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Stop war crimes trial

Demands BNP; asks world to put pressure on govt

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The main opposition BNP yesterday demanded that the government immediately stop the proceedings of the war crimes tribunal.

The party also called on the international community to raise objections to what it said was the tribunal's violation of human rights in an extra-judicial manner.

The world, it said, must put pressure on the government to fulfil the commitments Bangladesh had made through signing international SEE PAGE 19 COL 5

Our correspondents Ashutosh Sarkar, Rizanuzzaman Laskar and Tuhin Shubhra Adhikary yesterday talked to a number of leading personalities:



Ferdousi Priyabhashini

Try anti-trial elements

The people who are talking about pulling the plug on the war crimes trial should themselves be tried, said Ferdousi Priyabhashini, a victim

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Dr Anisuzzaman

No logic in the demand

Dr Anisuzzaman, Professor Emeritus at Dhaka University, in his reaction noted that the BNP had never taken any initiative to try the war **SEE PAGE 19 COL 8**



It's blatant disrespect

The demand is a blatant demonstration of disrespect to the sovereignty of the country and its judicial system, said Shahriar Kabir, Executive President **SEE PAGE 19 COL 8** Resist BNP demands

Dr MA Hasan

War Crimes Facts Finding Committee (WCFFC) Convener Dr MA Hasan has dubbed the BNP's latest demand as another of its efforts to protect the **SEE PAGE 19 COL 5**

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Accused getting more rights

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The International Crimes Tribunal in Bangladesh has been according more privileges to the country's war crimes accused than what tribunals in other countries have been giving to their accused in similar cases, National

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FIRE PANIC AT RMG FACTORY

2 workers killed in stampede, 65 hurt

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Two female garment workers were trampled to death yesterday by their fellow workers while rushing down the pitch-black and narrow staircase of a garment factory in the city's Chankharpool area fearing a fire. The incident also left at

least 65 others injured, mostly women.

The deceased are Jasmin Akhter, 20, daughter of late Idris Ali of Shahidnagar in Lalbagh and Taslima Akhter,



A garment worker is holding the body of a deceased colleague. PHOTO: STAR

18, daughter of Aziz Hawlader of Keraniganj.

The injured were taken to Dhaka Medical College Hospital. Of them, 22 were released after given first aid, said DMCH doctor Mehedi Hasan.

Incensed, workers of Eurotex Ltd on Hosni Dalan Road later vandalised parts of the factory and staged demonstrations demanding the production manager be punished since he had allegedly asked the factory gate to be

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referendum on DCC split

Dawn-to-dusk hartal in city today STAFF CORRESPONDENT

BNP enforces a dawn-todusk hartal in the capital today in protest at the splitting of Dhaka City Corporation into two.

Party's acting secretary general Mirza Fakhrul

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BNP demands WB funding Tipai project

Manmohan asks to speed it up

PALLAB BHATTACHARYA, New Delhi

Indian Prime Minister Manmohan Singh yesterday asked all ministries concerned to actively pursue the funding of Tipaimukh hydroelectric project.

Addressing a public rally in Imphal, capital of northeastern Indian state of Manipur, Singh said the environmental clearance has been accorded to the proposed SEE PAGE 6 COL 2

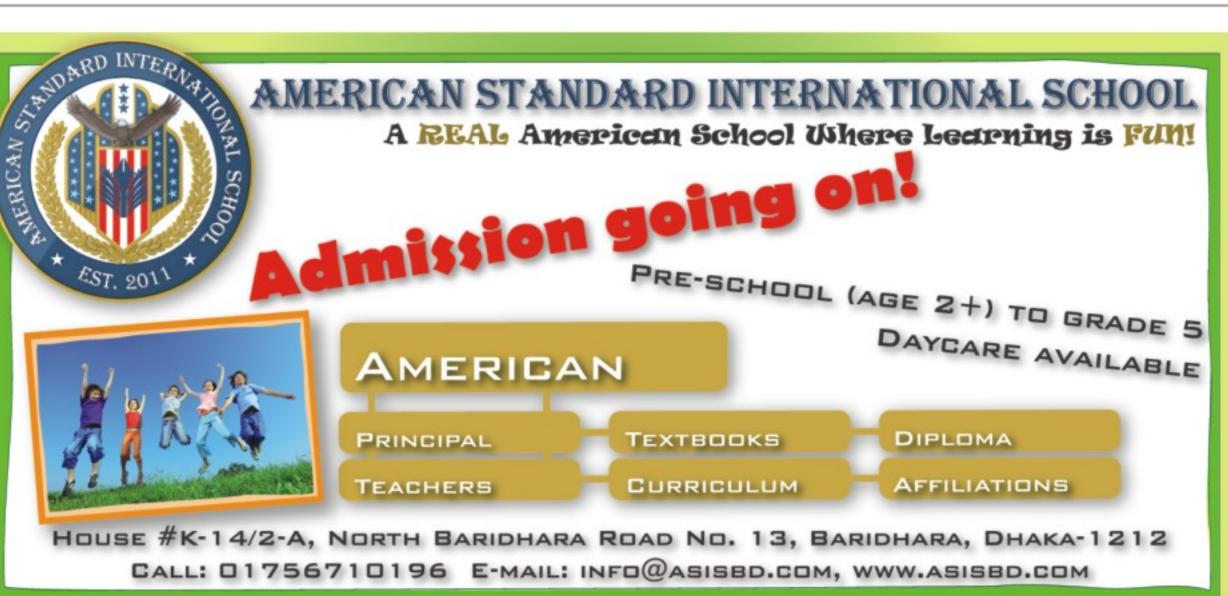
Tipai will rather be good for us

Says Gowher Rizvi STAFF CORRESPONDENT

: Gowher Rizvi, foreign affairs adviser to the prime minister, yesterday **SEE PAGE 7 COL 3**

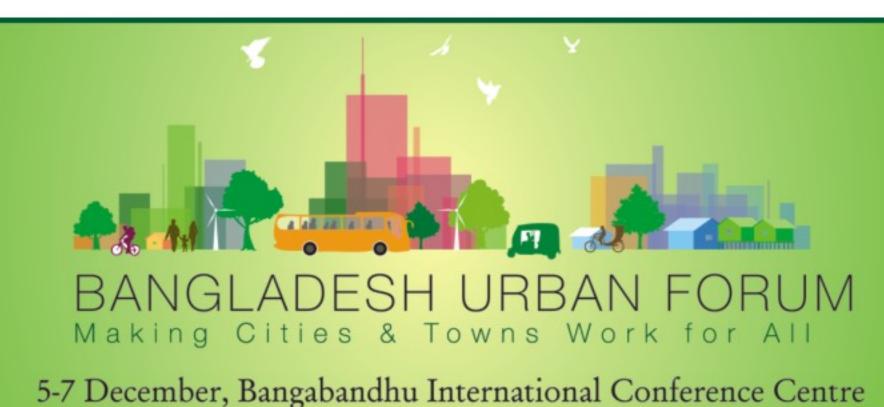
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The three-day long 1st Session will be inaugurated by H. E Md. Zillur Rahman, Honourable President of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Programme of 1st Session of Bangladesh Urban Forum

0900 - 1100		1100 - 1300	1400 - 1600	1600 - 1800
5 December Monday		Inauguration of the First Session of the Bangladesh Urban Forum and Opening of the Urban Exhibition (By invitation only)	Urbanization: The Engine of Growth	Urban Land Tenure & Housing
			Education	International Best Practices
			MDG Policy Dialogue	Transport
				Mayors' Roundtable
6 December Tuesday	Bangladesh Urban Sector Policy	The Urban Local Economy	Health, Nutrition & Food Security	Urban Upgrading
	Environment and Climate Change	Urban Governance in Bangladesh	Water & Sanitation	Youthin Urban Future
			Culture & Heritage	Planning & Research
		Urban Poor Assembly	Women, Children & People with Disabilities	CSOs Roundtable
7 December Wednesday		Urban Declaration & Closing Ceremony	Field/City Visit (Only for invited guests and international participants)	

The Urban Exhibition

5 December Monday: 2-5 pm

6 December Tuesday: 9-5 pm

7 December Wednesday: 9-5 pm The Young Professionals' **Urban Vision** Visions of the future urban Bangladesh by planning and architecture students

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The 20 best initiatives taken by Mayors to ensure sustainable and equitable urban development in their cities and towns.

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