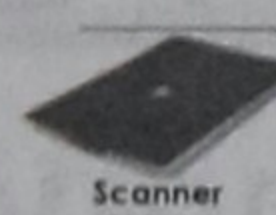


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against Khaleda's  
nephew, Sajeda  
Chy's son

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday issued arrest warrants against detained former prime minister Khaleda Zia's nephew Shahrin Islam Tuhin and Awami League (AL) president member Syeda Sajeda Chowdhury's son Shahdab Akbar in separate cases filed for amassing wealth through illegal means.

Judge Mohammad Azizul Haque of Metropolitan Sessions Judge's Court took the charges into cognisance after scrutinising the case dockets and other relevant documents.

The court passed the orders as the investigation officers (IO) appealed for issuing arrest warrants against the two. Both have been absconding since filing of the cases.

## CASE AGAINST TUHIN

On Sunday, the Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) Assistant Director Towfiqul Islam, also the investigation officer (IO) of the case, submitted the charge sheet to the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate's (CMM) Court, Dhaka, showing 40 people as prosecution witnesses.

The case was filed for amassing wealth worth Tk 65 lakh illegally

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Mercy reassurance  
sought from TacACC chief says no compromise with  
large-scale graft suspects

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Truth and Accountability Commission (Tac) yesterday received a large number of phone calls as anonymous callers inquired about rules and regulations and sought confirmation that no punitive action would be taken if they apply for mercy.

Meanwhile, a day after Tac launched its activities, Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) Chairman Hasan Mashhud Chowdhury yesterday said they won't compromise with allowing people involved in large-scale graft make voluntary disclosure before Tac.

"We'll not compromise with cases that involve large-scale corruption," he said regarding the ACC plan to send any list of corrupt suspects to Tac. He also said ACC will consider cases by their nature before sending those to Tac.

"The idea of Tac can be consid-

ered as a pay-off," he said in reply to a question about the worth of ACC drives spending so much money and time if a corrupt-suspect can easily apply and have mercy through Tac.

"If a law is passed, issues will be dealt in accordance with that law. The Truth and Accountability Commission has been formed following huge debate and discussion. So if any individual tries to raise a question regarding its formation, it would come to no help," he said in a press briefing at the ACC Headquarters.

Mashhud also said they have not yet made a list of corrupt suspects for sending it to Tac and would take such a step after having discussion with the new commission.

Sources in Tac and ACC say they have received several applications from "corrupt" individuals who want to face the commission. The sources, however, denied disclosing names of the individuals as the

Tac Ordinance has provision of keeping secret information regarding absolution seekers.

Tac officials said those who called them didn't introduce themselves and inquired mainly about how to make an appeal, Tac procedures of work and if there is any possibility of taking punitive action against them in case they file an application.

"We have informed them about our rules and assured them that we are not an institution for taking action," said a Tac official asking not to be identified.

"We have sent the public notification to the information ministry and it would be published in renowned national dailies as soon as possible," the official added.

The official said Tac offices have been split in three buildings to deal with the total work. The applications are to be filed with the administrative building named Tatini.

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Ex-BNP whip  
Ashraf freed,  
held againEx-MP Hashem  
freed on bail

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Former BNP whip Ashraf Hossain was arrested again at the Dhaka Central Jail gate last night soon after he was released on bail.

Meanwhile, former BNP lawmaker MA Hasem, also the chairman of Partex Group, was released after getting bail.

Dhaka Central Jail Super

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Edible oil  
price marks  
fresh rise

SHAHEEN MOLLAH

Prices of non-brand edible oil saw a fresh hike in the last three days both in wholesale and retail markets in the city following a downward trend for about 10 days.

Wholesale prices of different kinds of non-brand oil increased by Tk 60-100 per maund while their retail prices rose by Tk 2 per litre over the last three days.

Non-brand soya bean oil was

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136 killed in Pakistan  
northwest violence

AFP, Peshawar

Pakistan's military said yesterday that 94 Taliban militants, 14 troops and 28 civilians have been killed in the past week in fighting in northwestern Swat Valley.

Fierce fighting erupted in the former tourist region a week ago, leaving in tatters a fragile peace deal between the government and the rebels that had caused concerns among Pakistan's western allies.

"The operation will continue till the objective of clearing the area of militants is achieved," local military commander Brigadier Zia Anjum Bodla told reporters in Mingora, the main city in Swat.

"Some 94 militants were killed in the ongoing operation and 14 security forces were martyred. Also, 28 civilians died in the violence, which is very unfortunate," he said.

The dead security forces included three staffers from the Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI) agency who were reported shot dead last week.

Mountainous Swat was a thriving tourist resort until last year, when radical pro-Taliban cleric Maulana Fazlullah launched a violent campaign to enforce harsh

Islamic Sharia law in the region.

Under the May peace deal, the government agreed to gradually pull out troops and introduce an Islamic justice system. In exchange, the rebels said they would halt attacks and surrender arms.

But violence has crept up in recent weeks, with militants burning down the country's only ski resort, located in Swat.

Bodla said the army was forced to act in Swat because militants were "attacking the security forces, setting ablaze schools and harming the local population. We defused eight bombs on Saturday alone."

"The army showed restraint following the May 21 peace deal between militants and the provincial government. But the militants violated the agreement consistently," Bodla added.

Separately, in the tribal region of South Waziristan bordering Afghanistan on Monday eight soldiers were wounded when a roadside bomb hit their convoy, security officials said.

The bomb was planted on the road at Tanai, some 20 kilometres east of Wana, the main town in the troubled district, they said.

Pakistan is under mounting

international pressure to crack down on Taliban and Al-Qaeda militants who are increasing their hold over parts of northwestern Pakistan and the adjoining, semi-autonomous tribal belt.

US officials have reportedly joined India and Afghanistan in accusing the ISI of covertly backing the rebels, while all three countries have criticised the new government's efforts to negotiate with the militants.

Meanwhile, militants killed four policemen in an attack on a security post overnight while more than a dozen Taliban-linked rebels including two mullahs preparing a bomb in a mosque also died, authorities said yesterday.

Some of the dozens of Taliban who attacked police in the central province of Ghazni were slain in a battle that lasted about an hour, provincial government spokesman Ismail Jahangir told AFP.

The Zana Khan district police chief was one of the four policemen who died, he said. "A big number of Taliban have also been killed, but we don't know exactly how many," Jahangir said.

A spokesman for the Taliban movement, Zabihullah Mujahid,

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Nasim gets  
6 months'  
interim bail

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court (HC) yesterday granted interim bail for six months to Awami League leader and former home minister Mohammad Nasim in a criminal case filed by the police during the rule of the BNP-led four party alliance government.

Following a bail petition filed by Nasim, an HC bench comprising Justice Sikder Maqbul Haq and Justice M Fazlur Rahman issued a rule upon the government to explain why the petitioner should not be granted regular bail in this case.

On September 12, 2006, Mohammadpur police filed a case against Nasim and about 900 unknown leaders and workers of Awami League-led 14-party combine on charges of attacking and injuring police and other law enforcers during the siege to the then prime minister's office.

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Niko graft case  
hearing stayed  
until Sept 10

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The special court trying Niko corruption case against detained former prime minister Khaleda Zia and 10 others yesterday set September 10 for next hearing.

Judge Khandaker Kamal Uz-zaman of the Special Court-9 fixed the date after the defence submitted certified copy of the High Court's (HC) stay order on the case.

Earlier On July 9, the HC had stayed for two months all proceedings of the case filed by Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC).

The BNP chairperson was not

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16 policemen killed  
in attack in ChinaSecurity fears spark four days  
before Beijing Olympics

AFP, AP, Beijing

Sixteen policemen in China's Muslim-majority northwest were killed yesterday in a suspected terrorist attack, state media said, raising security fears just four days before the Beijing Olympics.

In one of the deadliest reported attacks in China in years, two men aimed a lorry at police officers jogging near their barracks in Kashgar, a city in the Xinjiang region, the Xinhua news agency

said.

Two men rammed a dump truck into a group of jogging policemen and then tossed explosives into their barracks Monday, killing 16 officers in a restive Chinese province bordering Central Asia, the state-run Xinhua reported.

The attack in Xinjiang province came just four days before the start of the Beijing Olympics an event that has put security forces nationwide on alert and that at least one

Explain why ACC  
ordinance not  
unconstitutional

HC asks govt, ACC

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court (HC) issued a rule on the government and the Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) yesterday to explain in two weeks why the Anti-Corruption Commission (Amendment) Ordinance 2007 should not be declared unconstitutional.

The HC asked the government and the ACC to show causes as to why sections 21 and 28(A) of the ordinance empowering the anti-graft watchdog to arrest any person for supposed corruption even though they may not be formally accused in any case and rendering the purported offence cognisable and non-bailable should not be declared inconsistent with lawful authority.

The HC bench of Justice Khademul Islam Chowdhury and Justice Mashuque Hossain Ahmed issued the ruling following a public interest litigation (PIL) filed by barrister Ahsanul Karim on August 3.

Making out his case, defence counsel barrister Rafique-ul Haq argued that the president promulgated the ordinance beyond the powers bestowed on him by Article 93 and articles 58(D) and 58(E), read all at once, of the constitution.

He also argued the said sections of the ordinance get in the way of the rights guaranteed by the constitution as they authorise the ACC to arrest any suspect without any case and deny bail to the accused.

The president promulgated the ordinance on April 18 last year.

Prayer Timing		
August 5		
	Azan	Jamaat
Fajr	4:20	4:55
Zohr	12:45	1:15
Asr	5:00	5:15
Maghrib	6:47	6:50
Esha	8:15	8:45

Source: Islamic Foundation

Rajdhani Unnayan Kartipakkha yesterday demolishes an unauthorised section of A&W fast-food shop on Gulshan-2 intersection in the capital.

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**NOTICE OF EXTRA ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that the Extra Ordinary General Meeting of Islami Bank Bangladesh Limited will be held on Friday the 29th August, 2008 at 9.00 a.m. at Bangladesh China Friendship Conference Centre, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka for transacting the following business :

**Agenda**

01. Amendment of Memorandum & Articles of Association of Islami Bank Bangladesh Ltd. by passing the following resolution.

Clause No.	Existing	Proposed
	Memorandum Authorised Capital	Memorandum Authorised Capital
V	The Authorised Capital of the Company is 500 Crore (5000 Million) Taka divided into 50,00,000 ordinary shares of 1,000.00 Taka each with power subject to obtaining prior permission from Bangladesh Bank to increase or reduce the Capital, to divide the shares in the Capital for the time being into several classes and to attach thereto respectively such preferential, deferred, qualified or special rights, privileges or conditions as may be determined by or in accordance with the regulations of the Company and to vary, modify or abrogate any such rights, privileges or conditions in such manner as may for the time being be provided by the regulations of the Company and consolidate or sub-divide the shares and issue shares of higher or lower denomination.	The Authorised Capital of the Company is 1000 Crore (10000 Million) Taka divided into 100,00,000 ordinary shares of 100.00 Taka each with power subject to obtaining prior permission from Bangladesh Bank to increase or reduce the Capital, to divide the shares in the Capital for the time being into several classes and to attach thereto respectively such preferential, deferred, qualified or special rights, privileges or conditions as may be determined by or in accordance with the regulations of the Company and to vary, modify or abrogate any such rights, privileges or conditions in such manner as may for the time being be provided by the regulations of the Company and consolidate or sub-divide the shares and issue shares of higher or lower denomination.
	Articles of Association Authorised Capital	Articles of Association Authorised Capital
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	Articles of Association Qualification of Directors	Articles of Association Qualification of Directors
64	The qualification of a Director shall be his holding in his own name not less than ten unencumbered share of the value of Tk. 1000/-each. Directors representing interest holding shares of the requisite value will not be required to hold any qualification share in his own name.	The qualification of a Director shall be his holding in his own name not less than one hundred unencumbered share of the value of Tk. 100/-each. Directors representing interest holding shares of the requisite value will not be required to hold any qualification share in his own name.
	Executive President	Managing Director
67	The Board of Directors shall appoint, a Chief Executive to be called the Executive President for the Company having experience of not less than 15 years in responsible position in banking with the approval of Bangladesh Bank, upon such terms and conditions and on such remuneration as they think fit. He shall be Ex-officio Director and Member of the Board and Executive Committee on such terms and conditions as deemed fit by the Board.	The Board of Directors shall appoint, a Chief Executive to be called the Managing Director for the Company having experience of not less than 15 years in responsible position in banking with the approval of Bangladesh Bank, upon such terms and conditions and on such remuneration as they think fit. He shall be Ex-officio Director and Member of the Board and Executive Committee on such terms and conditions as deemed fit by the Board.

All shareholders of the Bank are requested to make it convenient to kindly attend the Meeting in time.

Dated: Dhaka  
05 August, 2008

By order of the Board of Directors  
(Md. Shouquat Ali)  
Secretary

**Notes**

a) A member eligible to attend and vote at the Extra Ordinary General Meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and to vote on his behalf.

b) Power of Attorney / Proxy forms must be submitted to the registered office of the Company, 40, Dilkusha, Dhaka or at Share Department, 63 Dilkusha (5th floor), Dhaka at least 48 (Forty-Eight) hours before the Meeting i.e. latest 9.00 a.m. on Wednesday the 27th August 2008. Revenue Stamp of Tk. 10/- (Taka Ten) only shall have to be affixed on the proxy forms.

c) Attendance Slip and Proxy Form along with the notice are being sent to the shareholders by post/courier. The shareholders may also collect Proxy Forms from the Registered Office of the Company.

d) Attendance of the Members/Shareholders/Attorney/Proxies will be recorded upto 9.00 a.m. at the entrance of the Hall on the day of the meeting.

Secretary

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