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Court orders

FROM PAGE 1 found innocent in the trial, he will come out free."

Only after appearing before the court can he seek an extension of his parole on health grounds, added the state minis-

Meanwhile, a ruling Awami League leader speaking in return for anonymity said the government has had the warrant issued to keep Khaleda Zia in pressure.

He said the accused must

Fixing November 30 for

hearing on charge-framing

against Koko and Ismail

Hossain Saimon, the court

directed the officer-in-charge of

Kafrul Police Station to report

ping minister Akbar Hossain,

has been on the run since the

Anti-corruption Commission

case against him and Koko on

In the case statement, the

anti-graft body said the accused

had laundered money they

received from China Harbour

Engineering Company Ltd and

Siemens for helping them win

China Harbour got a Tk 351

crore contract to set up New

Mooring Container Terminal

and Siemens a Tk 239 crore

contract to supply and install

equipment for Teletalk, the

state-owned mobile phone

The ACC pressed charges

On October 13, the Supreme

present to conduct the drive.

the site than the deputy com-

missioner asked me to with-

hold the drive," said Mainul

Amin. Now, the higher author-

ities would discuss the matter,

The drive was scheduled

At a meeting on September

29, the high-powered commit-

tee of the national taskforce on

river recovery led by the ship-

ping minister decided to

reclaim four canals by

October, said Tagsem A Khan,

Dhaka Wasa managing direc-

Local lawmaker Aslamul

Hag, however, said only a 300-

foot stretch of the canal was

occupied with earth filling.

There was no need for such a

gathering of administration

and police to recover a stretch

"The Kalyanpur canal will

be freed anytime I desire; it

does not need deployment of

canals where water flow is

between Mirpur main road

and Basupara, which was

illegally occupied by his pre-

decessor MP, said Aslamul

The canal stretches from

Mirpur main road to sluice

over the position of the canal.

of canal that still flows.

requested me."

"No sooner had we reached

against Koko and Saimon on

November 15 last year.

government contracts.

operator.

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he said.

or today as well.

Saimon, son of former ship-

appear before the court, or they

by the prosecution.

will be tried in absentia.

backwithin a month.

March 17 last year.

Challenging the government decision, Koko's counsels filed a writ petition with the HC on August 24, and obtained an Judge Mozammel Hossain of extension of parole for their Special Judge's Court-3 ordered client. Koko's arrest on a petition filed

der to court.

During hearing, Attorney General Mahbubey Alam made submissions for the petition.

Court stayed for six weeks a

High Court order extending

The stay came two days after

Earlier on August 19, the

home ministry cancelled the

parole and asked Koko to return

home by August 31 and surren-

Koko's parole for 20 days.

the HC extended the parole.

Koko's lawyer Sanaullah Miah said the hearing should be adjourned till the matter is settled at the apex court. Besides, he said, they have already applied to the home ministry for an extension.

After a lengthy hearing, the court turned down the defence's plea for adjournment of hearing and issued the warrant.

filed the money-laundering Jubo league man hacked to death

UNB, Narsingdi

Drive abandoned

A Jubo League activist was hacked to death by a group of unidentified miscreants at West Duttpara of the town last night.

Police said six to eight armed men called Kamruzzaman alias Zaman Mia, 32, out of his home at about 10:30pm. He was hacked and slaugh-

tered on the road in front of his home at West Duttapara in the

we have ascertained is cor-

rect," he said, "Still, we have sit

today [yesterday] to review it."

2 textile mills fined for river pollution

The Department of Environment (DoE) in a drive fined two textile mills Tk 36 lakh yesterday for discharging untreated liquid waste into

Chandni Textile Mills Ltd and Imam Dyeing, Knitting, Printing and Finishing Industries both situated in Shayampur do not have any effluent treatment plant (ETP), though it is mandatory according to the existing law.

The industries fall under the red category according to the existing Environment

ance certificate from the their vehicles. Over 90 percent department, which is also buses and trucks have no mandatory according to the

the river, according to an estimation of a mobile team of the department. Earlier, both of the indus-

The drive was conducted

During the drive the owners of the industries were asked to build the ETP and take environment clearance certificate at the soonest possible time, the press release said.

6 Shibir men held

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

In a similar incident, the joint authorities on October 18 had to withdraw from evicting the encroachers from Ramchandrapur canal in Mohammadpur in the face of government activities". opposition by some "freedom The arrestees are

fighters". "It is unfortunate and undesirable to give up a scheduled eviction drive," said Mohibul. Arif, Monir and Bashir. It takes several lakh taka to

arrange and carry out an eviction programme, he said. The district administration abandoned another drive

along the Kantashur canal on October 20 without any specific reason. DRIVEON

SHYAMOLICANAL

Dhaka district administration and Bangladesh Water Development Board demolished 27 illegal structures on Shyamoli canal yesterday.

"We have so far demolished officials and law enforcers," he around 72 structures, includsaid, "I would have freed it ing the 27, in the three-day from encroachment had Wasa drive that started on October 27," said Mohammad Al-He claimed that the Amin, executive magistrate of askforce had asked the Dhaka DC office, who led the authorities to retrieve those

At least 40 labourers and obstructed due to encroacharound 45 police personnel took part in the drive with two excavators from morning to The priority should be reclaiming the stretch 5:00pm.

> He said they had also started the excavation work on Saturday and they have excavated already 500 feet out of 1.50 km of the canal.

"We have already finished the demolition of the illegal structures constructed on 1.5km and the drive will continue today," he said.

The high-ups would decide about the eviction of the illegal structures on the Shyampur

canal, he said.

Dhaka Deputy Commissioner Mohibul Haque said the drive had been postponed due to confusion

"But we think the position Chanpa murder

Additional Superintendent of Police of Faridpur Subrata Kumar Haldar, Investigation Officer Md Ali Khandaker and

Branch, Sheikh Abu Bakr. To journalists, Rony said the killing of Chanpa Rani was

Sub-inspector of Detective

not intentional. "She was like my mother.

How could I kill her deliberately?" he said.

Rony said he had been proposing Hira, one of Chanpa's daughters, for the last three months to which she

had never consented. Her reluctance had angered him, he said.

"I want the culprit who killed my wife in broad day light be sentenced to death," Swapan Biswas told The Daily

Abdur Rahman, local lawmaker and Chairman of Bangladesh Sugar and Food Industries Corporation (BSFIC) Ranjit Biswas, among others, were present at the

conference.

Earlier the chairman of BSFIC had visited the family of Chanpa Bhowmik and gave Tk 10 thousand for her daughters' education.

Meanwhile different sociocultural organisations including Bangladesh College Shikkhak Samity, Mohila Parishad, Racine, a local NGO, Faridpur Sugar Mill Workers' Union expressed their satisfaction on hearing the news of

Rony's arrest. They demanded exemplary punishment of both Rony and Rajon, the killers of Chanpa Bhowmik and college teacher Mizanur Rashid, who died after raising their voices

against stalking. Chanpa Rani, 45, an employee of Faridpur Sugar Mill, died after Rony ran his bike over her on October 26 for trying to protect her twin daughters Hira and Mukta

from harassment by stalkers. Earlier, five people had been arrested in this connection.

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the Buriganga River.

Protection Act 2010 and it is a must for them to build ETP. The industries were set up eight years ago. But they never took any environment clear-

They have so far discharged nearly 1.17 lakh square metres of untreated liquid waste in

tries were sent notice instruct ing to take environment clear ance certificate and build ETP.

by Mohammed Muni Chwodhury one of the directors of the DoE.

Police yesterday arrested six leaders and activists of Islami Chhatra Shibir, student wing of Jamaat-e-Islami, from city's Kamrangirchar area for their alleged involvement in "anti-

Kamrangirchar unit Shibir president Belal Hossain, its secretary Abdul Malek and Shibir activists Al Mamun

Nazmul Huda, sub inspector of Kamrangirchar Police Station, said police arrested the activists from Ali Nagar area while they were sticking "anti-government" posters on walls at about 6:00am.

Police seized 70 posters, leaflets and a number of books written by Jamaat leaders from their possession, he said.

Islami Chhatra Shibir condemned the arrest of its activists, a press release said.

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"We withdrew these pilots from duty on grounds of flight safety. We have reinstated them since everything has become normal. Muhammad Zakiul Islam, managing director and chief executive officer of Biman said over the phone.

Their names were put on duty roster yesterday, he said.

The airline suspended the pilots on Wednesday after three of them took part in an agitation last week demanding cancellation of a Biman decision.

Of them, Capt Zakir Hussain is acting president of Bangladesh Airline Pilots Association (Bapa), Capt MA Basit Mahtab its general secretary and Capt Maqsood Ahmed and Capt Mahbub are members of the organisation that represents 115 pilots.

Capt Maqsood Ahmed said he had been put back on flight duty. "I am going to fly at 12.30 am today," he said.

Bapa called off strike on Friday night after Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina assured them of considering their demands.

The pilots had been protesting against a Biman decision to increase their retirement age from 57 to 62 years leaving them conditionally out of insurance and rehabilitation benefits during the extended period of service.

Biman insiders said the airline is unwilling to give the pilots such benefits during the extended period since the risks of unfitness of the pilots go up with their age.

Bapa launched a protest programme on October 22 demanding withdrawal of the Biman decision.

The pilots went on strike on Wednesday after the airline authority served show cause notices to a number of pilots and suspended four pilots from flight duty.

The strike forced Biman to cancel nearly 20 flights and spend on accommodation for dence of the prime minister] stranded passengers, Biman and flats for destitute people at officials said.

Fasten seatbelt

FROM PAGE 16 campaign by the government.

BRTA's campaign regarding the use of seatbelts, footpaths, footbridges and underpasses, helmets and against the use of mobile phones while driving apparently makes little impact on people as the campaign is restricted to a few print and electronic media houses. Neither signboards and

banners were put up at intersections nor the Dhaka Metropolitan Police's LED screens installed on the streets showed any message in this regard. The Daily Star talked to

motorists and pedestrians at

different intersections in the city yesterday. Most of them were oblivious to the upcoming drive. Some leaders of transport owners' and workers' associations said it is quite impossible for them to install seatbelts in

seatbelts, they claimed. Bus driver Kalam at Karwan Bazar said, "I seldom read newspapers or watch TV... I am used to passing my leisure time with my colleagues. I did not hear anything about any

Taxi driver Ratan Sarker at Farmgate said, "I bought the taxi around 16 months ago but it only has the seatbelt for the driver's seat. If the carmaker did not provide seatbelts how will I attach them now?" Another bus driver at

Farmgate said he informed his

bus owners but they told him that the owners' association would decide what to do in this connection.

Secretary to Dhaka Sarak Paribahan Samity Mohammad Enayet Ullah told The Daily Star that it is impossible to install seatbelts in buses and trucks and most were imported without those. In a meeting of Road

Transport Advisory Committee on September 21, it was decided that the BRTA would continue campaigns for about a month to create awareness among motorists on the use of seatbelts, footpaths, footbridges and underpasses helmets and against the use of mobile phones while driving. BRTA Director (enforce-

ment) Tapan Kumar Sarker said during the September 21 meeting some leaders of transport owners' and workers' associations sought a month's time to install seatbelts in buses. Meanwhile, BRTA

Chairman Mohammad Ayubur Rahman said they would be exercising executive power to conduct the drive across the country since there is no specific law regarding fining people for using mobile phones while driving and some other offences.

He said following the order of the ministry concerned he sent letters to all deputy commissioners to set up mobile courts and to all superintendents of police to assist the courts.

It's murder

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Rajon was accused, along with nine others, in the Doha murder case of 2008, which was initially circulated as suicide. The case is still being investigated by the CID.

Natore district Awami League vice president Majedur Rahman Chand backed Rajon's claimed that Mizan was killed in an accident and said that it also injured Rajon and Asif.

Chand said on Saturday that he sees 'no problem' with the autopsyreport. "There could be injuries to

different parts of body in case of accidents also", Chand commented Chand, also principal of Tamaltala Agriculture College where Rajon is a student, said, "Rajon was not a stalker as he

has no previous record of eveteasing at his own college". Asked about Rajon marrying Asif's sister by force and her father's case against Rajon in that regard, Chand said, "It is

their personal matter". Meanwhile, eyewitnesses and police said the accused in injured as they fell from their Mamunur Rashid.

motorcycle when locals chased them after their attack on Mizan.

'We had no doubt about the murder. Now the autopsy report will help prove the charges. The accused had intentionally driven the bike over Mizan. They had no reason for going to the spot of occurrence at Lokmanpur, 8-km away from their homes", said Abdui Rahim, investigation officer of the case.

Commenting on his suppor for Rajon, the accused in two murder cases, Chand said, "My point is not to protect anyone from punishment, but upholding the truth".

Asked how he was so sure when he was not present on the spot, he said, "My boys seldom lie to me. Besides, I know the truth from those who were present on the scene".

Meanwhile, Mizan's family is supposed to meet Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina on November 1 and the Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid is likely to visit their house soon, Mizan murder case were informed Mizan's elder brother

Step down

wrongdoers will be tried then.

"All the documents of your [government] wrongdoings are now in our hand," she said while addressing a discussion meeting at Mahanagar Natya Mancha organised by Jatiyatabadi Juba Dal to mark its 32nd founding anniversary. Khaleda, also opposition leader in the parliament, urged the judiciary to act neutrally.

Urging Juba Dal men to remain alert, the former premier claimed that the AL-led grand alliance government is hatching conspiracy to make the country a province.

Khaleda said they [government] wanted to destroy BDR and now they are trying to bring armed forces and people faceto-face but they won't be successful.

Terming the government inefficient she said it has no right to continue in power as it has absolutely failed to run the

Criticising the government's initiative to establish border market jointly with India, the BNP chairperson said government is implementing the pledges, which they made to the foreign forces.

Hinting at India, the opposition leader said they won't give Bangladesh tax and transit fee for using land and port though earlier the government said Bangladesh will earn thousands crore of taka from this sector. Party standing committee

members Khandaker Mosharraf Hossain and Abdul Moyeen Khan, joint secretary general Amanullah Aman, among others, addressed the meeting with Juba Dal president Syed Moazzem Hossain Alal in the chair. Alal in his speech asked the

government to stop the move regarding Khaleda Zia's cantonment house. "We will build museum at Sudhasadan [personal resi-

Dhanmondi 32 [the historical house from where the Father of the Nation led the nation for independence] if the conspiracy [government move regarding the cantonment house which was allotted to Khaleda by the then army chief in 1981] is not stopped," he said.

He also said people will resist the conspiracy to arrest Khaleda's son Arafat Rahman Koko.

Pilot's body

Chowhali upazila of Sirajganj on

Saturday. A group of divers, led by Mizanur Rahman, deputy director of Rajshahi fire service retrieved the body of Captain Kamrul Hasan floating about one kilometre off the spot around 6:45am, reports our Sirajganj correspondent.

The rescue team, however was yet to locate the missing Cessna-152 of Bangladesh Flying Club.

Efforts were on to locate and salvage the ill-fated jet, said Mizanur. Kamrul's body was handed

over to his maternal uncle Motaher Hossain yesterday. His namaz-e-janaza was held after Asr prayers and later he was buried at Banani grave-

Kamrul, the only son of

businessman Gazi Abdur Rouf, lived with his family in the capital's Banani area. After completing higher secondary education, he stud-

ied diploma course in computer engineering. Later he got enrolled in the flying club in 2006 to become a pilot. The condition of co-pilot Shamsuddin improved further,

said Md Sharifuddin, operation officer of the flying club. He met his colleagues at the club yesterday afternoon. Chowhali police rescued the

co-pilot shortly after the accident on Saturday. the grenade attacks.

Over 11 lakh urban poor to get 'cheap' rice till Dec

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government will distribute rice to more than 11 lakh urban poor, who were issued fair price cards, at a subsidised rate of Tk 24 per kilogram from today. The Food and Disaster

Razzaque announced this at a press briefing at his city office yesterday. "Each cardholder would be able to buy up to 20 kgs of rice every month from the government-appointed dealers at this

Management Minister Abdur

reporters. The programme, meant for the urban poor having no permanent or fixed income source, would be operated at all the divisional and district towns. It would continue until the harvest of Aman paddy in December, he noted.

The food minister said, of the total 11.18 lakh beneficiaries selected across the country under this scheme, 5.80 lakh are from the capital city. The government took the

step to combat the price rise of essentials, especially of rice and flour, he said. Coarse rice now sells at Tk 31-33 per kg, which is a 45 percent price rise in a year, while fine rice sells at a 20 percent

increased rate of Tk 36-48 per

kg, showed Trading

Corporation of Bangladesh (TCB) sources. Besides, whole wheat flour (atta) now sells at a 47 percent increased price of Tk 27-32 per kg and quality flour (maida) sells at a 20 percent increased price of Tk 33-38 per kg, TCB

Abdur Razzaque said the government is also sorting the list of around one crore people enjoying benefits under the Vulnerable Group Feeding (VGF) programme. A symbolic price of Tk 10-12

ciaries except the destitute and maimed people among them, he said. The government is also considering starting ration for the third and fourth class government employees, the minis-

charged from the VGF benefi-

Gharial found

ter added.

sources said.

them mistook it for a crocodile. Arua Union Parishad Chairman Saifur Rahman Khan arrived and requested the fishermen not to kill the gharial. He asked them to keep it at the bazaar so that people can see and concerned officials can take necessary steps.

On information, wildlife expert Anisuzzaman Khan went to see the gharial. He told The Daily Star over phone, the fishermen had tied the jaws of the gharial and people were poking it with sticks. It had become very Gharial, surviving for at least

two million years, has been included in the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Red Data Book as a species on the verge of extinction. SMA Rashid, an executive of

the CARINAM, an organisation

working to save reptiles, said,

they had carried out a survey and found six gharials in last year in Padma. "Last year some fishermen captured two baby gharials. Those were sent to Dhaka and

Rajshahi zoos, but both of them died within a month," he said. "The captured gharial should be released immediately

in the nature," he said. Harirampur Upazila Nirbahi Officer Apurba Kumar Mandal said he had informed the upazila social forestry officer

about the matter. Officer-in-Charge of Manikganj Social Forestry Riazul Motin said they had been preparing to send the gharial to Dula Hazra Safari Park of Cox's

Aug 21 attack

However, details of the confessional statement could not be

known immediately. The Criminal Investigation Department yesterday produced Golam before the court of Chief Metropolitan

Magistrate of Dhaka for

recording his confessional statement on completion of the third phase of his four-day remand. Rapid Action Battalion arrested Golam on October 5 from the airport railway station area in the capital for his alleged role in supplying

grenades, which were used for

attacks on the AL rally. Later he was shown arrested in the grenade attack case on Laku, a drug addict, used to October 18 and was remanded for ten days in three phases.

Earlier another LeT member Abu Yusuf Butt alias Abdul Majid Butt gave confessional statements to the magistrate regarding his involvement in

Cops guilty

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The police took both the injured to Dhaka Medical College Hospital where Mizanur died, the report says.

It has been proved beyond doubt that Mizanur did not die in police custody and nobody can be specifically charged with the incidents of his death, the report adds.

On Mujibur's death, it accuses ASI Sayem, constable Ziaur and police informer Nayan. Sayem and Ziaur failed to save Mujibur from drowning, it says, adding, had they informed about him to the higher authorities, his death could be avoided.

The report in its recommendation says independent invesrate," the minister told the tigation agencies should be formed in every metropolis and district for smooth probe into criminal offences.

> It also recommends installing CCTVs at police stations, primarily in the metropolis and gradually in rest of the country, to ensure transparency in police activities. The ministry formed the probe committee with its Joint

Secretary Shawkat Mostafa and

Deputy Secretary Mojakker Ali on July 12 after the HC directed The HC bench of Justice AHM Shamsuddin Chowdhury Manik and Justice Md Zakir Hossain on July 5 asked the ministry to form the body fol-

lowing a writ filed by Human Rights and Peace for Bangladesh (HRPB) and Bangladesh Human Rights Foundation (BHRF). Manzill Murshid, counsel for the petitioners, yesterday told The Daily Star they will take the

initiative for quick hearing of

THE DAILY STAR PROBE The Daily Star in July conducted an investigation into the two mysterious death incidents.

the matter.

The probe revealed police picked up businessman Mizanur Rahman from his Badda house on June 22, while Mujibur Hossain was picked up from his house in Melartek Ghat in Darussalam two days later.

per kg of rice or flour will be Marks of strikes on the doors were seen during a visit to Mizanur's house. A portion of plaster over the doorframe was also found damaged.

Govt mulls

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The PM said that her govern ment would create severa specialised police forces such as Marine Police (for waterways), Tourist Police (for tourist zone) and Campus Police (for educational institutions) like the Industrial Police.

create specialised police force for reducing pressure on the general police," she said while inaugurating the Industrial Police at Bangabandhu International Conference Centre in the capital.

"It is an urgent need to

The premier also asked the police personnel to take stern action against eve-teasing, killing and anarchy. Hasina directed the police

to help maintain smooth and uninterrupted productions at mills and factories ensuring safety for both the workers and owners. Regarding various demands of the police force,

improving the economical condition of the country. Later, she inaugurated the industrial police by unveiling

the premier asked the police

personnel to work actively for

the plaque. The industrial police, country's first ever special police unit, began its journey with 1,580 members against

its allotted manpower of 2,990. Home Minister Sahara Khatun, Labour and Employment Minister Engr Mosharraf Hossain, Industries Minister Dilip Barua, among others, were present.

Mohammad Tazul Islam, 35, son of the house owner, said he was present when police broke into the house and dragged

Mizanur away. Tazul added Anis, SI of Gulshan Police Station, who led the raid, gave him Tk 500 to

repair the door. However, the ministry probe did not mention the marks on the doors and the damaged portion over the doorframe.

Persons quoted on the report may deny their statement amid pressure from different quarters, but the marks on the doors testify to police raid

Neighbours preferring not to be named said police broke into the house and picked up

and his five accomplices opened fire on a police team on Road 42 in Gulshan compelling

added.

Darussalam police denied Mujibur's arrest on the first place, let alone their involvement in his death.

Tortured

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the police that they at times slapped Sohagi for failing to do daily chores properly and stealing things. But they denied torturing her severely.

in-charge of Ramna Police A case was filed against the

Muhith terms

he said.

Muhith. "It's a matter of relegation to the nation's welfare, which prevents the entire country to move forward. Also corrup-

neurship," he said. Bangladesh Women Chamber

of Commerce and Industry Hotel.

enhance the growth of national The BWCCI presented a survey that found that 37 percent women entrepreneurs experience corruption to get their trade licences, while 33

entrepreneurs face corruption while paying utility bills, showed the BWCCI survey,

cost of Tk 925 is needed to get a trade licence, while for a TIN one has to spend Tk 1,913 more than the usual fees.

rid of corruption. "Corruption has too long robbed the Bangladeshis of the

Kabir, managing director of SME Foundation, also spoke at

the seminar.

Trader, son stabbed

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him with a sharp weapon. Hannan and Mukti's uncle Akram Hossain were also knifed as they rushed to Fashiur's aid,

they said. Injured Hannan, 42, a cloth trader, Fashiur, 14, and Akram, 38, were admitted to Rajshahi Medical College Hospital. The condition of Akram was critical, said doctors.

case in this connection yesterday morning. Police are yet to arrest Laku as he is on the run, the OC said.

stalk Mukti on her way to the school of her kids. He used to disturb her over the phone and often threw stones on their house, Wahab said.

He assaulted Mukti in November last year and in a subsequent arbitration, he gave

Mizanur. POLICESTATEMENTS Gulshan police said Mizanur

the law enforcers to retaliate. After the gunfight, Mizanur and Manik were found bullethit and were rushed to DMCH where Mizanur died, they

Sohagi started working in Titu's house 17 months back, said Shiblee Noman, officer-

Station. couple with the police station,

from all sectors, the government measures are not good enough anymore," said AMA

tion is the major setback in the development of new entrepre-"Now it needs a mass resistance from all walk of life to get rid of the stigma," Muhith said at a national seminar on Anti Corruption Reform Efforts for Women Entrepreneurs jointly organised by USAID and

(BWCCI) at Dhaka Sheraton The minister said the government is trying hard to eliminate corruption and create a better business climate to

percent face graft to get tax identification numbers (TINs). Also, 24 percent women

which interviewed 300 women entrepreneurs across the coun-It also found that due to corruption the costs of doing business have increased manifold. For example, an additional

US Ambassador to Bangladesh James F Moriarty said his government is committed to helping Bangladesh get

fruits of their labour. We fully support Bangladesh's effort to combat corruption," he said. Selima Ahmed, president of BWCCI, and Syed Rezwanul

an undertaking to the police

family to his father's house at

Kapuriapatty of the district and

saying that he would not harass Mukti anymore. Despite the undertaking, Laku continued threatening Hannan's family members. At one stage, Hannan took his

began to reside there since December last year. "Ahead of Eid-ul-Azha, we Aminul Islam, officer-inreturned home on Wednesday charge of Naogaon Sadar Police and Laku began to disturb us Station, confirmed the incident again. He also threatened to and said Abdul Wahab, elder teach us a lesson for protesting brother of Hannan, lodged a

his activities", said Hannan.

"Even after giving the under-

taking, he stalked me and threw stones on the roof of our house,' Mukti told The Daily Star. Quoting family members of Laku, Enamul Haque, investiga-

tion officer of the police station, said Laku had an affair with Mukti. Asked about the allegation,

Mukti said "I never knew Laku and I had no relation with him."

on the house.