



Former India captain Sourav Ganguly delivers his speech as Bangladesh captain Mashrafe Bin Mortaza stands next to him during a function to begin the 100-day countdown to the ICC Cricket World Cup 2011 at the South Plaza of Jatiya Sangsad Bhaban minutes after last midnight. PHOTO: ANISUR RAHMAN

Abide by court verdict

PM urges Khaleda UNB, Sunamganj

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has again urged Opposition Leader Khaleda Zia to vacate the Dhaka Cantonment house abiding by the High Court verdict.

She said when the army officers are suffering from accommodation crisis, it is possible to provide housing facilities to at least 200-250 army officers on the land of the house now "occupied by" Khaleda Zia.

The opposition leader and her party are defying the High Court verdict to save her "illegal house", she said at an opinion-exchange meeting with local lawmakers and Awami League leaders at the conference room of Tahirpur

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KHALEDA'S CANTONMENT HOUSE SC sits Nov 29 for hearing

HC's one-month no- eviction order on govt ends tomorrow

ASHUTOSH SARKAR

The Supreme Court yesterday adjourned till November 29 the hearing on Khaleda Zia's appeal that challenged the High Court's verdict regarding the government notice to vacate her cantonment home.

A three-member SC bench, headed by Chief Justice ABM Khairul Haque, adjourned the hearing after Khaleda's lawyer TH Khan sought more time.

The court did not stay the HC verdict that upheld the government notice to Khaleda asking her to vacate the house. The HC in that verdict on October 13 said the procedure through which the house was given to Khaleda was illegal. It asked the government to give Khaleda 30 days' time to vacate the house.

Khaleda's 30-day time runs out tomorrow.

Confusions have risen whether Khaleda has to leave the house by tomorrow and whether the government can evict her.

After the SC's order, TH Khan, who prayed for more time as he

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It's a bid to destabilise country Says Delwar

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

BNP Secretary General Khandaker Delwar Hossain yesterday accused the government of destabilising the country through "a conspiracy to evict Khaleda Zia" from her Dhaka Cantonment house.

"The government is conspiring to oust Khaleda Zia from her house by taking the administration, judiciary and army in its favour," he said while addressing a discussion meeting at the Jatiya Press Club.

Jatiyatabadi Swechhasebak Dal, a front body of the main opposition, organised the meeting on the occasion of the "National Revolution and Solidarity Day" which BNP observed on November 7.

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Mobile courts to punish stalkers

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Mobile courts can now try stalkers on the spot by sentencing them to one-year imprisonment or fining or both.

A gazette notification was issued to this effect yesterday empowering the executive magistrates to try stalkers. This has been done by incorporating Section 509 of the Penal Code into the rules of the Mobile Court Act 2009. The amendment has been

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Families must lead

Roundtable told ways to tackle stalking

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The state should enforce strict laws and wage a social movement against stalking of women while families must teach children social and moral values to stop the menace.

Stalking has turned into a deadly social disease like terrorism, speakers at a roundtable noted yesterday, stressing the need for using a term like "sexual harassment", not eve teasing for stalking.

They also suggested increasing interaction between boys and girls by arranging social and cultural programmes and involving them in more extra curricular activities.

The roundtable titled "Social resistance

against stalking" was organised by daily Prothom Alo at its office attended by a cross section of people yesterday.

Emphasising the need for changing the mindset towards women, speakers said all the components of the society -- family, educational institution and media -- will have to resist the nuisance from a united platform.

Speaking as chief guest, Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid said the rising number of stalking incidents is the manifestation of overall social and moral degradation.

"We're formulating a modern curriculum and we'll include these issues so the male students can learn to respect their counterparts."

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House of Chakma Raja burnt

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Rangamati

The temporary residence of Chakma Raja Debashish Roy in the district was severely damaged by a fire last night.

Dany Chakma, a staff of the residence, told The Daily Star that the fire broke out at the tinshed house around 6:30pm and the house was burnt severely before the members of Fire Service and Civil Defence (FSCD) could rush to the spot.

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10-TRUCK ARMS CASE Tk 700cr spent to shoot troubles

Money came from Ulfa, an embassy, Babar tells CID

KAILASH SARKAR

The United Liberation Front of Asom (Ulfa) in India and the embassy of another South Asian country paid Tk 700 crore to high-ups of the BNP-led four-party alliance and intelligence agencies for safe transshipment of 10 truckloads of arms seized in Chittagong in 2004.

Detained former state minister for

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Suu Kyi to be freed

AFP, REUTERS, Yangon

Preparations are under way for the expected release of Myanmar's detained opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi, officials said yesterday, after the army's proxies claimed a landslide election win.

The Nobel Peace Prize winner, who has spent most of the past two decades locked

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