

DR Congo killings 'may be genocide'

Draft UN report says

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A draft UN report says crimes by the Rwandan army and allied rebels in Democratic Republic of Congo could be classified as genocide.

Although the conflict is officially over, eastern DR Congo, near the Rwandan border, remains volatile. On Thursday, the UN Security Council held an emergency session to discuss allegations that Rwandan Hutu rebels were among armed men who raped at least 150 women and baby boys in the town of Luvungi and surrounding villages earlier this year.

Hutus during the genocide. Many of those responsible fled Rwanda as Tutsi rebels took power in Kigali in June 1994, taking hundreds of thousands of Hutu civilians with them.



Maluza Abramishvili, left, 52, and Nunu Basaria, 49, Georgian refugees from Abkhazia, are seen with their lips sewn together during a hunger strike in Tbilisi yesterday.

UN: 1 million more displaced by Pak floods

AP, Thatta

Hundreds of thousands of Pakistanis fled floodwaters yesterday after the surging River Indus smashed through levees in two places, but many refused to leave the danger zone while others took shelter in an ancient graveyard for Muslim saints.

Myanmar generals resign to contest polls

IANS, Yangon

Myanmar's defence minister and other top generals resigned their junta and military posts yesterday to contest the upcoming polls as civilians, officials said. Defence Minister General Thura Shwe Mann has retired both his ministerial and army posts to join the Union Solidarity and Development Party (USDA), the political wing of the military regime.

within the military establishment which has blocked democracy for the past 20 years. The 1990 election was won by a landslide by the opposition National League for Democracy (NLD) headed by Aung San Suu Kyi. Myanmar's junta this time made sure that an opposition party will not win, and even if they did the army can control the legislature through a party-appointed senate.

Dhaka too

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Students of Viqarunnesa Noon School claimed that the sound of honking often distracts them when they attend classes. Very few of them knew that their school is a silent zone. An earlier study of WBBT Trust in 2007 revealed that the magnitude of sound was almost double compared to the level set in 2006 rules.

India cancels China defence exchanges after visa row

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India has cancelled defence exchanges with China after China refused a visa to a Kashmir-based general. The Indian government said that China had to be sensitive to India's concerns, one of which is the disputed area of Kashmir. As well as India and Pakistan, China also claims part of Kashmir.

dialogue with China on these issues is ongoing." India's foreign ministry spokesman said in a statement. The Times of India said the row had blocked the visit of Indian generals to China and another planned visit of Chinese generals to India.



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A person holds a book about Mother Teresa as several hundred people protest a decision by the Empire State Building not to light the top of the building in blue and white in honour of the 100th birthday of Mother Teresa on Thursday in New York.

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