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# 2 Lashkar men held inside Indian border

They slipped into Bangladesh to lead 15-member commando squad; plan was to attack US, Indian embassies on Nov 26

SHARIFUL ISLAM

Indian authorities have arrested two top Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) men who sneaked into Bangladesh to lead a 15-member commando squad in an attempt to attack the US and Indian missions in Dhaka, sources in the law-enforcement agencies

from Indian state of Kerala -- were held by the Indian intelligence officials soon after they crossed the Bibir Bazar border in Comilla on November 6, the sources add. The two LeT leaders, believed to be

earlier hiding in the hilly areas in Chittagong for around one and a half months and trying to collect explosives from the Rohingya rebels for the attack.

Funds for launching the attacks on the US Embassy and Indian High Commission were being provided by LeT leaders in Pakistan, says an official of The LeT men -- T Nasir and Sharfaraz Detective Branch on the understanding of anonymity.

> India for a number of terror attacks, is a suicide squad commando. He was supposed to lead the 15-member team

members of the LeT suicide squad, were formed with five LeT men from Bangladesh, India and Pakistan each. They had planned to launch the attack

> on November 26, the same day the terrorists carried out the Mumbai attack in 2008. Detectives investigating the plot say T Nasir and Sharfaraz managed to evade

arrest during a drive on a hilltop madrasa in Chittagong in early November. The law enforcers however arrested Mufti Harun Izahar, son of Islami Oikya The sources say T Nasir, wanted in Jote (IOJ) faction chief Mufti Izaharul Islam, and his associates Shahidul Islam

> and Al Amin alias Saiful during the raid. SEE PAGE 15 COL 7

### Media policy on army, defence soon

Says PM

BSS, Dhaka

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday said her government is going to formulate a specific media policy soon regarding media publicity on army and defence.

At the same time, she said, her government has taken steps to make Inter-Service Public Relations (ISPR) Directorate effective and time befitting by reconstituting its existing organisational structure.

The PM said this while presiding over the Formation Commanders' Conference-2009 of Bangladesh Army at the Army Headquarters in Dhaka Cantonment.

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# 12 Rifle rebels stand in the dock today

3-member BDR court sits in Rangamati

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The trial of BDR members in

BDR sector headquarters.

connection with the mutiny on February 25-26

in Dhaka and elsewhere in the country begins

today through a special court at the Rangamati

General Maj Gen M Mainul Islam will sit at the

sector headquarters at 3:00pm today to start

General (DDG) Brig Gen Mohd Obaidul Haque.

get chances of self-defence. The alleged muti-

neers will also be allowed to take help from an

A three-member court led by BDR Director



officer of the department or from their lawyers."

Asked, Obaidul said, "It cannot be said yet how many alleged mutineers from 12 Rifle Battalion will be finally tried."

After completion of the first day's proceedings, the court will sit again tomorrow morning and function for the first half of the day while the court will resume trial proceedings after Eid-ul-Azha vacation.

the trial of accused soldiers of 12 Rifle Battalion Around 4,000 BDR soldiers will be tried under the sector, said BDR Deputy Director under the BDR Act on charge of mutiny.

Earlier on November 15, the BDR headquar-"Besides, a representative nominated by the ters constituted six special courts--two in attorney general will aid the court," said the Dhaka--as per the Bangladesh Rifles Order DDG adding, "The court will deal with only the 1972 to initiate trial of the mutineers while BDR mutiny and each of the alleged mutineers will DG will head each of the three-member courts.

Soldiers involved in other crimes including SEE PAGE 15 COL 4

### ADULTERATED PARACETAMOL

## Guarantors asked to produce Adflame directors in court

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday asked the guarantors to produce two of Adflame Pharmaceutical's directors and one of its managers, charged with adulteration of paracetamol syrup 17 years ago, before it on January 12, 2010.

Judge Golam Mortuza Majumder of the Drug Court passed the order after New Market police submitted reports on execution of summons issued earlier about the three accused.

The guarantors are Abul Hasnat of Khilgaon Chowdhurypara area and advocate Khondaker Bashir Ahmed.

The three accused are directors of Adflame, Dr Helena Pasha and Azfar Pasha, and its manager Mizanur Rahman.

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Cabinet also okays EPZ workers' right to form welfare bodies

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The cabinet yesterday finally approved the EPZ Workers' Sangha and Industrial Relation (amendment) Act, 2009 to pave the way for forming welfare committee of export processing zones (EPZ) workers.

A regular meeting of the cabinet also approved March 17, the birthday of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman as a public holiday.

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# March 17 now JS bodies want more clout

Draft law readied to make their summons obliging

RASHIDUL HASAN

In an unprecedented move, a parliamentary standing committee yesterday prepared a legislative proposal (draft law) to compel any person summoned by a House body to appear before it, and produce documents it asks for.

The standing committee on law, justice and parliamentary affairs ministry drafted the proposal to enforce constitutional

provisions to ensure parliament's effective role in enactment of law. "It is unprecedented in the history of Bangladesh parliament that we have drafted a law which will ensure the presence of any one summoned by a parliamentary committee," said Suranjit

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### Now Khaleda greets Hasina on Eid

BSS, Dhaka

Leader of the Opposition in the Jatiya Sangsad Khaleda Zia has sent an Eid-ul-Azha greetings card to the Leader of the House and Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina. Khaleda's Private Secretary

Saleh Ahmed handed over the card to the PM's Private Secretary Nazrul Islam Khan at Bangladesh Secretariat here yesterday noon.

Earlier, Hasina sent an Eidul-Azha greetings card to Khaleda Zia on Sunday.

Eid-ul-Azha, one of the SEE PAGE 15 COL 4

## Tk 200cr defamation suit against Bashundhara

Filed by Prothom Alo editor, Transcom chief

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Prothom Alo Editor and Publisher Matiur Rahman, and Chairman and Managing Director of Mediastar Ltd and Transcom Group Latifur Rahman filed a civil defamation suit on Sunday with the 4th Joint District Judge's Court of Dhaka against Bashundhara Group, seeking Tk 200 crore in damages, according to a media release.

Mediastar Ltd is the owning company of the Prothom Alo. On behalf of Matiur Rahman and Latifur Rahman, Dr Kamal

Hossain and Associates filed the defamation suit on charges of SEE PAGE 15 COL 1

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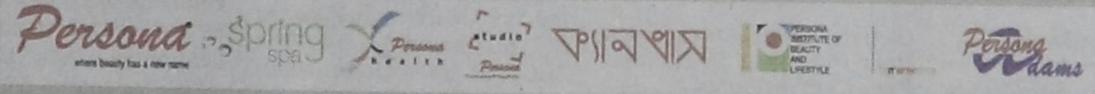


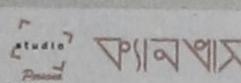


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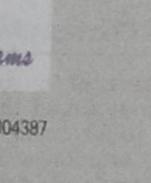
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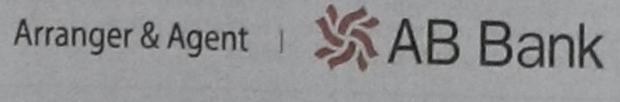
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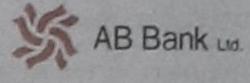


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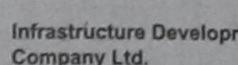
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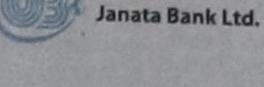


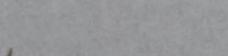
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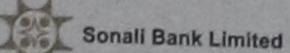
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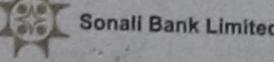


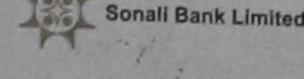
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