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Sohel Taj resigns from JS

Says no more active politics

HASAN JAHID TUSHER

Tanjim Ahmad Sohel Taj, son of the country's first prime minister Tajuddin Ahmad, resigned as lawmaker yesterday and declared that he would no longer be involved in active politics.

On May 31, 2009, he stepped down as state minister for home following what he told his close aides was a row with a cousin of Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina. But the premier on Thursday said Sohel was still a state





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:An open letter

. My life was nice and peaceful, secured through a long struggle, in the : USA. I bore my educational expenses working day-night from my teen-· age days. As suggested by · my parents' lessons and · as requested by the people · of Kapasia I entered politics holding high the virtue of patriotism. They inspired me that it is pos-: sible to serve people : better from a political platform. The ideal of ; Bangabandhu Sheikh : Mujibur Rahman and the blood of Tajuddin Ahmed · flowing through my veins · imbued me to join politics as well as to do something · better for the country's · people. I haven't joined · politics with ambition of **SEE PAGE 6 COL 1**



Clockwise from bottom left, furniture and documents of Upazila Parishad Office at Bishwanath in Sylhet are left burnt down in arson attack by opposition activists. Monwar Hossain lies dead near the building. Law enforcers point guns at agitators on Basia bridge in the district. The photos were shot yesterday afternoon.

RAILWAYGATE SCANDAL

Tk 70 lakh not Suranjit aide's

Anti-graft body suspects GM Mridha brought it from Ctg

KAILASH SARKAR

The Anti-Corruption Commission suspects that Yusuf Ali Mridha had brought Tk 70 lakh from Chittagong to Dhaka on April 9 and passed it to Omar Faruq, the sacked aide of the former railway SEE PAGE 19 COL 2



Omar Faruq

Sylhet violence leaves 2 dead

BNP calls hartal for third day today; party vice chair Selima Rahman sent to jail

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Two people were killed and at least 50 including 10 policemen injured in fierce clashes between pro-hartal pickets and law enforcers at Bishwanath upazila enforced second straight countrywide: hartal yesterday.

The clashes, which lasted over two · that frustrated Luna, party insiders said. SEE PAGE 19 COL 4 . **HSC EXAMS POSTPONED AGAIN PAGE 2**

ILIAS' WIFE IN RAB RAID Views divided in BNP camp

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The BNP top brass appear to have differing views on · missing party leader Ilias Ali's wife Tahsin Rushdir Luna's headquarters in Sylhet during the BNP-: presence in Saturday's Rab drive to rescue her husband.

BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia expressed her displeasure over this when Luna met her on Saturday night, and

Asked about the Rab drive and reported negotiations **SEE PAGE 19 COL 7**

MD. ABUL KHAYER

Mohammad Ruhel came from Habiganj to Dhaka Sunday evening and spent the night at Shahjalal **International Airport.** Scheduled to fly to Dubai yesterday around 9:00pm, he came a day ago, thinking he could miss the flight if he started for the capital during the second hartal over Ilias Ali's disappearance. On hartal days, travel to Dhaka from other districts becomes quite uncertain.

RASHED SHUMON

দিলকুশায় রেডি বাণিজ্যিক ফ্লোর ভাড়া/বিক্রয় হইবে ৩৭, দিলকুশায় SUNMOON STAR TOWER-

এ রেডি ফ্লোর বিক্রয় অথবা ভাড়া দেওয়া হইবে। প্রতিটি ফ্লোরের আয়তন ৩০০৫০ বর্গফুট একসাথে অথবা ১৫০২৫ বর্গফুট হিসাবেও ভাড়া/বিক্রয় হইবে। ব্যাংক, বীমা, সিকিউরিটি এক্সচেঞ্জ, ব্রোকারেজ হাউজ, ফুডকোর্ট, রুফটফ রেস্টুরেন্ট বহুজাতিক কোম্পানীসহ গ্রুপ অব কোম্পানীর কর্পোরেট অফিস স্থাপনের অনন্য সুযোগ নিন। প্রায় ১২০০ গাড়ী পার্কিং-এর সুব্যবস্থা, ১২টি সুপ্রশস্থ লিফট, সেন্ট্রাল এসি, চারিদিকে সুপ্রশস্থ রাস্তাসহ বঙ্গভবন সংলগ্ন সকল আধুনিক সুযোগ-সুবিধা নিয়ে SUNMOON STAR TOWER-এ আজই যোগাযোগ করুন।

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