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## NEWS

City **DHAKA WEDNESDAY MAY 12, 2010** 

## Programme to reduce | 'No scope for controversy child poverty launched over war crimes trial'

BSS, Dhaka A programme titled 'Strengthening Non-State Actors' was

Eminent lawyer Barrister Amir-Ul Islam has said there should not be any controversy over the trial of perpetrators of crimes against humanity as the Awami League was voted to power for incorporating the issue into its elec-

tion manifesto. "The people had extended overwhelming support to the manifesto in the last general elections and it is the responsibility of AL to implement its commitment,"

Barrister Amir-Ul told BSS on Monday.

He said some people always create controversy if any good initiatives start in the country. But, there is no scope for controversy about the trial of those who were involved in killing, rape, looting and arson during the War of Liberation in 1971, he said.

He said they have been demanding trial of the war criminals since the formation of the government in exile at a mango grove at Baidyanathtala (now Mujibnagar) in Meherpur on April 17 in 1971.

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## Protest against rental power plants

launched yesterday with a view to reducing child poverty and

Save the Children-UK launched the programme while it will

Lawmaker Dr Mostafa Jalal Mahiuddin was present at the

programme as the chief guest at the launching ceremony at the

National Institute of Population Research and Training

(NIPORT) auditorium in the city while Prodipan Chairman

Ferdaus Ur Rahman and Save the Children-UK Country Director

promoting the rights of vulnerable children in the country.

be implemented by Prodipan, an NGO, said a press release.

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Saima Rahman were present.

The government should not go for setting up expensive rental power plants before addressing the existing gas and power crises, said leader of National Committee to Protect Oil, Gas, Mineral Resources, Power and Ports at a press conference yesterday.

At the press conference at Mukti Bhaban in the city, the committee also placed some recommendations on meeting the crisis of power and gas.

While presenting the keynote, Prof Anu Muhammad said instead of renting power plants owned by foreign companies state-owned existing plants can be reformed in state ownership along with setting up new capacitor and introducing energy saving bulb.

"Fulbari project by Asia Energy is unacceptable regarding national interest and environment," he added referring to experts' opinion.

The organisation demanded cent percent state ownership over the coal and gas resources and ban on exporting such resources, which will help address the power and gas crises.

Engineer Sheikh Md Shahidullah, Mujahidul Islam Selim, general secretary of Communist Party of Bangladesh (CPB), and Rajib Ahsan Munna, central committee member of Workers Party, were also present.

## SC stays HC order on FF council polls

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The Supreme Court (SC) on Monday stayed till May 20 a High Court (HC) order halting the election process of Muktijoddha Sangsad Central Command Council (MSCCC).

The chamber judge of the Appellate Division passed the order after hearing a petition by the election commission of the MSCCC seekingstayontheHCorder.

On April 26, the HC stayed the election process till June 26 in response to a writ petition filed

It had also issued a rule upon on June 26.

the government and the MSCCC election commission to explain within two weeks why the election schedule should not be declared illegal. The court also fixed May 16 for hearing the rule.

The MSCCC election commission has recently scheduled June 26 for holding the election to the council.

Advocate Abdul Matin Khasru, lawyer for the MSCCC election commission, on Monday told The Daily Star that it would be decided after the HC passes its verdict on the rule whether the election will be held



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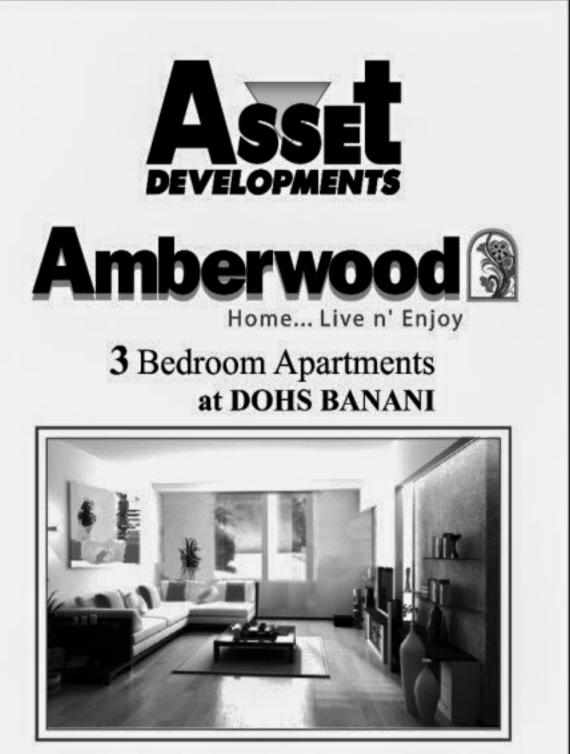
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