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Brother of slain rice trader Apil Uddin Miah wails in front of the National Press Club in the city yesterday. Local people and traders brought the body of the victim, inset, from Babubazar to the press club to protest the killing. Armed muggers shot and killed the trader at Babubazar around 3:30pm. (Story on Page 1)

KIBRIA MURDER HC order on Babar's petition tomorrow

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court (HC) will order tomorrow on a writ petition filed by detained former BNP state minister Lutfuzzaman Babar challenging the government move to take him on remand in connection with former minister SAMS Kibria murder case.

After hearing the petition the HCbench of Justice Nazmun Ara Sultana and Justice Md Rais Uddin yesterday fixed February 11 (tomorrow).

Rafiqul Islam, assistant superintendent of police (ASP) of the criminal investigation department (CID), on January 28 prayed to a court in Habaiganj for permission to take Babar on a 10-day remand in Kibria murder case. Babar was shown arrested in the case the same day.

The Habiganj court fixed February 11 for hearing the remand prayer.

Babar's wife Tahmina Zaman on February 7 filed a writ petition with the HC on behalf of Babar challenging remand prayer of the CID police..

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Ensure quality education

President renews call to private varsities

UNB, Dhaka

President Zillur Rahman yesterday said some private with human values. universities are lagging facilities for holistic develop-

have quality teachers and the faculties to ensure quality beauty. education," he said.

"Quality teachers, better infrastructure facilities and also quality students are very important elements for quality education," said the president, also chancellor of universities, while addressing the 2nd convocation of People's University of Bangladesh at Bangabandhu International Conference Centre.

Education Adviser to the Prime Minister Prof Dr Alauddin Ahmed and chairman of the University Grants Commission Prof Nazrul Islam attended the convocation as the special guests. Former Vice-chancellor of Dhaka University Prof Dr AK Azad Chowdhury delivered his speech as convocation

speaker. infrastructure, library and laboratory facilities along with open discussion and student-teacher relations are closely related to the standard of education.

particularly the universities, occasion.

could play a pioneering role in creating skilled, laborious and patriotic manpower imbued

Terming university as an behind in providing quality auspicious centre of higher education and asked for education, he said apart from ensuring infrastructural imparting education, universities are the domains of pracment of the higher education. tising freethinking and cre-"The universities must ative activities as well as searching the truth and

"Various educational activities beyond the textbook continue there for yearlong and all people, including students, researchers and teachers, can be benefited from these activities," he told his audience from the academia.

Congratulating the new graduates, the president advised them to utilise the immense potential of Bangladesh with their wisdom, talent and intelligence.

He hoped that the new graduates would truly contribute to the welfare of the country's mass people being imbued with humanity, patriotism and spirit of the great war of liberation.

Dr Alauddin said according Zillur said university's to the country's constitution, education should be uniformed, mass-oriented and universal. But this aim has not been fulfilled till today.

Vice-chancellor of the People' University of He noted that country's all Bangladesh Prof Dr Md Aslam educational institutions, Bhuiyan also spoke on the

Ctg port union activists clash

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Two union leaders were injured in a clash between two rival groups at Chittagong Port opposite to Chittagong here yesterday.

Bandar Jatiya Sramik League, and Vice President Jamal employees. Uddin Faruq.

The clash began when antimayor and pro-mayor port workers started chanting slogans in favour and against the transit through Chittagong port during their rallies in the same area.

Karmachari Parishad activists manhandled Shafi and Farug.

The Parishad activists also forced the anti-mayor Bandar Karmachari Union to leave holding a rally. Later, the promayor Bandar Karmachari the rivals. Parishad President Mamtaj Uddin and General Secretary Wahidullah Sarkar spoke at the rally.

2:45am and seized the narcotic drugs.

and activists of Bandar Karmachari Union formed a human chain in front of Bandar 4 No Gate area Customs House around The injured were identi- 12.00pm protesting a move fied as Bandar Karmachari to privatise New Mooring Union President Shamsul Container Terminal (NCT) Hoque Shafi, also president of and demanding separate pay scale for the port

The union comprises of four organisations, including Bandar Islami Sramik Sangha, a faction of Bandar Jatiyatabadi Sramik Dal, Bandar Jatiya Sramik League and Bandar Sramik League. The union is known as anti-Chittagong City Pro-mayor Bandar Corporation (CCC) Mayor ABM Mohiuddin Chowdhury.

A few moment later leaders and activists of promayor Bandar Sramik Union, a faction of Bandar the area where they were Jatiya Sramik League, Bandar Sramik League and Bandar Jatiyatabadi Sramik Parishad held a rally ousting Dal under the banner of Bandar Karmachari Parishad, held a rally supporting the government's decision to give transit Witnesses said leaders through Chittagong Port.

Phensidyl seized

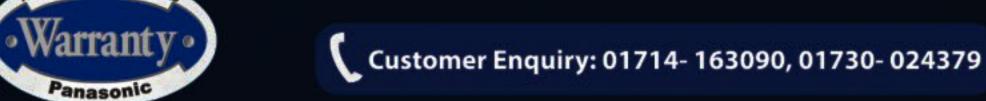
UNB, Keraniganj

Four suspected drug peddlers were arrested along with 700 bottles of Indian phensidyl syrup at Bandakpara here early yesterday and arrested four youths in this connection.

The arrested were identified as Monir Hossain, 24, Rubel, 26,

Raju, 25 and Mamun, 24. Acting on a tip-off, police raided a rickshaw garage at about

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