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NBR goes tough on BPL taxes

SOHEL PARVEZ

The National Board of Revenue has given its Bangladesh Premier League monitoring team special powers to dig deep into all financial transactions in connection with the ongoing T20 cricket tournament.

The NBR had formed the monitoring team to ensure Bangladesh gets taxes from the cricket tournament.

The revenue administration on Monday gave the six-member team, headed by Kanon Kumar Roy, director general of Directorate of Inspection (Taxes), the power to search and seize documents raiding offices of the firms involved in financial transactions of BPL.

The move was made to ensure that the state gets all taxes it is entitled to from the multimillion dollar tournament. The NBR apparently took the tough stance to ensure proper tax collection after its "urgent" notice to all BPL stakeholders, including the BPL governing council, received lukewarm response.

The revenue authority had asked all the firms involved

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People travel on foot along the Ansar Camp Road in the capital's Mirpur-1 because of traffic suspension, caused by the installation of utility pipelines. Locals and commuters allege they see ground digging for various projects on the road almost every year.

PHOTO: STAR



Spelling Bee South Breeze students in tough battle

SAVEEM SHAMA

Thirty-two students of South Breeze School in the city's Uttara fought hard yesterday to qualify for the divisional round of Spelling Bee.

A confident speller started off with the word "adventure" in the school's first round.

The following rounds, though, got tougher as the participants were asked to spell more tricky words

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10-TRUCK ARMS CASE Nizami was unwilling to probe the haul

Ex-BCIC boss Imamuzzaman tells court

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Former industries minister Motiur Rahman Nizami was reluctant about investigation into the ten truckloads of arms haul although the seizure was made at a jetty under his ministry.

Nizami also reportedly told the then BCIC chairman that the industries ministry did not need to do anything individually saying the home ministry was looking into the matter.

Maj Gen (retd) Mohammad Imamuzzaman, former chairman of Bangladesh Chemical Industries Corporation (BCIC), said this before a Chittagong court yesterday.

Imamuzzaman was giving his statement as a prosecution witness in both the arms and smuggling cases filed in connection with the arms haul.

Judge of Chittagong Metropolitan Special Tribunal-1 SM Mojibur Rahman

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Sayedee filed false case against journo

Abed Khan tells tribunal

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Jamaat Nayebe-e-Ameer Delawar Hossain Sayedee sued four journalists of the Samakal in 2007 after the Bangla daily ran a report that linked him

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Mobiles outnumber humans this year

BBC ONLINE

Mobile devices will outnumber humans this year, according to network firm Cisco's latest analysis of global mobile data traffic.

It predicts that there will be 10 billion mobile connected devices around the world by 2016.

By the same date networks will be carrying 130 exabytes of data each year, equivalent to 33 billion DVDs.

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Holy beard on display

BSS, Dhaka

A strand of the holy beard of Prophet Hazrat Muhammad (peace be upon him) will be on display at Baitul Mukarram mosque in the capital today.

A spokesman of the Islamic Foundation has said the strand of beard

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The Daily Star

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ONLINE POLL

Do you think the ruling Awami League should call off their counter programmes in the capital on March 12?

Yes

80.5%

No

18.4%

No Comments

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TODAY'S POLL

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Fajr 5:25 6:00

Juma 12:30 1:15

Asr 4:30 4:45

Maghrib 5:57 6:01

Esha 7:15 7:45

Source: Islamic Foundation

PHOTO: STAR

The top three spellers show victory signs after the Spelling Bee contest at South Breeze School in the capital's Uttara yesterday.

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