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flood zone

AFP, New Delhi

Police in India's flood-hit north said yesterday they had stepped up operations and made several arrests to prevent an increase in child trafficking in the devastated region.

The country's worst floods in decades have displaced nearly three million people and triggered mass migration from Bihar, which is among India's poorest states and a source of cheap migrant labour including children.

Activists say the floods and migration have made children vulnerable to trafficking.

"We have received a few complaints. Some people have been arrested," Yashwant Malhotra, police chief of the local anti-human trafficking body, told AFP by phone.

Extra police had been deployed at railway stations to look out for suspected traffickers, he said.

A children's rights group said that since the floods it had rescued more than 30 children who had been bought from parents to be taken to work in roadside eateries and factories across the country.

Child traffickers arrested in India US did not warn of any strike, says Pakistan

AP, Islamabad

Pakistan said Thursday it was not warned about a suspected US missile strike in its northwest that came the same day a top American official assured Pakistani leaders of US respect for the Muslim nation's

The reported attack will likely fuel anger in Pakistan over a surge in cross-border operations by US forces including a Sept. 3 ground assault that has strained the countries' seven-year anti-terror alliance.

While denying prior knowledge of Wednesday's reported strike, Foreign Minister Shah Mahmood Oureshi indicated Pakistan's civilian leadership wants to defuse tensions through diplomacy, including during upcoming talks in the United States.

the chairman of the US Joint Chiefs sort it out," he said.

of Staff, Adm. Mike Mullen, was in Pakistan visiting the prime minister, the army chief and other officials.

"reiterated the US commitment to respect Pakistan's sovereignty and to develop further US-Pakistani cooperation and coordination on these critical issues that challenge the security and well-being of the people of both countries."

Qureshi, who was among those who met with Mullen, told reporters that Pakistani officials "were not informed" of the suspected strike later Wednesday. Asked about Mullen's statement, Qureshi said, "it's a clear, clear commitment to Pakistan to respect Pakistan's sovereignty."

"And now if having said that there was an attack later in the night, that means there is some sort of an institutional disconnect on The suspected strike came as their side, and if so, they will have to concerned about Taliban and al- on intruding forces following the

Wednesday missile strike targeted a to plan attacks on American and The US Embassy said Mullen compound in South Waziristan Nato forces in Afghanistan. A spate used by Taliban militants and Hezbi-Islami, another group involved in escalating attacks in Afghanistan.

> One of the officials said an unmanned drone of the type used by the CIA and US forces in Afghanistan was heard in the area. They said informants reported

six people had died and three others were wounded. Both officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak to the media. US Embassy spokesman

Gonzalo Gallegos declined to comment Thursday, in line with usual US avoidance of discussions of alleged missile strikes.

Qaeda militants' use of Pakistan's Sept. 3 attack.

freed by locals

About 300 students held hostage

by three would-be suicide

bombers at a school in north-

western Pakistan today were

freed by armed local residents

ing two of the militants in a gun

The militants took control of

the government-run primary

school in Dir district of the North

West Frontier Province and held

the children hostage for several

school and rescued their wards

after exchanging fire with the

militants, killing two of them while

the third escaped, TV channels

Local residents rushed to the

who stormed the building kill-

PTI, Islamabad

battle.

300 Pak schoolchildren

taken hostage by militants,

Two intelligence officials told lawless tribal regions near the The Associated Press that the Afghan border as bases from which of alleged missile strikes, as well as the ground assault, signal American impatience with Pakistani progress in clearing out such sanctuaries.

Pakistan insists it is doing all it can, suffering heavy military losses as a result, and that unilateral attacks will simply deepen tribal sympathy for militants.

Earlier this month, Pakistan army chief Ashfaq Parvez Kayani issued a strong public rebuke to the US, saying Pakistan's territorial integrity "will be defended at all cost" and denying there was any agreement for US forces to operate there. The army also has said Washington has long been Pakistani troops have orders to fire

explosives strapped to their bodies

Police and local residents were

and they blew up during the gun

not certain whether the militants

exploded after being hit by bullets.

unhurt, the school management

the restive Bajaur tribal region and

the troubled Swat valley in the

NWFP. The people in Dir have

formed committees to expel the

been running a terror campaign to

close down girls' schools all over

girls' schools in Swat valley over

The Pakistani Taliban have

The Taliban have burnt over 100

Taliban from the area.

the tribal region.

blew themselves up or had

All the children were freed

The Dir district is located near



A Pakistani protester holds a burning US flag during a protest in Lahore yesterday. At least six people were killed when four missiles fired by suspected US drones on Wednesday struck a compound in a northwestern Pakistani tribal area near the Afghan border.

India, Nepal to reactivate

Pakistani anti and pro-government lawyers scuffle at a local court during a protest in Multan yesterday. Pakistani lawyers held protests in several cities demanding the government to reinstate judges, including Chief Justice Iftikhar Muhammad Chaudhry, sacked by former Pakistani president Pervez Musharraf.

Hellish times for India's India, China hold Christians

THE STRAITS TIMES / ANN, New Delhi

A combustible mix of politics and religious zeal has been blamed for a surge in attacks on Christians in several Indian states.

A pentecostal group is at the centre of the violence that has rocked the southern coastal city of have been no deaths reported so Mangalore, in Karnataka, since Sunday, less than a month after eastern Orissa state witnessed similar violence against Christians.

New Life Fellowship Trust (NLFT) has been accused of "forcible conversion" not only by Hindu fundamentalists but also by across the border from Karnataka.

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Catholics in Mangalore.

Mangalore has the secondlargest Christian population in the state after the capital Bangalore.

Nearly a dozen churches, shops and Christian establishments have been attacked by Hindu fundamentalist groups although there far, unlike in Orissa where 18 people have been killed and more than 20,000 made homeless.

There have also been reports of attacks on churches in central Madhya Pradesh state and the southern state of Kerala, which is

While Bishop Aloysius D'Souza of Mangalore and other Christian groups have criticised the Karnataka state administration for its failure to protect the Church and other establishments, there was criticism of the NLFT within the

Christian community. Accusing the group of "poaching" Catholics, particularly those belonging to poorer classes, a Catholic priest was quoted by The Indian Express newspaper as saying: "We are facing the music for the wrongs committed by New Life.

"We have told them that those who join New Life would be excommunicated. In fact, we feel that

boundary talks

The two dead militants had the past few months.

PTI, Beijing

After a gap of one year, India and China is holding a fresh round of boundary talks in Beijing on Thursday amid strains in ties in the wake of attempts by Beijing to block a consensus on the Indiaspecific waiver at the NSG meet in Vienna earlier this month.

National Security Adviser MK Narayanan is heading the Indian delegation at the two-day talks while the Chinese side will be represented by State Counsellor Dai Bingguo.

The meeting will explore ways to resolve the festering boundary

dispute that was affecting Sino-Indianties.

This is the 12th round of boundary negotiations between the two sides since they appointed Special Representatives in 2003 to resolve the decades-old issue from a political perspective after the diplomatic parleys failed to yield results.

The latest round of talks comes a year after the last dialogue between the two sides on the boundary issue here.

The two Special Representatives -- Narayanan and Dai -- are also expected to touch upon other issues of mutual interest during their talks.

committee on water PTI, New Delhi discuss various issues, including project reports on two upcoming With India and Nepal agreeing to dams in Nepal and means to concheck recurrence of floods in Kosi The secretary-level committee trol floods. Secretary, Water Resources U N is also part of the three-level sys-

river and putting on fast track projects to utilise water for irrigation and power generation, top officials of the two neighbours will meet this month in Kathmandu to streamline the process.

The Joint Committee on Water Resources, which last met in 2004, will meet again in the Nepalese capital on September 29 and 30 to tries, a minister-level committee

Panjiar, will lead the Indian side. Before his visit, Commissioner,

Ganga II Wing, S P Kakran will be in Nepal to prepare background papers and decide on the agenda of the joint committee.

established between the two coun-

has been set up to keep both the governments updated on issues of water resources at the highest level.

tem. At least eight technical committees would also meet regularly to review various projects.

The decision to reactivate the joint committee was taken at a meeting between Union Water Resources As part of the three-level system Minister Saifuddin Soz and his Nepalese counterpart Bishnu Paudel here a couple of days ago.

Lanka orders Tamils in Colombo to register

AP, Colombo

Sri Lankan authorities yesterday ordered tens of thousands of ethnic Tamils living in Colombo to register with police as fighting in the country's civil war grew fiercer.

Meanwhile, the military said fresh fighting along the northern front lines killed 25 rebels and one soldier, while brushing off reports the Tamil Tigers had unleashed deadly chemical weapons against advancing troops.

As the fighting intensified in recent months, the rebels have been blamed for a series of deadly attacks on buses, trains and other targets in the capital of Colombo and other towns that have killed

scores of civilians far from the war

Authorities established a maze of roadblocks and checkpoints and continuously changed traffic patterns in Colombo in an effort to prevent new attacks. They have also required all residents of the north to register with the police upon their arrival in the city.

Gunasekera announced Thursday to those who fail to register. that every Sri Lankan who came to Colombo from the north in the past tal have complained of frequent five years would have to reregister with police in a mass registration drive Sunday at police stations and other designated centers across the city.

The order will affect more than 100,000 people who came from the

districts of Kilinochchi, Jaffna, Vavuniya, Mannar and Mullaittivu,he said. The overwhelming majority of those people are ethnic

"We will not harass people, but we will request, 'Please come," Gunasekera said, adding that the exercise was simply an effort by authorities to update their records. Police spokesman Ranjith He did not say what would happen

> Ethnic Tamils living in the capipolice raids, harassment and arbitrary detentions as the fighting between government forces, dominated by the ethnic Sinhalese majority, and the Tamil Tigers escalated in recent years.

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The duty station will be in GNSP Unit, Dhaka.

A. Tasks

As a facilitator between GNSPU/GTZ and MoHFW the SA will have the overall responsibility of supporting the unit to perform as per her/his requirements and role with respect to professional advising and consulting, networking and cooperation, knowledge management, management and coordination, and technical support. The SA will report to the GTZ ENPSP Programme Coordinator on relevant

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