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Two women mourn yesterday during a funeral march for Love Parade victims. Thousands of people gathered in Duisburg to pay their respects to 21 people who died in the Love Parade tragedy on July 24. The victims were crushed to death in a stampede as they desperately tried to escape a narrow tunnel that served as the only entrance to the grounds hosting the techno music festival.

2 dead in clashes amid Kashmir curfew

AP, Srinagar

Violence continued to rage across Indian Kashmir yesterday with two people shot dead and five wounded after police in two towns opened fire on protesters who attacked their camps and pelted them with

An indefinite curfew was ordered a day after four people were killed and another 80 wounded as government forces fired on thousands of protesters across the troubled region.

The recent tension in the Himalayan region -- divided between India and Pakistan and claimed by both -- is reminiscent of the late 1980s, when protests against New Delhi's rule sparked an armed conflict. More than 68,000 people have been killed, mostly civilians, in the conflict.

The mostly Muslim region, where resistance to rule by predominantly Hindu India is strong, has spent most of the past six weeks under curfew following violent street demonstrations by Kashmiri Muslims and strikes ordered by separatist groups.

Six deaths in two days raised the number of people killed in clashes to 23 in the past six weeks.

Thousands defied the curfew Saturday to protest, a police officer said on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to talk to reporters. At least 10 people were wounded, he said.

Demonstrators attacked a

police camp in Naidkhai, a village 25 miles (40 kilometers) north of the main city Srinagar, and officers responded with gunfire, killing one and wounding another three, the officer said.

Pak spy boss scraps UK talks after Cameron's comments

AP, London

A diplomatic spat with implications for international counterterrorism escalated yesterday after Pakistan's spy chief cancelled a visit to London following comments by the British leader suggesting Pakistan exports terrorism.

A trip to Britain by President Asif Ali Zardari is still scheduled, but relations between the two countries have been strained by Prime Minister David Cameron's blunt comments during a visit

to Pakistan's nuclear rival, India. Cameron, who took office in May, said Pakistan must not be allowed to "promote the export of terror whether to India, whether to Afghanistan or to anywhere else in the world."

Cameron later conceded that Pakistan had made moves against terror organizations, but said "itstill needs to take further steps."

The remarks outraged Pakistani officials. Wajid Shamsul Hasan, Pakistan's

ambassador to Britain, called the comments "an immature reaction from an immature politician."

A senior Pakistani intelligence official confirmed that Saturday Inter-Services Intelligence chief Lt Gen Ahmed Shujaa Pasha had called off a trip planned for next week, when he had been due to discuss security cooperation with British intelligence bosses. The official spoke on condition of anonymity in line with his agency's policy.

Yesterday, about a dozen protesters from the Islamist group Shababe Milli burned an effigy of Cameron in the city of Karachi.

The demonstrators chanted "Down with Cameron!" and "God is great!" outside the Karachi Press Club. "Cameronthe loose mouth," a placard read.

Pakistan insists that it has done more than any other country to combat terrorism, sending the army to fight Taliban and al-Qaida-linked militants within its borders and cooperating closely with Western intelligence agencies.

But its spy agency has long been accused of secretly aiding Afghanistan's Taliban and other Islamic militants.

Pakistan's military-run spy agency operates largely beyond civilian control. But the official said the decision to scrap the spy delegation's visit was backed by the Pakistani government.

Britain's Foreign Office declined to comment on Pasha's cancelled trip, saying it did not discuss intelligence matters.

It said Zardari's visit was still scheduled to go ahead next week. The Pakistani leader is due to stay with Cameron at his country retreat, Chequers.

Shahbaz Sharif, chief minister of Pakistan's Punjab province and a leading opposition politician, called on Zardari to cancel the trip, saying the money saved should go to help victims of devastating floods.

Gilani: No compromise on Pak nuke programme

ANI, Islamabad

Gilani said his country will never compromise on its nuclear program. Gilani said Pakistan is a con-

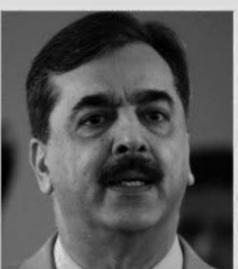
Pakistan Prime Minister Yousuf Raza

scious and modest state, and that the United States should respect the institutions of Pakistan, The Dawn reports. The comments come after the

US said it would vote against China's sale of nuclear reactors to Pakistan at the Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG) meeting.

US Acting Assistant Secretary of State for International Security and Non Proliferation, Vann Van Diepen, had said this in response to a question during a hearing before the House Foreign Affairs Committee.

When asked by Congressman Ed Royce whether the US would vote against the exemption for China, Van Diepen said: "Yes sir, by



definition, we do not support any activity that goes against the guidelines".

The 46-nation NSG is an international forum designed to limit sales of nuclear technology.

Earlier, Van Diepen had said that based on the facts available to the US, the "sale would not be allowed to occur without an exemption of the NSG".

He, however, added that while the US can vote against an exemption, it cannot stop China if it decides to sell the reactors to Pakistan without special permission from the NSG.

China has signed a 2.4 billion dollar agreement with Pakistan to supply two 340megawatt reactors.

Pakistan and China have repeatedly said that the nuclear cooperation is for peaceful purposes and in line with international obligations of both the countries.

Student commits suicide over Telangana

IANS, Hyderabad

Osmania University here was tense yesterday as yet another student committed suicide in the campus demanding formation of a separate Telangana state, and hundreds of students joined in the funeral procession.

The body of Ishan Reddy, who had completed his B Tech from St Ann's Institute of Technology, was found near the universitylibrary in the morning.

He is the fourth student to commit suicide on the campus this year. In March, Sai Kumar, a second year student of the university, had ended his life by hanging in his hostel room as he was upset over the delay in formation of a separate state.

Pak floods kill 800 in a week

AFP, Peshawar

Rescue workers and troops in northwest Pakistan struggled yesterday to reach thousands of people affected by the country's worst floods in living memory, as the death toll rose to

Hundreds of homes and vast swathes of farmland were destroyed in the northwest and Pakistani Kashmir, with the main highway to China reportedly cut and communities isolated as monsoon rains caused flash floods and landslides.

The United Nations said almost a million people had been affected by the flooding, and at least 45 bridges destroyed around Khyber Pakhtoonkhwa province. Television footage and photos shot from

helicopters showed people clinging to the walls and rooftops of damaged houses as gushing waters rampaged through inundated villages.

Carrying their belongings and with children on their shoulders, some even walked barefoot through the water to seek safety. "This is the worst ever flood in the province

history," provincial information minister Mian Iftikhar Hussain said. "The death toll in floods and rain-related incidents has risen up to 800 across the prov-

of Khyber Pakhtoonkhwa in the country's

ince," he said. Another 150 people were missing in the northwestern province, where many impover-

ished families live in remote mountain villages.

More than one million people have been affected, the minister said, adding that more than 3,700 houses had been swept away by floods and that the number of homeless people was rising.

Peshawar, the main city in the northwest, and the districts of Swat and Shangla were cut off from the rest of country as roads and highways were submerged, he said. Police said five people were drowned when

their boat capsized near the northwestern town

of Nowshehra yesterday.

An AFP reporter saw hundreds of people arriving in Peshawar city, many of them without any belongings.

Muqaddir Khan, 25, who arrived with nine other family members, told AFP in a suburb of

Peshawar that he had lost everything in flood. "I laboured hard in Saudi Arabia for three years and set up a small shop which was swept away by flood in minutes. I have lost every-

thing," Khan said. Razia Bibi, 48, said she and her family spent the night awake as water kept rising.

"My house is now gone under water and I could escape with a few belongings," Bibi told

Authorities are using school buildings in Peshawar to shelter those affected by the floods. The army said it had sent boats and helicop-

ters to rescue stranded people and its engineers were trying to open roads and divert water from key routes. The flooding capped a week of tragedy for

Pakistan, after an airliner crashed into hills near Islamabad Wednesday, killing 152 people on board. Pakistan's weather bureau said an "unprece-

dented" 312 millimetres (12 inches) of rain had fallen in 36 hours in the northwest but predicted only scattered showers during coming days. Provincial relief commissioner Shakil Qadir

said the worst-hit area was Malakand, where 102 people died and 16,000 were marooned because bridges had collapsed and road links Qadir said that around 2,800 Pakistani

holidaymakers were stranded in the Swat valley, where the military maintains a heavy presence after a massive operation against Taliban insurgents last year.

Efforts were being made to airlift the holidaymakers to safety in helicopters, he said.

PROSHAR REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

PROSHAR is a five-year Program for Strengthening Household Access to Resources (PROSHAR) funded through USAID's Office of Food for Peace (FFP). The project's goal is "Reduce food insecurity among vulnerable rural populations in Khulna Division." PROSHAR will empower communities through an integrated approach to food security by providing household members with the tools they need to improve their food security and facilitating linkages between donor, government and community activities to deepen impact and sustainability. The PROSHAR project will reduce food insecurity and increase resiliency among 27,351 vulnerable rural households in Batighata, Lohgara and Sarankhola in Khulna Division. PROSHAR Request for Expression of Interest (REI) is intended for organizations to respond to if they have technical experience, community-based and or other relevant capacity to potentially provide an implementing role with beneficiaries under PROSHAR's three objectives.

Objective 1: Increase Incomes of Poor and Ultra Poor Households: PROSHAR interventions will be based on in-depth value chain analysis and will

be centered on enhancing on- and off-farm productivity through improved practices and technologies, developing sustainable relationships between beneficiaries and public and private stakeholders and linking smallholders to profitable domestic and international markets.

Objective 2: Improve Health and Nutrition of Women and Children: PROSHAR interventions will address the barriers to health and nutrition that have

a direct impact on vulnerable populations, and their food security. PROSHAR will focus on prevention and treatment of child malnutrition, expansion of integrated clinical health services, and improvement of household and community responses to health and nutrition challenges. Direct distribution of food using the Preventing Malnutrition in Children under 2 years of Age Approach (PM2A) will contribute to increased nutritional levels.

Objective 3: Strengthen the Resiliency to Shocks and their Long Term Impact: PROSHAR interventions will reinforce local capacities to reduce risks and respond to emergencies effectively, strengthen the linkages between communities and the many local public and private organizations with valuable experience and resources for risk management, and reinforce the government of Bangladesh's efforts to mainstream disaster risk management into development efforts and address long-term trends, such as those associated with climate change.

For each organization interested in making an expression of interest, it will need to provide a concise corporate capacity statement including their company profile, names of key personnel, staff capacity, office location, experiences along with a brief concept paper on how it could potentially contribute to the above three objectives including income, health and nutrition and disaster management as a PROSHAR implementing partner to cpowers@acdivoca.org by August 15, 2010. Any NGOs responding to this expression of interest should provide proof of current legal registration to operate in Bangladesh by including a copy of their NGO Affairs Bureau certification.

After this date, shortlisted organizations will be contacted with a "Request for Application" detailing out the scope of work, on the basis of which organizations will be required to prepare technical proposal and detailed budget make a presentation to PROSHAR.

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b) At least 2nd division/class/CGPA-2.50 in all examinations c) Computer skill in Office Application package/s is essential

d) Good command over English and strong interpersonal relationship skills are essential

Experience: At least 3 years practical experience in the related field/similar job.

Age: Maximum 35 years as on 16 August 2010.

2. Sub-Assistant Engineer: 01

Qualification: Diploma in Air Conditioning and Refrigeration from a Govt. Polytechnic Institute or any recognized technical institution.

Able to prepare electrical fittings-fixture, A/C estimate, installation schedule of work, technical specification, quality

ensure & execute works independently; Sufficient knowledge of troubleshooting in electrical equipments like; generator, A/C, fan, lights etc.

Should have strong command to handle power, utility, sub-station, generator & lift maintenance activities.

 Should have computer knowledge with MS-Office & Auto CAD; Strong presentation & communication skill in English & Bengali

Experience: Three (3) years experience in related field in any large organization.

Age: Maximum 35 years as on 16 August 2010.

Please send your complete CV reflected all of your academic results to the Chief of HR & Logistics, East West University, 43, Mohakhali C/A, Dhaka-1212 with two copies of recent passport size photographs, copies of academic and experience certificates or apply through prothom-alojobs.com, EWU website: www.ewubd.edu or e-mail to ewuhr@ewubd.edu.

Application Deadline: August 16, 2010

Vacancy Announcement

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Application should be submitted to:

The Senior Advisor

Regional Fisheries and Livestock Development Component - Barisal TSU Post Box # 69, Barisal or sa@rfldc-barisal.org

On or before 10th August 2010