purpose. We want to unearth the truth and make the findings public. Our efforts are purely non-partisan and neutral, Rokan said in an interview with the private news agency yesterday dispelling doubts about the probe body.

When pointed to the criticism of their venture. Rokan said the concept of public inquiry committee on events of national importance is not new. Citing an example he said similar inquiry committee was formed to probe the murder of Moizuddin Ahmed, a former MP, at Kaliganj during the Ershad regime. Law Minister Maudud Ahmed, who is now vocal against the lawyers' inquiry committee, was a member of that probe body.

Refuting allegation of BNP Secretary General Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan, he said: "We have no clash with the judicial inquiry commission set up by the government. It will do its job and we will go ahead with our task.

He also dismissed the snide remarks of Communications Minister Nazmul Huda that the lawyers' probe body is farcical and a blueprint to implement the programme of Awami League. "Our six-member probe body represents all major political parties including Dr M Zahir of BNP. Only one Awami Leaguer, Barrister Amir-ul Islam, has been included in the body."

General members of the Supreme Court Bar Association formed the probe body in a resolution, which was adopted unanimously, said Rokan, also president of the Supreme Court Bar Association.

Asked why they have formed an independent committee when the government already set up a judicial inquiry commission to investigate the tragic incident, Rokan said experiences showed no report of judicial commission was ever made public and the people never knew what actually happened. "We shall make our report public.

Moreover, when lack of confidence in the government grows, responsible citizens should come up to meet the public demand, he said

Asked how much time the lawyers' probe body will take to publish its report, Rokan said they have not yet set the deadline.

Govt staff FROM PAGE 1

where the government employees pay their own tax. Of some nine lakh government

Rokan defends | Hundreds held hostage

FROM PAGE 1 vesterday in the Black Sea resort of Sochi for a second time and returned to Moscow. On arrival at the airport, he held an immediate meeting with the heads of Russia's Interior Ministry and Federal Security Service, the Interfax news agency said

The standoff began after a ceremony marking the first day of the Russian school year, when it was likely that many parents had accompanied their children. About 17 militants, men and women, stormed the school and herded captives into the gymnasium. They forced children to stand at the windows and warned they would blow up the school if police intervened, said Alexei Polyansky, a police spokesman

for southern Russia. The ITAR-Tass news agency, citing local hospitals, reported that seven people died of injuries in the hospital and one was killed at the site during the seizure. Regional emergency workers told the news agency that two bodies were visible near the school, which has grades one through 11.

Fatima Khabalova, spokeswoman for the regional parliament, earlier said one of the dead was a father who brought his child to the school and was shot when he tried to resist the raiders. She also said at least nine people had been injured in gunfire after the hostage-taking, including three teachers

and two police officers. Kazbek Dzantiyev, head of the region's Interior Ministry, said that the hostages have threatened "for every destroyed fighter, they will kill 50 children and for every injured fighter --20 (children)," the ITAR-Tass news agency reported.

At one point, a girl wearing a floral print dress and a red bow in her hair apparently fled from the school, her hand held by a flak-jacketed soldier. An older woman followed them. Ruslan Ayamov, spokesman for North Ossetia's Interior Ministry told The Associated Press that 12 children and one adult managed to escape after hiding in the building's boiler room.

"I was standing near the gates attacks in recent years. music was playing, when I saw three armed people running with guns. At first I though it was a joke when they fired in the air and we fled," a teenager Zarubek Tsumartov, said on Russian television

Suspicion in both the school attack and the Moscow bombing fell on Chechen rebels or their sympathizers, but there was no evidence of any direct link. "In essence, war has been declared on us, where the enemy is unseen and there is no front," Russian Defense Minister Sergei Ivanov said.

The latest violence came around last Sunday's presidential elections in Chechnya, a Kremlin-backed move aimed at undermining support for the insurgents by establishing a modicum of civil order in the war-shattered republic. The previous Chechen president, Akhmad Kadyrov, was

FBI in Dhaka to probe

FROM PAGE 1 official will stay in Bangladesh. He,

the evidence. However the FBI however, confirmed that Wilson is a official did not talk to reporters who special agent of the FBI having gathered at Sudha Sadan. expertise in forensic The US embassy also confirmed

Saber told waiting journalists that the FBI and intelligence officials went to Sudha Sadan to make forensio

"The vehicle would have been

The FBI is responsible for protect-

better evidence if it had been exam-

ing the US and its citizens from future

terrorist attacks. The responsibilities

include upholding the law through the investigation of terrorists and terror-

ist-related activity and protecting the

US from foreign intelligence activi-

criminal law and providing leader-

ship and law enforcement assis-

tance to federal, state, local and

FBI's tasks

nternational agencies are also

Investigating violations of federal

ined instantly," Saber said

and prepare a report on the basis of

killed along with more than 20 others in a bombing on May 9. The militants inside the school released one hostage with a list of their demands, including the freedom of fighters detained over a series of

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attacks on police facilities in neighboring Ingushetia in June, ITAR-Tass reported. They also seek talks with regional officials and a well-known pediatrician

Leonid Roshal, who aided hostages during the deadly seizure of a Moscow heater in 2002, news reports said. Parents of the seized children recorded a videocassette appeal Putin

to fulfill the terrorists' demands Khabalova said. The text of the appea was not immediately available

The violence was the latest to plague the government of Putin, who came to power vowing to crush the Chechen rebellion. Terrorism fears in Russia have risen markedly following the plane crashes and the suicide bombing outside a Moscow subway station Tuesday night. The blast by a female attacker tore through a busy area between the station and a department store, killing 10 people and wounded more than 50

A militant Muslim web site published a statement claiming responsibility for the bombing on behalf of the "Islambouli Brigades," a group that also claimed responsibility for the airliner crashes. The statements could not immediately be verified.

The statement said Tuesday's

pombing was a blow against Putin,

who slaughtered Muslims time and

again." Putin has refused to negotiate

with rebels in predominantly Muslim

Chechnya who have fought Russian

forces for most of the past decade

Several female suicide bombers

allegedly connected with the rebels

have caused carnage in Moscow and

other Russian cities in a series of

believed to be so-called "black wid-

ows," who have lost husbands or male

relatives in the fighting that has

gripped Chechnya for most of the past

decade. Investigators of the plane

crashes are seeking information about

two Chechen women believed to have

about 400 people including some 200

children were being held captive in the

Belsen school, ITAR-Tass reported. A

regional police official said the hos-

tages had been herded into the school

ovmnasium. There were 17 attackers.

both male and female. Interfax said

citing Ismel Shaov, a regional spokes-

man for the Federal Security Service.

(AP.AFP)

Regional emergency officials said

been aboard one on each plane.

Many of the women bombers are

saving they must be wiped out.

opposed the Liberation War and assassinated Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman are the ones behind the attack. They wanted to massacre the AL leadership or. in other words, destroy the democracy and sovereignty of the country and erase it from the map.

He lambasted the government for not carrying out to completion any of the probes into the arms hauls in Chittagong and Bogra and the series of bomb blasts, and thus exposing the criminals involved. "Instead, the prime minister in her statement in the Jativa Sangsad accused the AL for those," he mentioned, adding in such circumstances how can the investigations be neutral?

Jalil said, after the August 21 carnage, if there were even a minimal democracy in the country, the government would have immediately resigned.

He reiterated that AL would not sit in dialogue with the government unless it identifies those responsible for the grenade attack by a neutral international probe and punishes them.

Speaking at the meeting AL Presidium Member Mohiuddin Khan Alamgir condemned the govern-

Boycott

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contended that this court could not hear the writ, as the junior judge (Justice Dhar) of the bench is the subject matter of boycott of the court.

Barrister Abdur Razzak, counsel for the petitioners, conceding to the contention of Barrister Rokan sought to take back the writ. The court granted the prayer.

Coming out of the court, Barrister Razzak told the newsmen that he would move the writ in another bench. He said the lawyers have the right to practice in the courts. But the SCBA has taken away the right and imposed punitive measure of cancelling the membership of the Bar if any lawyer defied its decision.

The SCBA in its general meeting on Aug 29 adopted a resolution to boycott the chief justice's court as he ignored the lawyers' demand for cancellation of the swearing-in of 19 additional judges appointed on what they said were political grounds.

general secretary said, "Those who Leader Sheikh Hasina'

> He said, on August 21, police left the scene as soon as the first grenade exploded. Alamgir said the failure of police

to instantly cordon the area to prevent the attackers from escaping also proves government's involvement in the attack

AL Relief and Social Welfare capture the sate power." Former vice chancellor of Dhaka

meeting

Missing jail FROM PAGE 1

The IGP rubbished the rumour about the recovery of grenades from Sohel's home, adding: "A vested quarter is spreading it." He also denied the recovery of the homemade bomb.

On a rumour that the jail authorities seized 15 grenades on August 22 and the actual recovery of only one. he said: "Those who spread the rumour can best talk about it."

Deputy Commissioner (South) of Police Khan Sayeed Hasan told The Daily Star last night, "I've talked to the jail authorities but they did not confirm it."

Judicial body FROM PAGE 12

asking him to provide the commission with all documents regarding the grenade attacks case including copies of FIR (first information report) and forensic reports of the victims

The commission also sought for the number of forces including detectives deployed at the meeting venue to ensure security, the source

Besides, Justice Md Joynul bedin, head of the commission, visited National Institute of Traumatology & Orthopaedic Rehabilitation (Nitor) and Raiarbagh Police Hospital vesterday evening. He interviewed some wounded policemen and witnesses there

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high commissioner to take an initiative to relax the lengthy procedure of issuing visa for Bangladeshi citi-Law and order in Bangladesh

and issues related to mutual benefit also came up for discussion, meeting sources said. Choudhury assured the state minister of taking initiative to

Secretary Prof Nazma Rahman warned, "If the BNP remains indifferent to the mounting fundamentalist threat, the Islamist zealots will also become a threat to Khaleda Zia and her sons, and will eventually

University Prof AK Azad Chowdhury and Falguni Hamid of Bangabandhu Sanskritik Jote also spoke in the

Razzak undergoes FROM PAGE 12

there.

from Bangladesh.

Siddique, Mamtaz Hossain, Enamul Haque Shamim, Ajoy Kar Khokan, Nazrul Islam Babu, Nasima Ferdousi, Sahabuddin Farazi and Bahar Mia have gone for medical check-up.

The health of another AL leader Neela Chowdhury, who is receiving treatment at city's Shamorita Hospital. meanwhile, is not improving. Doctors yesterday said removal of all the splinters from her body is not possible and suggested her to undergo treatment abroad.

However, Neela told The Daily Star last night that her passport was sent to the AL office yesterday, as the party considers sending her abroad.

Charge framing FROM PAGE 12

Up to seven assailants shot Rabbani on city's Muradpur Road on April 11. He was going to KEPZ site with five colleagues in a microbus.

Rabbani, also former Chittagong Port Authority (CPA) chairman, was rushed to Chittagong Medical College Hospital and to Combined Military Hospital in Dhaka the same day. He went into a coma the next day and remained unconscious until he died at Bamroongrad Hospital in Bangkok on April 24.

Police pressed charges on June 29, accusing seven including Engineer Abu Naser Chowdhury, former general manager of the KEPZ, and Humayun Kabir, former security officer.

Of the accused, three including Naser and Humayun went into hiding and the rest are behind bars.

The charge sheet has showed 45 people including six policemen as prosecution witnesses

the ICT sector and said the govern-

ment would welcome foreign investment by providing all necessary assistance.

The prime minister handed over cheques and certificates to 44 students at secondary, higher secondary, polytechnic and graduation levels

From now on the poor and talented students will be given Shaheed Ziaur Rahman ICT scholarship every year on the basis of

specific policy guidelines, She said. Referring to additional allocation for the universities to increase the number of skilled ICT programmers and trainers, Khaleda said about 4,000 ICT professionals with graduation and diploma degrees are being produced every year from public and private universities, and polytechnic institutes.

Besides, a good number of workers with primary knowledge and skill on computer operation are also being produced every year from 300 computer training institutions in the private sector, she added.

Education Minister Osman Farruk, State Minister for Education ANM Ehsanul Huq Milon and Education Secretary Faruk Ahmed

Shibir men chop dead

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Police and college sources said Shibir activist Golam Kibria had assaulted Sohag early Wednesday night near the new dormitory of the college and some other students took an initiative to settle the matter. Accordingly, Sohag informed college unit JCD President Mizan of the incident and college unit Shibir Secretary Mamnun agreed to sit for a settlement half an hour later. But soon after, Shibir men laid a siege to the dormitory and attacked JCD

They chopped Sohag with 'ramdao' injuring him fatally and fled the spot. He was

Rushed to Sylhet MAG Osmani Medical College Hospital where he succumbed to his injuries at about 1-20 am.

Later, police and Rapid Action Battalion officials led by two magistrates searched the college and the dormitory as well as the nearby MC College and Sylhet Sarkari College dormitories.

Police nabbed two shibir cadres -Zahed Hossain of village Bhatiana

Siddiqui also addressed the func tion.

emplovees, salaries of about The prime minister referred to 30,000 are taxable, an NBR official the government's various measures said, adding the government paid for ICT development including the NBR Tk 100 crore in taxes of signing of the agreement for linking public servants in the last fiscal Bangladesh with the information year super highway, opening of telecom-The NBR also made it mandamunications and ICT sector for tory for the government staff who private investment, formation of have TIN (taxpayer's identification telecommunication regulatory number) to submit income tax commission, duty-free import of returns in the current fiscal year.

computer hardware and software, The NBR officials said the creation of ICT incubator in Dhaka government made the provision in introduction of three-year term ICT 2002 for the civil servants to meninternship, formation of ICT busition their TIN in the salary bill. But it ness promotion council and setting was found that although the up of ICT business centre at employees mention their TIN in the California salary bill, they do not submit She said the Bangladesh Bank income tax return in time, prompt-

has created a Tk 300 crore fund to enable the new software farms to take financial assistance. The prime minister said ICT

could accelerate human resources development, enhance employment generation, and increase production and development. She said the government has

identified ICT as a priority sector and taken measures for its development.

Ministers, vice-chancellors of various universities, academics, students and teachers attended the function.

tion is very few. The government has taken these measures to widen the income tax base for increasing its earning.

Email senders under Sitakunda of Chittagong, and ABM Mofiqul Haque of Sarail in FROM PAGE 12

income tax return mandatory.

return as a deterrent to their tax

usually own land, houses and cars

and have other income that is

inconsistent with their salary, the

The NBR circular sent to the

secretaries observed that the

number of income taxpayers

compared to the country's popula-

officials added.

The government employees

dodging, the NBR officials added.

Brahmanbaria -- suspecting their motives and others involved in the threat.

They also recovered seven Police said the pair mailed the 'chapatis' and one ramdao and one offices of the inspector general of motorbike from the room of Sarkari police and Rab (Rapid Action College Shibir unit president and Battalion) on August 25, threatening two chapatis from the Veterinary to raze down the PMO if it did not pay Tk 3 crore to Ahsan Habib Selim Reza of Tallabagh in Dhanmondi in a week

Tracking down Dipu through the email, police arrested him on Tuesday at his house on New Elephant Road and seized his personal computer that they claim carried his links to the crime.

Pressed by the police. Dipu asked Wahid to go to Sat Masjid Road in Dhanmondi where they captured him.

Sub-Inspector Shahadat Hossain filed a case under the Speedy Trial Act (Law and Order Disruption) also the same day.

"They confessed to committing the crime to frame Ahsan," police said

vesterday that Counter-Terrorism Coordinator of the US State and ballistic examinations of Department Cofer Black is set to Hasina's bullet-hit vehicle. He said arrive in Dhaka on Sunday the AL is only extending its cooperation in the investigation.

Black, a former CIA (Central Intelligence Agency) official, is responsible for US efforts to improve counterterrorism cooperation with foreign governments and plays a leading role in the State Department's taskforces to coordinate responses to international terrorist incidents

Wilson talked with the officials of local intelligence agencies and visited Sudha Sadan, the Dhanmondi house of Hasina, also the AL president.

During the over-two-hour visit to Sudha Sadan, Wilson examined the bulletproof sports utility vehicle of Hasina, which was riddled with ing the government to make the bullets and grenade shrapnel while The government employees will carrying her to safety, in the presalso have to furnish information on ence of her political secretary Saber their lifestyle with the income tax Hossain Chowdhury.

Norwegian Officials of the National Security FROM PAGE 12 Intelligence (NSI), Criminal on the second day of their visit to Investigation Department (CID) and Directorate General of Forces Bangladesh. Anders Largen Intelligence (DGFI) accompanied Wilson during the visit at around 2:30pm. Regional Security Officer of the US Embassy in Dhaka David

Motley also accompanied him. The FBI official examined the nature of damage to the vehicle, took snaps and collected evidence. The FBI will analyse the evidence

recently joined GrameenPhone on behalf of Telenor as a specialist in Sales & Marketing, Telenor is one of the largest direct foreign investors in Bangladesh.

The incident has roused a sense of insecurity among the expatriate families in Dhaka.

A case was filed with Gulshan Police Station in this connection.

Curfew in Kathmandu

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intervened and prevented them. The building has been cleared. No one was injured."

Offices of manpower companies which recruit Nepalis to work abroad were also indiscriminately attacked and their contents burned on the streets.

Impoverished Nepal does not allow its nationals to travel or work in Irag because of security concerns but many go to the country from other nations in the Middle East About 3.5 percent of Nepal's 27

million people are Muslim. "This inhuman act is against

Islam," a Nepali Islamic group said in a statement on the killing of the 12, the largest number of foreign captives killed at one time by militants in Iraq.

Groups of protesters took to the streets of Kathmandu late on Tuesday after news of the killing spread. Relatives of the victims were among those accusing the

government of not doing enough to help the victims. "The government did not do

enough to get their release," said Sudarshan Khadka, the brother of Ramesh Khadka, one of the victims in his village about 25 km (16 miles) outside Kathmandu

About 800,000 Nepalis work as labourers, drivers, guards, cleaners and cooks in different countries --200,000 of them in the Middle East.

They send about \$800 million home to their families each year, a major source of income in one of the

world's 10 poorest countries. Nepal's embattled government is struggling to contain an insurgency by Maoist rebels seeking to replace the constitutional monarchy with one-party communist rule.

The government's mainstream political opponents have staged months of protests in a campaign for the revival of a parliament dissolved by King Gyanendra two years ago.

College dormitory. Namaj- e - janaza of Sohag was held on the college premises and his body was sent to his village home in Doarabazar upazila of Sunamganj in the afternoon.

involvement in the killing.

The district and city units of the JCD brought out a procession protesting the murder

A group of agitated JCD men pelted stones at a shopping mall and a boutique store known said to be owned by Jamaat-Shibir men.

The principal of the college filed a case with Kotwali Police Station, accusing six of killing Sohag.

Earlier in September 2002 Shirbir men had chopped JCD activist Doyel to death on the campus of Madan Mohan College.