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What lesson is for general students?

A couple of images have of late haunted citizens. In this era of post-modern communication, both the print and electronic media hold that power in them to reach into the farthest corners of the earth. That being the truth, it then becomes rather easy to persuade ourselves that the images we speak of --- of activists of the ruling party backed Bangladesh Chhatra League pouncing, SEE PAGE 12 COL 4



PHOTO: STAR

Babar asked cop not to take action

Ex-top policeman tells court in Aug 21 attack case

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A former top policeman yesterday told a Dhaka court he could not take legal action against those behind the August 21 grenade attacks due to obstruction from the then state minister for home Lutfozzaman Babar and inspector general of police Shahidul Haque.

SM Mizanur Rahman, who had become the acting commissioner of Dhaka Metropolitan Police three hours before the attack, said this in

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Over 300 killed in Pak factory fire

AP, Karachi

The death toll from a pair of devastating factory fires that broke out in Pakistan's two biggest cities rose to 314 yesterday.

Many of these people perished because they were unable to escape buildings that lacked emergency exits and basic safety equipment such as alarms and sprinklers.

The more deadly of the two blazes, which both erupted on Tuesday night, was at a garment factory in the south-

ern city of Karachi.

The death toll there rose to 289 yesterday, as firefighters battled the flames for hours, said senior government official Roshan Ali Sheikh.

It was one of the worst industrial accidents in Pakistan's 65-year history, and Sheikh said the death toll could rise because rescue workers were still pulling bodies out from the site.

Most of the deaths were caused by suffocation as people caught in the

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More planets may have life

BBC ONLINE

New computer models suggest there could be many more habitable planets out there than previously thought.

Scientists have developed models to help them identify planets in

Scientists should not exclude planets that reside in colder regions.

PHOTO: BBC

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ATROCITIES IN 1971 Ghulam Azam also liable

Says Sultana Kamal at war crimes tribunal

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Leading rights activist Sultana Kamal yesterday said Ghulam Azam, chief of the auxiliary forces of the Pakistani occupation army in 1971, was organisationally responsible for the activities of the collaborators.

Prosecution witness Sultana Kamal, who also fought for the independence of Bangladesh, told this to International Crimes Tribunal-1 during her cross-examination in the case against Jamaat-e-Islami ameer Ghulam Azam.

In her deposition on September 10, she said the collaborators had set fire [to houses], looted and killed many

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Five top Destiny men face arrest

Their bail cancelled in money laundering cases

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The top five officials of Destiny Group might be arrested as a court has cancelled their bail in two money laundering cases, Anti-Corruption Commission Secretary Faizur Rahman said yesterday.

"Such arrest is part of the trial, so they might be arrested," he told reporters at the commission's monthly briefing at its Segunbagicha office in the capital.

After hearing two petitions filed by the ACC, the Senior Special Judge's Court in Dhaka yesterday cancelled bail to Destiny's Managing Director Md Rafiqul Amin, Director Lt Gen (retd) M Harunur Rashid, Destiny-2000 Ltd Chairman Mohammad Hossain and its two directors

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PRAYER TIMING September 13

	Azan	Jamaat
Fajr	4-35	5-10
Zohr	12-45	1-15
Asr	4-30	4-45
Maghrib	6-14	6-17
Esha	7-45	8-15

Source: Islamic Foundation