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List of war criminals soon

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government will soon publish a list of war criminals or collaborators, who worked against the independence of Bangladesh in 1971, said State Minister for Liberation War Affairs Capt (retd) AB Tajul Islam yesterday.
In response to lawmakers' queries in parliament, the state

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Osman lands in jail

OUR CORRESPONDENT, N'ganj

Former Awami League lawmaker AKM Shamim Osman, who was sentenced to jail for 11 years in two graft cases, was sent

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CTG ARMS HAUL Babar influenced probe report

Ex-home secy tells court

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Former state minister for home Lutfozzaman Babar forced a probe body not to mention NSI officials' involvement in smuggling and offloading arms in the arms haul case probe report, said former home secretary Omar Faruk before a

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Graft charges pressed against Eskandar

COURT CORRESPONDENT

The Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) yesterday pressed charges against Maj (retd) Sayeed Eskandar, brother of

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PRAYER TIMING February 7

	Azan	Jamaat
Fajr	5:30	6:05
Zohr	12:45	1:15
Asr	4:15	4:30
Maghrib	5:52	5:56
Esha	7:15	7:45

Source: Islamic Foundation

RIVER-GRABBING NOW & THEN



JANUARY 2, 2011

ANISUR RAHMAN



MAY 22, 2009

FILE PHOTO

The 2009 photo shows a vested quarter filling up a portion of the Turag near Sinnirtek to sell plots to people. The recently taken photo on the left shows the plots are still there and a new scheme going on close to the horizon where influential locals are grabbing more of the river.

Climate fallout to trigger migration

ADB study focuses on more challenges for Bangladesh

PORIMOL PALMA

Bangladesh will face mounting challenge of resettling and rehabilitating the people displaced by climate change, says an Asian Development Bank study.
The country is already at high risk of catastrophic environmental hazards and

floods from sea surges, river flow, rainfall and coastal and riverbank erosion that are likely to force more people from their home.
Those together with economic factors are causing rural-urban and international migration, said the study titled Climate

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Bigots foil Ahmadiyya convention

STAR REPORT

In the wake of protests from religious bigots, Gazipur district administration yesterday prevented the 87th annual convention of Ahmadiyya Muslim Jamaat slapping section-144 in and around the venue.
Armed police were deployed at Bahadurpur Scout Training Camp where over 8,000 followers

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RUPGANJ HOUSING SCHEME

Army acted like land-grabbers

Environmental, human rights bodies tell press

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The attempt to purchase land by force for an army housing scheme at Rupganj in Narayanganj is a violation of people's constitutional right to life and livelihood, said rights activists and environmental-

ists at a press conference yesterday.
They demanded cancellation of the housing project and also a judicial probe into a villager's death in a battle between law enforcers and the locals protesting the scheme.

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PHOTO: STAR

Alleged supporters of today's countrywide hartal torch a bus near Matshya Bhaban intersection in the capital yesterday evening turning it into a charred wreckage.

Share price fall sparks protest

STAR BUSINESS REPORT

Hundreds of angry investors took to the streets in the financial district of Motijheel once again to protest a slump in share prices yesterday.
They expressed solidarity with today's countrywide dawn-to-dusk hartal called by the main opposition BNP.
Starting on a negative note, the General Index of Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) came down to 6,719 points, registering a 406 points or 5.7 percent fall at the end of a four-hour trading session.
The market remained in the red for the third consecutive trading session with a cumulative drop of 590 points.
Angry investors streamed into the street in front of the premier bourse at about 12:20pm shortly after the General Index fell by more than 300 points.
They set fire to paper and wood, and blocked the road from Shapla Chattar to Ittefaq crossing, bringing traffic in the area to a halt for more than three hours.
Vehicular movement on the road resumed at about 3:45pm after the law enforcers dispersed the protesters.

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SHIP-BREAKING YARD HC orders Sitakunda blast probe

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday directed the Chittagong Port authority to investigate the explosion that killed four workers at a ship-breaking yard in Sitakunda on January 18.
The court asked the port authority to submit a probe report by March 6.
It directed the chief inspector of the Directorate of Explosives to inform it whether Mak International Corporation, which owns the ship-breaking yard, had obtained a gas free certificate.

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Tannery owners not helpful

Environment state minister tells JS on relocation

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Hazaribagh tannery owners' responses are not at all conducive to implementing the High Court verdict that ordered their factories to be relocated, State Minister for Environment Hasan Mahmud told the House yesterday.
In response to lawmakers' queries, Hasan mentioned the government steps to execute the High Court verdict and move the tannery industry to Savar to protect the city's residential areas as well as the Buriganga from pollution.
The verdict delivered in June, 2009 asked authorities concerned to complete the relocation by February 28, 2010. But the government failed to do the job and sought more time from the court. The High Court had extended

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ONLINE POLL

Do you agree with BNP General Secretary Khandaker Delwar Hossain that Bangladesh has no need of any new airport in 20 years if the capacity of existing airport is utilised properly?

Yes (60.86%)

No (38.43%)

No Comments (0.71%)

TOTAL VOTES : 700

TODAY'S POLL

Do you find any justification in not withdrawing Monday's hartal called by BNP despite the cancellation of the plan to build new airport in the Arial Beel?

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