



Pakistani foreign secretary Salman Bashir (R) shakes hands with Indian counterpart Shivshankar Menon upon his arrival at the foreign ministry in Islamabad yesterday.

Bus crash in Nepal kills up to 45

Twenty-five pilgrims have been killed in a bus crash in Nepal and around 20 more are missing, police said Tuesday.

Pakistan looks set to cut Musharraf's powers

Constitutional amendment package in final stage

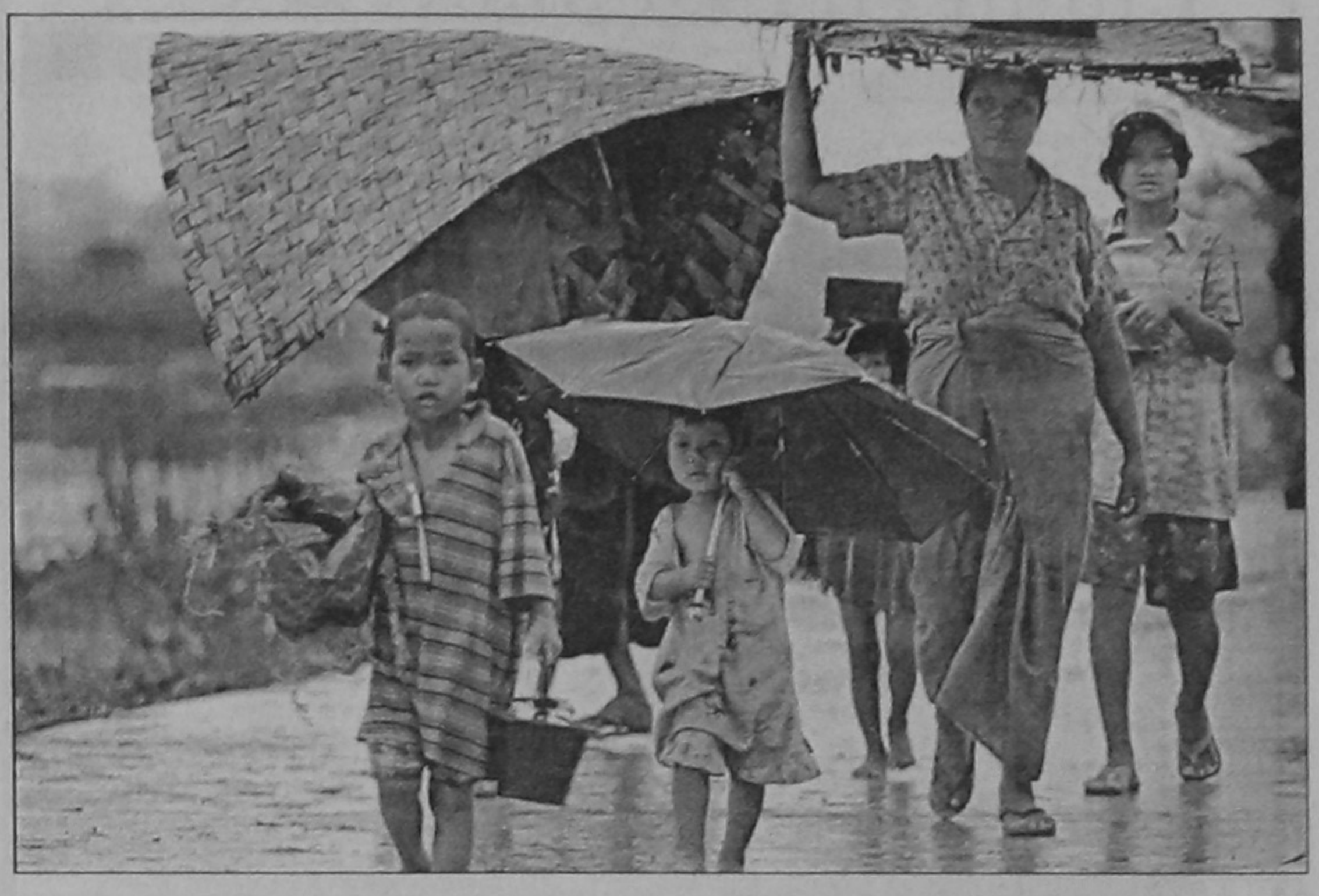
Pakistan government is giving finishing touches to a sweeping constitutional amendment package that will strip President Pervez Musharraf's powers and pave the way for reinstating judges sacked by him last year.

Heavy fighting rages thru' Lanka's north 15 killed in clashes

At least 12 Tamil Tiger rebels and three government soldiers have died in renewed clashes in northern Sri Lanka, the military said yesterday.

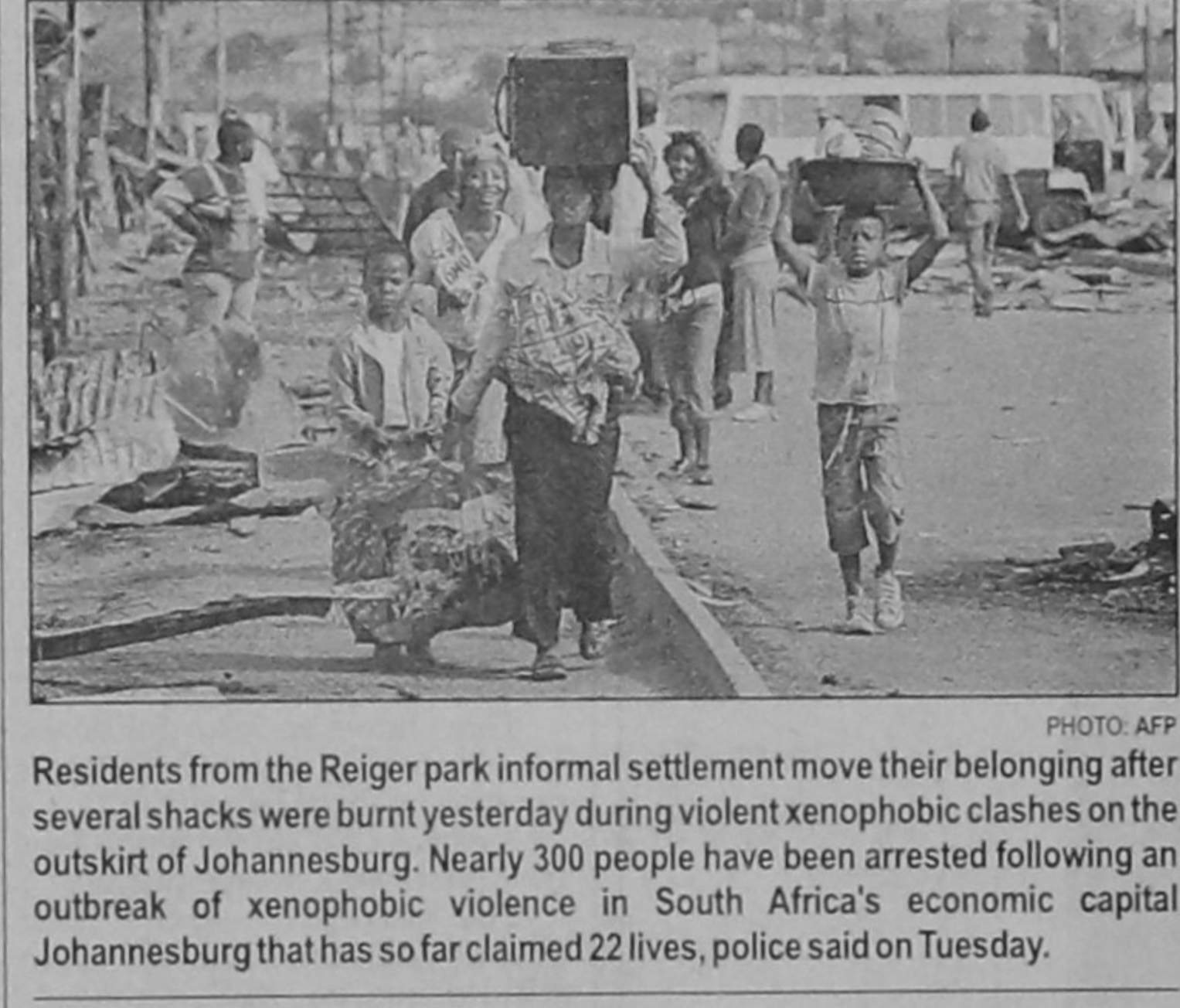
Myanmar mourns for 78,000 cyclone victims

Myanmar began three days of mourning for some 78,000 cyclone victims yesterday, after its ruling junta appeared to relent to foreign pressure to allow more outside help for its storm survivors.



A cyclone-affected displaced family move to find place to shelter from rain in Shwepoughkan township, some 32km from Myanmar's biggest city Yangon yesterday.

Advertisement for Sylhet Gas Fields Limited (SGFL) featuring a table of gas cylinder prices and company details.



Residents from the Reiger park informal settlement move their belongings after several shacks were burnt yesterday during violent xenophobic clashes on the outskirts of Johannesburg.

Delhi hopes to convince Left on N-deal

Ahead of next week's talks with the Left on the stalled Indo-US civilian nuclear agreement, the UPA government has said that it hoped that "national interests" will prevail and it will be able to persuade its allies who have reservations on the deal to go ahead with it.

Nepal Maoists hit by murder scandal

Nepal's Maoists were on the defensive over their human rights record Tuesday after being linked to the abduction and murder of a local businessman.

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