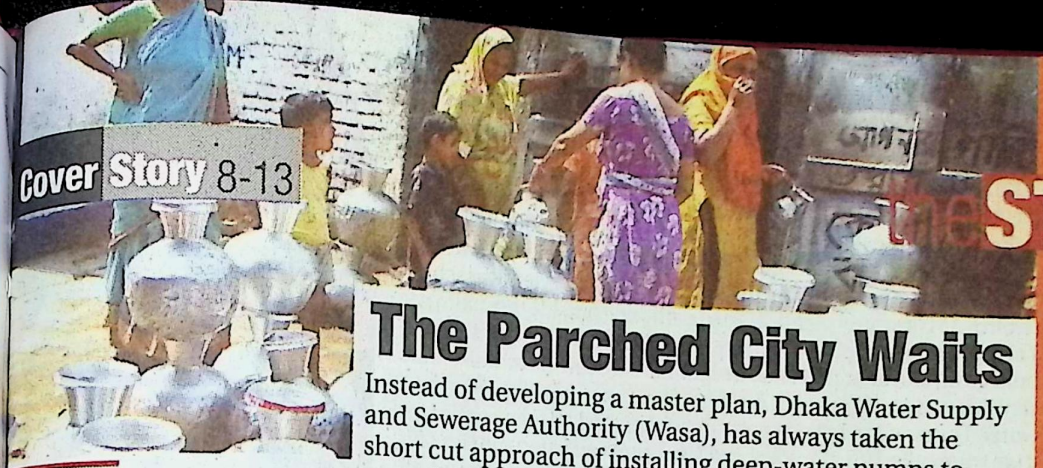


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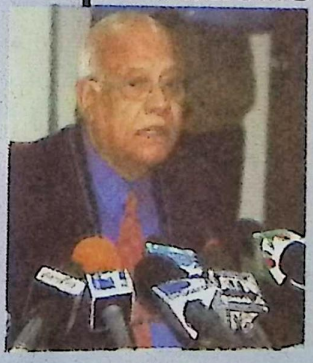
The Parched City Waits

Instead of developing a master plan, Dhaka Water Supply and Sewerage Authority (Wasa), has always taken the short cut approach of installing deep-water pumps to meet the immediate crisis. Such initiatives have been proved ineffective. Thus during every dry season from (March to June) Dhaka City dwellers suffer from an acute water crisis. In many parts of the city people get sticky and straw coloured water from the Wasa supply line.In other parts they don't get a drop for days.

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When Finance Minister AMA Muhith announced last week that he was working on a stimulus package to help deal with the affects of the global recession, businesses and industries around the country anxiously waited for its announcement. When the figures were finally rolled out the clothing sector was under whelmed by the government response to what they thought was the biggest problem to face their sector since the end of the Multi Fibre Agreement.

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Of Zombies and Weddings



Notwithstanding the small detail about Bangladesh not having any viable movie industry in the first place, I still think Dhaka is fertile ground for a good old fashioned hair-raising, spine-tingling, absolutely gruesome horror movie, the type that makes you stay up all night reading Tolstoy's War and Peace cover to coveranything from preventing switching off the lights and trying to sleep.

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