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TUMPA, BABLA MURDER
HC asks cops to explain

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court in a suo moto move yesterday summoned the officers-in-charge concerned to explain their actions regarding the murders of school-girl Tumpa and her brother Babla.

The HC bench of Justice Shamim Hasnain and Justice Md Rezaul Hasan ordered the OCs of Shahbagh police in Dhaka and Raipura

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BGMEA BUILDING

HC appoints 5 amicus curiae

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday appointed five lawyers as amicus curiae for giving expert opinions over the legality of the BGMEA building's construction.

The lawyers are Rakanuddin Mahmud, AF Hasan Ariff, Fida M Kamal, Syeda Rizwana Hasan and Sara Hossain.

The HC bench of Justice AHM Shamsuddin Chowdhury Manik and Justice Md Zakir

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One hurt in Jubo League gunfight

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A man was injured in a gunfight between two Jubo League factions over setting up of a club at Baridhara in the capital yesterday.

Badda police said around 30 armed men of two groups led by Palash and Jahangir locked into a clash around 4:30pm.

Bullet-hit Harun-or-Rashid, 38, of Jahangir group was

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PRAYER TIMING February 23

	Azan	Jamaat
Fajr	5-20	5-55
Zohr	12-45	1-15
Asr	4-30	4-45
Maghrib	6-03	6-07
Esha	7-30	8-00

Source: Islamic Foundation

Nasty 'fun' costs a life

Boy dies as truckers force him to drink liquor

M RAHMAN and SHAHEEN MOLLAH

A seven-year-old boy died on Monday, four days after he was forced to drink alcohol by a group of drug addicts at Tejgaon rail gate in the capital.

Kala Chand, son of Abdur Razzak Bhandari of the city's Tejgaon truck stand slum area, lost the battle for life at National Institute of Diseases of Chest and Hospital (NIDCH).

Witnesses said truck driver Jahangir and two others stopped Chand in front of a grocery shop in the area when he was going to buy his breakfast around 11:30am



Kala Chand

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People demonstrate in the port city of Tobruk, Libya yesterday in support of the anti-government protesters calling for Gaddafi's ouster.

PHOTO: REUTERS

LIBYA REVOLT

Gaddafi vows to die 'a martyr'

REUTERS, Tripoli

A defiant Muammar Gaddafi vowed yesterday to die "a martyr" in Libya and said he would crush a revolt which has seen eastern regions already break free from four decades of his rule.

Swathed in brown robes, Gaddafi seethed with anger and banded

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SC gets 1st woman judge

Three others too appointed; few HC judges to go on 'protest' leave

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

For the first time in the history of country's judiciary, a woman judge has been appointed to the Supreme Court (SC), along with three new judges.

The president elevated four senior High Court judges-- Justice MA Wahhab Miah, Justice Nazmun Ara Sultana, Justice Syed Mahmud Hossain and Justice M Imman Ali--to the Appellate Division.



Justice Nazmun Ara

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FAIR UP POLLS
EC meets major parties tomorrow

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Election Commission (EC) will sit tomorrow with major political parties including Awami League and BNP, seeking their help to keep the upcoming union parishad

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2009 MUTINY

310 more BGB jawans charged

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A special court of Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB), formerly BDR, yesterday pressed charges in a case against 310 jawans of 36 Rifle Battalion for their involvement in February 2009 mutiny.

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The Mahasthangarh Mazar Development Committee brings out a procession demanding the start of development work of the mazar, which is on the land of the 2,700 years old historic site in Bogra. A number of known drug addicts were also seen in the procession.

PHOTO: STAR

New Zealand quake kills 65

AFP, Christchurch

A powerful earthquake killed at least 65 people in New Zealand's second city Christchurch yesterday, crushing buildings and vehicles and leaving hundreds trapped and screaming for help.

"We may be witnessing New Zealand's darkest day," Prime Minister John Key said after the 6.3-magnitude quake pummelled the city, just six months after buildings were weakened by a 7.0 quake that miraculously claimed no victims.

"People are just sitting on the

side of the road, their heads in their hands. This is a community that is absolutely in agony," Key said, warning that the toll was likely to rise.

New Zealand's deadliest tremor in 80 years struck as city streets were packed with lunchtime shoppers,

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