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# TEESTA RIVER Dhaka, Delhi to assess waters

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh and India are going to exchange data on the availability of water in the Teesta to sort out the Teesta water-sharing deal.

Dhaka will ask New Delhi for 15 years' data on water availability in the Teesta between North Sikkim and Gazoldoba in Paschimbanga. New Delhi has already asked for similar data recorded at the Teesta barrage point in Bangladesh.

The two neighbours had agreed to sign a 15-year interim treaty to equally share the Teesta water without exchanging the hydrological data of the Teesta.

"We were supposed to exchange the hydrological data for a permanent treaty. But Dhaka was keen on signing an interim treaty while we collect and analyse the data," said Sheikh Wahiduzzaman, secretary to the water resources ministry of Bangladesh.

The interim Teesta deal which was supposed to be inked during the visits of Manmohan Singh on

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Hajj pilgrims are crossing the boarding bridge at Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport. Biman Bangladesh Airlines carried 505 pilgrims to Saudi Arabia on its first hajj flight of the year yesterday. Story on page 2

PHOTO: STAR

# 'Final game' against govt after road marches

Says Khaleda

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Terming the ruling Awami League an "anti-liberation force", BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia yesterday urged the people to make the earlier announced road march programmes a success, and said a "final game" against the government will follow that.

"I will visit the whole country to let the people know about corruption and misdeeds of this government before going for the final game. Those who want to chain the people will be chained by ousting

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The Daily Star

Integral Energy Limited ONLINE POLL

Do you support BNP's demand for restoration of caretaker government system to hold the next general elections?

Yes (82.1%)  
No (16.3%)  
No Comments (1.6%)

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Fajr 4-35	5-10
Juma 12-30	1-15
Asr 4-30	4-45
Maghrib 6-09	6-12
Esha 7-45	8-15

Source: Islamic Foundation

# Tasnim survived, did not send out alert call

## Army officer could not explain his action during cross-examination at BDR carnage trial

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Lt Col Mohammad Abu Tasnim, the third prosecution witness in the BDR carnage trial, had failed to perform his duty as the commanding officer of signal sector at the border force headquarters since he had not inform the high-ups about the mutiny.

Defence counsel Aminul Islam yesterday said this at the make-shift Metropolitan Sessions Judge's Court at Bakshi Bazar in the capital.

On September 21, Tasnim told the court about his hours in captivity along with seven family members at Pilkhana and how the crisis unfolded on February 25-26, 2009.

He was present at the Darbar Hall in the morning of February 25 when sepoy Moyeen with firearms appeared on the stage as the first sign of the bloody mutiny that left at least 74 people, including 57 army officers, killed.

Yesterday, during seven-hour proceeding starting at 9:40am, the lawyer asked Tasnim if he had dispatched any message to other BDR sectors, outposts and battalions or the army chief, Prime Minister's Office (PMO) or his subordinates as the disaster befell.

Tasnim answered in the negative. He did not inform the then army chief or the PMO about the events of Pilkhana as the army chain of command did not permit

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Lt Col Tasnim

# Torturer cop Hazzaz closed

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Authorities yesterday closed the police officer who stamped on a man in the capital's Motijheel during hartal hours on September 22.

Action against Inspector Abu Hazzaz followed recommendations by a police enquiry committee, said Anwar

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# 4 pirates killed in Rab 'gunfight'

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barisal

Four pirates were killed in a "gunfight" with Rapid Action Battalion in the Sundarbans under Sharankhola upazila of Bagerhat yesterday.

The deceased, aged between 30 and 40, were members of Raju Bahini, a gang of local pirates, said Major Sabbir Osmani of Rab-8. Three of the four pirates were identified as Rawshan, Nati Kamrul and Belayet.

A team of Rab-8 on three trawlers were patrolling the area around 11:00am when they noticed suspicious

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# Now comes toy plane attack plot

AFP, Boston

A US follower of al-Qaeda was arrested Wednesday on charges of planning to fly explosive-packed, remote controlled airplanes into the

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আন্তর্জাতিক পুরস্কার পাওয়ায়  
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