A year of bold

fertiliser, seeds and power for irrigation to ensuring a reasonable price for the farmers, the government deserves full credit for ensuring a healthy performance in this vital sector. One decision testifies to this priority as none else. When the rest of the country

was reeling from load shed-

ding, uninterrupted power

was ensured for irrigation

throughout the growing sea-

FROM PAGE 1

the next.

However, the twin goal of ensuring a reasonable profit to the farmers and keeping food prices low proved a serious challenge towards the end of the year and is likely to become a major challenge in

The government must also be credited for holding a very steady and matured hand of Finance Minister AMA Muhith in navigating through the extremely turbulent waters of global meltdown. Very few countries showed a positive GDP growth during this period, and Bangladesh was one of them. When financial institutions in many parts of the world were tumbling like a pack of cards our financial sector not only held its own but made healthy profits, some may even say too

A 20 percent rise in remittance in spite of widespread ob losses--no doubt a result of better service and rising confidence in the banking system-helped to offset some of the negative impacts of the global ecession.

Overall the macroeconomic management was good and prudent but the failure lay in not being able to translate it into accelerated growth. The year was marked by low domestic investment, low level of term loan and capital machinery import and very ow FDI.

The non-implementation of the public-private partnership scheme was another disappointment that shouldn't have happened.

In the crucial area of infrastructure building, some grand ideas like Dhaka-Chittagong four-lane highway, underground metro and elevated expressway for Dhaka, satellite townships around Dhaka were sounded off without any tangible follow-up. Except for the Padma Bridge, Jatrabari flyover (which has incidentally been given to the same Orion Group), and the five flyovers in Chittagong, nothing much has been heard of about others.

In contrast to the economy where the government can legitimately claim some creditable achievements, politics seems to be stuck in the same old mould of "my party can do no wrong and my opponents

can do no right". Even though the ruling Awami League promised a 'Politics of Change", it does not seem to have affected its relationship with the biggest opposition party, the BNP. It is here that we think the biggest danger for the future lies. The lesson of the immediate past is that it is the failure of having some sort of working relationship with the opposition that creates the nucleus of all future political turmoil. It has happened in the tenure of both the AL and BNP-led governments since restoration of democracy in 1991. BNP is already making confrontational noises and its continued refusal to attend parliament fits in well with its possible tough line against the government.

We consider BNP's continand boycotting of parliament as totally unjustified. Their original demand of more than proportional seats in the front row was the most trivial reason imaginable to justify boycotting a sacred institution like parliament. To seek people's votes to be an MP and then to refuse to attend parliament on reasons that have nothing to do with voters' interest is as immoral an act as one can get. But unfortunately that has been the culture of both our parties in opposition which, even after the turmoil of the emergency, remains

unchanged. As for the ruling Awami League, it deserves praise for forming all the Standing Committees of Parliament early, giving several chairmanships to the opposition (a first in our parliamentary history), and starting their work in record time and with unforeseen effectiveness. However, it is guilty of reneging on the promise of giving opposition the deputy speaker's post. As to the number of seats in the front row, it was a conflict that could have been and should have been resolved with gen-

Among the areas where

erosity and foresight.

Sheikh Hasina can be held guilty of neglect are not pushing fast enough the implementations of the Right to Information Act and the Human Rights Commission. The sidetracking of the elected local government representatives and not instituting a viable local government structure can be termed one of the blunders of her first year. Succumbing to the pressure of MPs, she first allowed the dilution of the Act itself and then neglected to implement it to date.

On the other hand, if she had instituted a viable local government, which she had promised to do in her election manifesto of "politics of change", both her government and her party would have been far better served. In the beginning of its term,

Awami League appeared to have lost control of its student wing that indulged in rampant influence peddling and tender-related corruption greatly damaging the party's and the government's image. However, in the later half, it appears to have been contained but remains far from being eliminated. In fighting terrorism,

Sheikh Hasina's government has shown a singular commitment and praiseworthy determination that saved the country from sliding into terrorism that is today tearing Pakistan apart. We consider the PM's policy to make Bangladesh a country of peace and stability in the region to be well deserving of our support. There is ample evidence now, as confessional statements from captured terrorists make clear, that Bangladesh had become a conduit of arms smuggling in the region and terrorists from other countries were coming here, living for years and spreading their venom among our naturally religious but highly peace-loving people.

It is in its foreign policy led by the Prime Minister herself and aptly assisted by our young, highly educated and hard-working Foreign Minister, that the Awami League government has really broken new grounds. While maintaining our traditional close relationship with China, Sheikh Hasina's government has moved closer to the United States and Europe and made dramatic new openings with our giant neighbour

Being fully aware of the

domestic repercussions of being seen to move too close to India, Sheikh Hasina with her characteristic boldness moved quickly to crack down on domestic terror pockets and links and kept her promise of not allowing our terrifor terrorist activities. This has apparently created sufficient goodwill in India (which long complained about Indian terrorists being harboured here), opening up the prospects of genuine bilateral cooperation on a win-win basis. South Asia has remained among the most divided of regions with intra-Saarc cooperation at the minimum. Sheikh Hasina's policy may not only change Bangladesh-India relations but usher in a positive change in the whole region, opening up new opportunities for growth and employment in the impoverished region. The result of the forthcoming summit between the prime ministers of Bangladesh and India would be the first test of that change.

It is a far more matured, circumspect and team-leaderlike Sheikh Hasina that heads the second AL government in the post-1991 era. She was and remains the party's and the government's biggest doer, the most creative thinker, the most ambitious planner, the centre of most decisions. She is the most energetic, the most hard-working and the biggest driving force in both the party and the government. In other words, she was and still is the maker and un-maker of practically everything. All these qualities make her the biggest asset of the government. But it also makes the government vulnerable. Nothing of importance moves without her nod. She not only has to decide but also see to it that her decisions are implemented. She needs to push things all through if things have to be done on time. It is this highly centralised nature of Sheikh Hasina's government that makes for its weakest point and has caused the slow implementation of

How to decentralise effective decision-making process while maintaining her overall leadership control should constitute Sheikh Hasina's biggest challenge and foremost priority in the early days of her second year as PM.

many of her decisions.

five grad excavators will be used

riverbed. "Initially, we will remove the garbage from one kilometre area. We'll launch the drive in a 500-metre stretch from Badamtali Bridge towards Sadarghat and in another from the Bridge to Kamrangairchar, said a BIWTA official.

He added the drive will continue for three months and target excavating around three lakh cubic metres of sludge.

"We'll dump the sludge in the lowland of Keraniganj and Shonmachi in Basila," he said, adding, dumping the sludge is a big challenge of them as they are not getting required space in this regard. A six to seven feet layer of

discarded polythene bags, plastics, coconut shells and heavy sludge from kitchen markets created millions of tonnes of biodegradable waste which now cover the riverbed, said another official. The highest concentration

of this poisonous waste has settled on the riverbed near Sadarghat launch terminal in the capital, one of the busiest river ports in Southeast Asia, he It is not possible to clear the total garbage from the areas if

stop, observe BIWTA officials. BIWTA Chairman M Abdul Malegue Miah has already held talks with the leaders o businesspersons, launch own ers and other bodies concerned to make the drive successful.

dumping of waste does not

He urged the leaders to take proper steps to keep everyone away from dumping waste into the river.

The estimated cost of the cleaning operation stands at around Tk 6 crore which includes the cost of both cleaning and safe disposal of the rubbish

PSC starts

FROM PAGE 1 (HC) as public interest litigation in 1998.

Following the petition, the HC in 2001 issued an injunction on oil and gas exploration from the onshore blocks of the coun

During the hearing petitioners' counsel barrister Abdur Razzaq yesterday told the cour that the mineral resources couldn't be exported without appropriate national policy.

He said the republic and its people own all mineral

resources, including oil and gas.

The HC bench of Justice Mohammad Anwarul Haque and Justice AHM Shamsuddin Chowdhury yesterday adjourned the hearing and fixed today for further hearing on the

On November 19, 1998, the HC issued a rule upon the government to explain why it should not be directed to formulate a National Strategy Police through parliament before leasing out the gas blocks to ensure the interest of the

Deputy Attorney General Razik Al Jalil yesterday told The Daily Star that in December last year the government prayed to the court for withdrawal of the injunction order to clear the way for oil and gas exploration from the onshore blocks.

The court fixed January 5 for the hearing.

5th amendment

FROM PAGE 1 the HC verdict are now pending with the apex court, as two other separate leave to appeal petitions had been filed last year with the same cour

challenging the HC verdict.

All four of the petitions will now be heard by the apex

court on January 18. The Appellate Division of SC on Sunday lifted its four year old stay order on the HC verdict, and also scheduled January 18 for hearing the two pending leave to appeal peti-

On Monday, BNP Secretary General Khandakar Delwar Hossain and three SC lawyers Tajul Islam, Kamruzzaman Bhuiyan, and Munshi Ahsan Kabir filed the two new separate stay petitions with the apex court against the HC judgement.

The same petitioners had filed the two leave to appeal petitions as well with the SC on May 4 last year.

The fifth amendment had legitimised all governments that had been in power following the coup of August 15, 1975 till April 9, 1979 including late president Ziaur Rahman's ascension to the presidency. It also included the words Bismillah-Ar-Rahman-Ar-Rahim in the preamble of the constitution.

After a brief hearing yester-Fog, cold day Chamber Judge of the Appellate Division Md FROM PAGE 16 Muzammel Hossain sent the division experienced temperstay petitions to the full bench atures below 10 degrees.

of the apex court for hearing. Advocate TH Khan and Jessore and Chuadanga temperatures below 10 degrees Barrister Moudud Ahmed represented the petitioners. were also recorded.

No room for terror

together for the welfare of the

but you have to confirm that

doing that there will be no

and terrorism--there will be

only peace prevailing in the

Khatun, State Minister for

Home Affairs Shamsul Huq

Tuku, Cabinet Secretary Abdul

Aziz, PM's Principal Secretary

MA Karim and Home

Secretary Abdus Sobhan

Sikder, among others

IGP Noor Mohhamad

delivered the welcome speech

while DMP Commissioner

Chittagong Range DIG

Asaduzzaman Mia and Police

Super SM Mahfuzul Huq

Noorzaman placed various

demands and problems the

police administration facing

in performing their duties in

field level.

Fake ad

FROM PAGE 16

AKM Shahidul Huq

addressed the ceremony.

Home Minister Sahara

violation of human rights."

country," she said.

"We need the rule of law,

"There will be no militancy

"Another power could invade the country for any reason."

not give such a chance to anyone. "I am not telling the

independence and sovereignty, she is taking the risk to protect the country from being used as "the base of and terrorists".

times. She said it is only normal that anyone could have their

nation and its constitution." had used the state law-

their personal and party inter-But I am ensuring you the present government will not do that like the previous tenure of ours from 1996 to 2001. We will not use law and order forces as a weapon to use

The premier asked the police officials to perform their duty blindly without seeing which party the cul-

keep loyal to the constitution. Even take actions against my party's people.

Hasina said that her government will not allow militants to establish their supremacy in the country.

into the future," she added.

She asked the police officials to introduce themselves to modern technologies as the criminals are using high-tech their crimes.

try, as this is the largest lawenforcement force in the country.

She advised them to work hard to change their image, which is not "in a good shape"

"You have to make sure that there will be no case lodged just for harassing opponents,

police officials to work

banks will begin next month. They said they have also

The meeting acknowledged how the scarcity of water on the Teesta causes sufferings to people on either side of the

and agreed to continue discussions," said UN Panjiar, chief of the Indian delegation.

The meeting also discussed new lists of proposed embank-

section and modalities recommended by the joint technical

He said it was a successful meeting where they have resolved some issues com-

He however noted that the final decisions rest with the high-ups.

matter would be signed during Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina's India tour, the water resources secretary said the agenda has not been finalised yet.

on Water Resources Minister

Ramesh Chandra Sen.

water resources. minister said. He later paid a courtesy call

power, he added.

icant (15 percent) contribu-In Mymensingh, Tangail, tion to national GDP and asked them to come forward with new proposals under Public Private Partnership.

Cop shoots

rushed in and found the bullet-hit body of the constable in front of arsenal gate.

He was rushed to Dinajpur Medical College and Hospital where he succumbed to his wounds at 1:20am.

Sources said Ashraful shot himself following a family feud.

police super of Dinajpur, said before his last breath, constable Ashraful admitted that he had attempted to kill himself.

hospital said he received at least four bullets in his stom-The body was sent to the

hospital morgue for autopsy.

The high officials of police visited the spot after the incident. An unnatural death (UD) case was filed with police.

FROM PAGE 16 green forests are also disap-

it has no senior assistant secretary of such name. The advertisement

requested a non-refundable Tk 100 as pay order or bank draft from any Pubali Bank branch, along with an application and send it to the box of the newspaper by January 31.

No application from Directorate of Secondary and Higher Education and the education ministry will be granted and applications sent to these two addresses will be considered as cancel. Talking to The Daily Star

Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid said, "We have informed the matter to the advertisement manager of the newspaper and general manager of the bank to take necessary steps.

A process is underway to file a general diary in this regard, he said, urging all to be careful about such deceitful activities.

Andaleeve FROM PAGE 16

days he will lose his seat.

According to the constitution, a lawmaker will lose his seat if he remains absent from parliament for 90 consecutive The BJP chief last joined

the parliament session on

March 1 while BNP lawmakers

last joined on April 7. Most of the BNP lawmakers boycotted 48 consecutive sittings of parliament, said officials. Andaleeve told The Daily Star yesterday that he would enquire into the record of his

absence. "I will join the parliamen session before 90-day dead line is over to save my membership. Before that I will talk

to the four-party alliance chief Khaleda Zia," Andaleeve said. Asked why he is not joining the parliament, the BJP chief said he is following the decision of BNP.

BNP lawmakers started boycotting parliament from its second session in last June.

The parliament went into the fourth session on Monday The opposition BNP placed a 10-point demand the same day asking the government to meet those for its return to the

Most of the BNP lawmakers want to join the parliament but the party policymakers are against joining the House now said party insiders.

Land grabbers

with the land grabbers even it they are powerful and influen-

The minister made the remark at the inaugural ceremony of five-day housing fair. Real Estate and Housing Association of Bangladesh (REHAB) is organising the fair at Dhaka Sheraton Hotel.

Likening his ministerial position to a "volcano", the state minister said he is sitting on the volcano that often erupts. But he will bar the land grabbers from continuing the illegal act overcoming all obstacles, he added.

Mannan asked the REHAB members not to bear the responsibility for the illegal activity. He deplored the fact that only for a group of people the

real estate sector has become unaccountable to people. He also admitted that Rajdhani Unnayan Kartripakkha (Rajuk) is not

"We are going to take some initiatives so that the procedure for getting project approval would be faster," the

towns around the capital with the energy use based on solar The state minister thanked the developers for their signif-

tournament resumes on Thursday, with hosts Bangladesh taking on India at the same venue.

FROM PAGE 16 12:10am, other policemen

Sujayet Hossain, acting

On duty doctors at the

A four-member probe committee led by Senior ASP Shanjit Kumar has been formed to investigate the incident.

Environment

pearing as those are being encroached upon illegally." He said formation of an environment police unit

should be given priority.

A deputy commissioner of Dhaka Metropolitan Police said it was the police personnel of Rajarbagh Police Lines who first took up arms against the genocidal Pakistani army in 1971, so members of the police should also be among people to be considered for Swadhinata Padak every year. Home Secretary Abdus

Sobhan Sikder said, "If the police department submits any specific proposal on environment police, the government will consider it sincerely.' He said there is a cabinet

committee that deals with Swadhinata Padak and the home ministry will discuss the proposal of the members of police, adding that the police department should nonetheless submit a proposal regarding the matter. The senior police person

nel also demanded that representatives from all units of the department be included in the steering committee for Police Reform Programme. They demanded establish ment of a DNA testing labora-

as well before the next Police Weekin 2011. Iwo in two

tory at Rajarbagh Police Lines

their new-ball bowler Chanaka Welegedara for making their job easy by restricting India to 279 runs in the first part of the match. Welegedara's spell of five for 66 on a benign pitch was an effort that Chaminda Vaas would have been proud of.

Barely a month ago people in

cricketing world would have racked their brains but failed to find the name Chanaka Welegedara in memory. But this performance against the formidable batting of India will certainly put him on the map. The man who started his cricketing journey in the international circuit at the ripe old age of 26, had his first taste of one-day cricket in their tour of India only last month. He hardly had a spectacular series taking just 5 wickets in four innings. But five wickets is also what he took vesterday to humble arguably the world's best batting line-up. Welegedara thwarted India's hopes of a big innings, which is so very vital if you are batting first, by decapitating the top three within the first ten overs.

First he unleashed a lethal yorker to rip through the gates of Gautam Gambhir, then he got a thick edge from Virat Kohli into the hands of Sangakkara.

His most prized scalp though was that of Virender Sehwag, who seemed unruffled by what went at the other end and went about his way, thrashing boundary after boundary. Sehwag raced towards a quickfire fifty when an innocuous delivery from Welegedara found the leading edge of his bat to end the entertaining knock. India were in a spot of bother

with three wickets down inside

10 overs, with the score on 76. Dhoni and Yuvraj batted sensibly and revived the innings with a 99-run partnership. Dhoni perished after a painstaking knock of 37. Yuvraj delighted the crowd with his wide array of shots. His dismissal at 74 produced a huge groan from the crowd and a big sigh of relief for the Lankan skipper. Raina and Jadeja seemed to set up India for a 300-run innings, but once again Welegedara returned to blotch India's hopes. He bowled another peach of a yorker to get rid off Raina and accounted for Zaheer too, to double his tally in one-day cricket. India's lower

Commerce Minister Faruk Khan, Land Minister Rezaul Karim Hira, Shipping Minister Shajahan Khan, and State Minister for Labour and Employment Monnujan Sufian also attended the meeting.

Yemen reopens Security concerns ease

efforts," it added.

fears prompted by al-Qaeda threats against Western targets in the impoverished country leaders' proposal for holding

website that Yemeni security forces had addressed a "specific leader of the House, was made the capital on Monday, paving coordinator of the coalition.

government achieve its goals. Briefing newsmen after-

Syed Ashraful Islam said they have decided to meet regularly from now on. The top leaders of the coalition discussed the govern-

They praised the way Hasina has been leading the governand cooperatives minister.

Those present included JP leaders HM Ershad, Rawshan Ershad, Anisul Islam Mahmud Ziauddin Ahmed Bablu and Ruhul Amin Hawlader, Worker Party President Rashed Khan Menon, General Secretary Bimal Biswas, Jativa Samajtantrik Dal President Hasanul Haque Inu, General Secretary Syed Zafar Sazzad Samyabadi Dal President Dilip Barua, Islami Oikya Jote Chairman Misbaur Rahman Chowdhury and Islamic Front Bangladesh leader Shaikh

leader; what they think about Bangladesh and India are coordinating and consulting ernment on key areas like law with each other. Another team of security personnel is expected to leave

> for New Delhi a couple of days ahead of the prime minister's departure. Apart from the commandos of Delhi police, Indian elite National Security Guard (NSG) and Bangladesh's

outside the Maurya Sheraton Delhi police will be around the hotel while SSF and NSG will be in charge of security of the hotel floors. The venues of the other programmes of

will also have beefed-up security measures, official sources Hasina's visit will formally begin with a ceremonial reception at the forecourt of Rashtrapati Bhaban. She will be given a 21-gun salute and a guard of honour in the forecourt of the official residence

Presidential Guards will be escorting her at that time. Indian Prime Minister Manmohan Singh will receive

January 11 morning. Elaborate security arrangements have been made for her visit to Rajghat where she will pay homage to India's Father of the Nation Mahatma Gandhi after the reception

programme at Rashtrapati She will have a meeting with Manmohan Singh at the Hyderabad House in the afternoon. Manmohan Singh

honour January 11 evening. She is likely to visit Ajmer Sharif in Rajasthan on January 12 and offer fateha at the mazar of Hazrat Khwaja

The prime minister is expected to return home on January 13.

16 cops hurt

Alamgir Hossain, Abul Kalam Mollah, Nur Alam Sheikh, Sadeq Ali and Mosharraf Hossain, assistant subinspectors Firoz Hossain, Shamimul Islam, Iqbal Kabir, Saidur Rahman and Mominui Islam, havilder Shwakat Ali constables Nur Hossain, Abu Bashar and Azizur Rahman and head constables Abu Bakker

heroic role. went to police. Former OC of Biyanibazar police station

and Rokan Uddin.

Monayemul Islam and nayek Susamoy Chakma were given posthumous award. Other awardees include Rab

Asaduzzaman and Senior ASP

Buriganga

to pull out the sludge from the

FROM PAGE 1 sake of the country and its sovereignty, I will not allow

The PM noted that in the unipolar world it is very much easy to convey message from one side of the world to another side very quickly.

And her government would name," she said.

Hasina said for the sake of

another country's militants The PM further observed that a country cannot develop without democracy-- and this had been proven in the past

affiliation to an ideology. "But when you will be engaged in state activities, at that time you have to abide by the The premier complained that the previous government

against the rivals," Hasina

enforcing agencies for serving

prits belong to. "Your work is to ensure the security of the people and

"The previous government failed to figure out the devastating outcome of encouraging such dangerous elements. They did not cast their eyes far

instruments for committing The PM said that her government would do whatever possible for the development of the police force in the coun-

Hasina also asked the

Teesta

protection of the common river

come to an agreement that 1.82 cusec of water may be withdrawn from the Feni river under a drinking water supply scheme after verification by a joint team.

border during the lean season. "We have narrowed the gap

ments and measures to protect common river banks. Panjiar, Indian water resources secretary, said, "The dredging work [on the Ichamati] may be carried out as per typical

pletely and some substantially.

Sheikh Wahid-uz-Zaman, head of the Bangladesh team, said, "Sharing the water of the Teesta is very important for Bangladesh. This meeting has built the confidence that the issue will be resolved.' Asked if an agreement on the

truly serving the people. At the talks, Panjiar invited his Bangladesh counterpart to visit the Indian institutions on

The government has decided to build four satellite order capitulated under pressure and the last five overs yielded a sorry 20 runs to set up what transpired to be another comfortable chase under lights for Sri Lanka. After a break tomorrow, the

US embassy in

AFP, Sanaa

eased, the embassy said.

The embassy said on its

area of concern" in the north of

the way for Tuesday's reopen-

Qaeda attack had led

Washington to close its

embassy in the Yemeni capital

on Sunday. The British and

French authorities followed

suit, while Japan suspended

consular services at its embassy.

Tuesday that the other missions

had resumed normal opera-

terrorism operations con-

ducted by the government of

Yemen security forces January 4

north of the capital have

addressed a specific area of

concern, and have contributed

to the embassy's decision to

also to refer to a security opera

tion conducted by Yemeni

police Monday in the area of

Arhab, 40km north of Sanaa,

where two suspected members

of al-Qaeda were killed and

mends the government o

Yemen for its efforts to disrupt

al-Qaeda in the Arabian

Peninsula (AQAP) networks

performances of the prime

minister and the opposition

the performance of the gov-

and order, inflation and power

generation; and how they read

we have also compared the

results of the one-year perfor-

mance survey with the find-

ings of the 100-day survey so

that readers can compare the

results for themselves and

draw their own conclusions

about the performances of the

government and the opposi-

Other blacklisted groups

included the Brookings

Institution, US philanthropist

George Soros's Open Society

Institute and the Washington-

based National Endowment

Minister Hevdar Moslehi said

that Iran had arrested several

foreign nationals at anti

government protests during

Shia Muslim Ashura rituals

last month that left at least

only two days before Ashura.

Their cameras and equipment

have been seized," he added,

without specifying how many

had been arrested or their

leader Avatollah Ali Khamenei

said Iran was in the throes of a

'soft war" with its enemies

abroad, who were fomenting

the street protests that have

hit the country since hardline

President Mahmoud

Ahmadinejad's disputed June

Tajbakhsh, who used to be an

independent consultant for

Soros's Open Society Institute,

was rearrested in the after-

math of the election and

Ship-breaking

expansion across the whole

coast and to check environ-

focus on the interests and wel-

fare of the labourers working in

the ship breaking industry and

management of land in the

would be an impediment to

flourish the ship breaking

sector, rather it would help the

new entrepreneurs to pursue

their business in an environ-

ment friendly atmosphere, the

stretched over about seven-

kilometre across Sitakunda

Coast, which supplies about 90

percent iron of country's total

Around four lakh labourers

are directly and two lakh more

The ship breaking industry is

state minister added.

annual demand.

construction.

The new rule in no way

He said the new rule wil

sentenced to 15 years in jail.

Iranian-American Kian

In late November, supreme

"They had entered Iran

On Monday, Intelligence

Iran bans

FROM PAGE 16

for Democracy.

eight people dead.

nationalities.

re-election.

FROM PAGE 16

coastal zone.

mental degradation.

To make an exciting read

the political canvas.

Watch out!

FROM PAGE 1

"The United States com

three others wounded.

The statement appeared

resume operations," it said.

There was no sign on

"Successful counter-

Warnings of a possible al-

and reiterates its commitment The US mission in Yemen

to continue to support these reopened yesterday following a two-day closure as security

Bismillah FROM PAGE 16 She endorsed the alliance

meetings of the combine regu-Syeda Sajeda Chowdhury, AI presidium member and deputy

The leaders resolved to bring the war criminals to book as early as possible, and to help the

wards, AL General Secretary ment's activities in last one year.

ment, added Ashraf, also LGRD Later, the prime minister hosted a dinner for the alliance leaders to mark the occasion of the grand alliance's one year in

Khandaker Golam Mowla.

FROM PAGE 16

The security agencies of

Special Security Force (SSF) will be deployed inside and

Sheikh Hasina in New Delhi

of the Indian president. Horse-mounted Indian

Sheikh Hasina at the forecourt of Rashtrapati Bhaban on

will host a state banquet in her

Moinuddin Chisti (RH).

They are sub-inspectors

A total of 28 were given the award for 2008 while the rest for 2009 for their bravery and Thirteen members from Rab bagged medals while the rest

indirectly involved with the ship DG Hassan Mahmood breaking in 79 yards while eight Khandker, DMP Commissioner more new yards are now under AKM Shahidul Hoque, DC (south) Monirul Islam, DC Habibur Rahman, Assistant Commissioners Sanwar Hossain, Babul Akhter, SP Abdul Baten, Additional Special Police Supper Abdullah Aref, ASP

Bijoy Boshak.