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EU shocked by killings at border

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT
The killing of Bangladesh civilians on the border by the Indian Border Security Force is shocking and should be strongly addressed, Jean Lambert of European Parliament said yesterday.
She made the remarks while replying to queries at a press conference in Dhaka yesterday.
"This is going on for a considerable period," she said adding that the matter would be raised in the European Parliament and with the Indian ambassador in Brussels, the de facto capital of the European Union. It will also be taken up with the European delegation

Border firing to go on

Reasserts BSF chief day before home ministers' meeting in Delhi
PALLAB BHATTACHARYA, New Delhi
Indian Border Security Force chief UK Bansal yesterday reaffirmed his view that his soldiers at the border with Bangladesh would fire on criminals who dared them, a statement that has already created controversy over border killings.
"If, despite their [BSF personnel] efforts [of exercising restraint], they get into a situation where they are threatened and their lives are in danger, then they will use the force available to them to save their lives or the lives of their companions. That means they will fire," Bansal told Press Trust of India news agency.
According to the rights organisation Odhikar, 203 people lost their lives in BSF firing near the border between 2009 and 2011.
None of the killings occurred in a situation in which the Indian guards' lives were at stake.
Triggering a controversy, Bansal had earlier said firing



Pedestrians jaywalk at the capital's Hotel Sonargaon intersection, ignoring a Dhaka Metropolitan Police notice urging people to use footbridges and underpasses to cross the road. PHOTO: SK ENAMUL HAQ

JOURNALIST COUPLE MURDER Evidence destroyed by horde of journos

Hasina asks them not to crowd crime scenes
STAFF CORRESPONDENT
All evidence of the killing of journalist couple Sagar and Runi got destroyed due to the crowding by newsmen at the crime scene, Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina said yesterday.
As a result, the killers have managed to hide themselves, the prime minister added.
"It's not possible to guard anyone's bedroom," she said and added that even after the destruction of the evidence, the agencies concerned were investigating the killing to bring the culprits to book.



YUNUS FOR WB PM's proposal very positive, interesting

Says delegation
DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT
A delegation of the European Parliament yesterday welcomed Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina's proposal for appointing Prof Yunus as the World Bank president.
"We see it as a very positive proposal, and certainly we see it as an expression of confidence about a personality like

Elections must be trusted by people

European Parliament wants parties to agree on a mechanism for fair polls
DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT
The European Parliament wants to see political parties in Bangladesh reach an agreement on the mechanism to ensure free and fair polls well ahead of electioneering getting underway.
"Whatever mechanism is in place, the election results must be trusted by the people," said Jean Lambert, leader of the visiting European Parliament delegation, at a press conference yesterday.



COMMENTARY PM FOR YUNUS AS WB CHIEF Is it a change of heart or a mockery?

MAHFUZ ANAM
After terming him the "bloodsucker" of the poor and relentlessly harassing him and forcing his departure from Grameen Bank that he founded and led to Nobel Prize stature, Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, on Wednesday, requested the visiting EU delegation to use their "influence" to make Prof Yunus the next president of the World Bank.
On the occasion she also praised him, according to UNB news agency, for "his outstanding contribution in alleviating poverty through micro credit activities." The PM is also quoted to have further said that Prof Yunus has vast experience and enjoys an "excellent reputation in the world". She reportedly holds the view that Prof.

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