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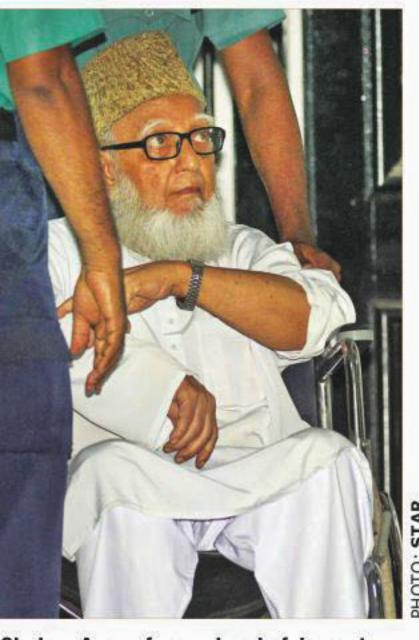
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CITY'S LONG WAIT OVER

Manchester City wins the English title after 44 years staging a comeback in stoppage time to beat QPR 3-2

Ghulam Azam indicted

5 war crime charges framed against him; trial to start June 5



Ghulam Azam, former head of Jamaat-e-Islami, is assisted by security personnel as he enters the International Crimes Tribunal-1 in the capital yesterday.

'I was on list of

Says Ghulam Azam, claims

Ghulam Azam yesterday said he was

on the list of collaborators of the

Pakistani occupation forces. But he

The 89-year-old said these after

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denied that he was a war criminal.

collaborators'

he was not war criminal

JULFIKAR ALI MANIK and

RIZANUZZAMAN LASKAR

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Ghulam Azam, considered by many as the symbol of war crimes during the Liberation War of Bangladesh, was yesterday indicted on five charges of crimes against humanity.

After framing the charges, the International Crimes Tribunal-1 set June 5 for the trial to begin with opening statement from the prosecution.

The charges against Ghulam Azam include involvement in murder and torture of unarmed people; and conspiracy, planning, incitement and complicity to commit genocide and crimes against ö humanity during the 1971 war.

The charges were based on 60 incidents of crimes against humanity.

Ghulam Azam was the ameer of East Pakistan Jamaat-e-Islami during the Liberation War. He campaigned across Bangladesh and even in Pakistan (then West Pakistan) in an attempt to foil the liberation efforts.

He played a key role in forming Shanti (peace) Committee and Razakar, Al Badr and Al Shams forces, which actively helped the Pakistani forces in committing massacres across the country. Three million people were killed and over two million women were raped during the nine-month war.

Yesterday, Tribunal-1 Chairman Justice Md Nizamul Huq read out the charges with an introduction to the formation of the tribunal, a brief history of the Liberation War, a profile of Ghulam Azam and submissions of the prosecution and the defence along with the court's views on the case.

Justice Md Anwarul Haque and AKM Zaheer Ahmed are the other members of the three-member tribunal.



Violence rattles Ctg

100 hurt, 3 cars burnt, around 50 vehicles smashed as BNP-Jamaat men clash with cops over obstruction to procession

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A series of clashes between BNP-Jamaat-e-Islami supporters and law enforcers in Chittagong yesterday left at least 100 people including

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police personnel and journalists ing in panic for safer places as the injured.

During the two-hour-long clashes, which took place mainly near the BNP's city unit office at Kazir Dewry, commuters were rush-

SOME ACHIEVEMENTS

STAY VIVID FOREVER

one-kilometre area stretching from Almas Cinema to Enayetbazar and the nearby lanes, turned into a battlefield.

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Anti-Bangladesh before & after '71

JULFIKAR ALI MANIK and RIZANUZZAMAN LASKAR

Ghulam Azam's crusade to thwart the emergence of Bangladesh had continued even after the nine-month-long bloodspattered Liberation War in 1971, as he tried to revive East Pakistan and spread propaganda against Bangladesh for several years. SEE PAGE 5 COL 1



Ghulam Azam speaking at a Jamaat programme during Liberation War.

I'm different than Yunus Dilip hits back

at Rafique STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Industries Minister Dilip Barua yesterday hit back at barrister Rafique ul Huq for his comment that the minister is not worthy of even Prof Yunus' nail.

SEE PAGE 19 COL 7 report yesterday.

RAILWAYGATE SCANDAL

Suranjit not involved

Discloses a controversial departmental investigation; another probe confirms irregularities in recruitment

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A departmental probe has given a clean chit to former railway minister Suranjit Sengupta in the Tk 70 lakh scandal that involved Suranjit's aide Omar Faruq Talukder and two railway high-ups.

"We did not find any link between the former railway minister and the cash haul. His APS Faruq claimed that the money he was carrying in his private vehicle belonged to him," Bangladesh Railway Director General Abu Taher, who headed the probe body, told the media after submitting the probe

Faruq, the sacked APS of Suranjit, previously told the **Anti-Corruption Commission** that of the Tk 70 lakh seized from his vehicle, he earned Tk 45 lakh from legal practice and received the rest from his expatriate brother-in-law. The ACC asked him to submit proofs in support of his claims in 15 days, but he didn't

appear before the ACC.

Though Taher told journalists that the money belonged to Faruq, the probe report said the matter should be sent to the ACC to verify the source of the money.

The railway DG said it was not the SEE PAGE 19 COL 2

Surrender to trial court by May 16

court in Dhaka by May 16.

A third bench of the HC gave the order : yesterday, and also fixed today for hearing: agency that found 77 and passing its order on the bail petitions · percent people still have filed by Fakhrul and other leaders of the confidence in the leader-BNP-led opposition alliance accused in a : ship of Prime Minister case for bomb blast on the hartal day.

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trashes railway probe report

"It [report] is far from the truth. This survey acting secretary general of

"Usually, any government tries to make such kind of report public at the end of their tenure," he told the briefing held at



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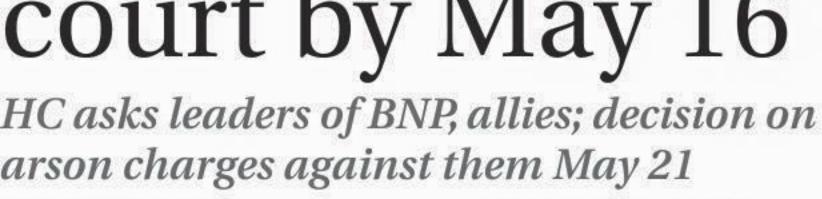
Warmest congratulations to Latifur Rahman, Chairman and CEO of Transcom Group, on

receiving the highest honor in the area of ethical business practices; The Oslo Business for









arson charges against them May 21

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court has finally ordered BNP acting secretary general Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir and 44 other leaders and activists of the 18-party alliance, accused in a case for torching a bus during hartal on April 29, to surrender before a trial

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Gallup poll findings far from truth

Says BNP; also

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BNP has rejected the survey report of a US-based : Sheikh Hasina.

report has been made public only to make people confused," Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir, BNP, told a press briefing last night.

the party chairperson's

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