### FM's India remarks 'Extortionist'

security and natural resources management and that it should be seen as such," said the spokesman of the foreign ministry. The statement came following

reporters' query on a statement by the official spokesperson of Indian ministry of external affairs and a day after the Bangladesh high commissioner to India was summoned by the Indian foreign secretary to express India's surprise and dismay over Morshed's remarks.

"Maintaining friendly relations with India is central to Bangladesh's foreign policy and Bangladesh remains committed to moving these relations forward through a continuous process of dialogue and meaningful cooperation at various levels to find mutually acceptable solutions to all outstanding issues," the foreign ministry stressed

With a secretary-level bilateral meeting on border-related issues due next week and a Joint River Commission meet this week Foreign Secretary Shamsher Mobin Chowdhury told BBC Radio last night they hoped Morshed's comments would not adversely affect those meetings.

a broadside at India on security economic and water sharing issues while addressing the opening session of a dialogue for young journalists of Bangladesh and India.

In his address, Morshed denied Indian allegations that 195 camps of Indian insurgents exist in Bangladesh, allegations that were renewed by two senior Indian ministers two weeks ago.

"The list of insurgent camps from their (Indian) side increases at every meeting between us. But they have not been able to provide a single telephone number or address of these camps," the foreign minister had told the func-

On the other hand, he said, "We have given phone numbers, fax numbers and office addresses of Bangladeshi insurgent groups like Bangabhumi Andolon, who are in India, and criminals who are hosted by some groups there, but they have not done anything about

He had also criticised non-tariff barriers against Bangladeshi exports to India though India enjoys huge trade surplus. He warned of similar measures against Indian goods exported to Bangladesh to maintain a 'win-win'

On border problems, the foreign minister had accused India of offering discussions only after

## Dr Kamal

FROM PAGE 12 He said the rule of law is now under threat as the police are harassing common people instead of taking

last straw.

On Tuesday, Morshed launched

tion.

situation for both the countries.

creating the issues.

action against the culprits. Dr Kamal said people of the country struggled to establish their basic rights but successive governments have failed to meet the popular aspirations.

Morshed's address at the function came after Indian High Commissioner Veena Sikri's speech in which she made remarks on bilateral issues including secu-

ent, and trade. Sikri returned to New Delhi Thursday. Before her departure, she had met with the principal secretary to the prime minister and conveyed her displeasure at Morshed's remarks, sources said.

Indian newspaper The Hindustan Times reported yesterday its sources said though New Delhi had been perturbed at remarks being made by some quarters in the Bangladesh government linking India to the August 21 attack on an Awami League rally, it had preferred not to make it a diplomatic issue in the interest of good neighbourly relations. However, the minister's (Morshed's) remarks came as the

Meanwhile, Bangladesh High Commissioner in New Delhi Hemayetuddin is due to return to Dhaka today. Foreign ministry officials said he will be in town to attend the secretary-level meetings.

Saifur orders hall panics

Finance Minister M Saifur Rahman Thursday directed the water ministry and planning commission to recast a water management project rejected earlier for making extravagant financial demands for buying vehicles, air conditioners and consultancy fees.

The minister asked to cut the project costs by Tk 200 crore from the total Tk 954 crore. The directive came at an inter-ministerial meeting attended by secretaries of different ministries and planning commission high officials.

In June, Saifur rejected the water ministry proposal involving purchase of 416 motor vehicles, 62 photocopiers, 510 computers, 123 air conditioners, 102 slide projectors and 102 fax machines. The project also presented excessive costs in consultancy fees, training and other

fields The finance minister asked to trim the amount of consultancy fees mainly for the retired engineers of the Water Development Board. The project showed about Tk 64 crore as consultancy fees.

He said the water ministry can increase the project cost if any investment-oriented components are added to the project outlay.

The project was aimed at build ing and rehabilitating dams, sluice gates, dredging canals and constructing irrigation infrastructures in farmers' interest. The World Bank will provide

lynched in Khulna STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

Angry mob yesterday lynched an alleged extortionist Abdullah Al rity, water-sharing and manage-Mamun, 20, at Koilaghat in Khulna. Officer in Charge Mosharef

Hossain of Khula Police Station said Mamun alonng with his two accomplices went to ALAmin Bakery in the city to collect toll at arms point at 7:15 am yesterday when local people chased them and caught Mamun.

catch these extortionists.

ministry to cut back on lavish water project

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A powerful bomb exploded near he canteen of Shaheed Suhrawardi Hall of Rajshahi University Friday night, creating panic on the campus and among other educational institutions in the city Sources said the bomb went off

in air over the roof of the canteen at around 10:30pm. No casualty was reported

"The blast shook the hall," said student, Rafiqul Islam. Many students of Suhrawardi and other nearby halls left the campus in panic soon after the blast and many others left in the morning.

The other two extortionists

beating by police and not by mob.

The OC refuted the allegation

saying that residents of Koilaghat

made several attempts earlier to

Blast near RU

students

STAFF CORRESPONDENT,

managed to flee.

said

RU Proctor Prof Shamsul Alam Sarkar and Assistant Commissioner of Rajshahi Metropolitan Police Wazed Ali rushed to the spot and collected evidence.

Police said a section exploded a cocktail to create panic on the campus. However, Wazed suspects some cadres blew up a bomb in the wake of tightened police vigilance after repeated blasts across the country.

Tension was prevailing. City educational institutions including Rajshahi University of Engineering and Technology, Rajshahi Medical College, Polytechnic Institute have been asked to remain on high alert.

Police have been asked to beef up security measures at all educational institutions and in suspected areas of the city.

### Opposition

reference in memory of Abdul

across the benches will partici-

pate in a short discussion to con-

The Jatiya Sangsad (Women

Reserved Seats) Election bill will

get top priority for passage in the

reconstituted in the session to

include AL lawmakers in the bod-

ies. The incorporation of main

opposition lawmakers will give the

vital parliamentary bodies full

shape 14 months after their con-

MARCH TOWARDS JS

different parts of the city.

befogging kicking off the march.

dole his death.

stitution

same time

**BAN ON RALLY** 

session, sources said.

held in the next session.

# Don't take tolerance

ment

said.

Khaleda said those who are

attempting to hamper the investiga-

tion, instead of cooperation, want to

foil democracy and weaken coun-

try's independence and sovereignty

and hamper the economic advance-

through bomb attacks to hamper the

normal economic activities," she

She said in the perspective of

present world scenario, real image

of the country should be built up

thwarting the designs of those

professionals would raise voice

against any sort of anti-people and

anti-country activities by any quarter.

HC cancels

already been set free from jail.

Justice Aziz and Justice Azad had

granted bail to Ayub Ali Chairman,

Mahfuzur Rahman, Abdul Mannan

Shah and Fazal Sheikh Faisal

accused of killing five people at

Bagra in Sreenagar upazila of

Munshiganj district more than three

the case to the Speedy Trial Tribuna

tainable democratic process can be

As another extreme human rights

infringement that needs immediate

attention, the statement reported,

"Pakistan continues to ignore the rule

of law and there are increasing reports

of arbitrary arrests of people on the

iustification of a counter-terrorist

denied to the people and the country is

rise to more terrorism rather than curb

a draft bill banning all forms of religion

conversion being presented in Sri

Lankan parliament that it claimed

would restrict the freedom of religion of

SAHR also blasted a recent inci-

dent in Indian state of Manipur where

security forces allegedly raped and

killed a woman, which it said is a cruel

reminder to the South Asian society

all minority groups.

The forum expressed concern over

"All democratic norms are being

where the trial is going on.

The government has transferred

FROM PAGE 12

The prime minister hoped that

distorting the image.

"And they are out to create panic

NEWS

#### FROM PAGE 12

At the same time, she made it clear that the government would not tolerate "politics of destruction and anarchy"

The prime minister urged both print and electronic media to work for the welfare of the country and greater interest of the people. instead of taking stand against the people.

She called for a broad-based unity of professionals as well as all sections of people to advance the country as a dignified nation into international arena upholding the

mage of Bangladesh. Mamun, son of Abdul Jalil The delegation of professionals Howladar of Tootpara Taltala lane, met the prime minister at her office demanded earlier Tk 15,000 from to discuss the latest situation of the the proprietor of the bakery as toll in country and government steps. If the name of Janajuddho, a faction of included Prof MA Mazed, Prof MA Purba Bangla Communist Party, Hadi, Former VC of Buet Prof Iqbal and gave death threat for failure to Mahmud, President of the pay the sum by 8:00 am, the OC Agriculturists' Association of Bangladesh Javed Iqbal, former VC Meanwhile, Abdul Jalil has of Khulna University Dr Golam Ali alleged that his son succumbed to Fakir and President of the Institution severe injuries at Khulna Medical of Engineers, Bangladesh (IEB) M College Hospital after a merciless

anwarul Azim. Khaleda said her government always wants to make Bangladesh a strong state, enhancing capability as well as safeguarding the country's independence and sovereignty. Briefly describing the government's activities to improve the law and order situation and development in various sectors, she said

Sources said Azad is one of the additional judges appointed in August, allegedly on political con-sideration. Before his appointment they took multifaceted steps, including `operation clean heart', regional Azad as lawyer secured bail for agreement against terrorism and Nannu Sikder, one of the accused in the formation of the Rapid Action the same murder case, from the High Court on July 26 last.

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# Gujral, Asma Jahangir

initiated

sweep."

#### FROM PAGE 1

Battalion (RAB).

minister of India, and Co-chair Asma Jahangir termed the "recent violent acts by religious extremists in Bangladesh" as a "serious threat to the political and economic stability of the country."

In fact, the entire region is reeling under conflicts and lack of democracy or poor governance, observed Gujral and Jahangir after a review meeting on the region's emerging human rights situation in New Delhi.

They also noted that "religious intolerance in all countries of the region continues to be a challenge." Referring to the August 21 grenade

attack on an opposition rally on Bangabandhu Avenue in Dhaka they said, "[it] was a clear attempt at derailing democracy and putting an end to all liberal and secular discourse."

The SAHR chairs condemned the religious bigots for stifling the freedom of expression and continuously persecuting religious minorities as well as leaders of public opinion. The Ahmadiyya community has been targeted time and again despite a clear ruling of the High Court, which rejected a plea to declare them non-Muslims, they noted

that lives of women have remained SAHR also is alarmed, it said, at the vulnerable and their integrity has been political deadlock in Nepal, and called upon the government of the country to immediately hold a comprehensive dialogue with all parties concerned and restore the democratic process. Criticising the Maldives government for clamping down on its people's keen desire for democratic reforms. Momin, the AL lawmaker who died the SAHR leaders urged it to put in on July 15. Lawmakers from place political reforms so that a sus-SouthAsia

## Khulna cops hunt for dead outlaws' arms cache

#### STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

Khulna district police launched yesterday special combing operation at Dumuria, Batiaghat and Paikgacha upazilas to recover huge arms and ammunition including AK-47 left by slain Jubo League leader and UF Chairman Khan Alamgir Kabir alias Alam.

All hideouts of the New Biplobi Communist Party's(NBCP) slain outlaw including shrimp enclosures he had illegally occupied are being raided to recover arms and to arrest his accomplices, police said.

Unidentified assailants killed Alam on Thursday night at Swarupnagar in 24 Parganas of West Bengal in a sequel to rivalry with his ringleader Mrinal of the NBCP over financial interests, reliable sources said.

There is no definite information from any civil or police administration sources whether Indian government will hand over his body as he went there illegally like many armed cadres of underground organisations of the southwest took shelter in different districts of West Bengal in the face of ongoing Rapid Action Battalion operation. After autopsy his body is now kept at the government hospital morgue in Barasat district of West Bengal.

## Gas crisis

FROM PAGE 1 Apart from the Raozan plant, three units of Ghorasal plant and as many units of Ashuganj plant that gener ate 390 mw power closed two week ago because of the gas supply crisis, PDB sources said.

They said gas supply crisis caused 810 mw production shortfall. "As an alternate to gas, we are using petroleum to generate power in a couple of other power plants that has brought the shortfall down to about 550mw." said a PDB official

The PDB needs 700 million cubic feet of gas a day for power generation, but it got only 520 million cubic feetlastnight. UNB adds: Officials at

Petrobangla said production in the Sangu field of Cairn Energy snapped at about 6:30pm on Friday because of a technical fault.

sliding towards lawlessness," main-It could not be repaired immedia tained SAHR about Pakistan and ately as the sea was very rough for "warns that deviation from the due inclement weather. process and the rule of law will give

The latest glitch in Sangu gas field that supplies 130 million cubic feet of gas a day also paralysed the operation of Kafco Fertilizer Factory in Chittagong. The repeated trips in the offshore

gas field seriously annoyed the government. "We are concerned over repeated disruption in the gas field," State Minister for Energy AKM Mosharraf Hossain said.

The offshore field also saw similar glitches for hours in June and December 2003 and February and April this year.

England took little time in polishing

off their opponents, bowling

Steve Harmison picked up three

Zimbabwe out for 147 in 39 overs.

Kenya violated time and again with impunity. Gujral and Jahangir said they were FROM PAGE 1 "seriously disturbed at the declining twice on Friday but

# JCD let loose terror

FROM PAGE 1 ransacked the office of Dhaka University Teachers Association (Duta) President Prof AAMS Arefin Siddique.

In the afternoon at around 4:30pm, in another attack in front of Jahurul Haque Hall, a group of JCD activists seriously wounded BCL hall unit president Mizan, general secretary Bablu, organising secretary Mithu and member Miran.

Sources said the JCD attack was and chased away the miscreants made as per a decision its central from the campus. committee took in a meeting Friday night to thwart at any cost the punishment of the BCL members launching of a united antiwho they said were criminals. government student movement under the banner of 'Student have formed a six-member probe Organisations against Criminal body headed by Pro-Vice Chancellor Prof AFM Yusuf Haider

Activities and Fundamentalism'. The six student bodies united in the combine are Awami Leaguebacked Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL), Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal-backed BCL, Bangladesh Chhatra Moitree, Jatiya Chhatra Dhara, Jatiya Chhatra Oikya and Bangladesh Chhatra Samity.

Yesterday's procession following

a rally was the first public

also decided to bring in its cadres

from different colleges and city units

to use in yesterday's showdown,

of JCD activists started to gather at

Madhu's Canteen from about

10:00am and later assembled in a

rally in front of the sculpture

Aparajeyo Bangla. From there they

took out a procession after the

meeting, marching towards the

The opposition combine on the

other hand located its rally at

Aamtola in front of the DU proctor's

office, after which it too took out a

Witness said the clash erupted at

They said the JCD cadres

launched the offence wielding iron

rods and wooden clubs and hurling

to the assault, they had collected

brief rally where its leaders wel-

comed the action against the oppo-

sition combine. It would hold

another rally today on the campus to

keep up the congenial atmosphere,

JCD sources said, in preparation

After the clash, the JCD staged a

around 12:30pm as the two rival

processions came face to face near

the main gate of the Arts Faculty.

brickbats at their opposition.

rods and brickbats earlier.

a JCD leader said.

Teacher-Student Centre (TSC).

According to the plan, thousands

programme of the combine.

AL rally.

sources said.

procession.

also the chief of Duta. Leaders of the opposition stu-They broke into the room and dent combine in a meeting on damaged computers, printers, September 6 decided to launch a ceiling fan, books, documents and united student movement to unseat other furniture. the coalition government and to The Duta at an emergency protest all bomb attacks including meeting at about 7 last night the August-21 grenade attack on an

demanded punishment of the persons responsible for damaging the office of its president and compensation for the damage

and rampage. The teachers will also

On the other hand, JCD leaders

take out a protest procession today.

at a press briefing at DU Journalists

Association office claimed the

combine's rally and a procession of

a city unit of BCL threw brickbats at

and General Secretary Azizul Bari

Helal said conscious and patriot

students of the university resisted

They demanded arrest and

Meanwhile the DU authorities

into the incidents and asked it to

A group of JCD cadres ransacked

the office of Prof AAMS Arefin

Siddique of Department of Mass

Communication and Journalism

submit its report in one-week time

**OFFICE RANSACKING** 

JCD President Sahabuddin Laltu

their procession.

INJURED The JCD central body on Friday

The BCL leaders and activists seriously injured in yesterday's attacks include central President Liagat Sikder, DU unit President Delwar Hossain, Badrunnesa Govt College unit General Secretary (GS) Mukta and Fine Arts Institute leader Swarna

Among the seriously wounded JSD backed-BCL members are its President Shariful Kabir Swapon, Organising Secretary Yunusur Rahman and Enaetur Rahim. Shanul Islam Rashed and SM Shahin Ahmed. Among others are Bangladesh Chhatra Moitree President Rafigul Islam Suion. Chhatra Dhara President Mahfuz Akram and GS Moniur Ahmed, and Chhatra Okkiva President Jewel

Ahmed Khan. Most of the wounded were admitted to Central Hospital Samorita Hospital, City General Hospital and Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH).

#### PROTESTS

A number of organisations and individuals yesterday protested the JCD attacks.

Progatishil Chhatra Jote, a combine of left-leaning student organisations, brought out an instant procession and held a rally on the campus demanding immediate arrest and punishment of the JCD men who attacked the combine

Protesting the attacks, the combine at a press conference yester-AL GS Abdul Jalil, Gonoforum day demanded arrest and punish-President Dr Kamal Hossain, JSD ment of the attackers within two President Hasanul Haque Inu, days and called a countrywide Workers Party President Rashed student strike on September 14 to Khan Menon, and AL leaders press home a six-point set of Mostafa Jalal Mohiuddin and Hazi

demand. The demands include expulsion

DHAKA SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 12, 2004

Corruption, black money and crimes have taken a deep root in the society as criminals get immunity if they belong to the ruling party.

'There are patriotic persons in the ruling party too. But they are sidelined as corrupt and black money holders dominate," the Gono Forum leader observed.

He said the people do not want a mere change of government rather they want qualitative change in governance.

"The alliance government has lost the right to govern as it has failed to deliver good governance for what people elected them," the Gono Forum leader observed.

The meeting was also attended by Gono Forum General Secretary Saifuddin Ahmed Manik, Gono Forum leaders Mafizul Islam Kamal Sayedur Rahman Syed and Jahanara Begum

**PRY TEACHER APPOINTMENT** 

### Indigenous people protest at quota violation

### **OUR CORRESPONDENT,**

Hundreds of indigenous people of Bandarban district yesterday held a demonstration to protest against government's primary school teacher appointment in violation of existing quota for them.

They forwarded a memorandum to the prime minister demanding cancellation of the appointments the Bandarban Hill District Council recently finalised for the 103 vacant posts of assistant teachers with 88 non-tribal candidates and 15 indigenous candidates.

Though the Hill District Local Government Act of 1989 and the Peace Treaty of 1997 provide for giving priority to indigenous people in government appointment, the District Council has deprived them by violating the rules, they alleged in the memorandum.

Janasanghati Samity leader KS Mong Marma, U Nu Ching, Loyel David Bom, Mong Thoai Ching Headman, and Mong Pu Headman signed the memorandum among others.

\$81.5 million, while the Netherlands will allocate \$34.9 million as grant for the project.

### Saifur FROM PAGE 1

said. Saifur said there were 5-6 incidents of explosion during the rule of past Awami League government, but no probe was done. Blasts are now occurring as a sequel to those

explosions. But now the incidents are being probed. "The government has med a judicial commission and brought FBI and Interpol personnel for investigation, but Awami League (AL) declined to accept their investigations," the minister told his audience.

"We want to take the country situation continued.

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Witnesses said unruly JCD

Six of the injured are photojournalists. They are Zia Islam of Prothom Alo, Amran Hossain of The Daily Star, Sharif and Sumon of Naya Diganta, Kajal of New Age, Hasan of Bhorer Kagoj. Others are Shahabul Haq Sabu, staff reporter of Ittefaq, and Mokarram Hossain Shubho, DU correspondent of

Prothom Alo. The activists of JCD, BNP's student front, first beat up the newspersons in front of main entrance to Arts Building, as photoiournalists snapped their physical assault on a rally. Six opposition party's student organisations held the rally to protest the August 21 trying to negotiate a solution, but it

carnage. The photojournalists again came under attack as they took snaps of JCD men, who were beating up an opposition woman activist near Amtola on the campus.

FROM PAGE 1 The sitting will be adjourned today after adoption of the obituary

"Enough security measures were taken for Wallich, but she left," he

forward while Awami League wants to push it backward," he said and cautioned that the AL would never be able to return to power if such

### Dhaka University campus.

activists from a rally protesting alleged Indian conspiracy against Bangladesh carried out the attack on the newspersons. They also snatched away some photojournalists' cameras bur returned those

without films. explosives in and around the Jatiya Sangsad Bhaban in Sheree-Bangla Nagar from midnight last night.

Bangladeshi FROM PAGE 12 Bangladeshi workers are much

worse than those of black workers in Namibia during the apartheid era," said Alpheus Muheua, vice president of the National Union of Namibian Workers (NUNW), the country's umbrella labour federation

The two managers could not be reached for comment.

not improve.

Muheua said the NUNW was

# Eight bullets

#### FROM PAGE 1

If the bill is passed in the sesfollowing leads from them sion, elections to the reserved (Ahmudya and Minhaj) on Friday seats for women are likely to be night. But Ahmudya's gang attacked us ensuing the crossfire," Kazi About 46 parliamentary stand-Emdad said. ing committees are likely to be

Meanwhile, Ahmudya's body was handed over to General Secretary of Satkania Upazila BNP Nurul Kabir after post mortem at around 1:15pm yesterday. Kabir declined to comment on Ahmudya's death but expressed anger over alleged non-cooperation from police administration.

"The Chittagong police refused us The AL, left 11-party alliance, permission to hold a namaj-e-janaza Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal (JSD) and at Laldighi Maidan," said Kabir. National Awami Party (NAP) will Satkania unit BNP President simultaneously march towards Advocate Mainul Haq Chowdhury the Jatiya Sangsad Bhaban from

Khokon told The Daily Star that they would not announce any protest The AL will gather at Russell programme.

"As a ruling party, right now we Square in Dhanmondi at 3:00pm are not in a position to pronounce such programmes. But one thing The left coalition will march must say the way he died is very from Muktangon at 4:00pm while unfortunate. Still we won't accuse the JSD from the Zero Point at the the Rab, as they are a disciplined force and go by certain rules," Mainul said adding probably, The DMP has already imposed a Ahmudva incurred wrath of some ban on procession, rally, demonquarters with vested interest. stration, carrying of firearms and

None of Ahmudya's relatives came to receive his body from the morgue yesterday. A faction of Satkania BNP yester-

day demonstrated protesting the death of Ahmudya. They put up barricade on the Chittagong-Cox's Bazar Road but withdrew it within half an hour following police intervention.

Tension, however, ran high across the upazila from early in the morning yesterday. District administration deployed additional forces to maintain law and order.

Ahmudya, 30, the second of three sons of late Aziz Mishir, emerged as the kingpin of criminal underworld of South Chittagong in 1992 under patronage of Satkania Jamaat-e-Islami leadership, sources said.

has threatened nationwide action if He helped Jamaat-backed crime conditions for the Bangladeshis did syndicates have a strong pull with every sort of crime. Jamaat leadership had always cocooned him from the law.

human rights situation in the region and called upon the governments and civil society to find creative means for marginalising intolerant forces and strengthening democratic norms in

# Cops

strengthen public security measures and held discussion on taking effective steps to contain the trend to destabilise through bomb threats.

It also decided to take up specific programmes in different upazilas to create awareness among the people about this trend so that they can provide advance information to law enforcers about bomb or criminals carrving explosives.

It directed police authorities of Dhaka to take effective steps for smooth observance of the forthcoming Durga Puja by the Hindus.

The meeting decided to form committee comprising government officials, public representatives and police officials at each puja mandap to ensure peaceful and friendly environment.

State Minister for Labour and Manpower Aman Ullah Aman Dewan Muhammad Salah Uddin MP, DC and SP of Dhaka, OCs of Savar, Dhamrai, Keraniganj, Nawabganj and Dohar, officials of CID and SB attended the meeting.

## Shibir factions

Bhagina Ramzan said Shibir cadre either in encounter with police or by Shaheen of village Shahnagar and Jamal of village Kazirhat in vio-lence-prone Fatikchhari upazila Notorious Shibir Nasir, Sajjad Khan. Five Star Jasim. Baitva possessed the M-16 rifles.

Alamgir, Taslimuddin Montu, Baitya During interrogation, he admitted Yousuf, Azrail Delwar, Monzur Alam, that Mozammel, cousin of top Shibir Sarwar Alam and Bhagina Ramjan cadre Nasir bought the AK-47 rifle. are now behind bars while Rab recovered from him form, from Humayun and Yakub were killed in Union Parishad Chairman Gazaria in Ramu upazila of Cox's Bazar Hamidullah, who was injured in Nazrul

encounter, later died in police cus-The Rab also continued to quiz tody. Chhota Saiful was gunned Jamai Faruk to unearth the den of down by his rival and once friend, criminals.

The elite force nabbed Bhagina Ramzan and Jamai Faruk with an AKbacked terrorists are still operating 47 from village Idilpur in Fatikchhari of the district at around 2pm on Friday Nasir, Habib Khan and BDR He is the second-in-command of Jamaat-Shibir-backed Nasir Bahini, a criminal gang based in Fatichhari and tenced to death in principal Muhuri accused of a number of cases includmurder. Habib Khan, a charge ing five for murders. sheeted accused in commissioner

A case was lodged with Hathazari Police Station underm the arms act

Mohammad Selim visited the injured at the DMCH.

of attackers from the university, resignation of the DU proctor and punishment of the JCD cadres who attacked iournalists and damaged the Duta office. The combine leaders also asked for removal of the officer-in-charge of Ramna Police Station and assistant commissioner (Patrol, South) and assistant deputy commissioner of Dhaka Metropolitan Police, compensation for the wounded and peaceful cohabitation of students of all political affiliation at the DU dormitories. The combine will stage also a

Bangladesh Awami Swechchhasebok League, Bangladesh Workers Party, Jatiya Samaitantrik Dal, DU Journalists Association Sammilito Peshaiibi Parishad, Bangladesh Chhatra Moitree, Bangladesh Jubo Moitree, Jatiya Shramik Federation Bangladesh, Bangladesh Chhatra Federation, Samajtantrik Chhatra Front and Biplobi Chhatra Moitree, among others, sent press statements blasted the government and condemned the BNP's student wing for the attacks.

A joint note of 315 DU teachers also decried the incidents.

### 3 feared dead FROM PAGE 12 father Ananta Das, 40, and uncle

boat overturned after some time in

three of the passengers. The locals

continued a thorough search for

India and Nepal

Foreign Secretary Shyam Saran

discussed Nepalese Maoists' links

with the Maoist Communist Centre

and People's War Group, two factions

of the Naxalites, and agreed to coop-

erate to tackle the problem, he added.

"shared threat" to the countries, Saran

said India and Nepal have decided to

hold home secretary-level talks in this

to extradition have been finalised and

the rest are likely to be sorted out at

treaty assumes significance as India

has conveyed its concern to Nepal

over the activity of underworld don

Dawood Ibrahim, wanted in India, in

Nepal, which Kathmandu has

cooperation, India will initiate a pilot

As part of efforts for security

assured to probe.

the home secretary-level meeting.

He said most of the issues relating

The discussion on extradition

month to finalise the treaties.

Terming the Maoist violence a

He said the two countries have

told reporters here Friday night.

their bodies till yesterday noon.

FROM PAGE 12

Persons on other boats rescued

the face of foul weather in the haor.

FROM PAGE 12 it was filing the lawsuit just one day Subhas Das, 25, were missing. Six persons on a country boat before the three-year statute of limitastarted from Singhanad of Derai for Gobrapur at about 2:00pm. The tions runs out.

"Our proposed action is in line with similar suits filed by other injured parties," the Port Authority said. Its statement did not say how much

demonstration today on the DU

night announced suspension of all

classes at the university for 72 hours

from today in protest of the attacks

WTC agency

The Duta in a press release last

campus.

money it was seeking. The suit specifically names four Saudi officials, saying they organised and controlled a network of financial institutions and charities that aided al-Qaeda for at least seven years before September 11.

The four are Prince Nayef bin Abdel Aziz, the interior minister; Prince Sultan bin Abdel Aziz. the defence minister: Prince Salman bin Abdel Aziz, the governor of Riyadh; and Prince Turki al-Faisal, the former intelligence chief, who is now ambassador in London.

Al-Qaeda was also named as a defendant, along with a number of Saudi corporate entities and charities. Officials at the Saudi Embassy in

Washington were not immediately available for comment.

Meanwhile, insurers for some World Trade Center buildings have sued American Airlines, United Airlines and others, alleging their negligence allowed the deadly hijackings.

The suit, which was filed by London's QBE International Insurance and certain underwriters at Lloyd's of London, seeks over \$300 million from each of the two airlines and various amounts from other defendants. The insurers want to recover monies they paid out for property damage and other losses caused to World Trade Center buildings 1, 2, 4 and 5 and nearby structures.

project to modernise Nepal's police force with special focus on counterinsurgency training and aimed at enhancing its capability to check activity of Maoist rebels.

Recently, at least 10 top Shibir FROM PAGE 12 cadres were arrested and four killed

for 29 and Andrew Flintoff three for 11 with only captain Tatenda Taibu (40) frustrating England for any amount of time.

FROM PAGE 1 But in the last one year, his relationship with the Jamaat leadership, especially with the local lawmaker, got strained. The rift

prompted him to join BNP, sources His desertion came as a serious blow for Jamaat in Satkania as well as the district as he had been instrumental in retaining Jamaat's stranglehold on the region, sources added.

There were two attempts on him allegedly by Shibir cadres in recent months. Police arrested Shibir cadre Monzur Alam, also nephew of the local MP, on April 5 and Azrail Delwar on July 16 for plotting to kill Ahmudya.

squander any chance to avenge on

Political sources here believe recent deaths and arrests of some top-notch criminals in and around Chittagong have sent a tremor through the underworld and it may eventually leave a positive impact

Ahmudya himself on many occasions apprehended that the Jamaat leadership would not

him for his 'betrayal', sources said.

on the society.

Now only three of the top Shibir-

from underground. They are -- Gittu

Selim.Nasir stands accused in over

three dozen cases and was sen-

Liagat murder, was given life sen-

tenced for principal Muhuri murder.

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