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A American woman works on securing an American flag in a tree as they deal with the destruction caused by a massive tornado that passed through the town killing at least 139 people yesterday in Joplin, Missouri. President Barack Obama is scheduled to visit the town as it continues the process of recovering from the storm.

Nato strikes, friendly fire kill 52 in Afghanistan

Karzai issues 'last warning' to US over civilian deaths

AFP, Kandahar

Afghan authorities said yesterday Nato had killed 52 people, mostly civilians, in air strikes against insurgents as violence picked up in recent weeks with the start of the fighting season.

Meanwhile, Afghan President Hamid Karzai called yesterday on the US military to avoid operations that kill civilians, saying it was his "last warning" to Washington after 14 people allegedly died in an air strike.

Reacting to the alleged deaths of 10 children, two women and two men in an air strike on Saturday in the southern province of Helmand, Karzai said such incidents were "murdering of Afghanistan's children and women."

"The president called this incident a great mistake and the murdering of

Afghanistan's children and women, and on behalf of the Afghan people gives his last warning to the US troops and US officials in this regard," his office said, adding that he "strongly condemned" the killings.

Adopting an unusually angry tone, Karzai said the US-led operations were "arbitrary" and unnecessary.

US Marines in Helmand's Nawzad district called in air support after their base came under attack from small arms fire, the provincial government said in a statement.

"ISAF are aware of the reports that civilians were allegedly killed in an ISAF air strike," Major Tim James, a spokesman for the Nato-led International Security Assistance Force, told AFP.

(The) Regional Command South

West has sent a joint assessment team to the area to look into the allegation and they will issue their findings to the press."

Separately the governor of Nuristan yesterday told AFP that 18 civilians and 20 police were killed by "friendly fire" during US-led air strikes against insurgents in his troubled northeastern province.

Nuristan was the scene of heavy battles last week between the Taliban and Afghan security forces. The police and civilians were targeted Wednesday after they were mistaken for militants, Jamaluddin Badr said.

"The policemen were killed due to friendly fire," Badr said, adding the air strike in the troubled district of Do Ab targeted a location that the officers "had just" taken from the insurgents during fighting.

Pakistan must tackle terror

Says Indian PM

AFP, New Delhi

India's prime minister called on Pakistan to wake up and tackle the "monster of terrorism" that threatens not only itself but the South Asian region, a report said Saturday.

"As Pakistan's neighbour we have great worries about the terror machine that is still intact in Pakistan," Premier Minister Manmohan Singh was quoted as saying by the Press Trust of India.

Singh, who was returning home from Africa after a six-day trip, used his strongest language yet about Islamist militant activities in Pakistan.

"The more I see of what is happening in Pakistan, the more I am convinced that

Pakistan's leadership must now wake up," to the threat posed by militants, Singh said.

New Delhi has long accused its neighbour of harbouring militant groups, but analysts say it is becoming increasingly concerned that growing unrest in Pakistan could compromise the safety of the country's nuclear arsenal.

India was particularly alarmed by a 17-hour Taliban siege of a strategic Pakistan naval air base last weekend in which heavily armed militants destroyed two surveillance planes and killed 10 personnel.

"We must convince Pakistan it is in their own interest that they must help us in tackling the problem of terror in the region," Singh said in the report.

West doesn't want to give up IMF post

Says India

AFP, New Delhi

India's prime minister Saturday said there appeared little hope that an emerging nation candidate would be chosen to head up the International Monetary Fund in the current contest.

Wealthy nations do not want to give up their power, the Press Trust of India quoted Premier Manmohan Singh as saying aboard a plane carrying him home from Tanzania following a six-day trip to Africa.

"The struggle for a better, balanced and more equitable world order, including the management of global institutions like the IMF and the World Bank, the (UN) Security Council, is going to be a long haul," Singh said.

Five top emerging powers -- India, Brazil, Russia, China and South Africa -- have complained that the IMF top job should not automatically go to a European, as tradition dictates.

Nepali parties agree to extend parliament

Prime minister to step down

AFP, Kathmandu

Nepal's main political parties agreed yesterday to extend parliament's term for three months, leaders said, in an eleventh-hour deal that will see the prime minister step down.

The agreement followed days of tense negotiations over the future of Nepal's parliament, or Constituent Assembly (CA), elected in 2008 on a two-year mandate to write a new constitution for the young republic.

Despite being granted an extra 12 months last year, it has been unable to complete the task, amid fierce disagreements between the main political parties.

Its term was due to expire on Saturday, plunging the country into legal limbo. But Bhim Rawal, a senior leader of the ruling UML (Unified Marxist-Leninist) party, said opposition lawmakers had agreed to give it three more months.

He said the deal would see Prime Minister Jhalanath Khanal step down at an unspecified time in the future to pave the way for a new power-sharing government.

The parties have also committed to produce a draft constitution in that time, he said. Parliament was to vote on the extension

Egypt arrests Iran diplomat for spying

AFP, Cairo

Egyptian authorities have arrested an Iranian diplomat on charges of spying on the North African country for Tehran's intelligence services, state media reported yesterday.

A judicial source confirmed his arrest, which was denied however by the Iranian interests section in Cairo.

"The state security prosecution today began an inquiry into Iranian diplomat Qasim al-Hosseini, who works at the Iranian interests section in Cairo," the Egyptian state news agency MENA reported.

Hosseini, who was arrested a few days ago, had been accused of "spying for a foreign state (Iran) in order to harm Egypt's interests," said MENA.

An initial probe found the diplomat gathered "information about Egypt on the latest developments the country has experienced and the conditions through which it is passing, then sent them to Iran's intelligence services," it added.

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TENDER NOTICE

Sealed quotations are invited from Internationally reputed Computer Hardware, Network and related equipment manufacturers /their authorized business partners/distributors for supply, installation and commissioning of Brand PC, 650 VA UPS, Dot Matrix Printer (with network and without network), Laser Printer, Color Printer, Scanner, Cisco Router, Cisco Switch, 19U Rack (600X600mm), 2 & 3 KVA online UPS and Mid range server.

Tender Schedule will be available from IT Division, 6th fl, Head Office, Social Islami Bank Ltd from 10.00 A.M. to 4.00 P.M. on all working days between 30.05.11 till 06.06.11 on payment (non-refundable) of Tk. 300/- as PO for each item schedule in favor of "Social Islami Bank Ltd". The offers / quotations should be dropped in the Tender Box, latest by 4.00 P.M. on 06.06.11. Tenders will be opened on the same day at 4.10 P.M. by the "Tender Opening and Evaluation Committee" in presence of the bidders or their authorized representatives.

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Vice President, IT Division.

সঞ্চয় সেবা সপ্তাহ-২০১১

(৩০ মে থেকে ০৫ জুন ২০১১)

সঞ্চয় আত্মনির্ভরশীলতার প্রতীক

: জাতীয় সঞ্চয় প্রকল্পসমূহ :

- ০১। ৫ বছর মেয়াদী বাংলাদেশ সঞ্চয়পত্রঃ মেয়াদান্তে মুনাফা ১০.৫০%।
- ০২। ৩ মাস অন্তর মুনাফাভিত্তিক সঞ্চয়পত্র (তিন বছর মেয়াদী)ঃ মেয়াদান্তে মুনাফা ১০.০০%।
- ০৩। পেনশনার সঞ্চয়পত্র (৫ বছর মেয়াদী)ঃ মেয়াদান্তে মুনাফা ১১.০০%।
- ০৪। পরিবার সঞ্চয়পত্র (৫ বছর মেয়াদী)ঃ মেয়াদান্তে মুনাফা ১১.০৪%।
- ০৫। ওয়েজআর্গার ডেভেলপমেন্ট বন্ড (৫ বছর মেয়াদী)ঃ মুনাফার হার ১০.৫০% (চক্রবৃদ্ধি হারে)।
- ০৬। ইউএস ডলার প্রিমিয়াম বন্ড (৩ বছর মেয়াদী)ঃ মেয়াদান্তে মুনাফা ৭.৫০%।
- ০৭। ইউএস ডলার ইনভেস্টমেন্ট বন্ড (৩ বছর মেয়াদী)ঃ মেয়াদান্তে মুনাফা ৬.৫০%।
- ০৮। বাংলাদেশ প্রাইজবন্ডঃ প্রতি ৩ মাস অন্তর ড্র। প্রথম পুরস্কার ৬ (ছয়) লক্ষ টাকা।
- ০৯। ডাকঘর সঞ্চয় ব্যাংকঃ
 - (ক) সাধারণ হিসাবঃ মুনাফা ৭.৫০%।
 - (খ) মেয়াদী হিসাব (৩ বছর মেয়াদী)ঃ মুনাফা ১০.০০%।
- ১০। ডাক জীবনবীমাঃ প্রিমিয়ামের হার কম কিন্তু বোনাসের হার বেশী।

Obama to be hit by scandal soon

Political scientist predicts

PTI, London

US President Barack Obama may face his first big scandal pretty soon, according to a leading political scientist.

Based on his mathematical formula, Brendan Nyhan of Michigan University has predicted in his report to 'Centre for Politics' website yesterday that President Obama's administration is set to be rocked by a major controversy soon.

The political scientist defines scandal as the "elite perception of misbehaviour whose occurrence is also influenced by political and media context".

And, according to him, the likelihood of a scandal hitting America's first black President may unfold before the 2012 presidential election, rising between 95 and 100 per cent by June of next year, the Daily Mail reported.

"Obama has been extremely fortunate: My research on presidential scandals shows that few presidents avoid scandal for as long as he has," says his report based on interpretation of data from presidential scandals between 1977 and 2008.

Nyhan says his research is supported by the lack of support among Republicans for the Obama administration, and predicts the US President will follow "a similar trajectory to Ronald Reagan and Bill Clinton (who both suffered significant first-term scandals)."

He noted discontent among Republicans could contribute to encourage "opposition legislators and members of the news media to promote allegations of misconduct" against President Obama who has been in office for a little over 24 months.

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Invitation for Re-Tender (National) of Dates (Khajur)

1	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Commerce.
2	Agency	Trading Corporation of Bangladesh (TCB).
3	Procuring entity name	Chairman, TCB.
4	Procuring entity code	No applicable.
5	Procuring entity district	Dhaka
6	Invitation for	Dates (Khajur).
7	Invitation Ref. No.	No. TCB/IMP-1020/Khajur/2011.
8	Date	25-05-2011

KEY INFORMATION

9	Procurement method	Open Tendering Method (National).
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FUNDING INFORMATION

10	Budget and source of funds	TCB's own fund.
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PARTICULAR INFORMATION

11	Tender package No.	No. TCB/IMP-23/2011.
12	Tender package name	Dates (Khajur).
13	Tender publication date	26-05-2011 to 27-05-2011.
		Date Time
14	Tender last selling date	08-06-2011 05:00pm
15	Tender closing date & time	09-06-2011 12:30pm
16	Tender opening date and time	09-06-2011 12:45pm
17	Name & address of office(s)	Address:
	-Selling tender documents:	(1) Sonali Bank Ltd., Kawran Bazar Branch, TCB Bhaban, Dhaka, (2) Rupali Bank Ltd, TCB Bhaban Branch, TCB Bhaban, Kawran Bazar, and (3) National Bank Ltd, Kawran Bazar Branch, BTMC Bhaban, Kawran Bazar, Dhaka, (4) TCB's regional offices at Dhaka, Chittagong, Rajshahi, Khulna and TCB's Camp Office at Rangpur.
	-Receiving tender document	Import Section, TCB, TCB Bhaban, 1, Kawran Bazar, Dhaka.
	-Opening tender document	Conference Room, TCB, TCB Bhaban, 1, Kawran Bazar, Dhaka.

INFORMATION FOR TENDERER

18	Eligibility of tenderer	All eligible tenderer from Bangladesh.
19	Brief description of goods	Purchase of 1000 M.Tons (± 5%) Dried, Semi Dried Dates Sayer & Zahidi. Out of which 500 M.T. Sayer & 500 M.T. Zahidi. Tenderer may submit offer for the whole quantity or part quantity but the minimum quantity will be 200 M. Tons (± 5%). Samples of 10 (ten) kg in a packet are to be submitted along with the offer. Other terms and conditions are given in the tender form. Offers should be strictly in accordance with the tender terms and conditions as mentioned in the tender documents.

PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS

22	Name of official inviting tender	Md. Bazlur Rashid.
23	Designation of official inviting tender	Senior Executive (Import), TCB, Kawran Bazar, Dhaka.
24	Address of official inviting tender	Principal Office, Trading Corporation of Bangladesh (TCB), 1, Kawran Bazar, Dhaka.
25	Contact details of official inviting tender	Tel. No. 880-2-8141827 Fax No. 880-2-8113582 <e-mail> tcb@tcb.gov.bd
26	Special instructions:	a) The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any/all tenders.

Md. Bazlur Rashid
Senior Executive (Import)

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