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DEATH RUMOUR RMG workers go berserk

Clash with cops in N'ganj, torch police van, block highways for several hours

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Narayanganj

At least 50 people including five policemen and two journalists were injured in clashes with ready-made garment workers in Siddhirganj of Narayanganj yesterday centring a rumour that a worker was killed the previous night by muggers.

The angry workers also torched a police pick-up van, four motorcycles and a police box as they were chased by law enforcers. The sporadic clashes from noon to 2:30pm halted vehicular movements on Dhaka-Chittagong and Dhaka-Sylhet highways causing huge tailbacks.

During the clashes, police fired over 100 rubber bullets and teargas canisters to disperse the RMG workers. No one was arrested.

The workers were demanding suspension of

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Garment workers in Siddhirganj, Narayanganj, block the Dhaka-Chittagong highway yesterday for several hours following a rumour that a fellow worker had been killed by muggers the night before. Inset, the unruly workers torched a police van when it went there to get the situation under control.

PHOTO: BANGLAR CHOKH/STAR

HSBC The Daily Star
3rd Climate Awards launched

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The banking giant HSBC and The Daily Star launched Climate Awards for the third year yesterday to recognise the initiatives of organisations and individuals committed to protecting the environment and tackling the impact of

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PRAYER TIMING September 17

	Azan	Jamaat
Fajr	4-35	5-10
Zohr	12-45	1-15
Asr	4-30	4-45
Maghrib	6-09	6-12
Esha	7-45	8-15

Source: Islamic Foundation



PRICE SOARING Govt relaxes rules for egg import

STAR REPORT

The government yesterday relaxed a condition for importing eggs of chicken, duck and poultry birds, hatching eggs and one-day-old chicks in a bid to check their soaring prices in the local market.

From now on, the importers will not need to take prior permission from the commerce ministry for importing those, according to a statement of the ministry.

According to data from Trading Corporation of

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US pulls embassy staff from Tunisia, Sudan

Al-Qaeda calls for more attacks; anti-Islam movie blocked in India; first photo of filmmaker found



Nakoula on the set of the film with an actress.

AGENCIES

Washington ordered all non-essential staff to leave Tunisia and Sudan after its embassies were stormed by Muslims protesting an anti-Islam movie and as al-Qaeda called for more attacks on US targets.

US officials have already deployed counter-terrorism Marine units to Libya and Yemen and stationed two destroyers off the North African coast.

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Stop screening anti-Islam film

PM urges US

BSS, Dhaka

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday strongly condemned the making of the controversial anti-Islam film by a US producer and urged the US government to immediately stop the film's sale and projection.

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ANTI-ISLAMIC FILM Google refuses US request to remove it

FORBES

Google has refused a White House request to pull down the controversial anti-Islamic YouTube movie that has triggered widespread anti-American protests.

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Biman flight schedule collapses

Passengers suffer in Dhaka, Ctg

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

More than 1,000 passengers of Biman Bangladesh Airlines endured untold sufferings at Dhaka and Chittagong airports for several hours yesterday due to a flight schedule disaster of the national flag carrier.

Aggrieved passengers even vandalised a Biman counter at Shah Amanat International Airport in Chittagong around 5:30pm after Biman delayed its flight to Abu Dhabi.

The flight was initially scheduled for 11:00am but Biman officials kept on delaying the flight. They did not even provide the passengers with lunch.

In Dhaka yesterday, Biman cancelled three scheduled flights--to London, Abu Dhabi and Sylhet--due to shortage of aircraft, according to the Biman Control Room.

The disarray was due to a leased Boeing 747, which can carry 505 passengers, leaving Biman's service on September 12. The owning company of the plane pulled the aircraft out of Biman's service, without telling Biman, eight days before the lease was to end.

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NEW MINISTERS All but MKA take charge

Mankin given charge of social welfare ministry

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Four out of five newly appointed ministers and two state ministers took charge of their respective ministries yesterday, the first working day of the week.

Mohiuddin Khan Alamgir, who had replaced Shahara Khatun, could not take charge of the home ministry as Shahara was currently abroad and scheduled to return home today.

Information Minister Hasanul Haque Inu, Railways Minister Mujibul Haque, Disaster Management Minister A H Mahmood Ali and Information and Communication Technology Minister Mostafa Faruque Mohammad joined their offices yesterday.

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WAR CRIMES TRIAL Elderly witness narrates carnage at Rangunia

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Arunangshu Bimol Chowdhury took refuge in another village when he heard the Pakistani army was heading to his area. A few hours later he returned home to find eight of his relatives, including three brothers and two sisters-in-law, dead.

Arunangshu, a local doctor of Ranighat village in Rangunia, Chittagong, was testifying before International Crimes Tribunal-1 yesterday in the war crimes case against Salahuddin Quader Chowdhury.

The prosecution witness, who is about 80 in his 35-minute deposition gave a brief experience of the Liberation War but mentioned nothing about the war crimes accused.

On that day, chairman of Rajanagar, Kaykobad Chowdhury, advised him to leave Jagotmollopara with his family saying there would be an attack by the Pakistan army.

He along with his family members moved to Binajuri which is two miles away from Jagotmollopara village.

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ONLINE POLL

Do you agree with the Prime Minister's Foreign Affairs Adviser Gowher Rizvi that Bangladesh is getting its share of water although the Teesta water-sharing deal is yet to be signed with India?

Yes (6%)
No (89%)
No Comments (5%)

TOTAL VOTES: 454

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