PHOTO: AFP

This LTTE handout picture taken somewhere in the Wanni region in northern Sri Lanka on Saturday shows Tiger supremo Velupillai Prabhakaran (L) handing over a magazine to his political wing chief P Nadesan (R) at a ceremony commemorating the deaths of suicide bombers who carried out attacks in the past 21 years.

Another 21 killed in fresh Lanka fighting

Tigers pay homage to 356 suicide bombers

AFP, *Colombo*

Sri Lankan troops have killed another 19 Tamil Tiger rebels and lost two of their own soldiers in fresh fighting in the island's north, the defence ministry said yesterday.

Troops killed the 19 members of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) and wounded 27 others in the districts of Vavuniya, Mannar, Mullaitivu and Jaffna on Saturday, the ministry said.

A total of 13 government soldiers were also wounded in Saturday's clashes.

There was no immediate word from the LTTE on the latest violence.

However, the Tigers released pictures of their elusive leader Velupillai Prabhakaran commemorating his suicide bombers on the 21st anniversary of the first suicide attack by his guerrillas.

The Tigers have deployed over 250 suicide bombers, known as Black Tigers, to carry out devastating attacks since July 1987.

The defence ministry's latest claims of casualties takes the number of rebels reported killed by government troops since the beginning of the year to 4,755 against the loss of 427 soldiers.

Government figures cannot be independently verified as journalists are barred from visiting frontline areas.

Meanwhile, Sri Lanka's Tamil Tigers on Sunday commemorated 356 men and women who have staged suicide attacks since the tactic was first used by the rebels 21 years ago.

The rebel Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) said they held ceremonies in guerrilla-held Wanni region on Saturday to mark the 21st anniversary of the first suicide truck bombing by a cadre known as Captain Miller.

The elusive Tiger supremo, Velupillai Prabhakaran, 53, led the remembrance ceremonies at an undisclosed location with the participation of his elite "Black Tiger" suicide cadres, the pro-rebel Tamilnet.com web site reported.

"Three hundred and fifty six Black Tigers have laid down their lives, 254 of them in sea operations, during the last 21 years since," Tamilnet said.

Last year, the Tigers commemorated 322 suicide bombers who perished in attacks.

Their figures showed that 34 suicide bombers had carried out attacks in the past year. An attack on a key air base in October was the worst, with 21 suicide bombers destroying a fleet of aircraft.

One rebel later returned to the north with video footage of the attack, while the others were shot dead or blew themselves up.

Govt challenges Pak HC order on Shahbaz's election

PTI, *Islamabad*

The Pakistan government today challenged in the Supreme Court an order that an election tribunal should decide on PML-N president Shahbaz Sharif's eligibility to contest polls.

Deputy Attorney General Raja Abdur Rehman filed a petition asking the apex court to set aside the Lahore High Court's order referring a case about Shahbaz's eligibility to contest polls to the Election Commission.

The High Court recently disqualified PML-N chief from contesting elections while provisionally allowing Shahbaz to continue as the Punjab Chief Minister till the final disposal of the case.

Shahbaz was elected as a member of the Punjab assembly from two seats. He has given up one seat.

Left to 'chargesheet' UPA

Govt unlikely to reply to Left demand

PTI, *New Delhi*

As their "political marriage" is all set to end, Left parties are out to target the ruling UPA for which they are preparing a "chargesheet" against the government detailing its "unkept promises" and "obsession" with the nuclear deal.

The CPI(M), CPI, RSP and Forward Bloc will come out with a "chargesheet" citing UPA's several drawbacks and failures, including "rising prices and inflation, surrendering of national interest, and unkept promises with regard to the Common Minimum Programmeme (CMP)", a senior Left leader said.

Feeling "hurt" by Samajwadi Party's "betrayal", the Left parties will also "expose the marriage of convenience" between Congress and SP in its campaign, said the leader on condition of anonymity.

The Left campaign against the UPA will be launched on July 14 in the capital, where top Left leaders will "attack" the government for its "refusal" to take appropriate steps to tackle the runaway inflation and back-breaking price rise besides explaining their opposition to the deal.

Plans are afoot to field top leaders itself, who will criss-cross the country attending public meetings and rallies organised in major towns in all states, to explain the Left position.

Meanwhile, government is unlikely to reply to Left parties' demand for clarification on whether it was going to the IAEA till the return of Prime Minister Manmohan Singh from Japan on July 9.

Left sources said they expect the next meeting of UPA-Left committee to take place after Singh's return during which the government is likely to give the reply.

Left parties, which have decided to withdraw support the moment the government proceeds to operationalise the Indo-US nuclear deal, yesterday set the deadline of July 7 for the ruling coalition to clarify whether it was going to the IAEA.

'Suu Kyi vote win no longer legal'

AFP, *Yangon*

The victory by democracy leader Aung San Suu Kyi's party in 1990 elections is "no longer legal," Myanmar state media said Sunday, urging her supporters to prepare for new polls.

The official New Light of Myanmar newspaper, a government mouthpiece, ran a commentary headlined: "Goodbye, 1990 election results!"

The paper said that the approval of a new military-backed constitution in a referendum in May had invalidated the previous national election, won in a landslide by Aung San Suu Kyi's National League for Democracy (NLD).

"The result of the 1990 election is no longer legal as it has been ditched by the entire people," the paper said.

"The NLD'd better join hands with the people and then stand for the 2010 election in line with the laws, instead of longing for the result of the 1990 election."

Such commentaries in state media are not official government statements, but reflect the thinking of the secretive junta that rules Myanmar with an iron fist.

PHOTO: AFP

Pakistani residents gather their belongings from a collapsed building in Karachi yesterday. At least 10 people were killed and over a dozen injured when a three-storey building collapsed in the largest Pakistani city, police said.

'No need to rush for Indo-US N-deal'

PTI, *New York*

As the Indian government seemed set to move ahead with the stalled nuclear deal with the US, a top American daily has underlined there was no reason for the Bush administration to rush as it had given away "too much and got far too little".

President George Bush, who was "eager for any foreign policy win" before the expiry of his term in January 2009, is pressing the Indian Prime Minister Manmohan Singh "hard to finally work this (nuclear deal) out," The New York Times said.

In an editorial headlined, 'No Rush, Please', the American daily argued "there is no reason at all to rush. President Bush gave away far too much and got far too little for this deal".

Pakistanis mark Red Mosque siege

AP, *Islamabad*

Thousands of Islamists gathered Sunday in Pakistan's capital to mark the one-year anniversary of a deadly military crackdown on the radical Red Mosque.

More than 2,000 people gathered on a tree-lined street outside the mosque, known as "Lal Masjid," for a conference in remembrance of the eight-day siege.

Lanka activists organising media boycott of Saarc summit

AFP, *Colombo*

Media activists in Sri Lanka are organising a boycott of the upcoming South Asian summit in Colombo in protest at escalating attacks against journalists, a report said Sunday.

The Lakbima News weekly said several media outlets had agreed in principle not to cover the August 1 summit of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (Saarc), without naming the groups involved.

"A number of local and international media organisations have agreed on the proposal to boycott the coverage of the summit as the Sri Lankan government has not ensured that journalists could perform their duties without hindrance," it said.

Thousands marooned by floods in northeast India

AFP, *Guwahati*

Flash floods triggered by heavy monsoon rains have washed away thousands of homes and displaced more than 50,000 people in India's northeastern state of Assam, officials said yesterday.

A government spokesman said the state's eastern district of Lakhimpur was the worst hit, with an estimated 50 villages inundated by flooding that began Saturday.

"The situation is critical with many parts of the district under waist-deep water," Lakhimpur police chief SA Karim told AFP by telephone.

A government bulletin said the Brahmaputra river, which flows through Tibet, India and Bangladesh before emptying in the Bay of Bengal, and its tributaries were flowing above the danger mark in at least six places.

A first wave of monsoon flooding in Assam last month killed eight people and displaced 400,000 others, most of them also in Lakhimpur district.

"Thousands of people are taking shelter in makeshift camps and on embankments and other raised platforms," Karim said, adding that authorities were providing them with food.

The swirling waters of the 2,906-kilometre (1,816-mile) Brahmaputra river have been treacherous across the district, breaching more than a dozen embankments and sweeping away road bridges and stretches of highways.

Authorities said a railway bridge was also washed away, forcing the suspension of train services in the area.

Every year the monsoon causes the river -- one of Asia's longest -- to flood in Assam, a state of 26 million people.

In 2004, Assam saw some of its worst floods, which killed at least 200 people and displaced almost half the state's population.

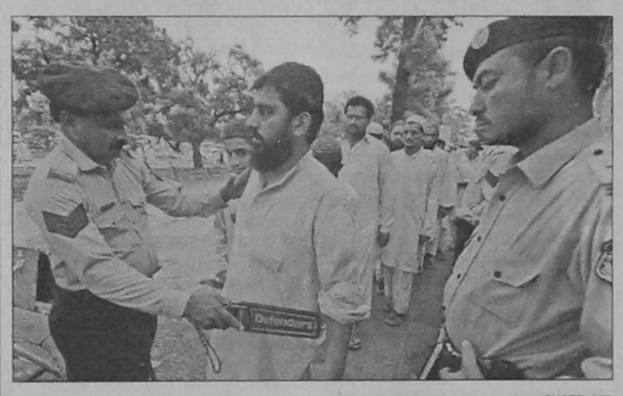

PHOTO: AFP

Pakistani policemen search Islamists at a checkpoint before they enter the Red Mosque in Islamabad yesterday ahead of a rally. Thousands of Islamist hardliners rallied amid tight security in the Pakistani capital to commemorate the first anniversary of the deadly siege and storming of the Red Mosque.

Chittagong Port Authority

Corrigendum-5

Memo No. DT/ICD/119 Dated: 02/7/2008

Subject: **Appointment of a Contractor for Container & Cargo Handling at ICD Kamalapur, Dhaka and Handling ICD Container in yards within Chittagong Port Protected area by using contractor's own Container & Cargo Handling Equipments.**

Ref: I) Invitation for tender (IFT) No. CPA/PM/02/2007, Dated 25/4/07
II) PM/CPA/EQPT/230/821 Dt. 15/7/07
III) MP/CPA/EQPT/230/868 Dt. 25/7/07
IV) CPA's BR No. 12111 Dt. 8/1/08 & DA's Office Order No. 11/2008, Dt. 24/1/08
V) Memo No. DT/ICD/119 Dated: 03/6/2008
VI) DT/CPA' Memo No. DT/ICD/119 Dated 11/6/2008

The following amendment on the above tender has been made:

IFT Sl.No.	Item	Description
17.	Tender last selling date	10/8/2008
18.	Tender closing date and time	11/8/2008 at 11.00am.
19.	Tender opening date and time	11/8/2008 at 11.30am.
21.	Place/date/time of pre-tender meeting (optional)	CPA Board Room, Bandar Bhaban at 11.30am on 28/07/2008.

All other terms and conditions shall remain unchanged. This corrigendum will be the integral part of the tender document.

Director (Traffic)
Chittagong Port Authority

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Corrigendum-1

For the Invitation of Tender for Construction of four Wholesale Kitchen Market in Dhaka City

This is in reference to the Invitation of Tender Reference No.-Project/WKM/216 dated 02/06/2008 construction of four Wholesale Kitchen Market in Dhaka City published in the national dailies vide Amar Desh on June 5, Naya Diganta on June 7, Daynik Janata on June 5, Inquilab on June 6, New Age on June 7, The Daily Star on June 9 and CPTU web site on June 4, 2008 respectively, in consideration with the bidder's wider participation, the following amendment has been made to Invitation of Tenders and Section-2 of tender documents of all the lots.

1. Sl. 14 of Invitation of Tender-Tender last selling date has been extended to 14/07/2008.
2. Sl. 15 of Invitation of Tender-Tender closing date has been extended to 15/07/2008.
3. Sl. 16 of Invitation of Tender-Tender opening date has been extended to 15/07/2008.
4. Section-2, Tender Data Sheet, ITT Clause 12.3(b) of tender document - the required number of similar contracts completed shall be 1 over a period of 10 years instead of 5 years.
5. All other terms & conditions will remain unchanged.
6. This will become an integral part of the tender document.

Md Abdus Salam
Project Director
Construction of 4 (four) Wholesale Kitchen Market in Dhaka City

DCC/PRD/008/08/09
GD-3108

Bangladesh Steel & Engineering Corporation

Audit Division

BSEC Bhaban, Level-5, 102, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Dhaka-1215

Ref> No. BSEC/AD/15.01/Ex.Audit/2007-2008 / Dated: 03-07-2008

Sub: Request for Expression of Interest (EOI) for Appointment of External Auditors

Bangladesh Steel & Engineering Corporation invites sealed EOI from Chartered Accountant Firms in their own pad/profile for appointment as auditors for its 9 (nine) enterprises named (1) Progati Industries Ltd, Ctg. (2) Chittagong Dry Dock Ltd, Ctg. (3) General Electric Manufacturing Co. Ltd, Ctg. (4) Gazi Wires Ltd, Ctg. (5) Bangladesh Blade Factory Ltd, Tongi (6) Eastern Tubes Ltd, Tejgoan, Dhaka (7) Maher Industries (B) Ltd, Dhaka (8) Bangladesh Can Co. Ltd, Ctg. (9) Dhaka Steel Works Ltd, Tongi.

1.	Ministry	:	Ministry of Industries.
2.	Agency	:	Bangladesh Steel & Engineering Corporation.
3.	EOI No. & date	:	BSEC/AD/15.01/Ex. Audit/2007-2008.
4.	Procuring entity	:	Enterprise Board.
5.	Procuring method	:	EOI
6.	Invitation for	:	To audit the accounts of the abovementioned enterprises for the year 2007-2008 according to Bangladesh Accounting Standard (BAS).
7.	Source of fund	:	Enterprises own fund.
8.	EOI closing date & time	:	17th July, 2008 11-00am.
9.	EOI opening date & time	:	17th July, 2008 11-15am.
10.	EOI dropping place	:	BSEC Bhaban, Audit Division, Level-5.
11.	Information for applicant	:	(a) Minimum 10 years experience in the field of audit. (b) Qualification & experience of professionals of the firm of the relevant field will be given due weightage in selecting the firm for short list.
12.	Address of official inviting EOI	:	Additional Chief Audit Officer, BSEC, 102, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Level-5, Dhaka-1215.

Procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all EOI.

Md. Nurul Islam
Add. Chief Audit Officer
Divisional Head
Phone: 8130418

No-BSEC/PRD/002
Date: 06/7/08
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INSTITUTE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
UNIVERSITY OF DHAKA

Appointment Notice

The Institute of Business Administration (IBA), University of Dhaka invites applications in prescribed forms for 2 (two) permanent vacant positions of Assistant Professor and 2 (two) permanent vacant positions of Lecturer.

Assistant Professor (Pay Scale: Tk. 11,000-475 x 14-17,650)

Candidates must have a regular MBA degree having minimum CGPA of 3.50 (in a 4:00 point scale) with minimum 3 years Bachelors degree (minimum 2nd Class/CGPA of 3.30 in a 4 point scale) from a reputed university. Candidates have to have at least high second divisions in SSC & HSC Examinations. They must have at least 3 (three) years teaching and research experience in a reputed university. For candidates with Ph. D/DBA degree, the requirement for the length of teaching and research experience may be relaxed. Research publications in recognized business journals will be an added advantage. Performance as a teacher and contribution towards extracurricular activities of the university will also be given due consideration.

Lecturer (Pay Scale: Tk. 6,800-325x7-9,075-EB-365x11-13,090)

Candidates must have a regular MBA degree having minimum CGPA of 3.50 (in a 4:00 point scale) with minimum 3 years Bachelors degree (minimum 2nd Class/CGPA of 3.30 in a 4 point scale) from a reputed university. Candidates also have to have at least second divisions in SSC & HSC Examinations. Candidates having Ph. D / DBA degree/teaching experience/research publications / industry exposure may be given preference.

Application Procedure

Interested candidates have to submit 8 (Eight) copies of applications enclosing attested copies of all educational certificates & mark sheets with a crossed Pay Order of Tk. 400/- (Taka four hundred only) in favor of the Director, IBA. The prescribed application form may be obtained from the Secretary, IBA. The properly filled in application along with the Pay Order must reach IBA Office latest by 28 July 2008

Candidates already in service should apply through proper channel.

Director, IBA

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