Politics over local govt

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ment bodies stronger and more functional. Military ruler HM Ershad introduced a three-tier local

government system in 1982, BNP-led government made it two-tier in 1992, Awami League-led government turned it into a four-tier one in 1997 and the immediate past caretaker government restored three tiers in 2008.

But none of the governments or regimes made the system operational through holding polls to those bodies as per their decisions on the tier of the local government.

Although there were differences between the commissions over tiers of the system, the past three commissions since 1991 made a common recommendation for setting up a permanent Local Government Commission

However, the LGC, which was supposed to work to strengthen the local government bodies, is no longer existent.

In line with the recommendation of the latest commission formed by the past care taker government, an LGC was formed through introducing a new law by promulgating an ordinance in 2008.

But the LGC could not exist as the AL-led government did not ratify the ordinance in parliament and also did not move to introduce a new law for its survival.

Since restoration of democracy ousting the autocratic regime in 1991, BNP and AL, which have been running the country in turns, pledged to strengthen the local government system before each election.

But once in power, both the major parties forgot their electoral pledges and rather took many arbitrary actions against the system.

Before the last parliamentary elections held on December 29, 2008, the Awami League, which is in power now, promised to establish self-reliant local government institutions at district and upazila levels.

But the ruling party did not ratify the caretaker government's upazila parishad ordinance that curtailed lawmakers' authority over the parishads. It rather reintroduced the Upazila Parishad Act, 1998 making MPs advisers to the parishads.

As a result, upazila parishads, constituted through elections held in January 2009 thanks to the past caretaker government's bold stance, cannot begin functioning independently due to interference of MPs and

opposition by bureaucrats. Moreover, the government has yet to take any step to constitute the zila parishads through holding elections, allowing its bureaucrats to run

this tier. The BNP-led government abolished the upazila parishad system in 1991 arguing that this had been politically used by the autocratic Ershad regime for its perpetu-

Before the 2001 general elections, BNP pledged to strengthen local governments

Hajj flights

performed hajj last year.

decent way.'

actorily.

Around 55,000 Bangladeshis

Civil Aviation Minister GM

Quader told journalists vester-

day, "We have taken all steps to

ensure the hajj flights go on in a

Quader and chief of the

parliamentary body on his

ministry Mosharraf Hossain

referred to the much larger

number of pilgrims this year,

and said it is a huge task to

complete the hajj flights satis-

media after a meeting of the

parliamentary watchdog at

Biman's head office at

Sheikh Hasina yesterday

warned against any negligence

almighty Allah's guests (pil-

grims)...Be careful that no

negligence takes place," she told

officials while inaugurating the

National Hajj Programme - 2010

Apart from Biman, 10 other

at the Hajj Camp in the capital.

airlines will carry Bangladeshi

pilgrims to and from Saudi

hajj under government man-

agement and 87,167 under

45,000 pilgrims to and from

Jeddah by operating 198 flights

procured two Boeing 747-400

aircraft on lease for carrying

them. It has also engaged a DC-

10-30 aircraft for the task, said

Khan Musharraf Hussein,

Biman's deputy general man-

The national flag carrier has

different hajj agencies.

in two months.

This year 6,565 will perform

Biman plans to ferry some

in hajj management.

Meanwhile, Prime Minister

"You are taking care of

They were talking to the

But when the party decision over this important tier in its five-year tenure.

However, BNP government in 2003 introduced the gram sarkar, a non-elected body, to assist the union parishads, the lowest tier of the local govern-

But as rampant politicisation and irregularities in the process drew flak from every corner, the Supreme Court declared the system unconstitutional.

COMMISSIONS FOR REFORMS: ACTIONS LITTLE Information available says the then military ruler HM Ershad in April 1982, formed a com-

mittee to review existing

administrative structure. It recommended a full participatory and directly elected three-tier local government (district, sub-district and union) system with adequate administrative authority, financial power and autonomous status.

"Upazila parishad system was introduced following partial implementation of the recommendations made by the committee formed in 1982," observed the latest commission.

The commission formed by the caretaker government led by Fakhruddin Ahmed said in its report that another committee was formed for local government reforms during the first caretaker government in 1991.

"But not a single recommendation of that committee was implemented," the report added.

The BNP-led government formed a high-powered "Local Government Structure Review Commission" on November 24, 1991 following dissolution of the upazila parishad sys-

The 14-member commission headed by the then information minister included MPs, academics and senior civil servants.

It submitted a report to the prime minister on July 30, 1992 with recommendation for a two-tier local government -- zila parishad at district and union parishad at union

The BNP during its rule in between 1991 to 1996 held union parishad elections but didn't take any move to constitute the zila parishad.

The commission was against forming separate local government system at upazila level. It recommended forming Upazila Unnayan Samannya Committee (UUSC) that would work as a coordinating and development body at upazilas.

It also suggested that MPs should be made advisers to the UUSC. Consequently, the government constituted UUSC in each upazila with concerned MP as its adviser.

The committee also recommended introduction of gram sabha at village level. But gram sabha was not constituted during the BNP rule in between 1991 to 1996.

Police worship

hosted the conference sup-

ported by Bangladesh Legal Aid

and Services Trust, Brac and

Madaripur Legal Aid Associate.

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so equipped to turn inmates

empowered with education,

Moreover, the imprison-

ment should be the last resort

when primary measures are

clearly inadequate to deal with

the seriousness of an offence if

developing countries aim to

ease the overcrowding in pris-

ons, recommended the speak-

ers at the two-day long confer-

the prevailing conditions of

living and working in prisons in

many of the developing coun-

pre-trial detentions make the

overcrowding prisons even

worse. So, alternative dispute

settlement system can lessen

pressure on courts and on jails

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parole and proper coordination

among stakeholders can be

another remedy, the discus-

inmates are in 67 prisons

against a capacity of only

28,000, mentioned Inspector

General of Police (prison) Brig

Gen Ashraful Islam on the first

more than others. For example,

Narayanganj prison holds over

1,700 prisoners whereas it was

designed for only 200, he added.

Some prisons are suffering

day of the conference.

In Bangladesh, over 70,000

Releasing prisoners on

They recognised that in and

They also pointed out that

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ence on penal reform.

tries are very poor.

sants said.

She also said prison should

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necessary steps to strengthen local government institutions.

Assuming power, the ALled government also formed a commission titled "Local Government Institution Strengthening Commission" on September 1, 1996.

The commission consisted of eight members headed by lawmaker Rahmat Ali as its chairman. Members of the commission were academics and senior civil servants.

The commission came up with a report in May 1997 with recommendation for a fourtier local government system -- Palli/Gram Parishad, Union Parishad, Upazila Parishad and Zila Parishad. The AL-led government

revived the upazila parishad system by enacting a law in 1998. It also introduced Zila Parishad Act in 2000 with direct election system by repealing the law of 1988.

But the previous AL government did not hold election to either of those bodies during its tenure. It also introduced Gram

Parishad Act in 1997, but the body could not be constituted due to intervention of the High Court. The commission also

recommended setting up an LGC to protect the local government bodies from the executive's arbitrary actions. "A remarkable recommen-

dation of the commission was implemented keeping onethird of total seats in the union parishads, municipalities and city corporations reserved for women with direct election system. No other recommendation was implemented, said the latest commission in its report. "Changes in the structure

of the local government system got priority in the previous reports," it asserted.

Local government expert Kamal Siddiqui in his book titled "Local Government in Bangladesh" observes that during the postcolonial era successive regimes added on further cosmetic changes to the inherited model in order to consolidate their narrow power base, and in response to the prevailing political compulsions.

"Another device adopted was to set up commissions for local government reforms, but followed by little action. As a result, though change was minimal in content, in form, the local government system of the country witnessed many instances of 'about turns' and 'starting everything from square one'", said Siddiqui, also a former seasoned bureaucrat.

Anthrax

to 114 out of 449 infected animals in 2009 and 156 out of 438 in 2008, he claimed.

Dr ASM Alamgir, virologist of Institutes of Epidemiology, Disease Control and Research (IEDCR) said that 607 people were infected with anthrax in the last one and a half months with no fatality.

On September 5, the anthrax red alert was issued following the spread of the disease to new districts from Sirajganj where it was first detected on August 20.

2nd ODI

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Zealand who are trailing the five-match series 1-0.

After their stunning 10 run win in the first ODI on Tuesday, Bangladesh can afford an unscheduled day off that would also allow them to buy some time to recover from injury scares Bangladesh have lost their captain Mashrafe Bin Mortaza and his new-ball partner Nazmul Hossain for the rest of the series due to freakish injuries. Their replacements for the second game, Safiul Islam and Rubel Hossain were also apparently not fully match-fit.

However, given the firstclass drainage system available at the country's home of cricket, a game is still possible provided the rain stays off. In that event the Tigers would not mind the damp weather since it would suit their spinners most. The Bangladeshi spinners took a eight wickets in the first match with standin-captain Shakib Al Hasan claiming four after hammer-

ing a fantastic fifty against a New Zealand side that looked uncomfortable against the slow bowlers. Bangladesh Television will beam the match live from

9am.

Mesbah Kamal, general secretary of Bangladesh Adivasi Odhikar Andolan.

গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার স্পিভিল সার্জন এর কার্যালয়, পাবনা অাবেদনকারীর রোল ঃ সিভিল সার্জন অফিস, পাবনা। পরীকা কেন্দ্রের নাম ঃ সকাল ১০.০০ ঘটিকা নির্দেশাবলীঃ পরীক্ষায় অংশগ্রহনের জন্য কোন প্রকার টিএ/ডিএ প্রদান করা হবে না। ২) পরীক্ষা সংক্রান্ত বিষয়ে কর্তৃপক্ষের সিদ্ধান্তই চুড়ান্ত বলে গণ্য হবে। ৩) মৌখিক পরীক্ষার সময় সকল সনদের মূলকপি এবং কলম সঙ্গে আনতে হবে Recruitment test admit card of a candidate for a post of an attendant at Pabna Civil Surgeon's Office

bears recommendations from two ministers and a state minister. The jobseeker alleged that she nonetheless had to bribe the civil surgeon Tk 2 lakh, and yet could not secure the job. PHOTO: STAR

yesterday. Deputy Civil Surgeon

Dr Dipak Kumar declined to

dent adds, a jobseeker son of a

freedom fighter there filed a

case with a court on Tuesday

against 12 persons including

the district's civil surgeon, Dr

Sheikh Keramot Ali, for flouting

the freedom fighters' family

officials and nine newly

appointed staff were also impli-

mentioned that the new

appointments are illegal, as

freedom fighters' family quota

was not adhered to during

recruitment. The court issued a

show cause notice to the con-

cerned, asking for replies within

of the petitioner also a freedom

fighter's son, said the office of

district civil surgeon, through

an advertisement, invited

applications for 41 class III and

class IV positions including the

nine newly filled ones that were

Clarification

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(bulkhead), which do not have

any draft limiting technology

and use of this dredger wil

certainly result in erosion of

the sand traders' non-

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there is no scope of consider-

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revenue collection such as

selling dredge spoil is termed

in the report as "vague and

mysterious" is not known to

sive bidder or buyer, the

dredge spoils will have to be

dumped at sites such as khas

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madrasha, graveyard etc. even

though there is no gain of

revenue earnings under the

project. However it is always a

prime concern for the BIWTA

to take initiatives of selling the

the report that, at Tk 25 per

cubic meter of sand an

amount of Tk 8 crore can be

earned selling the sand. But at

the same price the earning can

The bulkhead traders of sand

have reiterated their stand for

buying the extracted sand

through scientific dredging

monitored by BIWTA experts.

better than the BIWTA how

precious the riverbed sand

can be for the booming real

estate and construction sec-

departments of port, dredg-

ing, conservancy, hydrograph

and engineering secretly

permitted M/S Ali

International Associates, to

extract 10 lakh cubic feet of

sand from the Buriganga

riverbed at Basila with bulk-

head dredgers. The operation

that threatened Basila resi-

dents, were eventually sus-

pended after this paper blew

the whistle. Terming the pre-

cious commodity "dredge

spoil" and "uncertain item" is

as ulterior as it can get.

Probably nobody knows

It saves public money.

It has been highlighted in

dredged sand or spoil.

only be Tk 1 crore.

OUR REPLY

In absence of any respon-

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BIWTA has no scope to take

Why the appropriate prac-

disputed in the case.

river bank.

Advocate Akbar Ali, a lawyer

Two other government

The petitioner, Litu Biswas,

quota in hiring office staff.

cated in the case.

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comment on the matter.

Recruitment anomalies

claimed in the case document.

Assistant Judge Md Rafiqul

Islam issued the show cause notice to the civil surgeon, asking him to give an explanation within 15 days.

In the other complaint submitted to Pabna Sadar Police Station, Rehana Pervin Minoti alleged that the same civil surgeon took Tk 2 lakh bribe from her in exchange for a promise to give her a job in his office, although she had recommendations from two ministers, and a state minister. And yet she was not given the job.

Rehana claimed that on her admit card for the recruitment test, Planning Minister AK Khandaker, Health Minister Dr AFM Ruhal Haque, and State Minister for Home Shamsul Haque Tuku recommended for giving her the job, but the civil surgeon asked for Tk3 lakh. Rehana paid him Tk 2 lakh

on September 8, and took the test on September 13, but she was not selected, she said in the complaint. She however could not be

reached as her mobile phone was found switched off. Despite repeated efforts last

night, the supposedly recommending ministers and the state minister also could not be reached for comments. The health minister is cur-

rently on a foreign trip while the state minister for home could not be reached over the phone. A family member of the planning minister said over the phone that he was taking rest at

Officer-in-charge of Pabna Sadar Police Station Md Ismail Hossain said he got Rehana's complaint yesterday, but she

Population

demographic report will be published within 24 months.

The minister also informed that steps would be taken to publish the preliminary report of the census within three months.

There will be 25 questions for the census. Among those, 11 will be about family and housing and the rest will be on personal information," said Statistics Division Secretary Riti

Ibrahim. Ashim Kumar Dey, census director of Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics, told The Daily Star, "Though the census is held in every decade to know the exact number of population and households characteristics, the fifth census will significantly focus on disability, ethnicity,

migration and gender." The government has already formed committees at district, upazila, city corporation and pourashava levels to monitor the census activities.

The total expenditure for the census is estimated at about Tk 101 crore. The European Union, UNFPA and USAID will jointly provide financial and technical assistance for the census. The joint support will cover about 38 percent of the total costs while the government will provide the

The census would help the government and other stakeholders to address many issues, as it would reveal the latest information about population, education, migration, income, expenditure, disability and marital status.

According to the fourth and last census conducted in 2001, the number of households was about 2.54 crore and the population was 12.43 crore. The other three censuses were conducted in 1974, 1981 and 1991. "This is a good step but we

demand an integrated census process to get the exact number of indigenous people," said Prof

Mosharaf Hossain, country representative of Action on Disability and Development, said, "We are happy to know about the government move as it will help address the disability issues with effective measures."

Two more die herself did not go to the station, FROM PAGE 16 rather someone on her behalf yesterday. submitted the complaint. Meanwhile, the Fire "Then I asked an officer to

Brigade has formed a fourinvestigate the matter," he member committee to investigate the fire at Lily Chemical Sub-inspector Md Masum Company. Billah of the police station said Bharat Chandra Biswas,

they were trying to reach the head of the probe committee, complainant before starting the told The Daily Star that they have started the investigation yesterday morning. They, Dr AK Ashrafuzzaman also did not pick up the phone however, could not find the despite repeated attempts to owner and employees of the reach him. After a long leave, the factory or any witnesses. The committee sought civil surgeon joined the office police help for information on Wednesday, but left again

about the whereabouts of the factory owner and the employees. The committee chief said they have found 20 active fire extinguishers in the factory which--although adequate for the factory--were not used on Wednesday. Deputy Director of Fire Brigade Abdur Rashid told The

Daily Star that they have found evidence of two chemical drums exploding on the spot. About 200 drums and huge stock of chemicals were found unharmed. Had those blasted the devastation and casualty would have been much higher, he added. According to victim Bishu,

the fire originated from a heat machine used for packaging. Kohinur and Rimu were operating that.

Michelle

top of the magazine's listing of the most influential women in the world. Her quick track up the list

was mirrored by that of her husband's former rival and now secretary of state Hillary Clinton, who moved up from 36th place last year to crack the top 10, taking fifth place.

Merkel, who is struggling with a rocky second term in office, was relegated to fourth place behind Kraft Foods CEO Irene Rosenfeld and talkshow host and media mogul Oprah

In compiling this year's list, the magazine said it opted to "look up and out into the broader culture.'

"Our assessment is based less on traditional titles and roles and more on creative influence and entrepreneur-

That might explain why singers Lady Gaga and Beyonce Knowles also made the top ten, at seventh and ninth places respectively, along with openly lesbian US talkshow host Ellen Degeneres, who took tenth place.

BCL men

Yousuf's nephew, Syed Irfan Ali Rocky told The Daily Star Yousuf Ali and his accomplices went to Moghbazar Red Crescent office to drop tender document over purchasing old cars yesterday morning. Some local BCL activists

attacked Yousuf and his party and beat them using hokey sticks and iron rods. The gang threatened Yousuf not to participate in the tender bidding. Chased out from the area,

Yousuf went to Ramna Police Station and filed a criminal case in this connection, Irfan said. Later on the day, Yousuf and

his companies again came under attack by the same group of BCL activists on Tongi Diversion Road near Moghbazar Rail Gate, he added. tors. In June 2008 BIWTA's He was admitted to National Institute of Cardio Vascular

Diseases (NICVD) where he died there around 8:30pm. had been suffering from heart

around 25 persons including

four BCL activists -- Faisal,

Badsha, Ripon and Mohammad

in police presence, the OC said.

The tender dropping ended

Family sources said Yousuf diseases. Shiblee Noman, officer-inknowhis whereabouts. charge of the police station, said Yousuf filed a case against

at the Darbar Hall, a soldier gave him shelter in his house. "From that house," Ishtiaq said, "I heard Lance Navek Ekramul Islam telling that the DG has been killed, all the officers will be killed as well."

September, with the country receiving more than 75 percent of its annual rainfall.

In 2009, there were not enough monsoon rains in mid-July to enable farmers to prepare fields and transplant Aman rice. It didn't rain until the beginning of August that year, which delayed the transplantation even though the seedlings were ready.

The weather is vital to a country where over 60 percent people depend on agriculture, said Zainul Abedin, president of Bangladesh Society of Agronomists, while talking about climate change and its impact on agriculture at a seminer. Even this year farmers in

many parts of the country did not have water in the rainy season to rot their jute, the golden fibre of Bangladesh. "Farmers from far away,

even from other upazila, came to our village to rot their jute. We were lucky that we had water,' said Yunus Hossain, a farmer of Gopalganj, over the telephone. Not only in Bangladesh, this

phenomenon happened in many other parts of the world.

In July, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association (NOAA) of the United States reported that June 2010 was the warmest June on record while 2010 is the warmest year ever recorded. Meteorology experts

observe that it is proven that the mean temperature of the country is increasing.

The Dhaka Met office found a trend of temperature rise in

every season analysing 55 years' weather data between 1951 and 2005. The annual mean temperature also has shown a rising tendency, said meteorologist Shameem Hassan Bhuiyan.

The geographical position of the country is an important factor as the Himalayas is in the North and the Bay of Bengal lies in the south.

"So if the temperature increases, it creates convection clouds that cause long dry spell and short spell of heavy rainfall. It is happening in some parts of the country," said Shameem.

Besides, the mounting temperature is causing rise in the sea level, which only adds to the sufferings of the farmers, observed agronomists. Water levels rose by at least

5.6 mm a year at Hiron point, 1.4 mm at Cox's Bazar and 2.9 mm at Khepupara, they said citing 2008 data from Bangladesh Water Development Board. In the recent years, extreme natural calamities have caused

mammoth loss of life and assets as well as economic losses, said Ainun Nishat at a seminar a few days ago. "All these are happening due to climate change. The weather

is acting weird not only in Bangladesh, but in the other parts of the world," he said, adding that most unusually the temperature of Moscow, Russia, was more than that of Dhaka this summer. India, Pakistan, China, the

Middle East and many European countries are also experiencing unusual weather events, he said.

Rain sweeps

about shrimp hatcheries. Meanwhile, communica-

tion between Kuakata and other parts of the country remains suspended from yesterday morning as gangways of all three ferries plying between Patuakhali and Kuakata went underwater.

In Chittagong, the port authorities said cargo handling was hampered due to the rain-In Cox's Bazar, about 52

villages were flooded by the tidal surge. Around 10 fishing trawlers did not return to the coast while 7,000 trawlers are kept near the coast for safety. This year the highest rainfall was recorded in Barisal and

Patuakhali during the past two days, local Met offices said. Other low-lying areas of the coastal districts and chars are also likely to be inundated by

wind-driven surges, Met officials said. Dhaka Met office sources said the low pressure in the Bay might be gradually moving towards the Indian state of Orissa increasing the possibility of clearer weather in many parts

of the country by tomorrow. Coastal belts, however, will possibly have rainfall until the day after tomorrow, they said.

Earlier, the maritime ports at Chittagong, Cox's Bazar and Mongla were told to hoist cautionary signal three while river

BDR rebels

FROM PAGE 16 Reazul, however, said no one beat the guards, as he heard nobody screaming from the duty officer's room where mutineers confined him tying with rope and chain after beat-

"He's an officer, son of a bitch ... kill him with bayonet, Reazul quoted mutineers as saying. He also described how his

ing him. The guards also did not

ring the alarm bell.

wife and two children are still suffering from the trauma of the atrocity of BDR jawans during the February 25-26 mutiny last year that killed 74 people including 57 army officers.

"Still my children cannot sleep at night. Often they scream and grab me in fear," he said in an emotional voice. Lt Col SM Abdus Salam and

Major Ishtiaq Ahmed Khan also

gave depositions before the special court-7 that is holding trial of 667 BDR jawans of 24 Rifles Battalion. Twenty-two accused BDR men cross-examined the three witnesses along with Sepoy

who submitted deposition on Wednesday. The court headed by BDR Director General Maj General Md Rafigul Islam adjourned the hearing till 9:30am of October

Farid Afrad, another witness,

11. All the 667 accused were produced before the court.

Major Ishtiaq in his deposition said although the runners (personal assistant) are close to the officers, his runner Sepoy Abdur Rahim called his wife, hurled abuse and wanted to

He said following the chaos

ports to hoist signal two. All kinds of fishing trawlers have been asked to stay close to the

Dhaka city had 16mm rainfall yesterday. Traffic movement was disrupted by the incessant rain and thus thoroughfares especially the VIP roads experienced long tailbacks. People were seen waiting in long queues for transport at the city bus stops.

Our correspondents from Barisal, Patuakhali, Bagerhat, Chittagong and Cox's Bazar contributed to this report.

Govt top brass Chairman Maj Gen

Mohammad Imamuzzaman on the day of the seizure informed him about the incident. "Next Sunday I met Matiur

Rahman Nizami. He told me that he knew about the incident. Since the home ministry and intelligence agencies are taking steps, the industries ministry has nothing to do about it separately," Shoeb said quoted Nizami as saying.

"Nizami told me the highest authority of the government was aware of the incident and taking measures. Do you think l didn't talk to the home secretary and prime minister about the

matter?" he said. Shoeb added there was no full-fledged minister in the home ministry at that time and the then premier Khaleda Zia

was in charge of the ministry. "I also told Nizami that acting secretary of the ministry Nurul Amin was staying at the CUFL rest house with family on the night of the incident and I don't know how he arranged the tour as an acting secretary,"

Shoeb said. "Nurul Amin didn't inform me about such a big incident and even he didn't make a phone call to me. He went to Cox's Bazar. But, the minister replied it was his [Nurul Amin's]

personal matter," the statement "Nurul Amin was intimate with the minister and he [Nizami] brought him to the industries ministry. As far as I knew he [Nurul] was an officer of railway cadre. Later, I heard about a committee formed by the government. But, none of the committee members came

"A few days after coming back from abroad, I talked with the minister. He told me he believed the government had taken proper measures about the matter. I told him that I think BCIC failed to do what it should have done in this connection, Shoeb recalled.

to me," he mentioned in the

He added, "Irritated, Nizami asked me 'why should we do something separately while there is one government in the country?"" "Following my conversation

with Nizami and Nurul Amin's mysterious attitude, I thought attempts were going on to hide the truth," Shoeb said. "I was unexpectedly transferred from the industries ministry to Forest and Environment Ministry on July 28, 2004."

Gen Mohammad Imamuzzaman also gave judicial statement under section 164. He said Nizami was callous about seizure of ten truckload arms and ammunition and asked not to do anything in this

takingstep.

Earlier on October 5, Maj

regard since home ministry was

Season cycle left FROM PAGE 1 by reintroducing upazila The commission also have made the local governparishads and gram sarkar to recommended that a permaensure administrative decennent LGC could be set up to make rules and guidelines for tralisation. local government; investigate irregularities, malpractices, assumed power, the government policymakers have split corruption and misuse of over reintroducing upazila power, and take appropriate system and failed to reach any punitive measures; and take