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Sayedee indicted

War crimes trial gets rolling with framing of 20 charges against him; Jamaat leader terms all allegations false

JULFIKAR ALI MANIK

The International Crimes Tribunal yesterday framed 20 specific charges against Jamaat-e-Islami leader Delwar Hossain Sayedee for committing genocide and crimes against humanity during the Liberation War of 1971.

The charge framing represents a watershed in the country's history as it marks the beginning of the war crimes tribunal's first trial since its formation on March 25 last year.

Sayedee, aged 71, sat in the dock throughout the 80-minute proceedings. He pleaded not guilty after the court read out the charges.

The charges include murdering civilians; collaborating with the Pakistani occupation army to kill and



torture unarmed people, loot valuables and torch houses and other properties; persecuting people on religious and political grounds; and committing atrocities on the Hindu community.

According to those, Sayedee was directly involved in abduction, confinement and raping of some girls. He raped a Hindu girl on several occasions. He also forced some Hindus to convert to Islam, an act the court considers a crime against humanity.

He perpetrated the offences in Pirojpur between March 25 and December 16, 1971, sometimes as part of a group of individuals and

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PHOTO: STAR

Jagannath University authorities launch a drive yesterday to regain control of Dr Habibur Rahman Hall, one of its 12 dormitories occupied by outsiders for years. Inset, illegal occupants move out of the building with their belongings.

JAGANNATH UNIVERSITY

One dormitory freed from outsiders

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Jagannath University authorities have retrieved Dr Habibur Rahman Hall, one of its 12 dormitories controlled by outsiders for years.

Executive Magistrate Al Amin led a drive yesterday to free the dormitory at Golok Pal Lane in Old Dhaka's Malitola area of illegal occupants in presence of Prof Nurul Momen, convener, JnU hall

recovery committee.

"The hall comprising eight small buildings has been out of the university's grip since 1985 and we found more than 30 families living there on Monday [yesterday]," said Al Amin.

At 11:00am, as the authorities asked the grabbers over the megaphone to leave the hostel within 30 minutes, the people moved out bag and baggage.

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'77 AIR FORCE REVOLT

100 former personnel, families seek justice

RASHIDUL HASAN

About 100 former air force men and their family members have sought justice for the brutality inflicted on them and their kin on charge of complicity in a revolt on

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SQ Chy's wife tries to sue; court rejects

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday summarily dismissed a defamation suit against two investigators of the International Crimes Tribunal, hours after detained BNP leader Salauddin Quader Chowdhury's wife filed it. The officials are Abdul

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Safety net scheme draws global focus

Study to disclose success stories at workshop today

REAZ AHMAD

Bangladesh's largest social safety net programme (SSNP) - Employment Generation Programme for the Poorest (EGPP) - comes under spotlight as the programme's success is set to be shown as an example for the way forward to future food security.

At the request of Bangladesh govern-

ment, Washington-based International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) just completed a field-based performance study on EGPP, previously known as 100-day Employment Generation Programme.

IFPRI will present the outcome of the study at a two-day policy workshop that

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Unique fair at 300 high schools

Star, Robi hold English Language Fair from Oct 12

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Daily Star and Robi will hold English Language Fair in 300 high schools across the country

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NEWS ANALYSIS

ECONOMY IN TANGLES

Quick fix not the remedy

INAM AHMED

There is no short cut to solving major problems. A quick fix can only bring more complexities. And moreover, while fixing things in a hurry, one has to at least look beyond the immediate problem to other areas and policies. This is how it is proving with the government's power solution steps.

Right now the government is grappling with the stony burden of importing fuel -- diesel and furnace oil -- to keep its quick rental power plants running. Its fuel import obligation has shot up from about 3.5 million tonnes about one and a half years ago to about 7 million tonnes

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