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Fake doctor sent to jail

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday sent a fake doctor of a renowned private hospital to jail after he surrendered before it and sought bail in a fraud case filed against him.

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30TH BCS EXAMS 9,050 qualify for viva voce

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Public Service Commission (PSC) yesterday published the written test results of the 30th Bangladesh Civil Service (BCS) examinations.

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Soccer coach flies home without notice

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Robert Rubcic, head coach of the national football team, left Bangladesh yesterday morning without prior notice, The Daily Star has learnt.

The 46-year-old Croat departed in a

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BUS SERVICE CRISIS
Office-goers turn to trains

HELEMUL ALAM

Trains between the capital and its adjoining districts see a rise in passengers, as chaos over fares continues to trouble the bus service.

There has been an increase in commuters by nearly 10 to 15 percent in train services on Narayanganj-Kamalapur and Joydevpur-Kamalapur routes in the last two weeks, said a railway official asking not to be named.

He said 24 trips, each with 450 passengers are operated on Dhaka-Narayanganj route, and eight more, each with 700 passengers, on Dhaka-Joydevpur route every day.

Despite a huge demand for the service, the train running on Narayanganj-Kamalapur route has only seven compartments, said the railway official.

"I have been travelling to my workplace in Motijheel by train for the last 15 days to save time and money," said Mozammel Haque, a private job holder.

It takes Tk 50 to go to Motijheel by a rickshaw from Satish Sarkar Road at Gendaria and Tk 10, upped recently from Tk 8, by bus, he said.

"It is easy for me to go to my office by train that takes 15 minutes to reach Kamalapur. Then I go the distance on foot," Mozammel said.

Mehedi Hasan, a staff of Almas Super Market in Gulshan, said he can save at least an hour by travelling to Gulshan from Gendaria.

"It takes about 15 minutes to go to Kamalapur. Then I

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Commuters including school-goers struggle and elbow each other to get on a train at the Airport Railway Station in the capital yesterday as bus services fail to cater to their needs.

PHOTO: RASHED SHUMON

AL digging its own grave

BNP insists no JS polls under AL
STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Leaders of the main opposition BNP yesterday said ruling Awami League has dug its own grave by, what they termed as, "taking a stance against the caretaker government system".

The opposition leaders said ruling AL wants to scrap the system, as it understands it has no chance to win the next general election if held under a caretaker government.

"Sheikh Hasina is going to kill her own brainchild only to hold an election under her government by any means."

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Hartal against govt or court?

PM asks BNP
BSS, Dhaka

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday castigated the main opposition BNP for calling a countrywide dawn-to-dusk hartal on Sunday on the caretaker government issue.

"Has BNP called for the hartal against the government or the court that declared the caretaker government system illegal?" she questioned when a delegation of Nitol-Niloy and IPSSL groups called on her at her office in the afternoon.

Referring to the Supreme Court verdict on the

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ONLINE POLL

Do you support opposition's dawn-to-dusk hartal on June 5 on the issue of scrapping the caretaker government system?

Yes (57.1%)
No (40.1%)
No Comments (2.8%)

TOTAL VOTES: 608

TODAY'S POLL

Do you think the caretaker government system issue may push the country towards instability?

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Flaws in Biman annual report

'Wrong posting' inflates its Tk 25cr loss to Tk 80cr
SHARIFUL ISLAM and RASHIDUL HASAN

Biman incurred a loss of Tk 25.72 crore in the 2009-10 financial year, and not Tk 80 crore as shown in its annual statement, authorities now say.

Biman sources said the financial report showed a Tk 56-crore debt to jet fuel supplier Padma Oil Company on June 30 last year although the actual amount was Tk 1.72 crore.

This "wrong posting" in the account book of the national flag carrier triggered widespread criticism.

"We've detected the flaw. A committee is investigating whether the debt of Tk 56 crore to Padma oil was posted mistakenly or intentionally," said Biman Board Chairman Air Marshal (ret'd) Jamal Uddin Ahmed.

He warned of punitive actions on the basis of report of the three-member enquiry committee headed by Maj Gen Hameed-Al-Hasan, a Biman board member.

Two chartered accountant firms audited the report before it was submitted to the government but they failed to point it out, sources said.

ATM Kamal Uddin of MJ Abedin and Co, one of the two firms, told The Daily Star that they audited the financial

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মূল্য সংযোজন কর (VAT) পরিশোধ করুন
অভ্যন্তরীণ সম্পদ আহরণে অবদান রাখুন

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SC dismisses Tarique's plea

Money laundering trial can now run under 2002 law
STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Supreme Court yesterday upheld its previous rule in connection with the money laundering case against BNP leader Tarique Rahman saying that the case can run under Money Laundering Prevention Act 2002.

A seven-member bench of the Appellate Division led by Chief Justice Md Muzammel Hossain dismissed the review petition filed by Tarique against its February 9 order.

The Anti-Corruption Commission filed the case on

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Govt to amend law to end CHT land disputes

Minister tells JS
STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government has moved to amend some provisions of the existing Land Commission law to properly resolve land disputes, the main reason for unrest in the Chittagong Hill Tracts.

State Minister for Chittagong Hill Tracts Affairs Ministry Dipankar Talukder also told the House yesterday that the government will move to hold election to the CHT Regional Council after settling a case pending with the High Court in this regard.

"Land dispute is the main reason behind the unrest in the Chittagong Hill Tracts. It is now imperative to amend

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PRAYER TIMING June 3

Azan	Jamaat
Fajr 4-05	4-40
Juma	12-30 1-15
Asr	5-00 5-15
Maghrib	6-45 6-50
Esha	8-15 8-45

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