



PHOTO: AFP

Thai soldiers take position during a clash with suspected separatist militants in the Bannang Sata district of Thailand's restive southern province of Yala yesterday. A Thai soldier, a policeman and a suspected Muslim militant were killed in an early morning clash in the kingdom's troubled south.

## Pak intelligence warns of terror strikes on US embassy

ANI, Lahore

Pakistan intelligence agencies have warned that extremists may strike the US embassy, consulates and other strategically important American establishments in the country.

According to an intelligence report, a militant named Muhammad Ayub, who belongs to Quetta, has been assigned the work to carry out terror strikes on US buildings, The Daily Times reports.

The Interior Ministry's Crisis Management Cell has alerted all the provincial governments regarding the impending threat.

Security forces have been put on high-alert in the light of the threat, and asked to maintain a tight vigil across US establishments.

## Baitullah Mehsud's 5 close accomplices die in Karachi

12 Taliban killed in attack on militant base in northwest

PTI, AFP, Karachi/Peshawar

Five close aides of Pakistani Taliban chief Baitullah Mehsud have been killed in a shootout with police, who raided a militant hideout in this southern port city.

The five were killed after they refused to surrender and engaged the police team in a gunfight at the hideout near Gadap town, located close to the national highway, city police chief Waseem Ahmed said last night.

"Five other persons managed to escape and were in their pursuit," he said.

The police official said the five killed were close accomplices of Tehreek-e-Taliban leader Mehsud, who is on the most wanted list of the Pakistan and US governments.

"We have recovered heavy ammunition and explosive material from the site where

these people were hiding," Ahmed said.

He said the militants were hiding in the area in the garb of displaced people from Swat valley, where the military has launched a major offensive against the Taliban since last April.

Police said the raid had taken place following "confessions" by certain terrorists arrested earlier from the city.

Earlier at least 12 militants were killed and more than a dozen wounded on Saturday when Pakistani forces attacked the suspected bases of feared Taliban chief Baitullah Mehsud, officials said.

"Two Pakistani fighter jets pounded Taliban militant hideouts in Makeen and Laddha, killing 10 Taliban and injuring 15 others," local tribal police official Syed Akbar Khan told AFP.

Makeen and Laddha are the main South

Waziristan strongholds of Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) chief Baitullah Mehsud, who is blamed for a number of suicide attacks and bomb blasts in Pakistan.

The tolls could not be verified independently as the areas are out of bounds to journalists because of the ongoing military operation and presence of Taliban militants.

In a separate incident militants early Saturday fired six rockets at a security camp and a paramilitary fort in Wana, the main town of South Waziristan, a government official said.

The security forces in retaliation shelled the Taliban militants, killing two and injuring three others.

"Two Taliban were killed and three others injured when security forces fired artillery shells on militant hideouts," local official Allah Bagh Khan said.

## G8 puts focus on stabilising Afghanistan, Pakistan

AFP, Trieste

The Group of Eight leading powers turned their attention Saturday to stabilising Afghanistan and Pakistan in talks aimed at shoring up faltering efforts with 40 regional players.

With just two months to go before a presidential election, Afghanistan is battling a Taliban insurgency and has been flooded with massive waves of refugees fleeing a Pakistani army offensive in the Swat valley.

Pakistani Foreign Minister Shah Mahmood Qureshi said talks focussed on "the devel-

opment of economic infrastructure and enhanced regional connectivity -- open trade corridors, improving rail and road links."

"We were discussing how important it is for these people to return home as soon as possible," Qureshi told AFP.

"It's a huge challenge. Obviously we need more help, international help, because if we win on the military front and we lose hearts and minds, then it will come to naught," he said.

The foreign ministers of Afghanistan and Pakistan joined their counterparts from Central Asia, officials

from aid organisations and the G8, but key player Iran decided to stay away amid turmoil at home over its contested election.

US envoy for Afghanistan and Pakistan Richard Holbrooke joined the talks that also touched on counter-narcotics trafficking by strengthening border security.

The United States is winding down efforts to destroy poppy crops in Afghanistan, which produces more than 90 percent of the world's opium, most of it grown in the troubled southern Helmand province.

## Kashmir to be on table when Indo-Pak talks resume: Qureshi

ANI, Trieste/Islamabad

Pakistan Foreign Minister Shah Mahmood Qureshi said on Friday that Kashmir would come up for discussion whenever India-Pakistan resumes peace talks.

Qureshi met his Indian counterpart S M Krishna on Friday in Trieste, Italy on the sidelines of the G-8 Foreign Ministers meeting. Qureshi described the talks as part of "a re-engagement of the dialogue" suspended after the Mumbai attacks last November.

Qureshi has termed his

meeting with his Indian counterpart SM Krishna in Italy as a positive development, in which he called for constructive engagement and sustained dialogue to address common challenges.

The Daily Times quoted Qureshi, as saying that through constructive engagement both countries could address common challenges and resolve outstanding issues.

He also expressed the need for a dialogue to resolve outstanding issues like problems of water, regional and global terrorism and the Kashmir dispute.



PHOTO: AFP

Canadian award-winning journalist, best-selling author and activist Naomi Klein (L), attends a Palestinian protest in the West Bank village of Bilin, near Ramallah, on Friday against Israel's controversial separation barrier. Klein took her call for a boycott of Israel to the occupied West Bank village of Bilin, where she witnessed Israeli forces clashing with protesters.

## World in mourning

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However, Harvey said a cause of death had been deferred until the results of exhaustive toxicology tests were known.

Those tests, we anticipate, will take approximately four to six additional weeks to complete," Harvey said.

"At that time, once those test results have been completed, we anticipate being able to close the case and issue a final cause of death."

Jackson lawyer Brian Oxman said he and family members voiced concerns over the star's use of drugs as he prepared for a gruelling series of comeback concerts in London designed to re-launch his career.

"I know Michael was rehearsing and working extremely hard to get in shape in order to perform in London," Oxman told ABC television's Good Morning America. New age guru and Jackson confidante Deepak Chopra -- a qualified cardiologist -- told CNN bluntly, "I think drugs killed him."

Jackson's former producer Tarak Ben Ammar said, "It is clear that the criminals in this affair are the doctors who treated him throughout his career, who destroyed his face, who gave him medicine to ease his pain."

Celebrity website TMZ.com, which broke the news of Jackson's death, reported Friday that the star had been injected with his daily dose of Demerol, a painkiller, at 11:30am, about an hour before he lost consciousness.

A Los Angeles Police Department spokesman said investigators spoke with Jackson's doctor Conrad Robert Murray briefly Thursday, but deputy chief Charlie Beck said police wanted to interview him again.

TMZ.com reported that the doctors BMW was towed away and police were looking for him. It claimed that the live-in doctor had sent several letters to his patients 11 days ago informing them that he would be unavailable for some time.

The website also reported that the Jackson family members met policemen to know about "the circumstances surrounding Michael's death."

Meanwhile, there were reports that there could be a long battle for the custody of Michael Jackson's children Paris and Michael Jr between his second wife Debbie Rowland and the Jackson family.

A tape of the 911 call from Jackson's home was released Friday in which a caller could be heard telling an operator that repeated attempts to revive Jackson had been unsuccessful.

The caller also said Jackson's personal physician had been the only witness to the singer's collapse. ("The doctor) is pumping the chest but he's not responding to anything, sir, please," the caller is heard saying.

Jackson's family, including the star's three young children, were reportedly huddled at an estate in the northern Los Angeles suburb of Encino. Meanwhile there were tributes from Jackson's close friend Elizabeth Taylor and a spokesman for US President Barack Obama.

"My heart... my mind... are broken," Taylor said in a statement. "I loved Michael with all my soul and I can't imagine life without him... I still can't believe it. I don't want to believe it. It can't be so."

White House spokesman Robert Gibbs said Friday the US leader regarded Jackson as an icon but thought aspects of his life were sad and tragic.

"The president... said that he had aspects of his life that were sad and tragic, his condolences went out to the Jackson family and fans that mourned his loss," Gibbs said.

Fans staged gatherings across the world, including 10,000 Danish fans who crammed into a square in Copenhagen for a three-hour tribute concert.

On the Hollywood Walk of Fame in Los Angeles, thousands of fans queued for hours in boiling sunshine for the right to file past Jackson's star set into the sidewalk.

Jackson's death led to a stampede on the Internet as fans scoured the web for latest updates on the story.

Yahoo! News "set an all-time record in unique visitors with 16.4 million people, surpassing our previous record of 15.1 million visitors on US Election day," it said.

## Climate aid

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offer special loan to cyclone-affected people as part of rehabilitation process.

Emphasising the need for giving subsidy to the agricultural sector he said, "We are giving a subsidy of Tk 7.5 per kilogram of rice to assist farmers. We are trying to lower the price of agricultural instruments to make the marginal farmers the beneficiary."

Presenting the keynote paper Dr Munaz Ahmed Noor, associate professor of Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET), said: "Bangladesh produces approximately one fifth of the one percent global carbon dioxide, which causes the sea level to rise."

Because of the rise in sea level coastal areas of Bangladesh have already experienced inundation, erosion, saline intrusion, deforestation, and loss of biodiversity, he continued.

About 830,000 million hectares of arable land was affected by varying degrees of soil salinity, he added.

The temperature and rainfall projections for Bangladesh over the next decades show significant temperature increases in both monsoon and winter period. The projection indicates more rain during monsoon and lesser during dry period.

These changes in temperature and rainfall or the rise in sea level can spell serious consequence for the country.

The country has already experienced frequent natural disasters and recurrence of floods because of climate change, he said.

He put forward some recommendations at the seminar to combat the challenges. The recommendations include: meaningful and achievable targets for adaptation, ensuring more aid to adopt climate change measures; educational and public awareness programmes on climate change; seeking more support for climate change mitigation and adaptation research and collaboration with neighbouring countries, which are also victims of climate change.



PHOTO: AFP

US President Barack Obama and German Chancellor Angela Merkel laugh during a joint press conference in the East Room of the White House in Washington, DC on Friday. The United States and Germany on Friday reaffirmed their commitment to "a more substantive relationship with Russia," US President Barack Obama said.

## Bangladesh Bridge Authority

Setu Bhaban

New Airport Road, Banani, Dhaka-1212

Web Site: www.bba.gov.bd

## Invitation for Tenders

1	Ministry/Division	Bridges Division, Ministry of Communications (MoC).
2	Agency	Bangladesh Bridge Authority (BBA).
3	Procuring entity name	Md Liaquat Ali, Deputy Director (Road), BBA, Dhaka.
4	Procuring entity code	Not available.
5	Procuring entity district	Dhaka.
6	Invitation for	Construction of flexible pavement with Asphalt Wearing Course from round about of service road to Jamuna River via Harbour Jetty of East Bridge end facility area of Bangabandhu Bridge, Tangail.
7	Invitation Ref No.	BBA/Sada/Tech-43/2009-441.
8	Date	June 23, 2009.

### KEY INFORMATION

9	Procurement method	Open tendering method.
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### FUNDING INFORMATION

10	Budget and source of funds	BBA/GoB.
11	Development partners (if applicable)	Not applicable.

### PARTICULAR INFORMATION

12	Project/programme code (if applicable)	Not applicable.
13	Project/programme name (if applicable)	Not applicable.
14	Tender package No.	1 (one).
15	Tender package name	Construction flexible pavement with Asphalt Wearing Course from round about of service road to Jamuna River via Harbour Jetty of East Bridge end facility area of Bangabandhu Bridge, Tangail.
16	Tender publication date	Date: 29 June, 2009.
17	Tender last selling date	Date: 20 July, 2009.
18	Tender closing date and time	Date: 21 July, 2009. Time: 12:00 noon
19	Tender opening date and time	Date: 21 July, 2009. Time: 12:30pm
20	Name & address of the office(s)	
-	Selling tender document (principal)	Accounts Section, Bangladesh Bridge Authority, Setu Bhaban, New Airport Road, Banani, Dhaka.
-	Selling tender document (others)	Not applicable.
-	Receiving tender document	Conference Room (2nd Floor), Bangladesh Bridge Authority, Setu Bhaban, New Airport Road, Banani, Dhaka.
-	Opening tender document	Conference Room (2nd Floor), Bangladesh Bridge Authority, Setu Bhaban, New Airport Road, Banani, Dhaka.
21	Pre-tender meeting	A pre-tender meeting shall be held: Chief Engineer, Room-405, BBA, Setu Bhaban, New Airport Road, Banani, Dhaka-1212 at July 07, 2009 at 11:00am.

### INFORMATION FOR TENDERER

22	Eligibility of tenderer	i) The minimum period of general experience of the tenderer in the road construction/maintenance work shall be 10 (ten) years. ii) The required number of flexible pavement with Asphalt Wearing Course work contracts completed shall be at least 3 (three) Nos. over a period of last 5 (five) years and the value not less than Tk. 1.50 (one and half) crore of each contract. iii) The intending tenderer shall have to apply in their letterhead to the designated officer to obtain permission for the issuance of the tender documents.		
23	Brief description of works	Construction of flexible pavement with Asphalt Wearing Course from round about of service road to Jamuna River via Harbour Jetty of East Bridge end facility area of Bangabandhu Bridge, Tangail.		
24	Brief description of related services	Not applicable.		
	Lot No.	Identification of lot	Location	Price of tender document (Tk.)
25	1	Construction of flexible pavement with Asphalt Wearing Course from round about of service road to Jamuna River via Harbour Jetty of East Bridge end facility area of Bangabandhu Bridge, Tangail	Tangail	2000.00
				Tender security amount (Tk.)
				4,00,000.00
				Completion time in months
				6 months (six)

### PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS

26	Name of official inviting tender	Md Liaquat Ali
27	Designation of official inviting tender	Deputy Director (Road).
28	Address of official inviting tender	Bangladesh Bridge Authority, Setu Bhaban, New Airport Road, Banani, Dhaka-1212.
29	Contact details of official inviting tender	Tel. No.: 9862014 Fax No.: 9888414.
30	The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders.	

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১	মন্ত্রণালয়/বিভাগ	১	স্বল্পে মন্ত্রণালয়।
২	এজেন্সি	২	পুলিশ হেডকোয়ার্টার্স, ঢাকা।
৩	সম্প্রদায়িক সত্তার নাম	৩	পুলিশ সুপার, নরসিংদী।
৪	কি জন্য আহ্বান	৪	স্টেশনারী মালামাল, কম্পিউটার সামগ্রী, কম্পিউটার ও অফিস সরঞ্জামাদি। বিভাগীয় ভাভারের মালামাল, ফোর্সের পোশাক সেলাই, পুলিশ হাসপাতালের ঔষধ।
৫	আহ্বানের সূত্র ও তারিখ	৫	স্মারক নং- ২৪৩৭/হি তাং-২৩/৬/০৯।
৬	সংগ্রহ পদ্ধতি	৬	উন্মুক্ত দরপত্রের পদ্ধতি (ওটিএম)।
৭	বাজেট এবং সোর্স অফ ফান্ড	৭	সরকারি (জিওবি)।
৮	প্রকল্প/প্রোগ্রামের নাম (যদি প্রযোজ্য হয়)	৮	প্রজোজ্য নহে।
৯	দরপত্র প্যাকেজের নাম	৯	সংযুক্ত তালিকা অনুযায়ী।
১০	দরপত্র প্রচারের তারিখ	১০	২৭/০৬/২০০৯ইং তারিখের মধ্যে।
১১	দরপত্র বিক্রয়ের শেষ তারিখ	১১	১৯/০৭/২০০৯ইং তারিখ অফিস চলাকালীন সময় পর্যন্ত।
১২	দরপত্র গ্রহণের শেষ তারিখ ও সময়	১২	২০/০৭/২০০৯ইং তারিখ বেলা- ১২.৩০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত।
১৩	দরপত্র খোলার তারিখ ও সময়	১৩	২০/০৭/২০০৯ইং তারিখ বেলা- ১৩.০০ ঘটিকা।
১৪	দরপত্র দলিল বিক্রয়কারী অফিসের নাম ও ঠিকানা	১৪	প্রধান সহকারী, পুলিশ অফিস, নরসিংদী।
১৫	দরপত্র দলিল গ্রহণকারী/খোলার দপ্তর	১৫	পুলিশ সুপারের কার্যালয়, নরসিংদী।
১৬	দরপত্র গ্রহণকারী/খোলার দপ্তর	১৬	দরপত্র কর্তৃক হালনাগাদ নবায়নকৃত ট্রেড লাইসেন্স, ব্যাংক সলভেন্সি, আয়কর ভাট নিবন্ধন সার্টিফিকেট, নাগরিকত্বের সনদ, অভিজ্ঞতার সনদপত্র থাকতে হবে। দরপত্রের দলিল ক্রয়ের সময় উল্লিখিত কাগজপত্রের মূল কপি দেখিয়ে সত্যায়িত ফটোকপি সহ আবেদনের মাধ্যমে দরপত্রের দলিল ক্রয় করতে হবে এবং দরপত্রের সহিত ফটোকপি ১ম শ্রেণীর গেজেটেড কর্মকর্তা কর্তৃক সত্যায়িত করে দাখিল করতে হবে।
১৭	দরপত্র গ্রহণকারী/খোলার দপ্তর	১৭	সংযুক্ত তালিকা অনুযায়ী।
১৮	দরপত্র গ্রহণকারী/খোলার দপ্তর	১৮	প্রতি সেট ৫০০/- টাকা মাত্র।

লট তালিকা/দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি নং- ১/২০০৮-২০০৯

লট নং	লট এর পরিচয়	দরপত্র গ্রহণের তারিখ	কর্ম সম্পাদনের সময়
১	স্টেশনারী মালামাল	১০,০০০/-	২০০৯-১০ অর্থ বছরে
২	বিভাগীয় ভাভারের মালামাল	১০,০০০/-	এ
৩	ফোর্সের পোশাক সেলাই	১০,০০০/-	এ
৪	পুলিশ হাসপাতালের ঔষধ	১০,০০০/-	এ
৫	কম্পিউটার সামগ্রী, কম্পিউটার অফিস সরঞ্জামাদি	৫,০০০/-	এ

১৯ দরপত্র আহ্বানকারী কর্মকর্তার নাম ১৯ মোহাম্মদ আলী মিয়া।  
২০ দরপত্র আহ্বানকারী কর্মকর্তার পদবী ২০ পুলিশ সুপার, নরসিংদী জেলা।  
২১ দরপত্র আহ্বানকারী কর্মকর্তার ঠিকানা ২১ পুলিশ সুপারের কার্যালয়, নরসিংদী।  
২২ দরপত্র আহ্বানকারী কর্মকর্তার যোগাযোগের মাধ্যম ২২ ফোন-০৬২৮-৬১১৯১ (অফিস)।  
২৩ বিশেষ নির্দেশনা ২৩ সর্বস্ব/যে কোন দরপত্র গ্রহণ বা বাতিল করার ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।

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