



Pakistani local residents scramble to safety in a flood-hit area of Nowshera yesterday. Flash floods and building collapses brought on by heavy rains have killed 34 people in northwest Pakistan.

PHOTO: AFP

## Pakistan mourns victims of air crash

BBC ONLINE

Pakistan is observing a day of national mourning following the country's worst-ever air disaster.

Prime Minister Yousuf Raza Gilani declared yesterday a day of national mourning and ordered flags to fly at half-mast across the country.

An Airbus A321 crashed as it was about to land in the capital Islamabad, killing all 152 people on board.

The domestic flight from the southern city of Karachi was operated by the private Pakistani airline Airblue, which has a good safety record.

There is no word on the cause of the crash. It happened in heavy monsoon rain and poor visibility.

The plane - with 146 passengers and six crew on board - was flying at an extremely low level before crashing into the Margalla hills north of the capital, eyewitnesses said.

## Sri Lanka ex-army chief faces new trial

AFP, Colombo

Sri Lanka's former army chief and defeated presidential candidate Sarath Fonseka was brought before the Colombo High Court yesterday to answer charges of provoking violence.

Fonseka, who already faces two courts martial and two more criminal cases, was taken before a three-member "trial-at-bar" for the first time and charged, his attorney said.

"The main charge is inciting people to violence," lawyer Nalin Laduwahetti said. Some 20 witnesses will be called during the next hearing, on September 27.

The trial-at-bar dispenses with the normal practice of trial by jury, and is normally used by the state to fast-track legal proceedings in high-profile cases. If convicted, Fonseka could be jailed for five to 20 years.

Fonseka was charged under tough emergency laws in relation to accusations he incited violence by commenting to a newspaper that surrendering rebel leaders were executed during the country's civil war, which ended in May 2009.

Fonseka maintained that the published comments -- which suggested defence secretary Gotabhaya Rajapakse, the younger brother of the president, had ordered the executions -- were in fact misquotations. Rajapakse has denied the charge.

A retired four-star general, Fonseka led the Sri Lankan army to a spectacular victory against Tamil Tiger rebels in May last year, ending the island's 37-year separatist conflict.

But he has since fallen out with the government and says the legal cases against him are politically motivated.

Fonseka made an unsuccessful bid to unseat Rajapakse at elections in January, but went on to win a seat at April parliamentary polls.

He is currently in military custody, facing two courts martial for allegedly dabbling in politics while in uniform and illegally awarding contracts to a company in which his son-in-law had an interest.

Fonseka's party has said the cases against him are fabricated and form part of a political vendetta.

## Govt to recruit

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will be upgraded to 50 bed-hospitals. She said a list of 15,000 physicians already has been prepared for graduation.

Referring to certain complicated rules, the PM said if necessary, the government will relax those rules and regulations to remove legal barriers and ensure smooth development and advancement of the country.

"If any law or rule appears to be an obstacle to implement any decision taken for people's development, we will relax it," she said.

Hasina said she herself will take the responsibility of "legal risks" if any case or whatever comes in the future. "I myself will face the risks. We are lawmakers. If needed, we can take step to enact new law or relax law," she said.

Promising to reach out quality medical services to doorstep of the mass people, she said her government will set up burn units at every government hospital across the country.

About the vacant posts of

teachers in government medical colleges, she instructed the ministry concerned to take immediate step to give promotions to eligible physicians and fill up the vacant posts as soon as possible.

She reminded the doctors that the huge amount of money that is being spent on their studies in government medical colleges comes from taxes paid by the common people. "Never forget your debt to the hard working people," she told the conference.

The PM expressed her gratitude to all physicians and nurses for making success the free medical service programme of the Bangabandhu Memorial Trust.

The Doctors' Conference was arranged on completion of a countrywide free medical service programme under which nine lakh poor people were given free medical services this year.

Hasina thanked the

Association, Swadhinata Chikitsak Parishad, Bangladesh Pharmaceuticals Association, Bangladesh Red Cross and Lions Club for their united efforts to complete the massive programme.

The PM recalled steps taken by Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman to upgrade the physicians' professional standard and ensure necessary facilities for doctors and nurses.

Referring to medical services being provided at community health clinics, she said the concept of community health clinic was a brainchild of the Father of the Nation.

"Being the eldest daughter, I was so very lucky to know my father's thinking and planning. In fact, the Father of the Nation loved the people more than us," she said.

Health Minister Prof AFM Ruhul Haque, Health Adviser Prof Syed Mudasser Ali and State Minister for Health Mozibur Rahman Fakir, among others, addressed the conference.

## 16 dead, 14 wounded in Iraq attacks

AFP, Baghdad

Sixteen people, including nine security force members, were killed and 14 wounded on yesterday in a string of attacks in the Iraqi capital's Sunni district of Al-Adhamiyah, the interior ministry said.

Assailants set ablaze the bodies of three soldiers in Al-Adhamiyah after shooting them dead, the ministry said.

Three homemade bomb attacks on different routes to the scene of the shooting killed 13 more people, including three soldiers and three policemen, and wounded 14, among them seven police and two civil defence members, it said.

The ministry said the attacks all took place within a 15-minute time frame.

## Pakistan slams UK 'terror' remark

ALJAZEERA ONLINE

Pakistan has strongly criticised David Cameron, the British prime minister, for his remark that Islamabad should not "promote the export of terror".

Abdul Basit, a foreign ministry spokesman, yesterday said Cameron seemed to have based his comments on leaked US documents, which he called "biased and self-serving".

"We are obviously disappointed at these comments because these are not coming from any original source, rather biased sources and I would say not even raw intelligence but disinformation against Pakistan," he told Al Jazeera.

On a visit to India, Cameron on Wednesday said Pakistan should know "that it is not right to have any relationship with groups that are promoting terror".

He said: "We cannot tolerate in any sense the idea that this country [Pakistan] is allowed to look both ways and is able, in any way, to promote the export of terror, whether to India or whether to

Afghanistan or anywhere else in the world."

Though his comments were likely to be welcomed in India, which often accuses Islamabad of harbouring armed groups, Pakistan's reaction has been quick and angry.

Basit strongly denied any Pakistani links with terror groups and defended Islamabad's role.

"Britain knows full well as to how Pakistan, particularly the ISI [the Pakistani intelligence service] has been extending help and assistance to Britain in thwarting so many terrorist plots in Britain."

"They know the effectiveness of the ISI and our constructive and positive role in Afghanistan so we do not find any reason whatsoever for such remarks."

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Earlier, Wajid Shamsul Hasan, Pakistan's high commissioner in London, told Al Jazeera "I think Cameron will review his statement, clarify his position, because we need to be supported not criticised for what we are doing," Hasan said.

## Arab League demands US guarantees

ALJAZEERA ONLINE

The Arab League has declined to endorse an immediate resumption of direct Israeli-Palestinian negotiations, saying it needs further guarantees from the United States before approving talks.

The Arab League said at a meeting in Cairo yesterday that it agreed in principle to the direct talks, but only subject to certain "measures and conditions".

"There is agreement, but [it is] agreement under the principles of what will be discussed and the manner of the direct negotiations," Sheikh Hamad bin Jassim al-Thani, the Qatari foreign minister, said.

Amr Moussa, the Arab League secretary-general, said that direct negotiations must be preceded by "written guarantees" from the United States, particularly on the subject of Israeli settlements.

## PAK'S TACKLING TERRORISM Cameron defends 'frank' comments

BBC ONLINE

UK Prime Minister David Cameron has defended his comments about Pakistan's record on tackling terrorism as he continued his trip to India.

He said it was "important to speak frankly" and while Pakistan had "made progress... we need them to do more".

His comments on Wednesday had led to him being accused of "damaging the prospects of regional peace".

He is due to meet Indian counterpart Manmohan Singh later yesterday.

The talks in Delhi, on the final day of his "jobs mission" to the country, are expected to focus on trade and security.

Ahead of the meeting Mr Cameron was asked about his warning to India's neighbour Pakistan about "promoting the export of terror" and his view it was intolerable Pakistan should be allowed to "look both ways".

He told the BBC yesterday: "I think it's important to speak frankly about the problems as you see them. I mean I think that is what people expect of their government."

"To be fair to the Pakistan government, they have made progress in chasing down militants and terrorists in Pakistan that threaten their own country and threaten others."

"But we need them to do more and we should work with them to do more because as I said yesterday, it's not acceptable to have those within Pakistan who are supporting terrorist groups that can do so much damage to their own country and to British people whether in Afghanistan or back home in Britain."

### গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার

বাহ্যাত্মক প্রাথমিক শিক্ষা বাস্তবায়ন পরিবীক্ষণ ইউনিট  
প্রাথমিক ও গণশিক্ষা মন্ত্রণালয়  
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### বাড়ি ভাড়ার পুনঃ দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি (সংশোধিত)

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(মোঃ মোখলেসুর রহমান)  
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### District Livelihoods Manager (DLM) CLP CHARS LIVELIHOODS PROGRAMME

The Chars Livelihoods Programme (CLP) is financed by the UK Department for International Development (DFID) and sponsored by the Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development and Co-operatives of the Government of Bangladesh. CLP aims to improve the livelihood security of the poorest char dwellers in the north-west districts of Bangladesh.

CLP is looking for suitable candidates to fill the position of **District Livelihoods Manager** for its Livelihoods Development Unit which works for strengthening livelihoods activities particularly enhancing asset transfer, homestead gardening, skill development training and related services through the Implementing Organizations (IMOs) contracted by CLP. For providing support and guidance to the concerned IMO staff, the applicants should have the following qualifications and competencies:

- Master's degree in Agricultural Sciences or from any disciplines of social sciences;
- More than 5 years of working experience in Project management especially monitoring and supervisory positions in rural development related programmes.
- Candidates having working experience in Chars land areas of Bangladesh may be preferred;
- Self-motivated, hard working and dedicated to the job;
- Experience in staff management and capacity building;
- Ability to solve project related problems and to work in any circumstances;
- Willingness and fitness to stay and make extensive field visits in the Chars areas;
- Well conversant with basic computing, especially MS Word, Excel and usual internet applications;
- Capacity to coordinate and liaison with IMO senior management, local government officials and CLP secretariat;
- Should have a valid motorcycle driving license and willing to drive motorbikes at the field;
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**Number of positions: Two (02)**

**This is a District based position and a competitive remuneration package will be offered to the deserving candidates.**

Applicants are advised to send their CV along with a cover letter, two recent passport size photographs and names and addresses of three professional references should reach to the **Livelihoods Unit Manager, CLP Secretariat, Rural Development Academy (RLDA) Campus, Sherpur, Bogra-5842** on or before 5 pm of 12th August, 2010. Please be noted that only short listed candidates will be contacted for the interview.

**Women are especially encouraged to apply.**

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### HALF-YEARLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

In compliance with the Rule 13 of the 'Securities and Exchange Rules - 1987' and Section 36(9) (a) of 'The Listing Regulations of the Dhaka Stock Exchange Limited', this is notified for information of all concerned that the Half-Yearly Financial Statements (Un-Audited) as on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2010 have already been dispatched to all the Honorable Shareholders of the Company to their registered address, SEC, DSE and Bangladesh Bank within July 29, 2010.

By order of the Board of Directors

**Date: Dhaka**  
**July 29, 2010**

**Md. Habibullah Monju, FCA**  
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