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# Shut sewerage, waste lines to Buriganga

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HC gives govt one year for the job

ASHUTOSH SARKAR

The High Court yesterday directed the government to seal off all the sewage outlets into the Buriganga River within next year.

In response to a writ petition, the HC also directed the authorities concerned to stop dumping waste into the river and declared their inaction in preventing water pollution illegal. The authorities are also to clean up the river and move all the sources of pollution from there.

A rights organisation filed the petition May last year based on a

report published in The Daily Star on April 25 the same year under the headline "Untreated waste dumped into Buriganga".

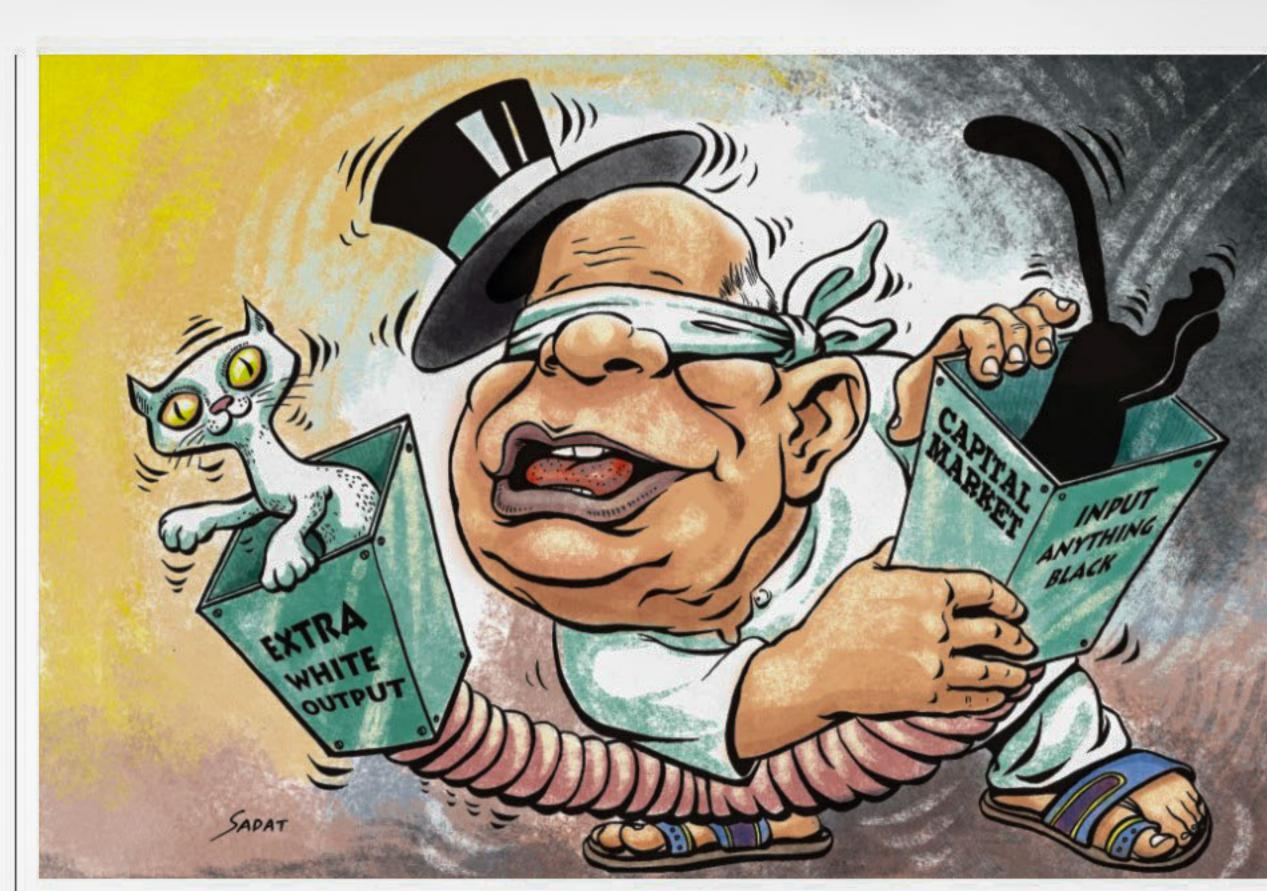
The HC bench of Justice AHM Shamsuddin Chowdhury Manik and Justice Gobinda Chandra Tagore directed the chairman of Dhaka Water Supply and Sewerage Authority (Wasa) to take steps to seal off the waste outlets and submit a compliance report to it every month.

The director general of Department of Environment, director (port and traffic) of Bangladesh Inland Water Transport Authority

(BIWTA) and officers in charge of Kotwali, Hazaribagh, Lalbagh, Kamrangirchar and Demra police stations will have to take measures to stop waste disposal into the river.

The BIWTA chairman is also to submit a compliance report to the HC bench every month.

The court asked the Dhaka City Corporation (DCC) to immediately start cleaning the riverbanks and not to dump anymore waste into or by the river. DCC will also set up signboards and placards along the Buriganga and arrange awareness SEE PAGE 19 COL 5



# Black money beckons

Govt may offer amnesty for investors in share market, infrastructure

REJAUL KARIM BYRON

The government may allow whitening money in two sectors in the next national budget under pressure from interest groups.

It considers giving scope for whitening money only in the stockmarket and the infrastructure fund, not any other sector, said a

finance ministry official asking not to be named.

The issue of whitening money was discussed in detail in a highlevel government meeting a few days back, the official said.

The government may give scope for whitening money in the stockmarket on payment of 10 percent tax under pressure from lobby-

the market. Any individual may be allowed to whiten money through investment in an eight-year infrastructure development fund on payment of 10 percent tax.

ists, who claim this will help boost

The fund was to be created in the current fiscal year but has not been introduced yet. It will be created in

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# Announce BNP, Jamaat STAFF CORRESPONDENT

BNP and its key ally Jamaat-e-Islami yesterday called dawn-to-dusk hartal across the country for June 5, demanding the caretaker system must stay in place for holding parliamentary elections.

The announcement for the simultaneous programme came from separate press briefings to protest what both parties said the government move to scrap the provision for caretaker government system in the constitution.

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# Hartal on June 5 Businesses for strong, free EC

Joint statement of 28 bodies says no to caretaker system

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FBCCI) and 27 other leading business bodies yesterday in a joint statement supported holding the next general election under a strong Election Commission rather than a caretaker government.

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## An interesting story killed

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

State-run Bangladesh Sangbad Sangstha (BSS) yesterday at 4:10pm published a very significant story on Limon Hossain, who had been shot into disability by Rab earlier, attributing a highly placed source close to Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina.

The story was updated at 4:30pm. But within 5 hours it was withdrawn,

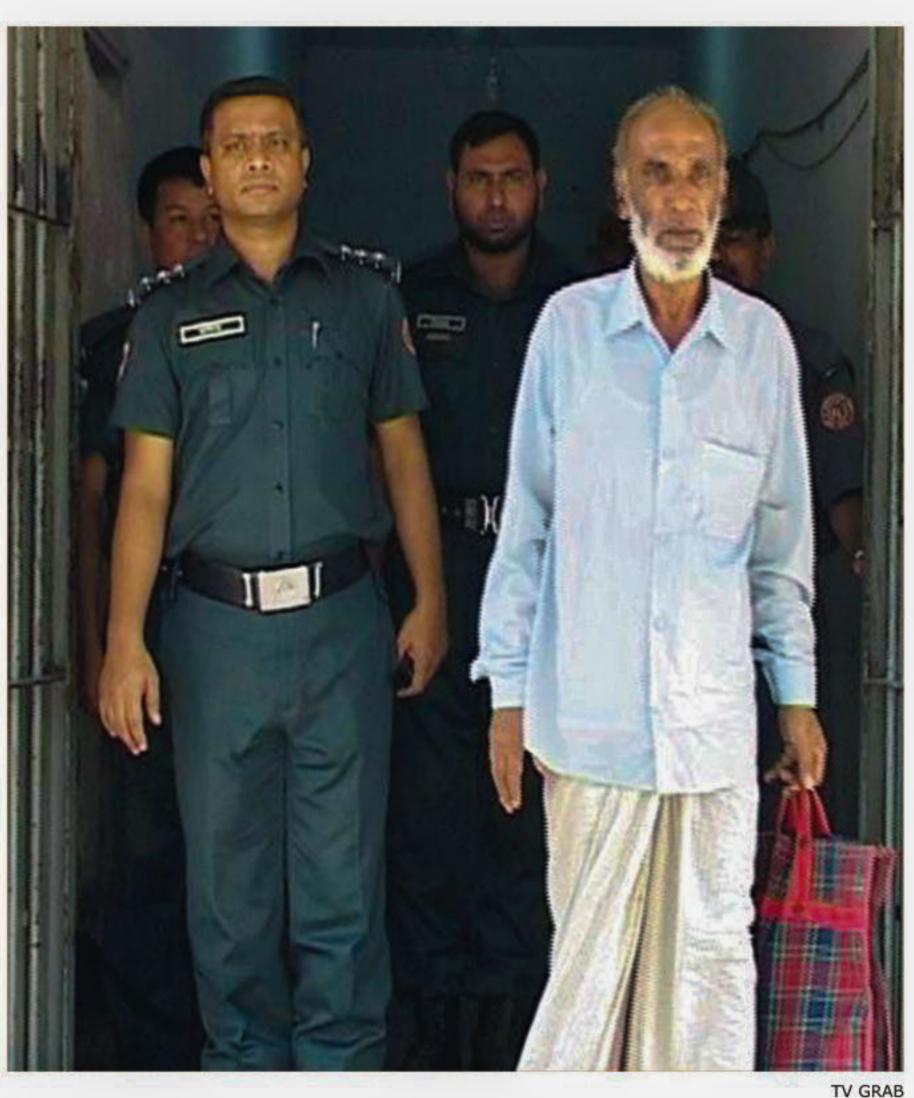
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# Limon quizzed again

Left parties demand new probe body STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The home ministryassigned investigator questioned Limon Hossain, maimed after being shot by Rapid Action Battalion in Jhalakathi, for the second

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Siddique Ahmed, whose indictment led to the annulment of the seventh amendment to the constitution, is coming out of Chittagong Central Jail on bail yesterday.

### 7TH AMENDMENT Man behind SC verdict freed on bail

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Siddique Ahmed, the man behind a historic verdict cancelling the seventh amendment to the constitution, was freed on bail from Chittagong jail yesterday.

A martial law court in 1986 awarded him life imprisonment in a murder case. He was imprisoned for around four years till April 2010 after police arrested him in July 2006.

"I have lost everything. My life is ruined," he told journalists getting out of the jail.

Siddique claimed he had no idea about the murder and did not know why he was accused and awarded the punishment.

Sixty-five-year old Siddique of Bathua village in Patiya upazila filed a writ petition in January last year with the HC

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