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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 schoolgirl 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 **SEE PAGE 13 COL 2**

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

Rokanuddin 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 **SEE PAGE 13 COL 3**

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 SEE PAGE 13 COL 1



Nasty 'fun' costs a life

Boy dies as truckers force him to drink liquor

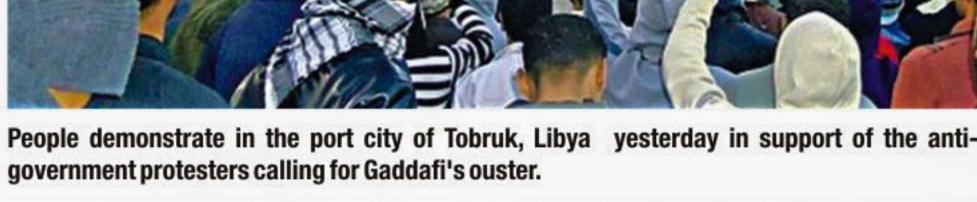
M RAHMAN and SHAHEEN MOLLAH

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 SEE PAGE 13 COL 1





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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LIBYA REVOLT Gaddafi vows to die 'a martyr' REUTERS, Tripoli A defiant Muammar Gaddafi vowed yesterday

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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 banged **SEE PAGE 13 COL 5**



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SC gets 1st woman judge

Three others too appointed; few HC judges to go on 'protest' leave The president elevated four

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.

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. SEE PAGE 6 COL 1



Justice Nazmun Ara

League and BNP, seeking

FAIR UP POLLS

EC meets

tomorrow

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

(EC) will sit tomorrow

ties including Awami

their help to keep the

upcoming union parishad

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with major political par-

major parties

The Election Commission

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 6.3magnitude 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, **SEE PAGE 13 COL 4**



