MUNICIPAL, UP ELECTIONS

AL, BNP look for right candidates

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Ahead of the municipality and union parishad elections, both the ruling and opposition highups have directed their grassroots leaders to start selecting "suitable" candidates to contest the polls.

Among other qualities, candidates' popularity and acceptability in their areas will play key role to obtain nomination, AL and BNP leaders have said.

The Election Commission is preparing to hold elections in 250 municipalities in December this year and in 4,300 union parishads in January next year.

To heat up the election campaign, AL President Sheikh Hasina and BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia are scheduled to meet grassroots leaders next month to instruct them on selecting candidates and other election related matters, leaders from both the parties have con-

firmed. Awami League is focusing on nominating single candidate for each post in the local bodies and party Chief Sheikh Hasina, also the prime minister, directed AL lawmakers to refrain from picking their "own" candidates.

She gave this direction at the Awami League Parliamentary Party (ALPP) meeting last Wednesday.

"Select Awami League man, not your [lawmaker] personal man as candidate," Hasina was quoted as saying at the ALPP meeting at the Jatiya Sangsad.

The party's central working committee will sit at the party president's political office in Dhanmondi today to discuss the ways to select "single" candidate, among other issues, AL insiders said.

"First, we'll see whether the candidate is a good person and popular in his area and then consider nominating him," AL Presidium Member Obaidul Quader told The Daily Star yesterday.

"The grassroots will be given the responsibility to coordinate the selection process in their respective district and upazila," Mahbubul Alam Hanif told The Daily Star vesterday.

Opposition BNP is not lagging behind.

"Obviously we'll participate in the election, and we've already started organisational activities in upazila and union level. Local units will play the main role in selecting candidates," said

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Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina visits the gallery at Osmani Memorial Auditorium after inaugurating the 14th Asian Art Biennial '10 in the capital yesterday.

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First hajj flight deferred for 5 hours

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The scheduled first hajj flight of Biman Bangladesh Airlines to Jeddah was deferred for around five hours from 10:40pm yesterday to 3:30am today.

An official at the national flag carrier yesterday afternoon told The Daily Star that SEE PAEG 15 COL 2

Prayer Timing

October 9		
	Azan	Jamaat
Fajr	4-45	5-20
Zohr	12-45	1-15
Asr	4-15	4-30
Maghrib	5-53	5-56
Esha	7-30	8-00
Source:	Islamic Foun	dation

Speed monitoring system by April

To start on Dhaka-Ctg highway, then other highways to check accidents

PANKAJ KARMAKAR

The government will introduce a monitoring system by next April to control vehicle speed on Dhaka-Chittagong highway in a bid to curb road accidents.

Other highways across the country will be brought under the system in phases, said a Bangladesh Road Transport Authority (BRTA) official.

The project is now in its initial stage and might require six months to be implemented,

he said. The decision for speed monitoring came

following a High Court order that asked the government to take effective steps to ensure road safety in highways. The BRTA has recently sought proposals and

recommendations from expert individuals and firms having expertise in this matter. "Initially, we have invited proposals or

suggestions from experts for a system suitable for the country and viable strategies to implement the project," said Tapan Kumar Sarkar, director (enforcement) of BRTA.

A committee comprised of 11 members of different government agencies has been SEE PAGE 15 COL 5

MURDER OVER TENDER

Cops fail to arrest anyone

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Police are yet to arrest the Chhatra League activists who were allegedly involved in Thursday's killing of a Jubo League leader in Moghbazar of the capital.

Syed Yousuf Ali, publicity secretary of ward-55 Jubo League, was beaten up by a group of BCL activists in a row over tender bidding at Moghbazar Red Crescent office.

Following the incident, injured Yousuf filed a criminal case with Ramna Police Station against around 25 persons including four BCL activists -- Faisal, Badsha, Ripon and Mohammad Ali.

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Jana Sanghati leader shot dead in Rangamati

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Rangamati

A leader of Parbatya Chattagram Jana Sanghati Samity (PCJSS) was gunned down early yesterday at his Kalyanpur residence in the town allegedly by members of United People's Democratic Front (UPDF).

Deceased Abhilash Chakma, 40, son of late Doyal Krishna Chakma of Hazachhari Purbopara in the district, was the general secretary of PCJSS's Naniachar upazila unit.

A group of tribal men equipped with firearms stormed into the house at about 3:00am and sprayed bullets on Abhilash, leaving him dead on the spot, Kotwali police quoting locals said.

Michael Chakma, Rangamati district unit leader of Gonotantrik Jubo Forum, an associate body of UPDF, however denied UPDF's involvement in the killing and said internal conflict of PCJSS might have caused the murder.

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Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday called upon all concerned to be more attentive for promoting local arts and culture and take initiative to develop an "art-language"

PM calls for

promoting

Opens 14th Asian

local arts

Art Biennial

UNB, Dhaka

of local heritage and culture. The PM made the call while inaugurating the 14th Asian Art Biennial Bangladesh 2010 at the Osmani Memorial

Hasina said that amid fierce competition of globalisation of this decade, "our traditions of culture, human values and rich

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Teen suicide bombers strike Karachi shrine

Kill nine including children

AFP, Karachi

Two teenage suicide bombers blew themselves up at a Sufi shrine in Karachi killing nine wor-

At least 64 people were also wounded in the attack late Thursday said Fayyaz Leghari, chief of police in Karachi, a teeming port city in the

He said 15 patients remain in a critical con-

Provincial police surgeon Hamid Parhiar said his team found the heads and limbs of the two suicide attackers and said one was 14years-old and the second was not older than 18. "We have given their samples to the police

Auditorium in the capital.

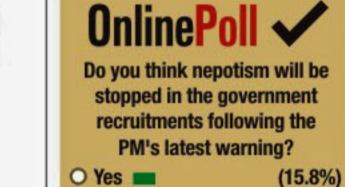
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country's south that is a maelstrom of communal and criminal violence.

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celebrity cop Kiran Bedi that police worship power instead of serving common people in the countries like Bangladesh? Please cast your vote at

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Container Handling At Port

Ctg dockworkers attack pvt berth operators, 15 hurt

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Around 15 workers of a private berth operator were injured and three port officials assaulted yesterday at Chittagong Port when dock workers protested against the handling of containers by the berth operator before fulfilling their demands.

Everest Enterprise, one of the six newly appointed private berth operators, was scheduled to start handling containers yesterday, but a section of dock workers attacked employees of the company leaving 15 of them injured.

The employees with officials of the port authorities went to jetty No 12 around 4:00pm to start the operation but about 200 dock workers resisted them, sources said.

Shahadat Hossain Selim, proprietor of the private operator, said the workers beat up his employees and tried to set fire to his equipments.

The agitating workers also assaulted three port officials-terminal manager Enamul Karim, assistant terminal managers Golam Md Sarwarul Islam Chowdhury and Saidul Islam when they tried to save the injured, he said.

Earlier on Wednesday, workers under the banner of Dock Bandar Sramik Karmachari Federation threatened to start a fresh movement to press home their demands including recruitment of the workers scrutinised by the port authorities before

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জমি ক্রয় সংক্রান্ত বিজ্ঞপ্তি

এতদারা সর্বসাধারণের অবগতির জন্য জানানো যাচেছ যে, আমার মোয়াক্কেল এ.জে. কর্পোরেশন লিঃ, ঠিকানা- ডিওএইচএস বারিধারা, ঢাকা এর পক্ষে চেয়ারম্যান, জনাব তৌহিদুল ইসলাম চৌধুরী নিম্ন তফসিল বর্ণিত সম্পত্তি ক্রয় করিবার জন্য সম্পত্তির প্রকৃত মালিক মোহাম্মদ আলী আকবর খান, পিতা- মর্ভম কাজীমদ্দিন খান, মিসেস হাসিনা বেগম, স্বামী- মোহাম্মদ আলী আকবর খান, ঠিকানা-গ্রামঃ নোয়াগাঁও, পোঃ রাজেন্দ্রপুর, থানাঃ শ্রীপুর, জেলাঃ গাজীপুর এবং মোঃ গিয়াসউদ্দিন (কাজল), পিতা- আলহাজ্ব মোঃ আবুল বাসার ভূঁইয়া, ঠিকানা- খ-২০৮/১ প্রগতি স্বরণী, থানাঃ মধ্য বাড্ডা, ঢাকা এর সঙ্গে আমরা একটি বায়নাপত্রে আবদ্ধ হতে যাচ্ছি। যদি কোন ব্যক্তি বা প্রতিষ্ঠানের নিম্ন তফসিল বর্ণিত সম্পত্তিতে কোন আপত্তি বা দাবী দাওয়া থাকে তাহলে অত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি প্রকাশের ৭ (সাত) দিনের মধ্যে নিম্ন স্বাক্ষরকারীর নিকট বৈধ কাগজপত্র সহ নথি উপস্থাপন করার জন্য বিশেষভাবে অনুরোধ করা হল। উক্ত ৭ (সাত) দিনের মধ্যে যদি কোন আপত্তি বা দাবী দাওয়া উপস্থাপিত না হয় তাহলে তফসিল বর্ণিত সম্পত্তি নিস্কন্টক বলে গণ্য হবে এবং পরবর্তীতে এতদ্বসংক্রান্ত যাবতীয় দাবী দাওয়া আইনতঃ অগ্রাহ্য হবে।

সম্পত্তির তফসিল

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