Hasina, Khaleda

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A two-member committee led by former speaker and former Bangladeshi high commissioner Sheikh Razzak Ali conducted an investigation into it. The committee submitted a report, which the then premier approved and forwarded to the Bureau for further investigation in January 2003.

In the other allegation, Tk 25.95 crore, Tk 16.79 crore, and Tk 1.83 crore were allocated for Sheikh Hasina Youth Development Centre, Bangabandhu Poverty Elimination Training Complex, and Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Complex respectively in between 1999 and 2000.

Hasina and her family members misappropriated the money, the allegation says. Khaleda also approved this allegation to be investigated

INQUIRIES AGAINST KHALEDA The money laundering allegations say around 45 decimal land was purchased in Purana

by the Bureau in April, 2003.

Charitable Trust and the money paid for the purchase was about Tk 7.5 crore, though the registered purchase value was found to be Tk 6 crore.

The money spent does not have any defined sources of income, the allegation adds.

In accordance with the other allegation, construction of the Bhairab Bridge began in 1999 during the AL tenure with a budget of Tk 400 crore.

The UK construction firm Natal Group got the contract and completed construction within the deadline of 2002.

The BNP-Jamaat-led government gave Tk 100 crore in compensation to Natal in addition to the Tk 400 crore budget, causing a loss of Tk 100 crore to the state, the allegation reads.

The ACC has already questioned former cabinet secretary Sadat Hossain, former member of inter-ministerial committee and former NBR chairman Abdul Mazid, former secretary Omar Hadi and former chief engineer of Roads and Highways Department Anwar Hossain in Paltan for establishing Zia this regard.

Unparliamentary

of the last caretaker govern-

sion, Awami League law-

maker Khan Tipu Sultan

started speaking about

Papia's personal life in a

humorous way. But his

remarks did not go well with

Papia and she stood up and

lawmaker Abdullah Al Islam

Jacob questioned the charac-

ter of BNP chief Khaleda Zia

during the war, the outraged

opposition bench stood up

protesting his remarks and

demanded it to be expunged.

Mostafa Ali claimed that

Jacob sought BNP nomina-

tion for the 1991 polls, Awami

League lawmaker Makbul

Hossain in a counterattack

said Jacob was underage for

contesting the 1991 polls but

his father was a BNP law-

a number-one Razakar,

parliament Anwar Hossain

demanded posthumous trial

of Ziaur Rahman in connec-

tion with his involvement in

the assassination of

alleged that the government

established a rule of repres-

sion and killing and has failed

to prevent price hike of essen-

tials and maintain law and

Treasury bench lawmakers

Opposition lawmakers

Makbul claimed.

Bangabandhu.

But Mostafa's father was

Awami League member of

maker.

When BNP lawmaker ZIM

When Awami League

sought the floor to clarify.

Taking part in the discus-

ment will be validated."

leaders and activists were killed during the 1972-75

Awami League rule. "Ziaur Rahman is being labelled a killer. Then it

should be said that Sheikh

Mujib was also a killer," he Treasury bench lawmakers broke into a noisy protest and shouted at the BNP lawmaker, sending the House

into a deafening din. Amid the growing noise, the speaker prevented Anne from speaking and tried to bring the House in order. "Please, be quiet. What can I

do if everybody shouts," he As the atmosphere calmed down, the speaker allowed Anne to complete his speech.

The calm did not last any longer, as Anne demanded holding discussion on Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina's adviser Towfique-e-Elahi Chowdhury and her son Sajeeb Wazed Joy taking "\$5 million in bribe".

Taking the floor on a point of order, Chief Whip Abdus Shahid came down heavily on Anne and demanded the speaker expunge the "unparliamentary" speech of

BNP lawmaker Syeda Asifa Ashrafi Papia said, "Moudud Ahmed wanted to speak about the government's decision to change the name of Zia International Airport but he was not given the floor. So, we had staged the walk-

cussion on thanksgiving.

ng attack on the

Bangabandhu's government.

"Women and girls took shel-

ter in jungles to save them

from the Mujib Bahini. Even

youths did not dare to protest

in the face of repression of the

Amid desk thumping by

fellow lawmakers of her party

and shouting of treasury

bench MPs in presence of the

Leader of the House Sheikh

Hasina, Papia continued,

"They established a rule of

killing. They began the cul-

ture of crossfire by killing Siraj

Without naming Hasina,

Papia said, "Wearing an

attractive green sari and pearl

necklace, chief of a party

while going abroad

announced that all activities

Bangladeshi

against Australia's part in the

"war on terror" were jailed for

The men, who cannot be

named, were convicted in

October of gathering firearms,

chemicals and bomb-making

instructions, along with a

mass of Islamist propaganda,

for the attack on an unknown

The men from Sydney, who

Lebanese, Libyan and

Bangladeshi descent, were

handed maximum terms of 23

to 28 years, with the shortest

non-parole period being 17

The five, aged 25 to 44,

showed little emotion and

some of them smiled at each

other when Whealy left court.

years and three months.

up to 28 years yesterday.

Shikder."

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target.

reporters.

Rakkhi Bahini," she said.

in return said BNP patronises After the opposition's the politics of killing and it return, Papia was given the killed 23,000 opposition floor to take part on the disleaders and activists and they established the rule of cor-Papia launched a blisterruption and repression.

order.

Infuriated by the remarks on Zia by Awami League lawmaker Nazrul Islam Babu, opposition lawmakers again stormed out of the House around 7:40pm, throwing files and papers. Some even headed towards the speaker's

Babu had termed Zia a killer. "Zia who killed many freedom fighters cannot be labelled only a freedom fighter. He could be labelled a killer-slash-freedom fighter."

The opposition lawmakers did not return from their walkout last night and the speaker adjourned the sitting till 3:00pm today after Babu completed his speech.

Huda said.

FROM PAGE 16 10-storey modern building,

The labour ministry is working on the proposal, said

On February 11, a sixmember bench of the Appellate Division upheld a High Court order dismissing a petition filed by Jamuna Builders Ltd, which paved the way for Rajuk to knock down

the illegal floors of the shopping complex. Earlier, on January 13 Rajuk served a notice upon Jamuna are Australian citizens of Builders asking them to knock down the unauthorised floors

within seven days. In response Jamuna Builders

filed a writ petition with the HC on January 17 challenging the legality of the notice but the HC summarily rejected the petition on February 3.

The next day, Rajuk moved "That's a very big sentence to knock down the floors but -- not even murderers get the procedure halted as sentenced that much," the Jamuna Builders Ltd filed a sister of one of the men told petition with the SC against the HC order.

5b to use mobile in 2010: UN

AFP, Barcelona

The ranks of cell phone subscribers will swell to five billion people this year thanks to the growth of smartphones in developed nations and mobile services in poor nations, a UN agency said yesterday.

The International Telecommunication Union (ITU) also said the number of mobile broadband subscriptions would exceed one billion this year after reaching 600 million in 2009.

"Even during an economic crisis, we have seen no drop in the demand for communications services," ITU Secretary-General Hamadoun Toure said in a statement at the Mobile World Congress in Barcelona, Spain, the industry's biggest trade show. The number of mobile

subscribers had reached 4.6 billion people last year.

"I am confident that we will continue to see a rapid uptake in mobile cellular services in particular in 2010, with many more people using their phones to access the Internet," Toure said

In the developing world, the growth has been driven by the use of phones for mobile banking and health services, the ITU said.

Maoists kill

FROM PAGE 16 offensive in several states to

flush out the outlawed insur gents from their strongholds. Two Maoist guerrillas were

also killed in the raid in West Bengal state's Midnapore district following a gunbattle with security forces, West Bengal state police inspector general Surojit Purokayastha told AFP.

"Seventeen policemen have died in the Maoist attack," he said in state capital Kolkata.

Twelve of the policemer were shot dead while five others were burnt to death in a landmine blast that started a fire in their camp, he said. Purokayastha said some

"two dozen" securitymen were also injured in the hourlong attack, some of them critically.

National park

FROM PAGE 16 In 1999, the then Awami

League government banned constructions in Bhawal National Park.

A presidential order, issued on November 22 that year, prohibited building factories, houses or any structures in eight mouzas--Araisho Prasad Bon Khoria, Bishoyakuribari, Baraipara, Uttar Salna, Bau Para, Bahadurpur and Mohana Bhabanipur --inside the national park.

It said violating the order would constitute an offence and be punished accordingly.

But with official connivance, a section of industrialists had disregarded the ban a

Bus rams

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Mirpur-12, Sub-Inspector Monirul Islam of Pallabi Police Station told The Daily Star.

The second bus had pulled over there, as it was having some mechanical problems.

Pallabi police said they could not yet know on which

bus Firoz used to work. Their wrecker pulled one

bus to their station last night while officers were working to seize the other one as of filing this report at 12:30am.

HC stays

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The HC bench of Justice AHM Shamsuddin Chowdhury Manik and Justice Borhan Uddin came up with the order upon a writ petition filed by Sajjad Hossain, a voter of the city's Pallabi area.

The court fixed February 23 for hearing on the matter.

The petitioner prayed to the court to direct the government and EC to demarcate afresh DCC wards ensuring that each ward has equal population.

The difference between the population and the voters of the wards are very high, he said citing an example that the population of ward no 6 is 1,05,096, while the population of ward no 13 is 10,313.

The petitioner also said an equal amount of development budget can be allocated to DCC wards if they have equal population.

Barrister M Amir-Ul Islam appeared for the petitioner.

Slow anti-graft

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representatives raised questions as to whether the anticorruption drive slowed down under the present government. They also wondered if the anticorruption act would be weaker if the government amends it.

Later, Finance Minister AMA Muhith told journalists that the issue of corruption was discussed at the meeting. The donors wanted to know whether the anti-corruption act was being made softer by amendingit. "We admit that progress in anti-corruption drive has

slowed a little," Muhith said. "We have also said many cases are becoming weaker due to procedural weakness. A number of committees are examining the issues if there are legal loopholes." The donors expressed concern over the weaknesses in

implementation of annual development programme(ADP), and different projects including those in infrastructure and power sec-

In the first session, WB

Country Director Ellen Goldstein said peace and stability are the sine qua non of development. "If I may summarise, the main message from our development partners today are two-fold. First, in order to achieve poverty reduction objectives and achieve middle income status by 2021, Bangladesh needs to accelerate growth to around 8 percent per annum. Second, in order to grow faster, Bangladesh needs both more investment and more effective investment," she

The WB official also said better and timely implementation of the ADP and strong local government are needed for increasing investment.

Renata Dessallien said if the regional integration could be achieved, Bangladesh's GDP growth would increase by an estimated two percent annually which could help create jobs and reduce regional disparities. "By capitalising on the

country's enviable geographical location--close to two emerging giants, straddling two regional blocks, and at the centre of the Bay of Bengal, Bangladesh seems predestined to become an important trading hub. But the weight of history and popular misperceptions have held her back."

She said, "We hope the government's recent decisive move toward regional integration herald the beginning of a much needed sea change. But for this to happen, careful and detailed strategising and management are vital."

Renata said that they were heartened by the recent Supreme Court rulings, particularly the judgment on the Fifth Amendment, and formation of the Judicial Reform Committee.

She pointed out that democracy of Bangladesh has been affected by excessive competition between the two major political parties--a competition that has sometimes exceeded normal democratic parameters. The political parties should work constructively, she added. She said giving chairmanship of two parliamentary

committees to the opposition

party was a welcome initiative

by the majority party. "But we

suggest these measures may not

be enough to qualitatively change the tenor of inter-party relations." The meeting sources said they welcomed the government initiative to prepare a civil service act for reforming the public service. They also recommended appointment of some persons from private sector in some government posts

Replying to the donors queries, the government presented its plans for action.

through outsourcing.

Prime Minister's Economic Affairs Adviser Mashiur Rahman said they would set up an information centre replete with computers and internet connection in every union. Various programmes of the government would be available in the information centre where people could lodge their complaints. In the session on power and

energy, the government in its plan said that it has a target of generating 7,000-megawat power with an investment of US \$9.5 billion by 2013. The donors recommended

increasing the price of power and energy.

The development partners assured the government of providing assistance to the power and energy sector.

The WB, ADB, Islamic Development Bank and Japan have assured the government of providing fund in publicprivate partnership power projects.

The donors recommended making a detailed energy audit to reduce wastage of energy and power in Bangladesh. Prime Minister's Adviser

Towfiq-e-Elahi Chowdhury told journalists, "We will gradually increase price of power, energy and gas. However, the price would not be a flat rate for all--there will be different rates for consumers in rural and urban areas."

BCL, Jubo League

sticks, iron rods and brickbats, police said. Several shots were fired and cocktails were hurled from both sides.

About 15 activists of both organisations were injured in the clash, campus sources On information, several

police teams from the district headquarters rushed to the spot around noon. They charged batons and lobbed at least eight teargas shells and

dispersed the fighting groups. Additional police forces were deployed on the campus

and the situation had calmed down, police said. Academic activities, including admission process

and classes, of the college remained suspended.

The college authorities, in an urgent meeting, vowed to continue the admission process. "We have informed the higher authorities [National University] of the matter and we are hopeful of removing all barriers within a short time," the college principal said.

Contacted, Kushtia Govt College unit BCL president Enamul Bari Sumon and general secretary Abdullah Al-Mamun blamed Jubo League leader Emam Hannan Biswas for the incident.

On the other hand, Hannan said some unscrupulous and greedy people were holding hostage the educational institution using BCL banner. Hannan, however, urged

Wall collapse FROM PAGE 1

said Kawser Ahmed, director (welfare) of the Bureau of Manpower Employment and Training. The officials of Bangladesh

mission in Riyadh rushed to the spot and were planning for the next course of action, he said, adding that the family was living in Saudi Arabia for around 20 years. According to a report of

Abu Dhabi-based newspaper Khaleej Times, the six people included a couple and their four children.

Heavy rain that started on Saturday submerged some areas in the Islam's holiest city.

higher authorities to take stern action against BCL Kushtia Government College unit.

Earlier on February 1, the college unit BCL for the first time locked several rooms of the college and stopped the admission process soon after the viva voce had started following a merit list prepared by the NU. They had been demanding illegal enrolmen of some 200 students.

Muggers kill FROM PAGE 1

department of Institute of Science and Technology at Lalmatia

Sources said Amit succumbed to his injuries on the way to Shahid Suhrawardi Hospital at around 2:00am. Three bullet-hit muggers --

Monirul Islam, Ershad alias Munna and Habibur Rahman -were admitted to the Pongu Hospital at Sher-e-Bangla Nagar.

In the same incident Amit's friend Sohag was also injured. Sohag said that Amit used to live at East Rajabazar but was going to his house to stay the night there after both of

The muggers were following them in a private car from Sir Salimullah Road while they were on foot. The criminals stabbed

Amit and snatched mobile

them returned from

Netrokona.

phone and money when the two friends were trying to enter into the house at Razia Sultana Road, he added. Sohag said he asked his brother by mobile phone to help. Sohag's brother and some local people were waiting in front of their house and

succeeded in catching mugger

Sujon and beat him while he

was trying to flee from the Officer-in-Charge of Mohammadpur Police Station Bhuiyan Mahbub Hasan said they arrested Sujon alias Monir and conducted a raid at Tajmahal Road playground to arrest the rest muggers.

Sensing the presence of police, the criminals started firing that prompted the law Ganderia Police Box. enforcement agency to retaliate, he said adding the gun Enayet then went to battle left the three muggers Sutrapur Police Station to file a bullet-injured.

complaint, but the OC and Police said the muggers other high officials told him also snatched the private car from Banani area on Sunday. not to go ahead.

2 REB officials caught while taking bribe

STAFF CORRESPONDENT,

A team of Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) caught two officials of Rural Electrification Board redhanded in Jaintapur upazila of Sylhet while they were taking Tk 70,000 bribe from a businessman yesterday afternoon. The arrested officials are

Md Mofazzal Hossain and Dilip Chandra Chowdhury, general manager and deputy general manager respectively of Sylhet Palli Bidyut Samity-II. The REB officials have been serving on deputation at the samity in Jaintapur upazila. ACC Director in Sylhet

Major Masud who led the team told The Daily Star that owner of a stone crusher plant at Bholaganj in Companiganj Afzal Hossain contacted the GM for electricity connection to his plant.

The GM demanded Tk 70,000 for the job a few days ago and they reached an agreement accordingly, ACC sources said.

At about 4:00pm yesterday, Afzal went to the official residence of GM. The ACC team caught the GM and DGM redhanded from the residence when they received the money. A contingent of Rab was also present. The process was on to file a

case, the ACC official added.

Stop saline **FROM PAGE 16**

Sundarban and Sonadia

Besides, the HC ordered the Dhaka City Corporation (DCC) authorities to submit a report to it within four months on the damage caused to soil, water and air due to dumping of industrial waste at Amin Bazar in Savar. It also asked the govern-

ment to submit a report to it within six months on the environmental impact of this dumping of industrial waste. The reports have to be prepared by experts at

Bangladesh University of

Engineering and Technology (BUET), according to the HC An HC bench comprised of Justice Syed Mahmud Hossain and Justice ATM Fazle Kabir issued the directive concerning saline water upon a writ petition jointly filed by Bangladesh Environmental

and Nijera Kori, two rights Another HC bench comprised of Justice Md Imman Ali and Justice Abu Tariq came up with the order relating to dumping of industrial waste upon a writ petition filed by

Lawyers Association (Bela)

Advocates Prabir Niogi, Syeda Rizawana Hassan and Iqbal Kabir Litan appeared for Bela and Nijera Kori, Deputy Attorney General Razik Al Jalil stood for the government and barrister Ruhul Quddus Kajal represented the DCC.

Liberation War

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history of the war and thus books for children saw a hike in the sale.

Young people are also buying books of the war stories, they said.

Romana, a student of the city's Eden College, said she had bought the book Bangladesher Avvudday O Ganatantrer Path Parikrama by Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid as she wanted to know the history of the 1971 war from different angles.

Another book titled "A Little Fighter Sleeping with His Arms" by Oitijjhyo publication also found a good sale.

Meanwhile, as many as 104 new titles came out in the fair yesterday including Mutho Phoner Kabbo-2 by Nirmalendu Gun, Hai Prem! by Rashid Haider, Maloy Bhawmiker Natok Sangraha by Maloy Bhawmik, Samoyer Jabanbondi by Hayat Mahmud and Amar Jato Katha by Golam Sarwar.

Six cops sued **FROM PAGE 16** Enayet, his mother, sister and

son mercilessly and took away valuables worth Tk 2 lakh. The accused later forced

them to leave the house and put up a signboard of

Khaleda's Gulshan office

FROM PAGE 1 second cracker was discovered around noon near the

Additional Deputy Commissioner Walid Hossain said a bomb disposal unit from the Detective Branch

found traces of sulphur. However he said, "If the crackers had exploded they would not have caused injury, as they only have the capacity to make noise and smoke."

defused the crackers and

Meanwhile, BNP Parliamentary Party demanded that the government conduct a fair probe into the sources of those firecrackers.

"We earlier demanded

enhanced security for the opposition leader. But the government paid no heed to our demand. Recovery of cocktails proves deterioration in law and order situation," Opposition Chief Whip Zainul Abdin Farroque said in a press briefing at the Parliament's Media Centre. Lawmaker Shahid Uddin

Chowdhury Anee taking floor on a point of order raised the issue in the House. "Can't we say a conspiracy is being hatched to assassinate Khaleda Zia?" asked Anee. BNP Secretary General Khandaker Delwar Hossain too expressed his deep concern over the recovery of the firecrackers and demanded

that the culprits be apprehended. He also said the government must ensure that Khaleda, who is also the leader of the opposition, has

adequate security at all times. A party press release signed by BNP Joint Secretary Ruhul Kabir Rizvi states, "The government has withdrawn security

personnel rather than pro-

viding necessary security for her.' Delwar alleged that the government is trying to destabilise the BNP and that such efforts will not be successful, because nationalistic forces cannot be defeated by creating panic over bombs, or any other type of

repression. He also condemned the police attacks on processions in different parts of the country led by BNP members who were outraged by the incident.

Shahjalal (R) International

Airport, Dhaka is right," Azad

decision, Begum Khaleda Zia

Medical College and Shaheed

Suhrawardi Hospital will be

renamed as Shaheed

Suhrawardi Medical College

and Hospital while Jamuna

Multi-Purpose Bridge as

Bangabandhu Bridge and

According to the cabinet

ZIA made Shahjalal International Airport as Hazrat

Abul Kalam Azad told reporters

during a post meet briefing. The verdict meant that the

governments between August 15, 1975 and April 9, 1979 including Ziaur Rahman assuming power were illegal, he said. The 6th cabinet meeting of

the year also decided to change

the name of Shaheed Ziaur Rahman University, Barisal to Barisal University. The meeting argued that the international airport in Dhaka was named Dhaka International Airport when it was shifted from Tejgaon to

Kurmitola in 1979. Later in 1981,

the then government renamed

it to Zia International Airport. Regarding renaming the airport, the cabinet said that since the people of the country respect Sufis and religious figures and wish to keep their memory alive many important establishments had been

named after them.

Amanat (R) airport in Chittagong and Hazrat Khan Jahan Ali (R) for the under construction airport in

It referred to the airport in

Rajshahi, which was named

Chartered Secretaries Bill

after Shah Makhdum (R), Shah

Khulna.

Prime Minister's Office is looking into the matter. The government has suspended several police personnel for negligence during Chhatra League-Shibir clashes that left a student

Rajshahi University.

beliefs. The law enforcers are the servants of the people and

should not have any party affiliations, he said. The minister urged all in the administration and law enforcement to discharge

Anyone doing otherwise would be subject to administrative and legal actions, he Replying to another query,

detect the fundamentalist elements in the law enforcement agencies with the help of intelligence agencies." The anti-Liberation forces rehabilitated in different state

Tuku said, "We are trying to

organs after the killing of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman have all along been scheming to destabilise the

government, he observed. ASM Shahjahan, former adviser to caretaker government, said none should be allowed to get away with using

their offices to serve the purposes of any political party. "Anyone neglecting duty must face disciplinary actions, no

prove that it is indeed working

conduct any subversive activi-

Metropolitan Magistrate

Osman Gani yesterday granted

a two-day remand against 19

out of 24 Shibir activists who

were detained on Chittagong

University campus early

the remand prayer against four

others when police sought a

seven-day remand for 23 of

Uttara zone deputy commis-

sioner (DC) Nisarul Ariftold The

Daily Star yesterday they have

already found evidences that

indicate the Shibir men were

"We have seized some leaf-

involved in anti-state activities.

lets, posters and CDs contain-

ing provocative statement

against the state and the gov-

ernment from their posses-

Police will seek permission

SEDITION CHARGE

However, the court rejected

In Chittagong, the court of

duties neutrally and in line to make good on its electoral pledge not to politicise the with the spirit of the administration.

ties, the OC said.

Saturday.

Liberation War.

has already been sent to all police stations across the country.

from different parts of Rajshahi city yesterday in connection with the Rajshahi University (RU) violence that killed a worker of Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL).

Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate Ruhul Amin. The court granted another five-day remand for Hasmat Ali Liton, president of Abdul Latif

town Sunday night.

from the home ministry for filing a sedition case against

Uttara police said during the

and arrested 22 activists. The arrestees were sent to jail hajat. Police arrested the activists apprehending that they might their plans and activities.

Dhanmondi Women Sports Complex as Sultana Kamal Sports Complex, among many others. The cabinet also approved proposals to pass EPZ Workers Welfare Association and Industries Affairs Bill 2010, Bangladesh Economic Zone Bill 2010, Bangladesh Textile University Bill 2010 and

Under the Bangladesh Textile University Bill 2010, the present College of Textile Technology, Tejgaon is going to be upgraded to university.

Meanwhile, Chief Whip of the Opposition Zainul Abdin Farroque, during a press briefing at the parliament's media centre, warned the government of mass movement if it did not scrap its decision of renaming the Zia "Considering these, the cabinet's renaming of the Zia International Airport.

Govt to go after

FROM PAGE 16 examined carefully before taking any disciplinary action, said sources.

An influential official at the

killed and 100 more injured at

State Minister for Home Shamsul Haque Tuku told The Daily Star, "If law enforcers are found serving interest of any quarters, actions will be taken irrespective of political

matterwhere his allegiance lies." The government should

RMP lists 54 Jamaat

Sources said Motihar and Boalia police arrested 11 activists of Jamaat and Shibir

However, the police at the end of five-day remand produced 28 Shibir leaders and activists before the court of

hall unit Shibir, and sent other 27 Shibir men to jail custody. In Satkhira, police in a drive arrested some 22 workers of Jamaat and Shibir from the

MA Hashem Khan, officerin-charge of Sadar police station in Satkhira, told The Daily Star that they raided different hostels and messes in the town

them, the DC added.

sion", the DC said.

three-day remand, the detained Shibir cadres also disclosed different information about