

Bangladeshi mother

FROM PAGE 1 reported that Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) investigators had discovered the suicide bombing plot on a computer records of Internet chats between the girls.

In the NYT report, Nina Bernstein described how for years, the father of the Bangladeshi teenage girl watched his daughter became more and more drawn to the family's religion Islam. At 14, she began wearing a full-length veil and teaching religious classes at mosques around the city.

A year ago, she withdrew from her Manhattan high school because, a school official said, she felt uncomfortable with typical teenage banter. She told her family she wanted to go to an Islamic all-girls school, and when they could not afford to send her, she chose to study at home.

The father, a Bangladeshi watch salesman, told the NYT that during last fall his daughter sought the parents' approval to marry a young American Muslim they had never met and whom she barely knew. The father refused the marriage overtures, which were made by the young man's father in a call from Michigan.

The NYT report said, a few months later, when the teenager stayed out overnight for the first time, the father, fearing an elopement, went to the police for help. The father now deeply regrets that decision as his daughter and another 16-year-old girl are being held in an immigration detention centre in Pennsylvania. He is sure that his visit to the police set off the FBI investigation that led to a chilling assertion, in a government document, that the girls are "an imminent threat to the security of the United States based on evidence that they plan to be suicide bombers."

The document, provided to the NYT by a federal agent on Wednesday, did not describe the nature of the evidence. Yesterday, after repeated inquiries by the NYT, officials from several agencies involved in the investigation, including Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the FBI and the New York Police Department, did not make any comment on the case.

Little is known about the second 16-year-old. The mother of the Bangladeshi girl, conveying her daughter's account, said the two girls met for the first time at 26 Federal Plaza after her daughter's arrest. But when the other girl, a Guinean who was facing deportation with her family, noticed her daughter's veil, she gave her a traditional Muslim greeting, and federal agents seemed to think they were friends. The second girl ended up in the Pennsylvania detention center, too.

A bond hearing in the Bangladeshi girl's case was due to be held on April 8 morning in York, Pa., but the government has asked that it be closed, based on a motion by Krista Stanton, supervisory special agent in the counter-terrorism section of the FBI's New York office. The case underscores the difficulties faced by anyone who is charged only with civil immigration violations, but is in fact being held in a counter-terrorism investigation, lawyers said.

There are no firm time limits on immigration detention, so the burden is on the girls to prove that they are not potential suicide bombers, rather than on the government to prove they are. Indeed, the evidence is withheld from the girls and anyone who represents them under a "protective order" that FBI investigators obtained from the immigration court, according to an April 1 motion to continue the secrecy, signed by Jeffrey T. Bubier, assistant chief counsel for the Department of Homeland Security in Philadelphia, the NYT report said.

"The FBI has an important and substantial interest in safeguarding the information," Mr Bubier's motion stated, "to protect national security law and enforcement interests." To release it, he said, "places investigative strategies and methods at substantial risk."

The girls have no right to a court-appointed lawyer, and according to the government document that described the Guinean girl, her family had not retained one.

The Bangladeshi girl's father, who sells cheap watches wholesale and, he said, earns less than \$16,000 a year, hired a New York immigration lawyer for \$2,500. But the lawyer declined to attend her first hearing, according to a motion he filed seeking to handle the matter "telephonically," because of "time constraints."

Another lawyer was being sought for the hearing.

In an interview at the Islamic Center of North America in Queens,

the Bangladeshi girl's mother said that her daughter had experienced problems over her religion at the High School for Environmental Studies in Manhattan, which led her to her enrolment in a Georgia-based correspondence course. She said the girl had sometimes come home crying from because of upsetting remarks, some directed at her Islamic dress, the NYT reported.

But the parent coordinator at the school, Karen Hundley, said that students at the school come from many ethnic and religious backgrounds and get along very well.

"She didn't mingle," Ms. Hundley said, adding that the school tried to accommodate the girl's religious principles. When she needed a photo ID, for example, the parent coordinator took the picture without a man in the room.

But though the girl earned many good grades, according to a transcript provided by her parents, she did not seem to bear the give-and-take of a coeducational high school, Ms. Hundley said. She cited an incident in which the teenager stayed home for days last year after hearing two girls discussing a boyfriend. "A lot of things other kids did offended her sense of religion," Ms. Hundley said, citing jokes about movies and an ethics class that mentioned condoms. At the same time, Ms. Hundley said that nothing about the girl's behavior or comments was ever threatening, the NYT report went on.

A 17-year-old girl who spoke on condition that she be identified only by her first name, Shahela, said she, too, had opted for home schooling and was "very close" to the Bangladeshi girl. She called the notion that her friend could be recruited as a suicide bomber a terrible mistake.

Their three-year friendship, she said, revolved around their devotion to Islam, prompted both women to learn Arabic and to teach classes on Islam to young women at two city mosques. "We talked about what was going on in Palestine, suicide bombings, and I know she's completely against it," Shahela said.

To the mother of the Bangladeshi girl, the whole sequence of events seems unreal. She recalled how her daughter had played with her 4-month-old brother, and helped care for other siblings, 14 and 11. Her daughter, she said, told her during a brief detention visit that FBI interrogators had warned that unless she confessed to terrorist ties, her two youngest siblings, who are American citizens, would be placed in foster care and her parents sent back to Bangladesh without them, the NYT said.

Token hunger

FROM PAGE 16 into the August 21 grenade attack and Ahsanullah Master MP murder in Gazipur

All the leaders and activists of the organisation wore shrouds in the programme held at Muktangan.

Asma Kibria, wife of slain AL leader SAMS Kibria, said the government is not sincere in probing the Kibria murder.

AL leader Motia Chowdhury blamed the government for patronising terrorism and called for intensifying the oust-government movement.

AL leader Sultan Mohammad Mansoor, Advocate Sahara Khatun and brother-in-law of Kibria Abdul Musabbir also spoke.

7 engineers

FROM PAGE 16 the Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao. The other programme alongside the banquet was also seriously hampered by the electricity cut off and the dysfunction of the air cooler system even when power supply resumed.

The suspended are superintendent engineers Shamsuzzoha Chowdhury and Abdur Rab Nishtar, executive engineers AHM Iqramul Haque Chowdhury and GMM Kamal Pasha, sub-divisional engineers Shamsuddoha and Lutful Aziz, sub-assistant engineer Md Nazrul Islam and electrical assistant M Quamrul Hassan.

A committee headed by a joint secretary of Housing and Public Works Ministry was formed to probe the matter, said a press release yesterday.

minister for civil aviation and tourism and president of Chittagong city unit BNP.

Chittagong University Pro-VC Dr Md Shamsuddin and Professor Dr Hasan Mohammad are convener and member-secretary of the Parishad.

Leaders of the Parishad yesterday for the first time campaigned in public. They, however, already did a lot of leafletting for Mir Nasir. Parishad's leaflets highlight mainly comparisons between what Mir Nasir and Mohiuddin did during their stints as city mayor.

Mir Nasir while addressing a rally at Bakolia yesterday said that Bakolia, which is widely regarded as a stronghold of BNP, was kept out of development programmes while its people were deprived of civic amenities in the last ten years. He said that if elected, he would upgrade Bakolia to a sub-city. Bakolia with some two lakh voters has always been a deciding factor in the CCC polls.

ABM Mohiuddin Chowdhury yesterday conducted his election campaign at Anayet Bazar area.

He urged the locals to elect him to ensure development of the city is continued.

Jiabao invites Khaleda to visit China

UNB, Dhaka

Chinese premier Wen Jiabao has invited Prime Minister Khaleda Zia to visit China this year.

Khaleda Zia accepted the invitation with pleasure, Foreign Minister Morshed Khan told reporters at Zia International Airport after giving Wen the send-off yesterday.

He said the Chinese premier had a fruitful meeting with President Prof Dr Iajuddin Ahmed at Bangabhaban yesterday morning. The president sought China's co-operation in agriculture, human resource development and education sector.

Premier Wen also invited the president to visit Beijing. Accepting the invitation, the president reciprocated by extending invitation to Chinese President Hu Zin Tao to visit Bangladesh.

Reuters from Colombo reports: Wen Jiabao arrived in the Sri Lankan capital yesterday on a two-day leg of his South Asian tour. During his trip, he will sign a clutch of bilateral agreements and visit a fishing harbour hammered by December's tsunami.

Pay scale

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Sources said a secretary-level committee headed by Cabinet Secretary Dr Saadat Hossain will come up with its final recommendations on pay increases and table before the cabinet. The committee has already held two meetings and is expected to finalise its recommendations by this week.

Saifur leaves for Sweden today. He said he will decide implementation of the new pay scale after his return on April 14.

A finance ministry high official said the secretarial committee will complete all the procedures towards this end by this month and the ministry also is ready to provide with the additional amount required to implement the new pay structure.

According to a finance ministry report, the government needs an additional Tk 1,154 crore in the second half of this fiscal year to implement the first phase of the new pay structure for both the civil and defence staffs.

If the salaries of only the civil and defence staffs are increased as from January 1 this year in line with the pay commission's recommendations, it will need an additional Tk 653 crore, the finance ministry review noted.

Similarly, if teachers and staffs of educational institutions are given 50 percent of their recommended salaries, this may cost the government an additional Tk 301 crore.

It will require an extra Tk 200 crore if pensioners get 50 percent of the recommended pensions.

To fully implement the recommendations of the National Pay Commission (NPC) for the civil administration and the Defence Pay Commission (DPC) for the armed services, the government needs Tk 6,712 crore a year in addition to the current budgeted salary provision of Tk 13,477 crore.

The IMF Article 4 mission to conduct annual evaluation of the overall economic situation in the country arrived in Dhaka on March 28. Yesterday's was its final discussion with the finance minister.

The finance minister said their discussion on disbursement of the fourth instalment of the IMF's Poverty Reduction Growth Facility loan that was due in January last was satisfactory, too.

11-party leaders for reforms in caretaker govt, EC

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Left leaning 11-party leaders yesterday demanded bringing meaningful reforms in the caretaker government and Election Commission (EC) on the basis of national consensus for holding a free and fair election.

The persons concerned of the caretaker government and EC must be acceptable to all, they said, addressing the rally organised by 11-party at Muktangan in the city.

They also demanded that the caretaker government and EC should be duly empowered to ensure a free and fair election.

"A free and fair election can not be held in the country until election system is freed from money game, terrorism and communal forces," Workers Party of Bangladesh convener Bimol Biswas said.

He also stressed the need for strengthening the local government and making the national parliament an effective law-making organisation.

"To abide by the constitution on the question of the caretaker government and Election Commission is not enough, rather these must be acceptable to all," Communist Party of Bangladesh (CPB) central committee member Ruhin Hossain Prince said.

He also demanded introduction of proportionate representatives system in parliament. CPB leaders MM Akash, Morshed Ali, Ahsan Habib Labu, Workers Party leaders Anisur Rahman Mollik, Gono Azadi League leader Haji Abdus Samad and Gonoatntrik Party leader Mosharrif Hossain Bhuiyan were also present at the rally.

Later they brought out a procession that paraded different streets of the city.

Final farewell

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His tomb will be covered with a flat stone bearing his name and the dates of his birth and death. Pilgrims will eventually be able to visit.

The 2 1/2-hour Mass began with the Vatican's Sistine Choir singing the Gregorian chant, "Grant Him Eternal Rest, O Lord." Cardinals wearing white miters walked onto the square, their red vestments blowing in the breeze.

Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, dean of the College of Cardinals, a close confidant of John Paul and a possible successor, presided at the Mass and referred to him as our "late beloved pope" in a homily that traced the pontiff's life from his days as a factory worker in Nazi-occupied Poland to his final days as the head of the world's 1 billion Catholics.

Interrupted by applause at least 10 times, the usually unappable German-born Ratzinger choked up as he recalled one of John Paul's last public appearances when he blessed the faithful from his studio window on Easter.

"We can be sure that our beloved pope is standing today at the window of the father's house, that he sees us and blesses us," he said to applause, even among the prelates, as he pointed up to the third-floor window above the square.

"Today we bury his remains in the earth as a seed of immortality our hearts are full of sadness, yet at the same time of joyful hope and profound gratitude," Ratzinger said in heavily accented Italian.

He said John Paul was a "priest to the last" and said he had offered his life for God and his flock "especially amid the sufferings of his final moments."

Ratzinger was interrupted again toward the end of the Mass by several minutes of cheers, rhythmic applause and shouts of "Giovanni Paolo Santo" or "Saint John Paul," from the crowd. The eruption of cheers came right before the Litany of Saints chant, in which the names of the saints are read.

The Mass ended with everyone standing and singing together: "May the angels accompany you into heaven, may the martyrs welcome you when you arrive, and lead you to Holy Jerusalem."

At least 300,000 people filled St. Peter's Square and spilled out onto the wide Via della Conciliazione leading toward the Tiber River, but millions of others watched on giant video screens set up across Rome. Banners read "Santo Subito," or "Sainthood Immediately."

Earlier, groggy pilgrims who had camped out on the cobblestones awoke in their sleeping bags to hordes of the faithful stepping over them as they tried to secure a good spot to view the Mass.

The square and the boulevard leading to it were a sea of red and white flags waved by pilgrims from John Paul's beloved Poland, many in traditional dress shouting "Polka! Polka!" Pilgrims from other countries raised their national flags in the crowd. American, Lebanese, Spanish, Croatian and prayers were read out during the Mass in a host of languages French, Swahili, Portuguese, among others.

"We just wanted to say goodbye to our father for the last time," said Joanna Zmijewska, 24, who travelled for 30 hours with her brother from a town near Kielce, Poland, arriving at St. Peter's at 1 a.m. Friday.

American Archbishop James Harvey, head of papal protocol, greeted dignitaries and religious leaders as they emerged onto the steps of the basilica. Many shook Harvey's hand and offered condolences before mingling and taking their appointed seats.

Turbans, fezzes, yarmulkes, black lace veils, or mantillas, joined the "zucchettos," or skull caps, of Catholic prelates on the steps of St. Peter's in an extraordinary mix of religious and government leaders from around the world.

"I'm here because I'm a believer but also to live a moment in history," said Stephen Aubert, wearing a French flag draped over his shoulders. Vatican ushers seated dignitaries who were given a chance to view John Paul's body before it was carried out of the basilica where it has lain in state since Monday and into the square.

Bells tolled as the final leaders took their places on red-cushioned wooden seats. Ten minutes before the scheduled start of the funeral, the U.S. delegation arrived, headed by President Bush, and including his father, former President George H.W. Bush, and former President Bill Clinton.

President Bush sat on the aisle in the second row, next to his wife, Laura. Beside them were French President Jacques Chirac and his wife, Bernadette. The two presidents shook hands.

When Bush's face appeared on giant screen TVs showing the ceremony, many in the crowds outside St. Peter's Square booed and whistled.

Rome itself was at a standstill. Just after midnight Thursday, a ban took effect on vehicle traffic in the city center. Airspace was closed, and anti-aircraft batteries outside the city were on alert. Naval ships patrolled both the Mediterranean coast and the Tiber River near Vatican City, the tiny sovereign city-state encompassed by the Italian capital.

Italian authorities took extraordinary precautions to protect the royalty and heads of state or government attending the funeral.

Elite Carabinieri paramilitary police armed with automatic rifles were stationed at virtually every major intersection in Rome to minimise the threat of a terrorist attack on the more than 80 heads of state and monarchs attending the Mass.

Combat jets from Italy's air force, joined by an AWACS surveillance plane deployed by Nato, guarded against any strike from above on the leaders and top Roman Catholic prelates assembled on St. Peter's Square. Italian security agencies posted snipers on rooftops, and a navy warship armed with torpedoes cruised the coastline near Rome. Anti-aircraft rocket launchers were placed strategically around the capital.

Jewish and Muslim leaders were among the dignitaries from more than 80 countries, including the presidents of Syria and Iran, and the king of Jordan.

The pope's death on Saturday at age 84 has elicited a remarkable outpouring of affection around the world and brought an estimated 4 million people to Rome, doubling its population. Most of the pilgrims, however, can only hope to see the ceremony on giant TV screens that have been erected around the Vatican and in piazzas around Rome.

Hasina urges

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Emerging from the meeting, Hasina described to the news the Chinese premier's visit against the backdrop of the 30th anniversary of Sino-Bangla diplomatic relations as significant, and said it would give a fresh impetus to the bilateral relations.

The opposition leader, who had recently participated in a senior advisory council meeting of Association of Asian Parliamentarians for Peace (AAPP) in Manila, said that eventual conversion of the AAPP into an Asian parliamentary assembly will strengthen democracy in the region.

During the meeting with Wen Jiabao, the AL chief also emphasised the importance of learning Chinese by the Bangladeshis to tap business potentials and gain more access to the growing job market in China.

The former Bangladeshi prime minister thanked Jiabao for investing in various sectors during the previous Awami League government.

"Huge Chinese investment and assistance came during my tenure. Gabkhan Bridge, Pakshi Bridge, power sector, Bangladesh-China Friendship Conference Centre and digital phone exchange are a few to name," Hasina told reporters.

The Chinese Premier invited Hasina and other AL leaders to visit China. He also assured her that his country would arrange training for youth leadership, said the AL chief.

AL leaders Zillur Rahman, Abdul Jalil, Obaidul Quader and Saber Hossain Chowdhury accompanied Sheikh Hasina during the meeting.

Chinese PM opens talks with Chandrika

AFP, Colombo

Chinese Prime Minister Wen Jiabao met for talks last evening with Sri Lankan President Chandrika Kumaratunga shortly after arriving in the island on a visit marking the third leg of his South Asian tour.

Officials said the two leaders went in for talks at the tightly-guarded president's House in Colombo.

"The visit is going to mark a significant milestone in our economic cooperation," a finance ministry official said, adding that Beijing was not to finance the reconstruction of areas of the island struck by the December 26 tsunamis, which killed almost 31,000 people in the country.

Wen, who arrived from Bangladesh, was due to travel to the southern town of Panadura to open a fisheries harbour before leaving Saturday for a four-day visit to India. He has already visited Pakistan.

Sri Lanka is to open direct flights to Beijing on June 17 and the official Ceylon Tourist Board hopes the number of Chinese tourists visiting the island will jump to 30,000 this year, up from 9,088 last year.

Finance ministry officials said China was also keen to enter Sri Lanka's infrastructure development and had shown interest in energy and highways sectors as well as fisheries and transport.

Water problems

FROM PAGE 1 agriculture sector between the two countries too will be continued," he added.

Referring to Buddhist religion and science and technology studies at Alish Dipankar Science and Technology University, Dr Iajuddin urged the Chinese premier to make scope for Bangladeshi students to transfer credits to China for higher education.

Responding to the president's request for reducing trade gap between the two countries, Wen said measures would be taken for balancing the two-way trade.

Describing his visit to Bangladesh as "very fruitful", the Chinese PM said it would be a "milestone in the relations of long-term friendship between the two countries".

Chinese Foreign Minister Li Zhaoxing, Education Minister Zhou Li, Commerce Minister Bo Xilai, Chinese Ambassador in Bangladesh Chai Xi, Chinese State Council Research Office Head You Quan, Vice Foreign Minister Wu Dawei, Chinese PM Office Chief Qiu Xiaoxiong and Secretary Song Zhe accompanied Jiabao during the meet.

Foreign Minister M Morshed Khan, Foreign Secretary Hemayetuddin, Bangladeshi Ambassador to China Ashfaqur Rahman, President's Secretary M Abu Solaiman Chowdhury and other officials were present at the meeting.

CCC's garbage treatment plant opens today

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The garbage treatment plant installed by Chittagong City Corporation (CCC), producing fuel from garbage, first of its kind in the country, opens for formal operation today.

CCC Mayor ABM Mohiuddin Chowdhury will inaugurate the plant at Halishahar at 10:00am.

The pilot project was taken up early last year and implemented at the CCC garbage dumping ground at Ananda Bazar area of Halishahar at the cost of around Tk 1.5 crore.

The plant with a production capacity of 10 tons of fuel per day started operation producing some five tons of fuel (charcoal) daily on experimental basis around three months back.

The project was implemented completely with the manpower of CCC, using their own technology.

The plant's main objective was garbage management where the fuel is produced as an "extra", sources said, adding that CCC has also plans to produce fertiliser (compost) from the by-products at the plant.

Sangu wells

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40 km southwest of the port city of Chittagong.

Well Nos 2, 3 and 4 are still in operation producing around 100 mmcf of gas. Well No 5 has suspended production and the remaining two could not produce any gas.

A submarine pipeline carries Sangu gas to the onshore processing plant at Salimpur under Sitakunda, some 48 km from the production platform in the Bay. The gas is 'dry' but contains condensate. The dry gas is transported to Bakhrabad gas line of the BGSL (Bakhrabad Gas System Limited), which is connected to the national grid in the north.

Condensate is removed from gas at the processing plant and sold to Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation (BPC) for refining, sources said.

The processing plant was designed and constructed by Kellogg, Brown & Root (KBR), an affiliate of Halliburton Inc. KBR is responsible for the operation of both the production platform and the processing plant.

The PSC for block 16 was signed among Cairn Energy PLC, Holland Sea Search Bangladesh BV, Petrobraga and the Government of Bangladesh on May 5, 1994.

Subsequent accessions and changes have resulted in the present joint venture among Cairn Energy Sangu Field Limited, Cairn Energy Bangladesh Ltd. and HBR Energy Inc (a subsidiary of Halliburton Energy).

Maoist attack: 50 killed

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Anti-monarchy protests across the country were called by five political parties to coincide with the 1990 establishment of parliamentary democracy in the Himalayan country.

Witnesses said around 100 protestors were arrested over several hours in Kathmandu's central New Road district as they emerged in groups of five or six to yell anti-king slogans and hold banners in defiance of a ban on public rallies.

Political party sources said at least another 100 people were locked up after staging protests in the town of Birgunj, about 90km from the capital.

A police spokesman confirmed 70 arrests in Kathmandu but could not comment on the Birgunj arrests.

Earlier Nepal's political parties have said they would defy a ban on rallies imposed after the king declared a state of emergency and suspended civil liberties on Feb. 1, although most rallies to date have been small and swiftly ended by the police.

Gyanendra said seizing control was aimed at crushing a Maoist

Dhaka to make

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dent at Zia International Airport commenting on the Bangladesh-China deal signed in Dhaka on Thursday.

Chinese Foreign Minister Li Zhaoxing and Bangladesh Minister for Science and ICT Dr Abdul Moyeen Khan signed the Bangladesh-China Cooperation Agreement on Peaceful Usage of Nuclear Energy.

Morshed Khan said, "You are also aware of what is meant by peaceful usage of nuclear energy and there is a defined roadmap and path of IAEA for peaceful use of nuclear energy."

Khan, who met Pakistan Prime Minister Saikat Aziz in Islamabad on April 6, said he discussed the matter of South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (Saarc) summit with the current Saarc chair and requested him to let Dhaka know about the dates of the summit as soon as possible.

"We will need about one month or one and a half months for our preparation... We will take decision considering the weather conditions and possibility of participation of all other member-countries," he said.

Khan attended the Asian Cooperation Dialogue (ACD) meeting held in Islamabad on April 5-6. He said two countries—Russian Federation and Saudi Arabia—were made new members raising the number of ACD to 28.

He said many countries expressed keen interest in joining the forum and making it a Pan Asian Association like Pan American AFTA, Pan European EU and Pan African Association.

"We've agreed to identify some common projects in energy, transportation and healthcare and their implementation," he said, adding that the next ACD meeting will be held in Qatar next year.

Charles, Camilla

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Prince Charles, the heir to the throne, joined British Prime Minister Tony Blair and his wife Cherie at the funeral for John Paul II at the Vatican.

The couple were forced to postpone their civil wedding ceremony in Windsor, a royal weekend retreat west of London, by 24 hours until Saturday because of the papal funeral.

Before her wedding outfit comes under intense scrutiny by Britain's unforgiving tabloid press, Camilla Parker Bowles was to be joined by her designers for her final fitting yesterday.

Couturier Anna Valentine of Robinson Valentine, milliner Philip Treacy, and shoe creator Linda Bennett have kept mum on colour schemes, fabrics and even the size of the bride's heels.

However, the designers said the bride knew what she liked and felt relaxed in what she had chosen. "She will look fabulous. I think people will be surprised," said Treacy, who has created hats for Madonna and Marilyn Manson.

The bride has had six outfit fittings and 10 hat fittings at Clarence House, the prince's residence, and at her other home in Wiltshire, according to Britain's domestic Press Association newswire.

When she married Andrew Parker Bowles in a society wedding in 1973, Camilla wore a traditional white dress designed by Queen Elizabeth II's dressmaker Belville Sassoon, complete with a tiara and 10-foot long veil.

The prince had an even grander wedding to Lady Diana in St Paul's Cathedral in 1981, one that brought hundreds of thousands of people onto the streets of London and was watched by 750 million television viewers around the world.