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same way," he added.

Farukh Ahmed and former NSI

director Brig Gen Enamur

Rahman also made confes-

sional statement implicating

Babar and Omar Faruk last

statement claimed that they

suggested mentioning the

involvement of the NSI officials

with the import and offload of

the arms in the report, but the

committee chief didn't do that.

ment implicated Babar

alongwith Faruk for diverting

the incident and said every-

Chittagong arms haul case.

petition for 90 days.

extended time.

departments.

Sessions Judge Inamul Haque

November 24 following a time

Investigation Officer (IO) of

the case Md Moniruzzamar

Chowdhury, also a senior ASP

of CID, moved the petition on

Wednesday--two days before

the expiry of previously

sion, Public Prosecutor (PP)

Kamal Uddin said the court

extended the time for 60 days

from today since the investiga

tion so far revealed the involve-

ment of high ups of the then

BNP-Jamaat government, NSI

DGFI and other concerned

Moreover, if the reported

Regarding the time exten-

Babar.

Farukh Ahmed in his state-

Cairn allowed

The 190 were posted across the country as sub-registrars. They got the jobs because they

were "employees" of the Mujibnagar government in A committee formed by the law ministry had moved to

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check the authenticity of their claims by reviewing an establishment-ministry list of 1,632 employees of Mujibnagar government and recommended appointing only 17 of them in 2008. Several contempt of court

petitions were then filed against the government for delaying appointments. Following the large number

of contempt of court petitions, the government in 2009 appointed the 190 so-called Mujibnagar government staff as sub-registrars. "Therefore, it was not possible for the government to check

genuineness of their copies of appointment and release letters as staff of the Mujibnagar government," it asserted. In the wake of widespread allegation, the law ministry

formed the enquiry committee on June 20 this year in line with the recommendation of its parliamentary standing com-A number of sub-registrars

then moved to the High Court and obtained a stay order against the probe. The government, however,

filed a petition with the Appellate Division against the High Court order. The Appellate Division stayed the High Court order for six weeks. The probe resumed and the investigation was complete. In its report, the enquiry

committee recommended that the government file criminal cases against 189 sub-registrars, conduct a thorough investigation and take departmental action against them for the forgery. One of 190 died before the committee could get to him. They got posted at various

district registrar and subregistrar offices that perform the crucial task of land registration. There are allegations of large-scale corruption in those offices.

MOREFINDINGS The enquiry committee ques-

tioned 189 sub-registrars and found astounding information on how they collected fake documents from the establishment ministry and obtained the apex court's verdict in their

questioning, the sub-registrars claimed that their appointment and release letters given by the Mujibnagar government were kept in boxes made of corrugated iron or in almirahs.

If the claims were true, then the colour and state of all documents were supposed to be the same. But on examination it was ound that the state and colour of two documents never

One document was made grey with heat of fire or smoke and others remained fresh. "It proves that the appointment letters and release letters were prepared later through forgery to be absorbed into the govern-

Examining their Mujibnagar appointment and release letters, the body said 119 changed the state of documents with heat of fire or smoke so that they look old while papers of other 71

gave false information about their educational qualifications. Certificates claimed that they passed SSC and HSC examnations under Dhaka,

Rajshahi, Jessore, Comilla and Madrasa education boards and obtained graduation and postgraduation degrees from namely Dhaka, Rajshahi, Chittagong and national universities.

was not possible for the probe body to visit education boards and universities concerned to check authenticity of their

sional statements of subregistrar Halimuzzaman, Ashim Kumar Banik, Morshedur Rahman and Mosharaf Hossain Chowdhury, however, proved that all 190 accused submitted fake appointment and release letters of Mujibnagar government to

got posted at Motlab north of Chandpur, confessed that he collected some papers from a peon of the establishment ministry spending Tk 2 lakh and managed a copy of an appointment letter of Mujibnagar government by spending Tk 1

Sub-Registrar Morshedur Rahman, posted at Lemua of Feni, confessed that he collected the appointment and release letters as staff of Mujibnagar government from the establishment ministry in

Chowdhury, posted at Fulgazi of Feni, repented for his misdeeds and confessed that he took part in the Liberation War under subedar Lutfar Rahman in Noakhali.

He was not an employee of the Mujibnagar government but he collected necessary papers from a syndicate of the establishment ministry in exchange for money.

"Like me, everybody gave money. I spent Tk 2.20 lakh to collect the necessary papers. Many of them spent up to Tk 10 lakh. We together gave Tk 1 lakh to our counsel on each date of hearing of our case. I spent a total of Tk 5.20 lakh to get appointed as sub-registrar," Mosharaftold the probe body.

sub-registrars who the probe body claimed were not staff of

ANM Bazlur Rahman AKM Amirul Islam, Shabur Hossain Khan, Kamrul Hasan, 15 years and Aminur Rahman in Jamalpur, Gopal Rabbani Chandra Vhoumik, Sahibur Rahman Pradhan, and Shirin Chowdhury in Tangail, Shah Abdul Latif, ASM Shafiqul Islam

Nurul Haq Mia in Madaripur, Zakiul Haq, Abdul Matin, Kazi Nazrul Islam, and Sahadat Ali Molla in Shariatpur, SM Kuddus The probe report said while Mia, Rabindra Nath Biswas in Gopalganj, Rafiqul Islam, Firozul Ahsan, Majeda Begum, Swapan Kumar Dey in Chittagong, Motahar Hossain Chowdhury and Abdul Mannan in Cox's Bazar, Anwara Begum, Bilal Uddin Akond and Parvin Akhtar in Comilla, Neyamul

Bari, Shah Alam, Mohammad Shah Alam and Abdur Rashid Mondol in Bhrammanbaria, Halimuzzaman and Namita Rani Biswas in Chandpur, Ashim Kumar Banik in Noakhali, Mobarok Hossain and Mohiuddin in Laxmipur, Obayed Ullah, Jahangir Alam Khan, Morshedur Rahman and Mosharraf Hossain Chowdhury

in Feni, Nurul Amin, Nur Uddin ment services," the report said. Mia, Abu Taher Ali Ahmed, Rafiq Uddin, ATM Mostafizur Rahman in Sylhet, Abul Bashar in Habiganj, Mazibur Rahman, MD Habibur Rahman and Borhanuddin Sarkar in Sunamganj, Azharul Islam and Azhar Ali Khan in Rajshahi, The report said 79 of 190

Johurul Islam, Rozob Ali, Ibrahim Ali, Abul Hossain, Ashraf Ali, Abdur Rob Mia, Shofi Hassan, AM Mazibur Rahman, Sahidul Islam, Sahadat Hossain Sardar, AK Feroz Nabi and Liakat Hossain in Naogaon, Nazrul Islam Sarker and Khalilur Rahman Sarkar in Pabna, Dewan Mansur Alam, AKM Rafigul Islam and Sahidul Islam in Sirajganj, Jahangir

Alam, Muktiwara Khatun, "Due to daily workload, it Ashraful Islam, Bashu Pradip Kumar and Mohammad Moniruzzaman in Bogra, Shafiqul Islam Sarkar, Shah Alam, Nazrul Islam and Abu certificates," it added.

Bakar Siddique in Joypurhat, The report said the confes-Mizanur Rahman Chowdhury, Altaf Hossain, Mahmudul Islam, Mozaharul Islam, Afshar Ali, Khairuzzaman Mandal and Sankar Chandra Barman in Dinajpur, Ismail Hossain, Abul Bashar Mohammad Hossain, Mohammad Abu Hena Mostafa Kamal and Sudhir Kumar Sarkar in Panchagar, Amjad Hossain and Abdul Matin in Thakurgaon, Abdul Hannan,

Fatema Khatun, Abdur Rashid

and Ashekul Haq in Rangpur,

Mizanur Rahman, Mirza

Mohammad Mortuza Reza and

Sohrab Hossain Sarkar in

Gaibandha, Profullo Kumar

Barman, Profullo Chandra

Mandal, Eshak Ali Mandal, and

Ram Kumar Kundu in

While questioning, Sub-Registrar Halimuzzaman, who lakh. He spent between Tk 4-5

Lalmonirhat, Mizanur Rahman, Shamsul Alam, Rahenul Islam Sarkar, Sub-Registrar Ashim Kumar Banik, who was posted at Khandaker Golam Kabir, Badiar Kabirhat of Noakhali, willingly Rahman Mondol and Osman Gani Mondol in Kurigram, confessed that he collected Nurul Hakim and Shafikul Islam necessary papers from the Sarkar in Nilphamari, establishment ministry by bribing and had to spend more Khorsheda Akhtar and Lutfar Rahman Molla in Khulna, Shah money to get appointed as sub-Jamal Molla and Bhagobat registrar.

Frauds used court to speed

Mosharaf Hossain

Following is the list of the 190 the Mujibnagar government in

Mandal, Rehana Begum and Kaniz Fatema are now working as sub-registrar in Manikganj district, Nazma Sultana Babli and Sayeda Akhtar in Munsiganj, Jahirul Islam, Rafigul Islam and Abu Taher Mohammad Mostafa in Narshindi, SM Ataur Rahman Khan, Ghyas Uddin, Delwar Hossain Khandaker, and Faridul Alam in Mymensingh, ASM Shamsuzzaman, Mozammel Haq Talukder, Haider Ali Khan, Lutfar Rahman Khan, Khandaker Nurul Amin, Mir Imrul Kayes Ali, and Nur-E-Alam in Netrokona, Mir Sharif Uddin, Shahin Hasan, Sabina Yesmin, Nurul Amin Talukdar, Abdul Haq, Bilkis Ara, and Nur Mohammad Shah in Kishorganj, Faruk Hossain,

the High Court Division and the appellate division of Bangladesh Supreme Court in Akand in Sherpur, Ashok the year 1970, 1976 and 1982 respectively. He was elevated to additional judge of the High Court Division in April 1998 and and Abdur Razzaq in Faridpur, appointed regular judge of the Naresh Chandra Adhikari, and same division in April 2000. Bijoy Kumar Basu in Rajbari,

He was promoted to senior judge in the Appellate Division on July 14 last year. Later, he was appointed

chairman of Bangladesh Judicial Service Commission (BJSC) on March 25 this year.

Justice Khairul Haque delivered a number of landmark judgements during the period of his judgeship in the High Court Division.

He upheld a lower court verdict that had sentenced 15 accused killers of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and his family mem

A division bench of the High Court headed by him ruled that it was Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman who had at first declared the independence of the republic or March 26, 1971.

The bench of Justice Khairul Haque issued verdicts declaring 5th amendment of the constitution illegal for saving environment including four rivers--Buriganga, Turag, Balu and Shitalakhya--around the capital city from pollution, and for protecting historical places relating to the coun try's liberation war.

Khairul Haque will retire on May 18 next year.

MK Alamgır

The petition said as per the Article 66(4) of the constitution, and the Member of Parliament Determination of Disputes Act 1980, the Speaker of Jatiya Sangsad, not the EC is the authority to cancel the parliamentary membership of any elected lawmaker on

acceptable grounds. Petitioner's lawyers barrister Rafique-ul Huq and barrister Rokanuddin Mahmud told reporters that following the HC order Mohiuddin Khan Alamgir remains a member of the parliament.

During the hearing, Deputy Attorney General Nazrul Islam Talukder supported the writ petition.

The commission had cancelled Alamgir's candidature as he was convicted and sentenced to 13 years in prison in a graft case.

The SC on July 15 upheld an HC order that had declared legal the EC's decision to cancel Alamgir's candidature for the 2008 parliamentary election.

The EC on September 22 declared the seat vacant fol-

lowing the SC verdict. The EC also cancelled its January 2009 gazette notification declaring Alamgir elected MP from Chandpur-1 constituency.

NEWS

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Narayan Pal in Satkhira, Firoz

Alam, Shriti Kona Das, Shaymol

Lal, Hirendra Nath Mishtiri,

Shah Jahan Molla and Babul

Sheikh [Babul Sheikh died after

got posting] in Bagerhat, Kazi

Ruhul Amin and Dulal Kumar

Chowdhury in Jessore, Abdul

Hannan, Momin Uddin

Mondol, Rafigul Islam, Yusuf Ali

Mia and Dira Latif in Jhenaidah,

Abdul Hannan, Abul Hossain

and Nihar Ranjan Biswas in

Magura, Rafikul Alam and

Zahidul Islam in Norail

Mohammad Moniruzzaman,

Sahjahan Ali and Golam Elahi

in Khustia, Abdur Rashid

Mondol in Meherpur, Sukumar

Chandra Dewri, Poritos Kumar

Das and Miniti Das in

Chuadanga, Sahadat Hossain

Sharif, Jahirul Islam, Ashim

Kollol, Manik Chandra, AKM

Foyez Ullah, Mohammad

Faruk and Jahangir Kabir

Mohammad Foysal in Barisal,

Nuruzzaman Hawladar and

Alamgir Hossain in Jhalokathi,

MA Jalil and Hafizur Rahman in

Pirozpur, Abdul Barik, Rafiqul

Islam, Badal Krishna Biswas

and Abdur Rob in Patuakhali,

Badal Kumar Biswas, Omar

Faruk, Abul Kalam Azad and

Monzurul Islam in Bhola,

Shafikul Alam, Mrittunjoyee

Shikari and Nurul Haq in

Justice Khairul

President Zillur Rahman

yesterday made the appoint-

ment as per article 95(1) of the

The appointment wil

come into effect on

September 30 this year, as

present Chief Justice Md

Fazlul Karim will retire on

born in Madaripur on May 19

in 1944. He obtained his LLB

from Dhaka University and

Bar-at-Law from Lincolns Inn

advocate of the district court.

Khairul was enrolled as an

ABM Khairul Haque was

Barguna district.

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constitution.

September 29.

London.

This deal is the first of its kind in the country where gas sale is completely under government control. The government has allowed it by amending the production sharing contract (PSC) for Block-16 because the company's latest find in that block in the offshore Magnama appears to have very small prospect of being commercially viable.

Cairn said it would go for drilling a well there only if the government offered it an opportunity to find a higher price than that determined by the existing PSC. The maximum price for gas sale to the government now stands at \$ 2.9 per 1,000 cubic feet (mcf) as per the PSC. Cairn is looking for a price that could go up to \$5 per mcf.

The amendment to PSC initialled 11 months ago is an incentive for Cairn to carry out exploration and development in the offshore Magnama. Back in July, Cairn was ready to drill an exploratory well. But as the government delayed signing the deal, the company's annual funds for this job were diverted to other fields of activity.

An official of Cairn told The Daily Star that with the approval now, the company would undertake drilling and exploration in Magnama and other adjacent areas in October next year.

Cairn says if gas is found in

Magnama, it could get around

20 to 30 million cubic feet gas per day in the next two years which it plans to sell to a third Such a third party could be Kafco or a major industrial

steady gas supply for a guaranteed period. For Petrobangla, this deal will have some extra benefits. If Cairn secures a higher price for gas, it will be able to recover its investment at a faster pace.

zone willing to pay more for

This will also reveal how much money big consumers in the country are ready to pay for

Under the amended PSC, a part of Cairn's gas will belong to Petrobangla for free.

Cairn had discovered and developed the small offshore Sangu gas field in 1996 and has had hard luck finding any commercially viable gas field ever since. It has however found a small prospect in Magnama, situated near the Kutubdia island in the Bay of Bengal. The company last year conducted a threedimensional seismic survey in Magnama at an investment of \$18 million and is now studying the results.

Criminals' list

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He said phensidyl is being smuggled into Bangladesh by Indian peddlers, who turn it into a drug item by mixing sedative tablets and coden.

He added they have also protested against frequent shooting and killing of unarmed Bangladeshi people inside Indian territories. "We have asked the top BSF

officials to restrain their

troops from shooting

Bangladeshi unarmed people and make them follow the Rules of Engagement (ROE), said the BDR DG. He added, "We have requested them to obstruct

anybody first and shoot only for injuring those who will ignore the BSF signals." The border conference

started on September 22 at the BDR headquarters in Pilkhana and is scheduled to end today through signing of the Joint Record of Discussions (JRD) in the morning.

BSF DG Raman Srivastava is leading a 20-member delegation at the conference with a 22-member BDR team led by Maj Gen Md Rafiqul.

21 AL men sent

FROM PAGE 1 arrest them.

During the hearing, Subinspector of court Anwar Hossain opposed the bail petitions of the accused saying they carried out the attack on offi-

cials in broad daylight during a recruitment test, thus foiling it. "They obstructed the government officers in discharging their duties and created a reign of terror. They should be sent to

jail..." he told the court. Abdul Ahad, counsel of the accused, however, said his clients were sent to jail only in consideration of "the significance of the case".

He said police accused his clients of the attack and vandalism but failed to produce any evidence including medical reports of the injured persons.

More than 100 Jubo League and Chhatra League activists on September 17 attacked two examination centres during a recruitment test of class-III government employees, as the DC refused to entertain various demands of AL lawmaker Golam Faruk Prince.

The attackers assaulted a number of government officers including two additional deputy commissioners and a female magistrate and vandalised a number of officers' vehicles.

However, as the police escorted the accused to police van following the court order, they chanted: "Joi Bangla, Joi Bangabandhu" (victory to Bangladesh, victory to

Bangabandhu). A group of Jubo League and Chhatra League activists also brought out a procession on the court premises protesting imprisonment of their party colleagues. They chanted slogans against the district administration and demanded release

of the arrestees. Police earlier arrested five Jubo League and Chhatra League men on charge of their involvement in the attack.

Following the assault, two magistrates filed two separate cases with Pabna Sadar Police Station accusing more than 100 people including 31 Jubo League and Chhatra League leaders and workers.

As the incident as well as the police failure to arrest the spread criticism, the AL leadership asked them to surrender before the court. The decision to ask them to surrender came at an emergency meeting of the party's municipality unit on Saturday. "I've asked them to appear

before the court tomorrow [Sunday] morning, as I want the culprits to get punished," Prince told The Daily Star at his town home on Saturday. Earlier in the morning,

Pabna district Awami League withdrew its scheduled programme to lay siege to the deputy commissioner's office.

Leaders and activists of

more fake staff of Mujibnagar government are trying to get jobs of sub-registrar, and they

Pabna AL municipality and sadar units, however, staged an hour-long sit-in programme in front of the district AL office They also held a protest rally led by Taslim Hasan Suman, AL general secretary of the municipality unit.

the DC for his "trade-unionleader-like" role and demanded his withdrawal. "The DC created the face-off

Leaders at the rally criticised

between the district administration and locals," said Taslim.

Additional Rab and police forces were deployed at the court, DC office and different points of the town as situation heated up with a section of district AL declaring to lay siege to the DC office and stage demonstration, while another group of the party siding with the administration in their demand for punishment of the attackers.

Meanwhile, Syed Ahmad Safa, additional divisional commissioner of Rajshahi visited Pabna vesterday to observe the overall situation. He also visited the two examination halls where officers came under

the attack. HT Imam to visit Pabna

Meanwhile, prime minister's adviser HT Imam is scheduled to visit Pabna today and hold a meeting with the district administration. Shamsul Hoque Tuku, state minister for home, also a secretary of Panba district AL, is expected to accompany Imam.

An official in return for anonymity said the government has taken the ongoing situation

seriously. List of accused sent to jail

BCL district unit president Ahmed Sharif Dablu, its former president Mostafizur Rahman Sweet, Sadar Upazila BCL unit president Suman and its general secretary Imran, Pabna Edward College BCL unit general secretary Mamun and its former president Pial, former vice-president of Chhatra Sangsad unit of the college Santosh Hawlader and BCI activists Imran and Sabur.

Jubo League district unit joint secretary Enayet Hossain Dulal, organising Secretary Zahir Hossain Rubel, relief affairs secretary Sajal and activists Abdul Mojid, Reza, Sharif Haroon, Lalu, Arif, Alal and accused came under wide- Babu, and Pabna municipality AL's executive member Swapan Rahman.

Fake staff

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compromise with the fake staff, he told reporters, adding, they got judgment in their favour from the High Court by providing false documents. He said 190 persons, one of

whom died, managed to get the job. The minister also said 63

for taking steps to increase the tax-GDP ratio, and said the apex body of business organisations will cooperate with the will also face legal action. government.

Shaon's aides

FROM PAGE 16 which five days were granted by Metropolitan Magistrate

Nazrul Islam. Earlier, the CID arrested Mazharul Islam Mithu, another aide to Shaon on Thursday and took him on a three-day remand on the following day.

Sources said Delwar and Shimul were arrested on information obtained from Mithu. CID officials said Delwar

and Shimul and Mithu would be interrogated face to face to cross check the information received by the investigators. Ibrahim, 38, was killed by a shot from Shaon's pistol in the

of the MP Hostel at Jatiya Sangsad Bhaban complex on August 13. Following the incident, driver Kamal Hossain alias Kala filed an unnatural death case with Sher-e-Bangla Nagar

lawmaker's car parked in front

Five days later, Ibrahim's brother Masum filed a murder case with a Dhaka court, accusing 16 persons including Shaon, his bodyguard Delwar, driver Kala, Mithu, Mizan, Jibon, Riton and Alam.

Speaker

Police Station.

FROM PAGE 1 allege that their recommendations are not entertained, added the speaker.

"Therefore, an enquiry should look into the matter to know the real picture," Hamid said responding to an MP's remark on recent recruitment under the health ministry.

Taking the floor on a point of order, ruling Awami League lawmaker Maj Gen (retd) Shubid Ali Bhuiyan (Comilla-1) said the health ministry has recently appointed health assistants across the country. Some 99 health assistants

were appointed from a single constituency of Comilla district, but none of them was from his constituency, claimed the lawmaker. Citing a newspaper report about alleged irregularities in

the appointment, he demanded formation of a parliamentary probe body to investigate the allegation. In response to the MP's statement, Hamid said it is difficult to say what is happen-

ing in reality. "But I think the

government should look into the matter," he added. With an oblique reference to the recent meeting of Pabna district administration with personalities from civil society, professional bodies and political parties, the speaker said, "We also saw that government officials holding press conference. The government should also look into whether

its officials can do it." The government should take action if any irregularities and partisan influence affected the appointment process, recommended the speaker.

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League, filed the case with the Dhaka Chief Metropolitan Magistrate's Court on March 5 of 2008, for implicating and torturing him on charges of "attempting to kill" Prof Humayun Azad.

The three other accused officials are sub-Inspectors Rezaul Karim and Naser Ali of Ramna Police Station and sergeant Anwar Hossain who was in charge of Nilkhet police

box at that time. Earlier on September 22 Dhaka court issued arrest warrants against them in the

An HC bench of Justice Sharif Uddin Chaklader and Justice Md Fazlur Rahman yesterday, however, directed the police not to harass or arrest them within three weeks' period in connection with this case.

The court passed the order following a bail petition filed by the accused. The police officials yesterday appeared before the court for bail. Advocate Khandker

Mahbub Hossain appeared for the petitioners.

FBCCI wants

FROM PAGE 1 could not submit their income

tax returns due to the holy month of Ramadan and Eidul-Fitr. The last date for the sub-

mission of income tax returns is September 30 and the government has already announced that the deadline would not be extended in any circumstance. Earlier, the Dhaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry (DCCI) and several

other organisations sent written appeals to the chairman of the National Board of Revenue asking for the extension. The FBCCI acting chief also

wished success of the income tax fair that started in Dhaka and Chittagong yesterday. He thanked the government

cates that the ships do not carry any harmful substances. "We are now working on how to dismantle the vessels and ensure safe and hazard free environment at the same

Ex-home secy any of the stalwarts has to be anything about it. Even we arrested then the investigation were not allowed to read the would require further time,

report and we could not know said the PP quoting the time that all of the committee mempetition made by IO bers were asked to sign it in the Moniruzzaman. Besides, the investigators Two other members of the are yet to find out the identity of committee former DIG (CID) the vessel that carried the

illegal consignment of arms into the water territory of Bangladesh in 2004. During the tenure of the past caretaker government, a Chittagong court on February Enamur Rahman in his 12, 2008 ordered further investigation into the case following

> an appeal made by the then PP Ahsanul Hoque Hena. Later in February 2009, a Chittagong Court ordered to change the IO following an appeal by the state lawyer and ASP Moniruzzaman of CID, Chittagong was then appointed as the fifth IO of the

thing was done on orders of The investigation made a significant headway when Meanwhile, a Chittagong prime accused Hafizur Court yesterday for the tenth time granted CID another two Rahman made his confessional statement on March 2 more months for further inveslast year indicating involvetigation into the sensational ment of officials of NSI and DGFI into the incident. Acting Metropolitan

The statement of Hafiz helped arrest of the then DGFI Bhuiyan extended the time till director Maj Gen (retd) Rezzakul Haider, NSI DG Brig Gen (retd) Abdur Rahim, NSI director Wing Commander (retd) Sahab Uddin, NSI deputy director Major (retd) Liakat Hossain and field officer Akbar Hossain, Chittagong Urea Fertiliser Ltd managing director Mohsin Talukder and its general manager Enamul Hague.

> In the last 31 months the investigators interrogated around 100 persons including the members of committee the then government formed to probe the incident.

report about the progress of the investigation on September 15 involvement is found true and

charge (OC) of Mirpur Police

Station, said that with the help

of the driver Mirpur police

have identified the house at

Mirpur-6 where the youths

Owner of the house told

Body found

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Ayub told The Daily Star that

The young man around 3:00pm that day came to the market with the keys of Mizan's shop and tried to open it, Ayub continued. "Other shop owners and protested that he could not open the shop without Mizan".

Ayub filed a general diary with Pallabi Police Station

"On today's (yesterday)

newspaper I read that police recovered the body of a youth.

from Mirpur-1 and got a travel bag into the car from a house at Mirpur-6. The youths asked Zahid to

dustbin there, the police said. Zahid informed a patrol

Ship-breaking

FROM PAGE 1 this industry in line with the prime minister's directive."

Ruling Awami League breaking.

istry Israfil said the High Court in Hyderabad in India has imposed a ban on all ship "Our High Court gave some directives for the ship breaking yards but the owners seldom comply with those directives.

tary standing committee on

labour and employment min-

bringing in abandoned ships loaded with asbestos which is very harmful for public health," said the AL lawmaker. In response, the state minister said import of scrapped ships have been allowed over the last few months as import-

condemned the speech of the prime minister and claimed that she resorted to lies about the trial of war criminals. "The investigation process which is being followed now is not lawful at all. Such process

Statute," he said.

CID earlier submitted a

recovered the body. Kazi Wazed Ali, officer-in-

Mizan was strangled to death, morgue sources said.

they are three brothers and each of them has a jewellery shop at the market. He said a youth came to his brother's shop for three days or more in a row and told Mizan that he (the youth) would make some gold

The man on Saturday asked Mizan to meet him with some catalogues, he said. Mizan locked the shop and went out to meet him around 11:00am as the workers of his shop were on leave. He was missing since

Then the man left the place. Saturday night in this regard.

rushed to the morgue to find that it was my brother," he said. Meanwhile, police on Saturday said Zahid Hasan, a rent-a-car driver, told them that two youths hired his car

pull over near the Ansar camp and dumped the bag into the

team of Rapid Action Battalion about the matter, and police

lawmaker M Israfil Alam, however, disagreed with the minister and demanded immediate closure of the extremely hazardous and polluting industry of ship Also chief of the parliamen-

They are making our environment more vulnerable by

ers require clearance certifi-

time," Hasan Mahmud said.

police that they rented the house on August 25 saying that they passed HSC exams this year and would try to get admission in a university. They went out on Saturday with a travel bag and they did

used to live.

said quoting the owner. US asks

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sending troops should be made after consulting the United Nations and other Muslim-dominated countries. A foreign ministry state-

not return after that, the OC

ment in the capital disclosed the US request for troops. The foreign minister also informed the US envoy that the proposal of sending teachers and doctors to the warravaged country has already

been made to Bangladesh, the statement added.

Delwar slates

FROM PAGE 1 statement said the International Crimes (Tribunals) Act 1973, is a black law and it is

against international rules. The prime minister in her speech on Friday at the UN also mentioned that she had survived a series of assassination attempts ever since her return home from exile in 1981. She said the most horrendous period was when Awami League, a secular and democratic party, was in the opposi-

She also formally raised the issue of trial of war criminals. "This action is in accordance with the rule of law as reflected in the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (ICC), which we have ratified and which aims at bringing to justice the perpetrators of war crimes, genocide and crimes against humanity." At a press briefing at BNP

tion from 2001 to 2006.

Delwar said such speech would not bring any benefit. He questioned fairness of the tribunal. "There are questions regarding the investigation of International Crimes Tribunal because its probe agency

belongs to the government."

government appointed its

Delwar claimed that the

central office in Naya Paltan

chosen investigators and lawyers for the tribunal so that they would do as the government intends to. Jamaat-e-Islami acting Secretary General ATM Azharul Islam in a statement

does not go with Rome