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'Removal' rolls into HC Border wait

Order on Yunus' petition Sunday; Nobel hero wants a 'graceful solution' to his departure from Grameen

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Professor Muhammad Yunus yesterday went to court challenging the central bank order that removed him from the post of managing director of Grameen Bank, while the wider international community showed its displeasure at the way the Nobel prize winner for Bangladesh was treated.

The court fixed March 6 (Sunday) for delivering an order on a writ petition filed by Yunus. The Nobel winner found himself in the middle of a

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Arguments in court

ASHUTOSH SARKAR

Appearing for Prof Muhammad Yunus, eminent jurist Dr Kamal Hossain prayed for a ruling on the government to explain why the Bangladesh Bank's "letter of removal" should not be declared illegal. He also prayed for a stay order on the effectiveness of the central bank's letter.

Nobel laureate Yunus at the High **SEE PAGE 13 COL 1**



Prof Muhammad Yunus is surrounded by Grameen Bank directors and well wishers at the chamber of Dr Kamal Hossain before a hearing in the High Court yesterday.

PHOTO: PALASH KHAN

Battle of equals

Tigers face West Indies today

gets longer

When thousands of Bangladeshis are crowding the

Tunisian and Egyptian borders to escape the Libyan

conflict, and international agencies are struggling for

evacuation, the Bangladesh government is still "assess-

in the North African country to oust its leader Muammar

Gaddafi, the government has been saying it will evacuate

meeting on Tuesday said a Bangladesh Navy ship from

Lebanon will head for Libya to join the rescue effort, no

Asked when the ship will start for Libya, an official of

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ICC Cricket World Cup

2011

SA crush Dutch

Pak beat Canada

See Star Sport

Although Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina at the cabinet

Ever since the violent conflict began in mid-February

ing its capacity" to bring the Bangladeshis home.

the Bangladeshi nationals when it is "necessary".

ship actually took the course.

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

BISHWAJIT ROY

The tag of favourites cannot be attached to either side when Bangladesh take on West Indies at the Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium in Mirpur for today's 'crucial' day-

night Group Bencounter. On paper, Bangladesh have the slight edge as they entered the World Cup one place above the West Indies in ICC's official rankings. Additionally they have the sweet

memory of a series victory in their last engagement in the Caribbean two years back.

But in reality this West Indies side is not the same team they faced two years back following the return of the firstchoice players likes Chris Gayle, Ramnaresh Sarwan and Shivnarine Chanderpaul.

One thing is however guaranteed for Shakib Al Hasan's **SEE PAGE 7 COL 4**

US deeply troubled Image dented Moriarty says Hillary-Yunus meet Mar 28;

diplomats, donors worried, frustrated

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Foreign diplomats in Bangladesh have sharply reacted to the government's move to remove Nobel laureate Prof Muhammad Yunus from Grameen Bank and none of them took it positively.

They said they never thought that the government could make such an extreme move

Admits Muhith, but says 'we had no other alternative' STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh's image has been dented due to the government's "removal" of Nobel laureate Professor Muhammad Yunus from Grameen Bank, Finance Minister AMA Muhith admitted

Is this the way to treat our Nobel laureate?

Can a technicality be the main measure of judging a man of Yunus' stature?

COMMENTARY MAHFUZ ANAM

So after all the talk of "blood sucking" and "siphoning off billions" the real guilt of our one

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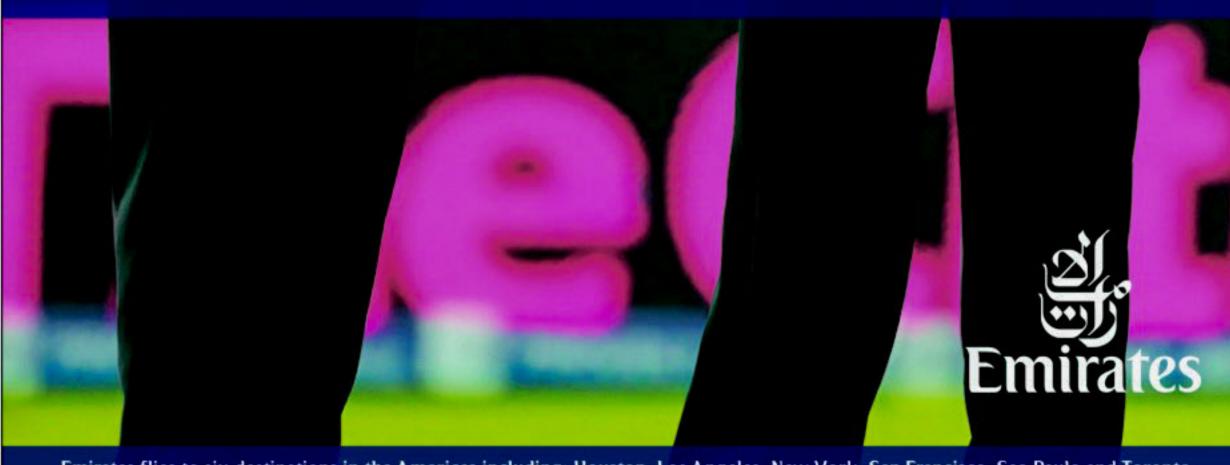
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