



Indian police officers look for clues at the blast site in Dadar Kabutar Khana area, in Mumbai yesterday. Multiple blasts have rocked India's financial hub, police said, in what the Home Ministry described as a "terror strike". At least 13 people were killed and 100 injured in three separate, the home ministry said.

PHOTO: AFP

# West ups pressure for UN action on Syria

## Russia opposes any outside interference

AFP, Damascus

Western governments ratcheted up the pressure for UN Security Council action against Syria yesterday with France branding blocking moves by China and Russia "indecent."

US President Barack Obama said his Syrian counterpart Bashar al-Assad had no legitimacy after repeatedly ducking opportunities for reform, as ties between Damascus and Western governments nosedived after pro-regime protesters attacked the US and French embassies.

An explosion, meanwhile, hit a pipeline in northeastern Syria in the

first attack on the country's energy infrastructure since unprecedented protests against Assad's rule erupted in mid-March, state media and activists said.

France, which with other European governments has been circulating a draft resolution at the Security Council for months only to see it blocked by veto-wielding permanent members China and Russia, said it was vital the world body take action over Assad's deadly crackdown on dissent.

"It is indecent because Bashar al-Assad has mobilised incredible resources to neutralise his opposition," said Defence Minister Gerard Longuet.

"Countries... like China... and Russia must accept common rules -- one does not deal with one's opposition with cannon fire," he told the LCI news channel.

Human rights groups say Syrian security forces have killed at least 1,300 civilians and arrested more than 12,000 in a crackdown in which security service agents backed by troops have gone house-to-house to crush any display of dissent.

French Prime Minister Francois Fillon said on Monday that it was "no longer acceptable" that Russia and China were allowed to block the draft resolution on Syria.

# Pak intelligence chief heads to US for talks

AFP, Islamabad

Pakistan's spymaster yesterday left for US talks on intelligence cooperation, hoping to shore up the strategic alliance against al-Qaeda that hit crisis point after the US killing of Osama bin Laden.

In a rare move following months of increasing acrimony between Islamabad and Washington, Pakistan said Ahmad Shuja Pasha, head of the Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI) agency, was en route to the US for the top-level talks.

"He is going there to discuss the intelligence coordination," Pakistani army spokesman Major General Athar Abbas told AFP.

The visit comes after the United States decided to withhold a third of its annual \$2.7 billion security assistance to Islamabad after Pakistan ordered dozens of military trainers out of the country after the May 2 bin Laden raid.

# Rahul Gandhi begins 2-day Orissa tour

IANS, Bhubaneswar

Congress general secretary Rahul Gandhi yesterday reached Orissa for a two-day trip that will take him to several districts as he attempts to strengthen the grassroots base of the party.

Gandhi arrived at Kotpad village in the tribal populated district of Koraput at about 9.45am in a helicopter from Jagdalpur in Chhattisgarh, deputy inspector general of police Soumendra Priyadarshi told IANS.

He interacted with a group of Youth Congress activists at the village.

The Congress MP, who had last week marched through several villages in Uttar Pradesh, is scheduled to visit Jharsuguda, Mayurbhanj, Bhadrak and Khordha districts. He will also address a public meeting in Bhubaneswar Thursday, a senior party leader said.

# TELANGANA STATEHOOD BID Local leaders launch 48-hour fast

IANS, Hyderabad

Defying Congress leadership, leaders from Telangana region yesterday launched a 48-hour hunger strike in Andhra Pradesh, demanding the separate state of Telangana.

Having failed to garner any assurance from the party high command despite their resignations from parliament and state legislature last week, the Congress leaders began the two-day fast.

Despite rains lashing the city early morning, six parliamentarians, two state ministers and a few legislators along with their supporters, launched the fast at Indira Park here at 10am.

The leaders who sat on the fast include MPs K Keshava Rao, G Vivek, G Sukhender Reddy, S Rajaiiah, K Rajagopal Reddy, Ponnamb Prabhakar and ministers K Jana Reddy and Basvaraj Saraiah.

They said more leaders would join them in the fast later.

G Sukhender Reddy told reporters that they were using Gandhian methods to mount pressure on the central government to initiate the process for formation of Telangana, in line with its statement of Dec 9, 2009. The central government had then promised to initiate the formation of the state.

Chief Minister N Kiran Kumar Reddy and State Congress Chief Botsa Satyanarayana had Tuesday advised the ministers and legislators not to go on fast.

The agitating Congress leaders also rejected the party's appeal that they take back their resignations.

Eleven MPs and 40 members of assembly belonging to Congress party had submitted their resignations last week.

# Dirty socks could help fight malaria: Researcher

AFP, Montreal

The odour of dirty socks can be used to lure mosquitoes into a deadly trap before they can spread malaria, a US and Canadian-funded researcher based in Africa said yesterday.

Dr Fredros Okumu, of the Ifakara Health Institute in Tanzania, discovered through an experiment that mosquitoes were more

attracted to the odour of filthy feet than to live humans sleeping in the same area.

"We had an experimental house with a human being sleeping inside and a second experimental house with a synthetic mixture," he told AFP by telephone.

"We realized that we were getting four times more mosquitoes going into the house with (the) synthetic mixture," which, when doused with insecticide, killed the bugs.

**সোনালী ব্যাংক লিমিটেড**  
প্রধান কার্যালয়, ঢাকা  
মানব সম্পদ উন্নয়ন বিভাগ  
**মৌখিক পরীক্ষার বিজ্ঞপ্তি**

সোনালী ব্যাংক লিমিটেড অফিসার পদে যোগ্য প্রার্থীদের মৌখিক পরীক্ষা আগামী ২৬ জুলাই, ২০১১ তারিখ থেকে সোনালী ব্যাংক লিমিটেড, প্রধান কার্যালয় (৩য় তলা), মতিঝিল, ঢাকায় শুরু হবে। প্রার্থীদের অনুকূলে ইন্টারভিউ কার্ড ইস্যু করা হচ্ছে।

অফিসার পদে যোগ্য প্রার্থীদের মৌখিক পরীক্ষার তারিখ ও সময় জানার জন্য সোনালী ব্যাংক লিমিটেড এর ওয়েবসাইট [www.sonalibank.com.bd](http://www.sonalibank.com.bd) ভিজিট করার জন্য প্রার্থীদের অনুরোধ জানানো যাচ্ছে।

মৌখিক পরীক্ষায় অংশগ্রহণের সময় এমসিকিউ ও লিখিত পরীক্ষার প্রবেশপত্রটি অবশ্যই সঙ্গে আনতে হবে। শিক্ষাগত যোগ্যতার মূল সনদ, নাগরিকত্ব সনদ, মুক্তিযোদ্ধা সার্টিফিকেট (প্রযোজ্য ক্ষেত্রে), ইকুইভ্যালেন্ট সার্টিফিকেট (প্রযোজ্য ক্ষেত্রে) এর মূল কপি প্রদর্শনে ব্যর্থ হলে কোন অবস্থাতেই মৌখিক পরীক্ষা গ্রহণ করা হবে না। মৌখিক পরীক্ষায় অংশগ্রহণের জন্য কোন টিএ/ডিএ দেয়া হবে না। পরীক্ষা শুরুর ১ ঘণ্টা পূর্বে পরীক্ষা কেন্দ্রে রিপোর্ট করতে হবে।

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কবির বিন আনোয়ার  
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**Tailbacks**  
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tailbacks on all major city streets and it lingered throughout the day, traffic officials said.

Thousands of office goers heading for Motijheel, the Secretariat, Paltan and the nearby commercial regions were stuck in jams for hours. Processions of BNP activists going to the hunger strike venue simply added to the sufferings.

Raihan, a motorcyclist from Paltan, said he had to change his route thrice to reach Farmgate from Jatiya Press Club. Despite attempts to make the journey shorter, it took him nearly an hour to reach his destination, usually a 10-minute ride.

Gridlocks crippled city life near all major thoroughfares with one side of the street devoid of vehicles and the other packed like sardines.

Five-minute rides stretched to half an hour and half hour journeys took nearly two hours. Many car users, who had drivers, got out of their vehicles and completed the journey on foot.

As buses remained stranded in traffic, hundreds of city dwellers were seen waiting at bus stops throughout the day. Farmgate was particularly crowded as people were seen waiting for buses on the pavement from Farmgate to Karwan Bazar.

Many of the exasperated city dwellers decided to walk home.

"I waited for a bus at Farmgate for nearly an hour. If I started walking earlier, I would have reached home in Mohammadpur by now," said Jamal Uddin, who was seen walking towards Bijoy Sarani along with the masses.

The high humidity and temperature, which rose to 33.4 degree Celsius yesterday, according to the Met office, only added to the woes of those going to work or home.

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**Tender Notice**

REF. NO: DACMP/039/2011/225 DATE: 12/07/2011

BIMAN BANGLADESH AIRLINES LIMITED.		
1	Agency	Biman Bangladesh Airlines Limited.
2	Procuring Entity Name	Director Engineering
3	Invitation for	Technical and financial proposal for selection of agency to support Line and Light Maintenance up to 'A Phase' check and to provide Tools/Logistic Support for two Boeing 777-300ER aircraft at Dhaka base.
4	Invitation Ref No	DACMP/039/2011/225
5	Date	12/07/2011
KEY INFORMATION		
6	Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method
PARTICULAR INFORMATION		
7	Tender Package No.	01 (one)
8	Tender Package Name	Maintenance and Tools/Logistic Support for two Boeing 777-300ER aircraft for Dhaka base.
9	Turn Around Time	The Contract would initially be made for a period of 09 (nine) months beginning immediately from the first aircraft delivery at Dhaka. Extension of the contract may be made for another 3 (three) months or mutually agreed period between the parties. The tentative delivery of the first aircraft is first half of October 2011.
10	Tender Publication Date	14/07/2011
11	Tender Closing Date and Time	Date: 10/08/2011 Time: 1430 LT.
12	Tender Opening Date and Time	10/08/2011 1440 LT.
13	Name & Address of the office (s)	Address
	Place where Tender Document will be available	Tender notice and Tender Document/Schedule can be viewed at Biman's website (www.biman-airlines.com). Interested Tenderer will be required to download the Tender Document/Schedule and prepare their tender proposal as per requirement of the Tender Document.
	Receiving Tender Document	Director Engineering Biman Bangladesh Airlines Ltd. Biman Hangar Complex, HSIA, Dhaka-1229
	Opening Tender Document	Engineering Hangar Conference room, Biman Bangladesh Airlines Ltd. HSIA, Dhaka-1229, Bangladesh.
14	Earnest Money	The Tenderer must submit refundable earnest money through a Bank Draft/Banker's cheque in favour of Biman Bangladesh Airlines Ltd. for the amount of US\$ 1,000.00/ (US\$ One thousand) only along with the bid documents, the validity of which should be at least for four (04) months. Earnest money of non-responsive Tenderers will be refunded immediately after evaluation of the offer.
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER		
15	Eligibility of Tenderer	(a) The Tenderer must be an established MRO/reputed Airline with requisite facilities and adequate manpower to provide Maintenance and Tools/logistic support and aircraft certification in Dhaka and also in line stations (if required) for two Boeing 777-300ER Aircraft. (b) The Tenderer shall have valid Certificate of Approval from FAA and/or EASA and local Regulatory Authority of the bidder's country. (c) The Tenderer shall have adequate standard and special Tools, Equipment to provide all logistic support for Boeing 777-300ER aircraft.
16	Description of Works	The Tenderer shall agree to maintain two Biman owned Boeing 777-300ER aircraft as per approved Maintenance Program, Maintenance Schedule, applicable Manuals and documents. This would include all kinds of Aircraft Maintenance up to A Phase Check (line & light Maintenance) level, and also Transit certification at Biman Boeing 777-300ER operated Line stations (any one or more if required by Biman).
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS		
17	Name of Official Inviting Tender	M. M. Asaduzzaman Wg. Cdr. (Retd.)
18	Designation of Official Inviting Tender	Director Engineering
19	Address of Official Inviting Tender	Biman Engineering Hangar Complex, HSIA, Dhaka-1229, Bangladesh.
20	Contact details of Official Inviting Tender	Tel: 880-2-8901313 Fax: 880-2-8901639 E-mail: debiman@bdbiman.com
21	Special instruction:	i. If any unavoidable circumstances arise at the date of receiving/opening of the tender, the next working day will be scheduled for receiving and opening the tender. ii. The tenderer or their authorized representatives are allowed to attend the opening of tenders. iii. Interested tenderer may obtain further information from the office of the Dy. Chief Engineer, Engineering Planning: Address: Engineering Department, Biman Engineering Hangar Complex, HSIA, Dhaka- 1229 Bangladesh. Tel: 880-2-8901274 E-mail: mpbiman@bdbiman.com iv. Tender Schedule will be available at Biman's website (www.biman-airlines.com) from 13/07/2011. v. If any offer be found containing forged, false or in-genuine documents or information, the whole offer document will be rejected and the earnest money will be forfeited without serving any notice. vi. Biman Bangladesh Airlines Ltd. reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders.

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