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**in Short**

**Girl takes her life for stalking**

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Benapole

A schoolgirl committed suicide on Saturday night failing to stand the humiliation by a stalker on her way home.

Thirteen-year-old Dola Khatun, daughter of Mizanur Rahman of

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**Female student killed by husband**

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A female student of a private university was killed allegedly by her husband at city's Rayerbazar yesterday.

Shahbagh police recovered the body of Qamrun Nahar Nadia from her husband Shafiqur Rahman's car, which was parked

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**Two crushed under trains**

UNB, Gazipur

Two young men were crushed under the wheels of trains in separate incidents in Gazipur district yesterday.

Sub-Inspector of Tongi railway police camp Abul Khair said Ripon, 28, went under wheels of Dhaka bound Dhumketu

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**SUMMIT POWER Deals not signed**

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The scheduled signing of the final agreements between the government and local Summit power for three major power projects totalling 1,017-megawatt capacity did not take place yesterday, as the law ministry did not

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**ONLINE POLL**

Do you think BNP chief Khaleda Zia's blame on government for misdeeds, failure, breach of commitments, ill-governance and inability to lead the administration is justified?

Yes 64.1%  
No 32.9%  
No Comments 3.0%

TOTAL VOTES : 602

**TODAY'S POLL**

Do you think BNP should respond positively to the invitation of parliamentary special committee on constitutional amendment?

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**PRAYER TIMING** April 25

	Azan	Jamaat
Fajr	4:20	4:55
Zohr	12:45	1:15
Asr	4:45	5:00
Maghrib	6:29	6:34
Esha	8:00	8:30

Source: Islamic Foundation

# Little cheers for school bus service

HELEMUL ALAM

Three months into its operation the special school bus service is losing both passengers and money casting a shadow over the prospects of its extension across the capital city.

Introduced on January 16, the experimental 14-bus service of Bangladesh Road Transport Corporation (BRTC) is now limited to only one route: Mirpur-11 to Azimpur via Mirpur-1 and Kalyanpur.

With the launching of the service the BRTC had hoped to wean car-riding students on to the public transport and thus help ease the city's notorious traffic congestions. It also hoped to extend the service to other routes provided the experiment proves a success.

The response so far is not going the BRTC's way.

Students from car-owning families cold shoulder the special school bus service. It is being used largely by students from low-income families who use public transport.

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Three schoolchildren and a few guardians ride a bus of the special school bus service as it exits the Mirpur-11 BRTC bus depot. Months after it was introduced, the buses fail to woo enough passengers costing the state Tk 19,000 a day in losses.

PHOTO: RASHED SHUMON

## 2001 POST-POLLS VIOLENCE

# Focus on serious crimes

*Offences include 3,270 rapes, 355 murders by BNP-Jamaat cadres; probe report handed over to govt*

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The judicial commission probing the 2001 post-polls violence has found evidence of over 3,625 incidents of major crime including killing, rape, arson and looting by cadres of the then ruling BNP-Jamaat alliance in 15 months since October that year.

"The commission considered a total of 3,625 major offences. Of these, 355 are politically motivated murders while 3,270 are incidents of rape, arson, looting and such other atrocities," said Monwar Hossain, member-secretary of the commission, while handing over the report to Home Minister Sahara Khatun yesterday.

The 1,078-page report has five parts describing atrocities committed in Rajshahi, Khulna, Chittagong, Sylhet, Barisal, Bhola, Mymensingh, Jhalokathi, Jessore and other areas of the country.

The report was not made public yesterday.

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## AUG 21 PROBE

# CID given 9th time extension

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday extended until May 22 the time for further investigation into one of the two cases in connection with the August 21 grenade attack on an Awami League rally in 2004.

With this, the Criminal Investigation Department

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## SHOT INTO DISABILITY

# File case against Rab in 24 hours

## Orders Jhalakathi court

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barisal

A Jhalakathi court yesterday afternoon ordered police to record within 24 hours the case Henoara Begum had filed with the court against Rab for maiming her son Limon.

Police also have to inform the court after carrying out the order, it said.

Nashimul Hassan, counsel of Henoara Begum, said he along with other lawyers yesterday submitted a petition

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A faction of Awami League with home-made spears and shields take position at Fultola Bazar of Paikpara union in Madaripur just like a medieval army during their clash with a rival Awami League faction over illegally grabbing a piece of land. Story on page 9.

PHOTO: STAR

## HUMAYUN AZAD MURDER

# 4 cops in soup

*Court orders their arrest for filing false case*

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday cancelled bail and issued arrest warrants against four police officials in a case filed for falsely implicating and torturing a Dhaka University student for the attempt on Prof Humayun Azad's life.

The cops are the then officer-in-charge Mahbubur Rahman, sub-inspectors Rezaul Karim and Naser Ali of Ramna Police Station, and sergeant Anwar Hossain, who was in-charge of Nilkhet Police Box.

Third Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate Mohammad Ali Hussain also framed charges against the police officials, now on bail, and fixed July 25 for trial of the case.

The defendants were not present at the court during the hearing and no prayer was submitted on behalf of them.

Mohammad Abu Abbas Bhuiyan, complainant of the case and a student of Political Science department of DU, was present at the court.

A gang of miscreants attacked Prof Azad in front of

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# Cash-strapped IOM looks for partnership

*Its chief also tells The Daily Star about the hurdles in evacuating Bangladeshis from Libya*

PORIMOL PALMA

The International Organisation for Migration (IOM) is seeking partnership with employer companies and labour-exporting countries to help migrants return from politically troubled Arab and African nations.

"It has to be a partnership that should be much of bur-



William Lacy Swing

den-sharing. And that's where probably the answer lies," said IOM Director General William Lacy Swing.

He said he had no clear-cut idea about the reintegration of migrants who have returned home empty-handed.

IOM top officials attended the April 18-22 consultation

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