Business heroes

FROM PAGE 1 Square Pharmaceuticals, the largest manufacturer of medicines, won the crown of 'best enterprise'. The award recognises the \$164 million-a-year-

Md Saiful Islam, chairman of

Western Marine Shipyard,

became the 'best business

person' of the year. He has

contributed enormously to the

growth of the company that

now employs 2,200 people and

generates \$50 million in annual

turnover. The award is recogni-

tion of leadership that turned

Western Marine into one of the

biggest shipbuilding compa-

care industry, Kaniz Almas

Khan, managing director of

Persona, has been awarded as

the 'outstanding woman in

business'. She has turned beau-

tification into a viable economic

activity. The award marks her

extraordinary contribution to

The fifth award that recog-

nises the lifetime achievement

of a charismatic leader went to

officer of Green Delta Insurance

Company Ltd. He has been in

the insurance sector since 1958,

with only two years apart. The

award takes into account his

five decades that created many

leaders who are currently head-

ing many other leading finan-

Atiur Rahman, who gave away

the awards, saluted the private

sector, saying that they are

driving the economy towards

dominated post-liberation

economy has transformed

radically, the private sector

today accounts for over nine-

tenths of consumption and

investment demand in the

economy, by now sixteen-fold

bank said local entrepreneurs,

after their success in the global

apparel export markets, are in

forays for new breakthroughs in

diverse directions, such as

export of services and ocean-

The gala event started with

instrumental music by a group

of young artists and was fol-

lowed by an opening statement

by Mahfuz Anam, the editor and

Bangladesh not only requires

capital, innovation and man-

agement but also persistence,"

persistence' because "you have

to persist through the hartal,

and through political changes

"It is persistence that ulti-

In times of the global melt-

down -- when the whole world

is shaking in its roots -

Bangladesh economy did not at

all suffer as much as many

countries in the world did,

"The credit, therefore, defi-

nitely goes to the government

for its policies. More impor-

tantly, it also goes to our corpo-

and Poor's and Moody's sover-

eign credit ratings that put

Bangladesh on a par with the

Philippines, Vietnam and

Turkey. "In South Asia, we are

ahead of Sri Lanka and Pakistan.

Bangladesh for strength and

stability of the economy and its

of women in local government

system, introduced the provi-

sion of reserved seats for

women in upazila parishad in

Citing the number of

around 4,500 union parishads

and 309 municipalities, the EC

officials said the number of

reserved seats for women in

481 upazila parishads would be

Their election was sup-

posed to be held after the

January 22 upazila parishad

But it might not be possible

to hold the election to reserved

seats this year, as possibility of

completion of polls to union

parishads and municipalities is

upazila parishads cannot be

completed until the election to

the reserved seats for women is

Meanwhile, the government is

yet to amend the upazila

parishad act in line with the

EC's proposals to remove

discrepancy between the now

defunct upazila parishad

ordinance and upazila added.

They said the formation of

very low, EC officials said.

AMENDMENT TO

UPAZILA ACT

around 1,600.

election.

held.

No polls, no role

of our performance," he said.

Anam referred to Standard

that happen time and again".

mately wins the day."

"Doing business in

publisher of The Daily Star.

The custodian of the central

arger," Rahman said.

going vessels.

Anam said.

Anam said.

rate world.'

"The public sector-

Bangladesh Bank Governor

cial institutions.

global standards.

the workforce is women.

A businesswoman in beauty

well, he said. turnover company for its suc-"Who should be given the cessful entry to overseas marcredit? It's our world of busi-

ness." He said the businesses need

clear policies and guidance and determined implementation of the policies to go further. Malcolm Monteiro, senior

vice president of DHL Express, South Asia, said Bangladesh has all necessary ingredients -labour force, culture, cost effective solutions -- to accelerate its growth. "Bangladesh is a silver lining

in South Asia. The things that make Bangladesh what it is today are its economic diversity, its growth and progress," he

Desmond Quiah, country manager of DHL Express Bangladesh, was also present.

In reactions after receiving the award, Helal Ahmed an industry where 99 percent of Chowdhury, managing director of Pubali Bank, said: "It is a moment of great pride and honour for us. Our commitment towards the industry, Nasir A Choudhury, managing consistent high-quality and director and chief executive diligent team have won us this acclaim. These awards will help us gain better access to capital, technology, global markets and quality manpower."

Kaniz Almas Khan, chief of dynamic leadership for nearly Persona, said the award would make her more confident than she is now.

'Earlier I tried for the award four times, but I failed," she said. She was determined to win the prize and strived on for better performance.

Saiful Islam, chairman of Western Marine Shipyard, said the vessels his company is making would sail in all the seas. "It's a great pride for Bangladesh."

Nasir A Choudhury, managing director and chief executive officer of Green Delta Insurance Company, said the award will help him and his company perform better.

An eminent jury board, sieving through hundreds of applications, selected the winners.

Making money

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allegedly extorted money from makeshift shops set up at Suhrawardi Udyan.

Each shop had to pay in between Tk 1,000 and 2,000 a day before the carnival, Chhatra League sources said.

"We didn't know private companies would sponsor the programmes," said DU Proctor Dr KM Saiful Islam Khan.

He underlined the word Morally, nobody should make money by using spaces and structures of the university through a bureaucratic maze for sponsor companies, he added.

"We gave permission for the concert at the base of Raju Memorial. Two other spots were permitted for baul songs but the organisers held concerts there," DU Proctor told The Daily Star.

A senior professor of DU Syed Manzoorul Islam said he had never seen such commercial shops on the campus on the occasion of Pahela Baishakh.

"The entire campus turned into a bazaar," Prof Manzoorul said adding that DU is not the place for such business by student leaders.

DU authorities should constitute an enquiry committee to find out people involved in such activities, he added.

Chhatra League DU unit president Sheikh Shohel Rana but only behind India in terms Tipu said they had no commer-This means the rating agencial interest in arranging the cies have recognised programmes.

"We just helped students so that they could celebrate the persistent growth close to 6 Pahela Baishakh," he added.

parishad act regarding qualifi-

cation and disqualification of

parishad election was held

under the now defunct ordi-

nance, which ceased to have

effect on February 24 last year,

as it was not ratified in parlia-

ment within the specified

reintroduced the Upazila

Parishad Act 1998 bringing

some changes. But the new law

did not include some provi-

sions of the upazila parishad

ordinance including the provi-

sion for submitting affidavits of

candidates contesting the

a tribunal were also not barred

last year sent the proposals to

the LGRD ministry to this

from the upazila elections.

War criminals convicted by

The EC on September 13

The EC could not hold by-

elections to a number of posts

of chairmen that had fallen

vacant after the deaths of

incumbents, as the law had not

been amended removing the

discrepancy, EC officials

The government, however,

timeframe.

polls.

effect.

The January 22 upazila

aspirants for a post in upazila.

Despite all the troubles of the day -- energy crisis and traffic jam -- the economy is doing

Anam added.

percent over the last decade,

Rab arrests 1 in N'ganj

OUR CORRESPONDENT, N'gan

businessman

Abducted

rescued

Rapid Action Battalion yesterday rescued an abducted businessman after two days and arrested one of the kidnappers from Madanpur area under Bandar upazila.

Enamul Kabir, 42, the rescued businessman of Narsingdi was abducted from Chashara area of the town Wednesday evening. The kidnappers demanded

ransom of Tk four Lakh from his family over mobile phone and threatened to kill him if they refused to give the

The arrested kidnapper was identified as Sohel, son of Noor Hossain of Nayapara village under Bandar upazila.

Enamul's younger brother

Ahmedul Kabir filed a general diary with the Narsingdi police station. He came to Narayanganj following the instruction of

informed Rab-11 about the incident. Rab-11 men rescued the businessman after a 12-hour

the kidnappers and later

operation. Arrested Sohel told Rab that, they are an organised gang and the mastermind of the gang is Raju.

Earlier, they took ransom of Tk one Lakh from two other fabrics businessmen named Nadim and Belal.

Officer-in-Charge o Narayanganj Sadar Model Police Station Akter Hossain said Ahmedul Kabir filed a case with the police station in this connection.

A night

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"We have taken several measures that will eventually help the country's business sector We have just introduced automated clearing house for faster settlement of transactions and payment systems, he said.

'We moved one step ahead of many other countries by introducing this modern payment and transaction system," he said, adding, "The system will reduce the settlement time to only two hours from three days."

However, leaders were also expressing frustration over the country's power crisis.

Syed Nasim Manzur, managing director of Apex Adelchi Footwear, said entrepreneurs are paying high price for frequent power cuts, which reduces productivity, and have to allocate a huge amount on money for diesel.

"In my own factory the daily expenditure on diesel has increased to Tk 1,83,000 from Tk 64,000. But there are many enterprises that cannot afford this cost," he said adding that the government should go for rental power plants immediately to resolve the crisis.

Jamaat's stance

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views about our stance on the Liberation War but no Jamaat leaders were involved in war crimes back then in 1971, Nizami said.

Terming the Internationa War Crimes Tribunal Act-1973 a black law, the Jamaat boss said the government's move to try war criminals is aimed at eliminating Jamaat from the

domain of politics. No allegation of war crimes against a single Jamaat man could be found during the tenure of late Sheikh Mujibur Rahman when the general amnesty for war criminals, excluding four crimes -- mur der, rape, arson and looting --

was declared. "The government is now trying to prove Jamaat's involvement in war crimes ... the whole world will not be able to prove it," asserted the

Jamaat boss. "The trials under the International War Crimes Tribunal Act will be a great blunder. Not a single case has been tried so far under the act," he added.

Why didn't Awami League try Jamaat men during their previous tenures, if they were involved in war crimes? he

questioned. The Jamaat chief came down heavily on the government for power, gas and

water crises, price hike of essentials and slide in the law and order. Jamaat general secretary Ali Ahsan Mohammad Mojaheed and senior assistant secretary general Muhamaad

Kamaruzzaman, among others, were present at the conference.

Top Huji leader

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said. "During his stay in Birmingham, UK, until 2007, Mostofa had sent thousands of taka to militants active in Bangladesh. So, London police filed a case against him under terrorist financing act of that country."

The DMP commissioner said Mostofa directly participated in the Afghan war against the erstwhile Soviet Union and has close links to other Afghan war veterans conducting militant activities in Bangladesh.

After the Afghan war, Mostofa was also busy arranging financial support for Bosnia

Talking to The Daily Star on the DB office premises, Mostofa, however, denied his Huji connection and taking part in the Afghan war. But DB Assistant

Commissioner SM Rafiqul Islam, who led the drive to arrest the Huji leader, told The Daily Star that arrested Huji men confirmed that he was the outfit's UK unit chief and that he took part in the Afghan war. On December 2, 2007, the

Rapid Action Battalion arrested Mostofa in the city's Bashundhara Residential area with a German-made pistol, five bullets, five books on explosives and several other books on jihad, said DB officials.

Hailing from Bishwanath upazila in Sylhet, Mostofa is convicted to 17 years in prison in an arms case. He came out on a High Court bail on February 23

DB Assistant Commissioner Rafigul Islam said they held Mostofa from the house of one of his relatives at Osmaninagar in Sylhet and after he was brought to Dhaka on Thursday afternoon, the law enforcers recovered several books on explosives and jihad from his Hazaribagh residence in the

"Mostofa had close relations with detained Huji founder Abdus Salam, chief Mufti Hannan, another British citizen and chief of UK-based NGO Green Crescent Faisal Mostafa, militants Sagir, Sheikh Farid and many others," said Rafiqul Islam.

According to sources Mostofa had been staying in London since 1975 and went to the Afghan war from there.

Later, he launched a restaurant business in Birmingham and married a British citizen of Bangladesh origin. He returned to Bangladesh

in 2007 after London police filed the money laundering case against him and conducted several drives at his London residence to arrest

London police also froze the bank accounts of Mostofa and his wife.

Mostofa left his restaurant business to his wife and mar ried another woman in Hazaribagh.

Bhola-3 polls

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election, but we will take part in it," he said at a press conference at the party's central office in Naya Paltan, Dhaka. Delwar warned the govern-

ment of consequences like the agitation staged by the then opposition Awami League over Magura by-poll during BNP's rule. "Magura by-election was

free and fair but Awami League made it a issue, boycotted the poll and later resigned from parliament. There is no reason to think that others won't follow the path," he said. Urging the election com-

mission to deploy army personnel during the election, the BNP leader said a terrorismfree congenial atmosphere would have to be ensured for a fair and impartial election.

Asked why BNP demands army deployment in by-poll whereas their leaders slammed the army for not playing due role in 2008 election in which the party experienced a defeat, Delwar said people have nothing to do if the army continues with that stance.

The BNP leader urged the EC to take immediate steps to prevent "terrorism in Bhola-3 constituency" and create such an atmosphere as voters can exercise their rights without

any fear. BNP leaders Mir Nasiruddin, Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir, Ruhul Kabir Rizvi, among others, were present at the press briefing.

TOFAIL ON BY-POLL Meanwhile, Awami League advisory council member Tofail Ahmed yesterday said the government and his party

would assist the Election Commission to implement any decision on Bhola by-poll. "We will assist the Election

Commission whatever decision it takes to make the poll free and fair," said Tofail, also the coordinator of the party's by-election conducting team. On BNP's demand for army

deployment in the Bhola bypoll, he said no such instance was found in any by-election in the country. Tofail also said BNP

Chairperson Khaleda Zia and secretary general Khandaker Delwar Hossain don't want their candidate Major (retd) Hafizuddin to win the by-poll as the contestant tried to split the party during the last caretaker regime.

The Awami League leader was addressing a press briefing at the party chief's Dhanmondi office in the city.

He noted a portion of BNP leaders are against Hafizuddin. Tofail alleged the BNP

leaders provide false information to the media on Bhola situation. "The BNP leaders, who brief press on the Bhol-3 by-election, hardly visit the constituency."

want the by-poll to be held, he said. Tofail is leaving for Bhola

tonight. He invites foreign observers and journalists to observe the by-poll. Awami League joint general

secretary Mahbubul Alam Hanif who was also present at the briefing, said BNP leaders are trying to make an issue out of the by-election so that they can foi the trial of war criminals.

Mujibnagar Day

Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman was declared the first President of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, while Syed Nazrul Islam was appointed the acting President in the absence of Bangabandhu.

Tajuddin Ahmed was appointed as the first Prime Minister, while Khondoker Moshtaq Ahmed, Captain Muhammad Mansur Ali and AHM Qamaruzzaman were the cabinet members.

General Muhammad Ataul Gani Osmani was made the Commander-in-Chief of Mukti Bahini while Major General Abdur Rob was appointed as the chief of staff by the interim

The provisional government gave successful leadership to the War of Liberation for achieving victory on December

On the eve of this historic day, President Zillur Rahman and Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina gave separate messages on the occasion.

They said the Mujibnagar government after its formation on April 17, 1971 played a very significant role in conducting the War of Liberation.

The contribution of that government will remain ever remembered in the history of the country's War of Liberation, they said.

They also recalled with due respect the memory of the Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and four national leaders and prayed for eternal peace of their departed souls.

Bangladesh Awami League, which led the War of Liberation, has drawn up an

elaborate programme to observe the historic Mujibnagar Day in a befitting manner.

The day's programme wil commence with the hoisting of national and party flags at Bangabandhu Bhaban a Dhanmondi in the city and all party offices across the country at 6:00am. It will be followed by placing of wreaths at the portrait of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman at Dhanmondi in Dhaka at 7:00am. Wreaths will also be laid a

the graves of four martyred national leaders--Syed Nazru Islam, Tajuddin Ahmed and Captain Mansur Ali at Banani in Dhaka. A discussion will be held a

Bangabandhu International Conference Centre at 3:00pm on the day. Prime Minister Sheikh

Hasina will be present at the discussion as the chief guest, while AL Presidium Member Syeda Sajeda Chowdhury wil preside over it. AL central leaders and leading intellectuals will also join it.

A DAYLONG PROGRAMME IN MUJIBNAGAR In Mujibnagar, a daylong

programme.

programme has been chalked out. The programme includes hoisting national flag, placing flowers to the Mujibnagar Memorial Complex, rally, discussion meeting and cultural event, our Correspondent from Kushtia said.

LGRD and Cooperative Minister and also General Secretary of AL Syed Ashraful Islam, cabinet members, Awami League leaders and the top-level personalities of extracted from the arrestees different socio-cultural organisations will attend the

day.



Md Asaduzzaman

CU student

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The university authorities at an emergency meeting suspended all classes and exams until April 19, sources said. As the news of his death

spread some BCL men went on rampage Thursday night and vandalised several shops near level crossing area. Police arrested five BCL

men on the spot in this connection. Meanwhile, locals yester-

day barricaded the link roads

to the university protesting overnight BCL attack. Locals said a dispute started when some BCL men teased a woman in the CU campus

Wednesday afternoon. The BCL men also beat up a local at the railway station area that evening, they alleged.

Asad, who went to have tea in the area Thursday night with his two friends Moazzem and Mir Hosain, was locked into an altercation with the locals.

They, at one stage, started beating the trio. Moazzem and Mir managed to flee while Asad received fatal stab wounds to his chest, belly and buttock.

On information, CU Assistant Proctor Chandan Kumar Podder and Student Advisor Professor Touhid Hasan rushed to the spot and

Beaten up

Rakhain people tried to prevent the gang from cutting trees planted under social forestation in the area. On information, Ramu

thana police rushed to the spot in the afternoon and arrested three miscreants. They also recovered 15 felled trees. Seriously injured five people were admitted to Cox's Bazar

Sadar Hospital. They received injuries to different parts of the body including head. Police and witnesses said 50 families of the Rakhain village started social forestation on 10 hectares of land of Forest Department in 2003-04.

Recently about 50 tree plun-

derers led by Abul Kalam

started cutting trees from the

social forestation area for burning in brick kilns. Woman lawmaker from The opposition really don't | Cox's Bazar Ething Rakhain said the tree plunderers set their eyes on the trees of social forestation for use in brick kilns. She said the miscreants are threatening Rakhains not to file case.

3 'robbers'

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more villagers who chased the gang and captured the three while the rest managed to flee firing shots in the air.

The villagers beat up the trio in a frenzy leaving them dead on the spot. The unidentified robbers were in their twenties.

Police recovered the bodies and the weapons were found in their possession.

Abdul Malek, officer-incharge of Boalkhali Police Station, said a murder case has been filed accusing 300 to 400 villagers in this connection.

The three bodies were sent to Chittagong Medical College Hospital for autopsy, Malek said.

Criminal killed

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The body was sent to Chittagong Medical College Hospital for autopsy, and Rab-7 handed it over to Bayezid police after the post mortem, he added.

Rab members recovered two light guns and two bullets after the incident. Bayezid police in several

raids in last two months arrested Jashim's five cohorts and were seeking out Jashim. Jashim is accused in at least 15 cases including three for murders with Bayezid and

other police stations. He was also a prime accused in the sensational murder of ward commissioner of Panchlaish Liakat Hossain in 1998.

Officer-in-Charge of **Bayezid Police Station Abdus** Sabur said the five associates of Jashim were Shibir cadres Sweden Sohel, Dhama Sohel, Jahangir, Sabuj, and his second-in-command Chhotan.

He said information helped trace the gang yester-Ananda.

Testimony of torture FROM PAGE 16

victim of Rampal upazila, burst into tears while narrating the torture on her on August 21, 2002.

Former district judge Muhammad Sahabuddin, head of the commission, took the statement at the district circuit house in presence of the lawmakers, journalists and local people. Chhobirani told the com-

mission that instructed by BNP leaders Mallick Mizanur Rahman Maznu and Bashar Kazia, a group of cadres dragged her from Rampal Bus Stand to the local BNP office and beat her up severely after undressing her and cutting her hair. They also violated her

there, she said. She alleged that the then district unit BNP president and former lawmaker MAH Selim alias Silver Selim wanted to take her signature on a paper forcefully to settle

the matter at his residence.

Hena Mallick, a resident of Borni village in Rampal, said the criminals beat her husband Nur Mohammad who was a ward level leader of Awami League, to death tying her with a tree on October 7 in 2001.

District AL president and lawmaker Dr Mozammel Haque told the commission that a group of armed cadres led by district Jubo Dal organising secretary Mahbubur Rahman Tutul swooped on a press conference of district AL and stabbed him.

Showing the scars, he told the commission that some leaders and activists and six journalists were also injured in the attack.

The commission was formed on December 27 following a High Court directive and started working formally on February 7. It has received over 1,000 allegations in writing from the victims to date.

1,000 families

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informed, supporters of BNP candidate Major (retd) Hafiz conducted the attacks as Hafiz received few votes from the centres in the villages.

The females who were

raped in Annada Prosad vil-

lage still survive bearing the pains. Some of them left their areas in shame and disgrace. Shefali Rani, one of the abused girls, had to remove one of her legs. "Oh God! Won't these culprits be tried!

she burst into tears while talking to this correspondent. She informed that some how she has been surviving. "But I want justice. I won't get

relief even I die," she added.

Abola Das from Lord Hardings village demanded arrest and trial of the culprits. She said on that night, terrorists equipped with arms came to this village by boat and raped women en mass, even a seven years girl was not saved.

Horendra Chandra voted for boat and for this, terrorists killed his son and daughter. Another daughter was raped

Shankar Chandra Das, another victim said, "Over 400

has been kept hiding.

terrorists of Hafiz demanded Taka 3 lakh extortion from us and we could manage only Taka 70,000. But they beat me after tying with my cot and raped my three sisters en masse in front of me". Shafiullah Khan, former UP chairman of Dholi

Gouronagar, said Hafiz was defeated as he secured very few votes in our area in 2001 polls. His followers kidnapped me and held in their custody. "Later they freed me, but I had to flee from my home in fear of their further attacks. My

to home even after my mother died," he added. Awami League government in December last year formed a three-member investigation committee with Justice Md Shahabuddin as president for trial of 15,000 post-election

Benazir murder

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The Munoz-led panel said in its 65-page report that the federal government, the government of Punjab and the Rawalpindi district police were responsible for Bhutto's security the day of

"None of these entities took the necessary measures to respond to the extraordinary, fresh, urgent security risks that they knew she faced," it added.

and specific security measures it ordered on October 22, 2007 for two other former prime ministers belonging to the main political party supporting thenpresident Pervez Musharraf. "This discriminatory treatment is profoundly troubling

Bhutto with the same stringent

and the specific threats against her which were being tracked" by Pakistani intelligence. The report said the subse-

ment to identify and bring all of the perpetrators to justice."

iustice. Munoz told reporters that the UN probe, which began last July, was not a criminal investi-

He said his panel conducted more than 250 interviews, meeting Pakistani officials and private citizens, foreign citizens with knowledge of the events, and members of Britain's Scotland Yard who probed some aspects of the killing.

doubt on an initial Pakistani probe into her death, questioning whether she was killed by a gunshot or the blast and criticizing authorities for hosing down the scene of the attack within

inquiry, Bhutto died from the

wife for dowry that forced Sumi to take poison," said Mukti.

in a critical condition on Thursday around 9:00am. He vanished soon after doctors declared the wife dead. Badda police said they had

Police are looking for

force of a suicide bomb and no

The UN report, which was requested by Zardari's political party, was turned over to UN chief Ban Ki-moon earlier

Thursday. The panel -- which also included Indonesian former attorney general Marzuki Darusman and Peter Fitzgerald, an Irish ex-police official -urged Pakistani authorities to make sure that further investigation into the Bhutto assassination "is fully empowered and resourced and is conducted

expeditiously and comprehensively, at all levels, without hindrance. The UN report was unveiled following a two-week delay requested by Pakistani Interior Minister Rehman Malik, who wanted input from former US secretary of state Condoleezza

Rice, Afghan President Hamid Karzai and Saudi Arabia included In Islamabad, a spokesman for president Zardari said Friday

that the government will give its

reaction after studying the

One killed

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According to the Met office, the nor'wester began around 1:10am yesterday with wind gusts up to 65km per hour. Many trees and dwellings

got destroyed or damaged during the storm that ended around 1:50am. RAJSHAHI Rajshahi witnessed the season's first rainfall around

10:30pm Thursday although

the storm that came with the

rain damaged mango and other crops. The rainfall provided farmers and locals a respite from the near-draught situation and the local Met office

30 minutes. Farmers say they need more rain to save their crops. CHAPAINAWABGANJ

The first nor wester and hail-

storm in the season swept

recorded 20mm of rainfall in

through five upazilas of Chapainawabganj Thursday night causing huge damage to green mangoes, boro crops and houses. Many trees got uprooted. MANIKGANJ

Roll-in-roll-out ferry Keramat

Ali with passengers and vehicles ran aground mid-river between Paturia and Daulatdia terminals during a nor'wester around 1:30am yesterday. All the passengers on the

ferry were rescued by boats around 6:00am, Bangladesh Inland Water Transport

Corporation sources said.

other brothers were also compelled to leave the area. Terrorists resisted me to come

clashes that took place at and she could not marry yet different districts under for this, while other daughter Barisal division.

ner assassination.

It noted that the Pakistani government failed to provide

given the devastating attempt on her life only three days earlier

quent Pakistani probe "lacked direction, was ineffective and suffered from a lack of commit-

It added that it was up to Pakistani authorities to carry out a "serious, credible criminal investigation that determines who conceived, ordered and executed this heinous crime... and brings those responsible to

gation.

Bhutto's supporters cast According to Scotland Yard's

Woman dies

FROM PAGE 16 started torturing the newly-wed

Family sources said Ananda took Sumi to DMCH

information on the torture of Sumi by her husband.