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Dilara Choudhury focuses on Pakistan's dilemma in its relations with the US

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NEW SEC MEMBERS

Securities and Exchange Commission got two more members yesterday

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SCANDAL PULLS DOWN ANOTHER

French Civil Service Minister Georges Tron, accused of sexual harassment, resigned yesterday

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Khaleda returns home

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia returned home yesterday afternoon ending her 15-day visit to the US and the UK.

Several thousand leaders, workers and supporters of the party received their leader outside Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport at about 5:15pm. They carried banners, placards, festoons and portraits of late president Ziaur Rahman, Khaleda Zia and her son Tarique Rahman.

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Zia's death anniversary today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

BNP observes the 30th death anniversary of its founder and late president Ziaur Rahman today.

The party and its front and associate organisations have taken a 12-day

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School children of Jubo Digital Primary School during their assembly at Aronkhola in Madhupur of Tangail. Inset, A few of the hard-working labourers who run the school with money put aside from their small earnings so that these children can have free primary education.

PHOTO: MIRZA SHAKIL



Gas crisis deepens

Comilla gas field undergoes repair

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A sudden drop in gas production in Tullow's Bangura gas field in Comilla is affecting gas pressure to various parts of the capital.

The gas production of the Bangura field has almost been halved sources said. Until last week the field was producing 120 million cubic feet (mmcf) of gas per day.

The country consumes

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LIMON SHOOTING

Left parties want fair investigation

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barisal

A number of leftist parties have demanded a fair investigation into the shooting of the college student Limon Hossain by Rab.

A 10-member team of eight left political parties yesterday made the call after visiting the 16-year-old's village in Rajapur upazila of Jhalakathi.

"After talking with the witnesses, we are convinced that Limon is an

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FREE PRIMARY SCHOOL IN TANGAIL

Labourers the founders

MIRZA SHAKIL, Tangail

A few day labourers have set a rare example of devotion to education and the society in a remote village in Tangail at a time when many have turned education into a tool of making a fast buck.

The labourers, mostly rubber garden

workers and rickshaw-van pullers, set up a primary school at Aronkhola village from their daily savings three years back.

Nearly 228 students from play group to class-V study in the school for free and receive free reading and writing materials from the school.

The village, nearly 18 kilometres off

Madhupur upazila, has a population of 7,000. The two nearest schools -- Aronkhola Government Primary and Amtoly Primary schools -- are four and five kilometres away from the village hemmed in by a forest on one side and water bodies on the rest. The children of the village had to take a muddy path,

cross a river and three water bodies to go to the two schools.

A group of 17 day labourers, most of them young, decided to change that by setting up a school in 2008.

Of them, Faruque Hossain, 30, a day labourer at Pirgachha rubber garden,

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FALSE INFO IN POLLS DECLARATION EC for role of voters

Wants them to lodge complaints against MPs

SHAKHAWAT LITON

The Election Commission seeks to empower voters to file complaints with the commission against members of parliament if they conceal information or furnish false information about themselves in the affidavit submitted in the run up to parliamentary elections.

The EC also wants the authority to cancel election of such MPs, and declare their seats in the parliament vacant.

The commission drafted proposals to bring changes in

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Fund dearth hits vital hospital

Over-priced purchase of drugs, equipment seen as reason; ministry probing corruption allegations

MAHBUBA ZANNAT

The immediate past director of the National Institute of Cardiovascular Diseases (NICVD) is being investigated for alleged corruption in purchase of drugs, and medical and other equipment for the 370-bed specialised public hospital.

The NICVD authorities complained to the health ministry that former director Abul Hussain Khan Chowdhury exhausted the Tk 4 crore procurement budget that had been allocated for the

current fiscal year, plunging the hospital into trouble.

He spent the entire amount on procurement of equipment and drugs that could have been purchased at Tk 2 crore, half the price, according to the complaints the NICVD authorities filed based on the procurement receipts.

Responding to the written allegations, the health ministry formed an investigation committee headed by Shuvash

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NEWS ANALYSIS

Promises not kept by India

REZAUL KARIM

It has been nearly a year since India agreed to export 5 lakh metric tons of rice to Bangladesh. The rice never arrived.

Four years ago Pranab Mukherjee, a powerful minister, came to Bangladesh to see the damages caused by cyclone Sidr along the coast. He announced that India will rebuild one of the devastated villages, a goodwill gesture Bangladesh gladly accepted.

Since then Pranab has been transferred from External Affairs Ministry to the Finance Ministry. But his promise to Bangladesh remained unfulfilled.

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It's political instability, not climate

Evans on Bangladesh's biggest threat

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

British High Commissioner in Dhaka Stephen Evans yesterday said the biggest threat to Bangladesh is not climate change but political violence and instability.

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BSTI destroys artificially ripened mangoes at the garbage dump of Amin Bazar on the outskirts of the capital yesterday after a mobile court confiscated the fruit in Karwan Bazar.

PHOTO: PALASH KHAN

CHEMICALLY-TREATED Mango trader jailed

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A mobile court in the capital yesterday sentenced a mango trader to six months in jail for artificially ripening mangoes with calcium carbide, a chemical harmful to human health.

The court conducted by Bangladesh Standards and Testing Institution (BSTI) handed down the sentence to Abdul Hamid, manager of Sonar Bangla Banijyalaya, a wholesale fruit shop at the city's Karwan Bazar.

The mobile court team, backed by Rapid

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