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RIVER PILLAR CONTROVERSY Ministry to turn to HC

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Ruling Awami League chief Sheikh Hasina today joins the talks on constitutional amendments and is likely to clarify her party's stance on some crucial issues including state religion and caretaker government system. The debate on the sensitive issues is drawing much attention as components of the AL-led grand alliance were divided over those at the talks with the parliamentary special committee on constitutional amendments on Monday.

A major component of the alliance -- Jatiya Party --

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FACING JS BODY
Fakhruddin,
Moeen get
2nd letter

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The parliamentary sub-committee probing the DU violence in 2007 has once again asked former chief adviser Fakhruddin Ahmed and former army chief Moeen U Ahmed to appear before it on June 5.

In separate letters

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Drama at Ctg
port over army
equipment

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Customs authority temporarily stopped delivery of an 18-box imported container at a Chittagong Port jetty yesterday, fearing arms consignment.

Suspicion arose

after officials noticed a "rifle-like objects"

peeping out from a

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PHOTO: STAR

Mostafa and Laboni, accused of leaking question papers and now suspended from BG Press, hide their faces from camera yesterday as they showed up to collect their pay checks. Inset, press employees chanting slogans demanding punishment of the suspended staff.

ONE BANGLADESHI IN GUANTANAMO Detained for 5yrs for vague reasons Says WikiLeaks

UNB, Dhaka

The leak of some 759 "detainee assessment" dossier reveals the file on Mubarak Hussain bin Abul Hashem, the lone Bangladeshi who was incarcerated at Guantanamo Bay for his "possible ties" with Islamist extremists.

The dossiers were released on Monday by the New York Times in the US, and the Guardian, UK, who

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Businessman shot dead at Tongi

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A real estate businessman was killed and his chauffeur injured when unidentified miscreants riding on a motorcycle opened fire on his car at Tongi on the outskirts of the city yesterday.

In another incident, owner of a printing press was injured when a robber

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Home makes U-turn Abandons plan to let off 7 charge-sheeted accused

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The home ministry has decided not to press ahead with its controversial move to see a murder case withdrawn against seven charge-sheeted accused.

Special Public Prosecutor Abu Abdullah said the ministry's law desk yesterday asked him not to file any petition with the trial court for withdrawal of the case.

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Sand traders occupy a large portion of the Turag in Sinnirtek. Grabbing of rivers continues and the government is installing pillars to demarcate the rivers but the Turag will have to wait for its pillars.

PHOTO: ANISUR RAHMAN

MAIMING LIMON Case against Rab men taken finally

OUR CORRESPONDENT,
Barisal

Police have finally recorded a case against six Rapid Action Battalion personnel for shooting and maiming college student Limon.

Rajapur police registered the case lodged by Henu Ara Begum, mother of the 16-year-old, last night.

Earlier in the evening,

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Coal holds gas hopes Hydrocarbon Cell forecasts crisis may ease next year

SHARIER KHAN

The Hydrocarbon Cell of the energy ministry in a report has said gas production from the existing wells could be increased within the next year in three phases to greatly minimise the existing crisis.

In its draft report on gas augmentation measures, the cell spelled out three types of solution to minimise the crisis that is affecting household stoves to power plants of the country.

At present, Petrobangla's affiliates are supplying maximum 2,000 million cubic

feet gas per day (mmcf) against a demand of 2,500 mmcf. In light of this shortfall, the government from last year has suspended giving new domestic gas connection.

The first solution proposed by the Hydrocarbon Cell can be implemented within three months as it involves servicing, tuning or replacing various valves, chokes and other surface equipment. The main objective of this step is to change the pattern of the present gas production and distribution system. No investment is

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Physical, mental abuses banned Education ministry elaborates policy on corporal punishments

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Three Bangladesh Government (BG) Press staff, who were suspended temporarily for their alleged involvement in question paper leak, incurred colleagues' wrath as they came to collect allowance yesterday.

The three, Shahidul Islam Fakir, composito

ATM Mostafa, another composito

Mostafa's wife Laboni Begum, binder, were confined at the main office for more than an hour by the press employees.

Witnesses said the three were assaulted by

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Islam Fakir, composito; ATM Mostafa, another composito; Mostafa's wife Laboni Begum, binder, were confined at the main office for more than an hour by the press employees.

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Banned mental punishments are making derogatory comments about students' parents, family histories, clans, castes, races or religions in classrooms; or making any indecent gesture which can have adverse impact on

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CHEHLUM

Begum Lutfunnessa, wife of Late Mr. Wahiduzzaman (former Commerce Minister of Pakistan), passed away on the 19th of March, 2011 in Dhaka. Innaillah Wa Inna Maine Razeen. Her Chehlum will be observed on Thursday, the 28th of April, immediately following the Maghrib prayers at the Old DOHS (Banani/Kakoli DOHS) Community Center. Relatives, friends and well-wishers are requested to join our prayers for the salvation and eternal peace of the departed soul.

Family Members of Late Mr. Wahiduzzaman and Begum Lutfunnessa