



Nepalese pro-Maoist supporters take to the streets as they demonstrate prior to the resignation of Nepalese prime minister Pushpa Kamal Dahal, also known as Prachanda, in Kathmandu yesterday.

# Nepal peace process 'in peril': Maoists

AFP, Kathmandu

Nepal's ruling Maoists warned yesterday that the Himalayan nation's peace process was "in peril" after the country's president attempted to stop them sacking the powerful army chief.

opposition party, has told the head of the army -- traditionally a bastion of Nepal's elite and the former monarchy -- to stay put. Maoist spokesman and cabinet minister Krishna Bahadur Mahara told AFP this was tantamount to a "constitutional coup" and vowed to fight back with street protests.

sack and appoint an acting army chief lies with the government and not the president. We will stick to our decision," he said, adding the Maoist cabinet had instructed the president to back down.

# Lanka may pardon rebels who would surrender

## Tigers suffer 'heavily' in fresh fighting

AP, AFP, Colombo

Sri Lanka's government said Sunday it is considering an amnesty for Tamil Tiger rebels who surrender although not for leaders of the insurgency, which is facing defeat after 25 years of civil war.

The rebels, meanwhile, asked Britain and France to keep pushing for a cease-fire after the European nations' recent failure to secure a halt in the fighting to allow civilians to evacuate the war zone.

Sri Lankan troops won control of a fortified embankment and killed several Tamil Tiger rebels in their latest advances into the guerrillas' remaining territory, the defence ministry said yesterday.

The soldiers inched their way across heavily mined terrain in the island's northeast, where the Tigers are holed up with tens of thousands of civilians, the ministry said.

"The LTTE (Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam) suffered heavily during this battle," the ministry said of the clashes on Sunday.

The ministry did not give exact rebel casualties, but said a senior Tiger leader called Thamilendi was among those killed.

There was no immediate comment from the LTTE, who are facing defeat after waging a decades-long war for a separate Tamil state.

Battlefield claims cannot be verified as the Sri Lankan government bars independent reporters from travelling to the frontlines.

An estimated 50,000 noncombatants are trapped in a tiny coastal strip along with the cornered rebels in the island's northeast. A recent United Nations report said about 6,500 civilians were killed in the area during the past three months.

The government has rejected the cease-fire calls, saying it is on the verge of victory.

Human Rights Minister Mahinda Samarasinghe said officials from the attorney general's department are studying the legal basis for a possible pardon for rebels who surrender but a final decision has not been made.

He said any such offer would not be open to rebel leader Velupillai Prabhakaran and others convicted in Sri Lanka for various attacks or wanted in neighbouring India for the 1991 assassination of former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi.

"The leadership will be dealt with under the laws of the country," Samarasinghe said.

Gandhi was blown up by a suspected Tamil Tiger female suicide bomber at an election rally in southern India in apparent revenge for sending a peacekeeping force to Sri Lanka in 1987.

Samarasinghe said the government also plans to offer vocational training for surrendering rebels to help them reintegrate into society.

Tamil Tiger leaders have vowed no surrender. Every fighter is meant to wear a cyanide capsule and swears an oath to swallow the capsule to avoid capture.

# US concerned about Pakistani nukes

AFP, Washington

Faced with a surge of Islamic militant activity in Pakistan, the US government is increasingly concerned about the potential vulnerability of the country's nuclear arsenal, The New York Times reported late Sunday.

Citing unnamed officials, the newspaper said the administration of President Barack Obama is worried about the potential for mili-

tant to snatch a weapon in transport or to insert sympathisers into laboratories or fuel-production facilities.

The officials emphasised that there was no reason to believe that the arsenal, most of which is deployed south of Islamabad, was facing an imminent threat, the report said.

But the United States does not know where exactly all of Pakistan's nuclear sites are

located, and its concerns have intensified in the last two weeks, after Taliban fighters entered Buner, a district just 60 miles from the capital, the paper said.



A Sri Lankan man walks past anti-British posters in Colombo yesterday. The posters came up as a British parliamentary delegation arrived in the capital to examine the island's humanitarian crisis following heavy fighting between troops and Tamil Tiger rebels.

# Bitter with West, Lanka turns to East for cash and support

AFP, Colombo

The Sri Lankan government is increasingly tilting towards Iran, Libya and China for foreign aid as its traditional Western allies ramp up their criticism of the war against Tamil rebels.

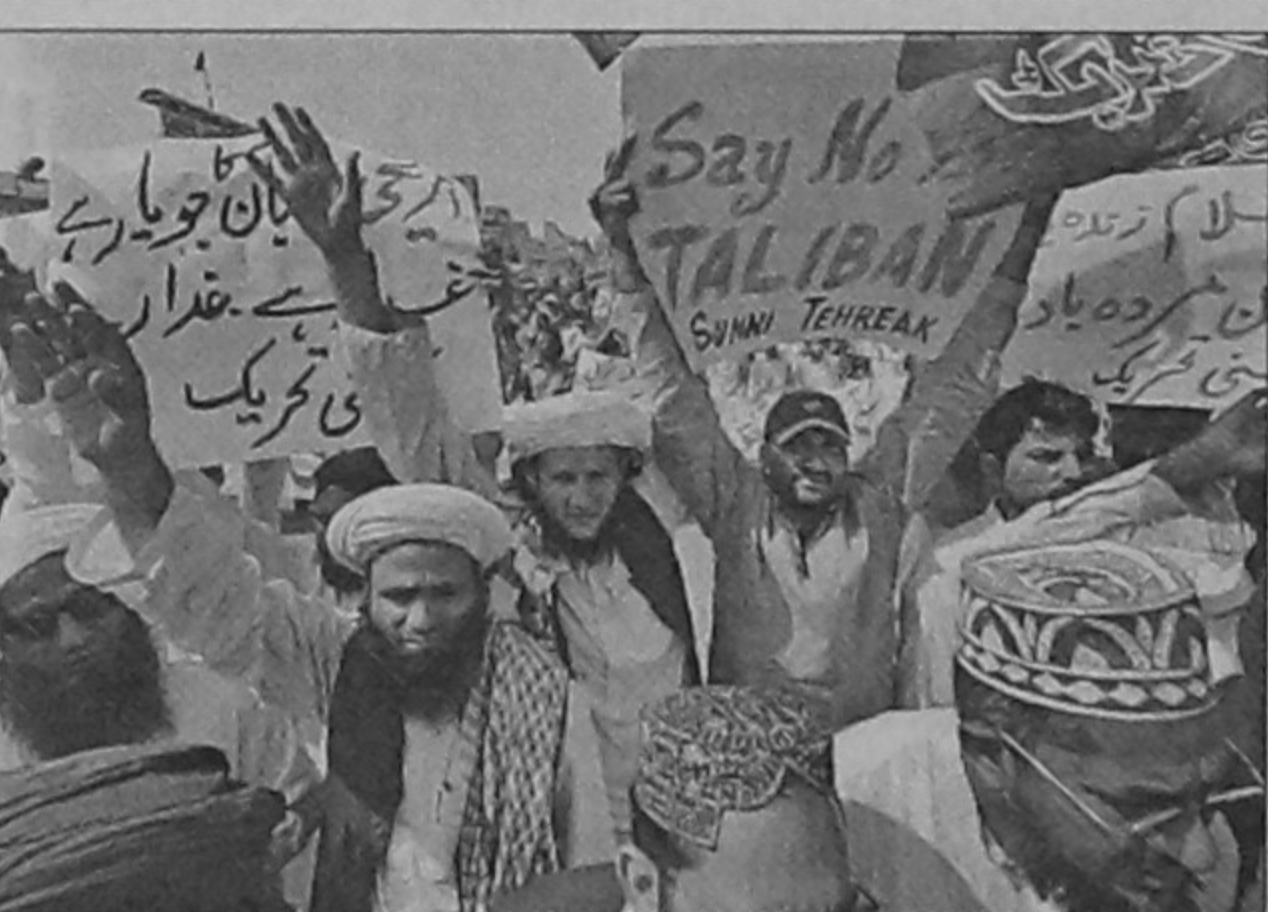
Many Western nations have outlawed the Tamil Tigers and cut off their funding networks, but the Colombo administration is deeply upset over repeated calls from the United States and the European Union for a truce.

President Mahinda Rajapakse believes he is on the verge of victory over Tamil

separatists after 37 years of fighting, and he fears that nations such as Britain, France and the US could throw a lifeline to the rebels.

"Never did history unmask the hypocrisy and the sanctimony of the Western powers than (it has in) their behaviour towards Sri Lanka during recent times," the defence ministry said on Sunday, without naming specific countries.

Rajapakse himself vowed last week that he would not bow to outside pressure for a ceasefire, and lashed out at what he regards as Western interference.



Activists of Pakistani Sunni Tehreek march in a rally against Talibanisation, in Lahore on Sunday. Pakistan's army announced that 80 militants have so far been killed in a fierce military offensive against Taliban fighters in northwest Buner district.

# Once welcoming, Pakistan city fears Taliban rise

AP, Peshawar

At the entrance to Peshawar, a young man on the side of the road offers a prayer, while on the bridge overhead three men videotape him.

They could be friends in Peshawar for the first time, perhaps from a nearby village. But that isn't my first thought.

My first thought is, maybe he is a suicide bomber setting off an mission.

no beard, maybe 20 years old, maybe younger. They say most suicide bombers are 18- and 19-year-olds, poor, disaffected.

I decide to quietly, gently roll down my window, just an inch, thinking that if there's an explosion from the young lad I just saw or any number of other directions the opening will reduce the effect of the concussion. It could perhaps prevent the windows from shattering into deadly shards, unless of course the explosion is right next to the car, and then I guess it doesn't matter.

# India made an enormous blunder: Maoist minister

INDO-ASIAN NEWS SERVICE, Kathmandu

As Nepal's first Maoist Prime Minister Pushpa Kamal Dahal Prachanda announced his resignation in a televised address to the nation after an escalating quarrel with allies and President Ram Baran Yadav, a senior minister in the outgoing cabinet blamed India for the debacle, saying New Delhi's bureaucrats had committed an 'enormous blunder'.

"India supported the army and the president in their unconstitutional acts against democratic forces," Maoist Finance Minister Baburam Bhattarai told IANS. "It was an enormous blunder. It is going to cost India all the goodwill it earned by supporting the pro-democracy movement during King Gyanendra's regime."

The Maoist leader, who had earlier said he had learnt the ABC of Marxism in New Delhi's prestigious Jawaharlal Nehru University, where he was a doctorate student in the 80s, blamed the 'bureaucrats' in New Delhi for the fall of the Maoist government.

"The politicians are busy

with the elections and the decisions are being taken by blundering bureaucrats," he said. "The Indian people and parties should take note of this and India should review its bureaucracy policy."

While announcing his resignation, Prachanda had accused the opposition, some of his own allies and 'foreign powers', meaning India, of conspiring against his eight-month government and encouraging the president to work outside his constitutional role by abetting the army.

Bhattarai said his party would now begin a struggle on the streets and from the floor of interim parliament to amend the President's unconstitutional move to reinstate the army chief Gen Rookmangud Katawal, who was sacked by his party Sunday.

However, he said that the new struggle would be a peaceful one.

"Both Katawal and Ram Baran Yadav must be sacked since they acted against the constitution," he said. "Till that is done, we will continue our struggle."

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**Invitation for Tenders**

No. KGF/1-5/2009 PC Dated: 04/05/2009

1. Ministry/Division	Ministry of Agriculture
2. Procuring Entity Name	Executive Director, Krishi Gobeshona Foundation (KGF)
3. Procuring Entity District	Dhaka
4. Invitation for	Supply and Installation testing & commissioning of PABX/Digital Exchange
5. Invitation Ref No	KGF/1-5/2009 PC
6. Date	04 / 05 / 2009

**KEY INFORMATION**

7. Procurement Method	Open Tender Method (OTM)/National Competitive Bid (NCB)
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**FUNDING INFORMATION**

8. Source of Funds	IDA/IFAD/GOB
9. Development Partners (if applicable)	IDA & IFAD

**PARTICULAR INFORMATION**

10. Project / Programme Code (if applicable)	43-4305-7310
11. Project/Programme Name (if applicable)	Krishi Gobeshona Foundation, NATP Phase-1.
12. Tender Package No.	GD/KGF/05
13. Tender Package Name	Supply and Installation testing & commissioning of PABX/Digital Exchange
14. Tender Publication Date	On or before 06/05/2009
15. Tender Last Selling Date	19/05/2009 up to 4:00 p.m.

Date	Time
16. Tender Submission & Closing Date and Time	20 / 05 / 2009 12.00 noon
17. Tender Opening Date and Time	20 / 05 / 2009 12.05 PM

18. Name & Address of the office(s)

**Address:** Executive Director, Krishi Gobeshona Foundation (3rd floor), Room No. 421, AIC Building, Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council Campus, Farmgate, Dhaka-1215

- Selling Tender Document: Programme Associate (Finance), KGF, Room No. 417, AIC Building, BARC Campus, Farmgate, Dhaka-1215

- Receiving Tender Document: Krishi Gobeshona Foundation, Room No. 419 (Meeting Room), 3rd floor, AIC Building, BARC Campus, Farmgate, Dhaka-1215.

- Opening Tender Document: Krishi Gobeshona Foundation, 3rd floor, AIC Building, BARC Campus, Farmgate, Dhaka-1215

19. Pre-Tender Meeting (Optional): Not Applicable

**INFORMATION FOR TENDERER**

20. Eligibility of Tenderer	The tenderer should submit valid & updated the following attested photocopies of documents with the tender: Valid trade licence, 5 years of experience certificate supplying similar types of equipments & goods, Income Tax certificate with TIN number, VAT registration certificate & bank solvency certificate.
21. Brief Description of Goods	As per description in the tender documents.
22. Brief Description of Related Services	As per description in the tender documents.
23. Price of Tender Document (Tk.)	500/- (Five hundred only)

Package No.	Identification of Package	Tender Security Amount (Tk.)	Completion Time in weeks / months
(1) GD-KGF/05	Supply and Installation testing & commissioning of PABX/Digital Exchange	10,000/-	03 weeks from the date of signing contract

**PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS**

25. Name of Official Inviting Tender	: Dr. M. Nurul Alam	
26. Designation of Official Inviting Tender	: Executive Director	
27. Address of Official Inviting Tender	Krishi Gobeshona Foundation, NATP Phase-1, Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council Campus, Farmgate, Dhaka-1215	
28. Tel. No.	Fax No.	e-mail
29. Contact details of Official Inviting Tender	88-02-9111041	88-02-8113032 kgf-bd@live.com

30. The procuring entity reserves the right to accept any or reject all tenders.

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**বিদ্যুৎ সাশ্রয়ের আবেদন**

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**"উন্নততর গ্রাহক সেবাই আমাদের লক্ষ্য"**

ডেসকো কর্তৃপক্ষ

**লিগ্যাল নোটিশ**

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**জমির তফসিল**

জিলা-ঢাকা, থানা-সাবেক মতিঝিল, হালে সবুজবাগ ও সাব-রেজিষ্টার্ড অফিস খিলগাঁও অধীন। ঢাকা কালেক্টরীর তেজিভুক্ত। সাবেক-২৮৬ নং, হালে ১০ নং, মৌজা রাজারবাগস্থিত। সি.এস-১৭৪ ও ১১৫ নং এস.এ-১৮৮ নং আর.এস-১২৩৫ নং মিউনিসিপাল-১৮৮/১৫ নং সিটি জরিপে-৪৭৪৯ নং খতিয়ানে লিখিত। উক্ত এস.এ জোত নং ৭৭৬৯। সি.এস-২১৭ ও ২৪০ নং এস.এ-১০৫২ (এক হাজার বায়ান) নং আর.এস-৪১৮৮ নং সিটি জরিপে-১৭১৭ ও ৫৫০৬ নং দাগে ভিডি বাড়া-৫০০০ (পাঁচ হাজার) অযত্যাগে সমান ৩০.৩০ (ত্রিশ দশমিক তিন শূন্য) কাঠা এবং তদস্থিত পুরাতন ১০০০ বর্গফুট আয়তনের দোতলা বিল্ডিং, তিনটি টিনের ঘর এবং গ্যাস, বিদ্যুৎ, পানি, সুর্যরোজ সংযোগ লাইনসহ অত্র দলিল দ্বারা বায়নাকৃত সম্পত্তি বটে। যাহার হেফত নং-২০/২, অতীশ দীপঙ্কর সড়ক, বাসাঘা, সবুজবাগ, ঢাকা।

**সিটি জরিপ মোতাবেক চৌহদ্দি**

উত্তরেঃ সিটি জরিপে ১৭১৩ নং দাগে ৩০-০' প্রশস্ত রাস্তা। দক্ষিণেঃ সিটি জরিপে ৫৫০৮ নং দাগের জমি। পূর্বেঃ সিটি জরিপে ১৭১৮ নং দাগে ১১-০' প্রশস্ত রাস্তা। পশ্চিমেঃ ১৮০-০' প্রশস্ত রাস্তা (অতীশ দীপঙ্কর সড়ক), তৎপর সিটি জরিপে ৫৫০৫, ১৭১৫ ও ১৭১৬ নং দাগের জমি।

**মোঃ সহিদ্জ্জামান (এস, জামান)**  
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 ক্রম নং ২/৮, সুপ্রীম কোর্ট বার, ঢাকা।