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## 10-TRUCK ARMS HAUL Ex-NSI director testifies before Ctg court

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Former Director of National Security Intelligence (NSI) Brig Gen (Retd) Enamur Rahman as a prosecution witness in the 10-truck arms haul cases submitted his deposition before a Chittagong court yesterday.

The judge of Chittagong Metropolitan Special Tribunal-1 SM Mojibur Rahman started recording the deposition at around 12.40pm.

Seven witnesses including Enamur have so far submitted their deposition before the court in two cases related to the arms haul.

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## CTG ROAD IN A QUAGMIRE Fund allocated, not released

PRABIR BARUA CHOWDHURY, Ctg

Twenty seven months have passed, but only about three percent work of a highway widening project in Chittagong have been done due to fund constraint, as the government so far has released only about two percent of the total allocation for the project.

Beginning in January 2010, the work of highway widening from Bahadderhat intersection to Third Karnaphuli Bridge approach is scheduled to be completed by December this year, a target that now looks unattainable.

In 2010, the Executive Committee of National Economic Council (Ecne) approved Tk 142.49 crore for the project. Later in a revised budget, the allocation was increased to Tk 152 crore.

Sources at Roads and Highways Department (RHD) in Chittagong said the government released only Tk 4 crore for the project in the last two years.

Zulfiqar Ahmed, sub-divisional engineer at RHD and supervisor of the project, said they got only one-tenth of the demanded money this year.

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The upgrading of 5-kilometre road to four-lane between Bahadderhat and Third Karnaphuli Bridge continues at a slow pace and only at Rajakhali bridge portion. The photo was shot in late February.

PHOTO: PRABIR DAS



## Alert over 'healthy' soft drinks

BBC ONLINE

People underestimate the amount of sugar in drinks, which are perceived to be "healthy", research suggests.

The Glasgow University study asked more than

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## SAGAR-RUNI MURDER HC summons 2 DB officials Court sees no significant progress in probe

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday summoned two officials of the Detective Branch of Police to appear before it by 10:30am today to inform the latest position of the case on the killing of journalist couple Sagar Sarowar and Meherun Rumi.

It ordered Deputy Commissioner of DB Monirul Islam and DB Inspector Rabiul Alam, who is investigation officer (IO) of the case, to bring with them the relevant documents.

The police report on investigation into the case shows there has been no significant progress as regards arresting the killers and finding out the motive behind the killing although the prime minister herself is concerned

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## 4-party set to expand

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

After about 13 years into the four-party alliance formation, the BNP-led grouping has set to expand, aiming to strengthen the movement to realise the demand for restoration of the caretaker government system.

BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia will make a formal announcement

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PRAYER TIMING April 18		
Azan	Jamaat	
Fajr 4:35	5:10	
Zohr 12:45	1:15	
Asr 4:45	5:00	
Maghrib 6:24	6:28	
Esha 7:45	8:15	
Source: Islamic Foundation		

## TEACHERS-ADMIN CONFLICT

# Buet students bear the brunt

PALASH RAHMAN

Academic activities at Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (Buet) are being badly hampered by the ongoing conflict between the teachers' association and the administration over a

number of burning issues including appointments of the Pro Vice-Chancellor and the registrar.

Since April 7, the Buet Teachers' Association has been staging protests demanding resignation of VC Prof SM

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## SAYEDEE'S TRIAL Last witness produces TV reports

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

On the sixth day of his giving deposition, the last prosecution witness against Delawar Hossain Sayedee provided the International Crimes Tribunal-1 with several

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Tortoises and turtles being smuggled in two packs of luggage were seized at Shahjalal International Airport yesterday. Story on page 19.

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