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Crisis deepens

Thousands of African workers flee Libya, join Bangladeshis at border camp

MORSHED ALI KHAN from Choucha at Tunisia-Libya border



Hungry, tired and penniless thousands of stranded Bangladeshi men at the Choucha camp near the Libya-Tunisia border gathered in front of the International Organisation for Migration office yesterday, demanding to know when they will be repatriated.

thousands of African nationals from troubled Libya overnight and during the day. Yesterday morning the entire desert-like area, where hundreds of tents have been set up by different organisations, was extremely crowded with the arrival of the Africans in their numbers.

Although aid workers there said the Bangladeshi migrant workers will receive priority in repatriation, the process suffers further blow with the fresh arrival of

Aid workers said the situation improved a little with more organisations joining the efforts to cope with the situation.

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Bangladesh opener Imrul Kayes pulls the ball during his unbeaten 73 in the win against Netherlands at the Zohur Ahmed Chowdhury Stadium in Chittagong yesterday.

Tigers' Dutch demolition

BISHWAJIT ROY from Ctg

So, sanity has been restored. There were no heart stopping or topsy-turvy moments, and more importantly there were no roller-coaster rides that have been associated with the Tigers in the tournament, as they comfortably posted a six-wicket victory over the Netherlands to take a bold step towards the quarterfinals of the ICC Cricket World Cup yesterday.

Shakib Al Hasan's men

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Freedom finally

Somali pirates free 26 Bangladeshis, ship after 99 days

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Somali pirates yesterday released MV Jahan Moni with 26 Bangladeshis aboard, around 99 days after the Bangladesh-flagged ship was hijacked in the Arabian Sea off the coast of India.

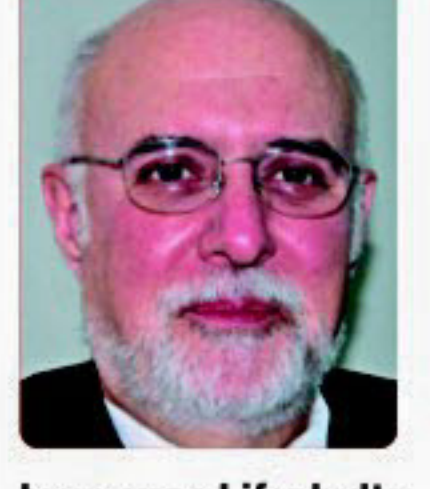
On its release, the ship set sail for Port Salalah of Oman where it is expected to reach on March 17, said Meherul Karim, general manager of the vessel's operating company Brave Royal Ship Management Ltd.

"The pirates left the ship at 9:57am Bangladesh time,

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BANGABANDHU KILLING Zia passively involved

Lifschultz tells HC, submits written statement on Taher killing



Lawrence Lifschultz

ASHUTOSH SARKAR

Gen Ziaur Rahman was passively involved in the assassination of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, US journalist and writer Lawrence Lifschultz yesterday told the High Court.

This has become clear from the conversations with Col Farooq Rahman and Col Abdur Rashid, convicted killers of Bangabandhu, and from the book Bangladesh: A Legacy of Blood written by

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Japan grapples with nuclear meltdown

A third reactor loses cooling system

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A second explosion has hit a nuclear plant that was damaged in Friday's earthquake, but officials said the reactor core was still intact.

A huge column of smoke billowed from Fukushima Daiichi's reactor 3, two days after a blast hit reactor 1.

The latest explosion, said to have been caused by a hydrogen build-up, injured 11

people, one of them seriously. Soon afterwards, the government said a third reactor at the plant had lost its cooling system, reports BBC.

Water levels were now falling at reactor 2, which is to be doused with sea water, said government spokesman Yukio

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