Caretaker govt

A caretaker set-up to oversee

Pakistan's next general

election will be installed

only when the current gov-

March next year and consul-

tations with political parties

· on the interim administra-

. tion will be held at an "ap-

propriate time", Information

Minister Qamar Zaman

allies and all parties, includ-

ing those not in parliament,

(on forming a caretaker

administration) will be held

at an appropriate time," he

told reporters outside the

against the backdrop of

demands from opposition

parties, including the PML-

N led by former premier

Nawaz Sharif, that the gov-

ately begin consultations on

forming a caretaker set-up

so that polls can be held later

Kaira's remarks came

Election Commission.

"Consultations with our

Kaira said yesterday.

ernment's term ends on 18

after PPP

term ends

PTI, Islamabad

## No exclusion of immunity clause from Swiss letter

Says Pak ruling party; rules out early election

PTI, Lahore

Pakistan appears headed for another political crisis as the ruling PPP has decided not to exclude the clause of presidential immunity from a letter to be sent to Swiss government on reopening graft cases against President Asif Ali Zardari despite the Supreme Court's objection to it.

The apex court on Wednesday set October 5 deadline for Law Minister Farooq Naek to

finalise the letter to be sent to Swiss authorities to revoke an earlier communi-

cation of 2007 that had closed the graft cases against Zardari.

The court reportedly wants the draft letter to make no mention of the President's immunity from criminal proceedings under Article 248 of Pakistan's Constitution.

However, the government has no intention of following this instruction, sources said.

Former premier Yousuf Raza Gilani has hinted that the Pakistan People's Party-led government is not going to remove a reference to the president's immunity from the new draft of the letter to be sent to Swiss

"I will oppose it if the President's immunity is ignored in the (revised draft of the) letter. The President has immunity under the Constitution. I followed the Constitution and refused to write the letter," said Gilani, who was convicted of contempt and disqualified by the apex court in June for refus-

COURT-GOVT STANDOFF

the government to · reopen the cases: against the President since December

2009, when it struck down a graft amnesty that benefited Zardari and over 8,000 others. Information Minister Qamar Zaman

Pakistan will not hold an early general election, the minister said, insisting the · current government would see out its term,

If it lasts until March, the government will · ernment should immedi-

### ACC quizzes

Emerging from ACC quizzing room, Kashem Humayun told reporters that he did not consider the money disbursed to Hall-Mark and five other companies as loan. It was a forgery commit-

ted by some bank officials of the branch, he said.

Humayun added that some officials of the branch were very influential and they continued to stay there for several years even after completing their three-year term.

Kazi Baharul Islam, chairman of the board, could not appear before the ACC team yesterday due to illness, said

ACC Commissioner Mohammad Shahabuddin.

Pradip Kumar Datta, managing director of the bank, sent his statement regarding the loan scam to the commission, sources at the anti-graft body said.

On Wednesday, ACC quizzed six board members of the bank in connection with the loan scandal.

and said that it has enough

11,900 passengers.

flights to carry the remaining

Meanwhile, the flight

disorder by Biman

The Daily Star could not

The gang also confined

'to be installed' FROM PAGE 1 finish after the contest was sensationally tied. With both teams inseparable on 174 runs at the end of 40 overs a super over round was played

for the result. England had lost Craig Kieswetter and Luke Wright for first over ducks but Hales,

who hit five boundaries and two sixes off his 51 balls, and Morgan's 36-ball knock, with five sixes and four boundaries, defied West Indies four-pronged spin attack. England needed 125 runs

in their last 10 overs but Morgan and Hales paced the innings well before Marlon Samuels bowled an excellent last over, conceding only eight runs.

West Indian captain Darren Sammy said spinners made the win possible.

"We backed ourselves to set a target and the openers got us going well," said Sammy. "With [Sunil] Narine,

Samuel, Chris [Gayle], we decided to maximise our spinners against England and it worked out."

England skipper Stuart Broad was left disappointed. "We had to regroup, obvi-

ously losing two wickets in that first over hurt us but we

#### Windies keep Eng

showed how good the wicket was. We were quite happy with our effort with the ball and I think we're disappointed not to win tonight," said Broad.

West Indies were set on their way for a big total by openers Johnson Charles and Gayle.

Charles smashed three sixes and 10 well-timed boundaries in his 56-ball 84 while Gayle hit four sixes and six fours in his 35-ball 58.

West Indies had raced to 103 by the 11th over when Gayle was finally out, caught by Steven Finn at long-on off as the left-hander tried to hit Graeme Swann out of the ground.

Three of his sixes came in one over from left-arm spinner Samit Patel.

But Gayle's dismissal allowed England to pull back as they dismissed Marlon Samuels (two) and Kieron Pollard (one) in quick succession, with Broad claiming one wicket besides bowling a maiden over.

Charles finally holed out at mid-on, missing a low Jade Dernbach full toss and was caught by Jonathon Bairstow.

Broad was the pick of England bowlers with 2-26.

them to a nearby house after

snatching their cameras, said

Prothom Alo correspondent

Abdul Momin, who was

journalists contacted

Humayun Kabir, officer-in-

charge of Saturia Police

Station, over mobile phone.

But he took no initiative to

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Manikganj Sadar Circle, went

to the spot for inspection.

However, they were

rescue them, he alleged.

hours later.

In confinement, the

among the newsmen.

## One child marriage

FROM PAGE 1

denied through this. Besides, early marriages of girls lead to early pregnancies that most often cause physiological damage to them during childbirth.

Sometimes they end up getting divorced for failing to recover, and with very little chance of remarriage, they become a burden on their families, Michael explained. "Everyone loses in the

end," he noted.

The media can play a significant role in raising awareness among people about the grave consequences of child marriage, said Mahfuz Anam, editor and publisher of The Daily Star. Socio-economic condi-

tions, such as poverty, that influence child marriage must be addressed, said Ashraf Hossain, director general of the Department of Women Affairs. Child marriage has reper-

cussions and steps should also be taken to instil these in future generations, he

Prof AKM Nurun Nabi of the population science department of Dhaka University said 18 had been set as the legal age for girls to get married but there was no way to identify the age of a girl because births were not always registered. There were loopholes in

the existing law that has restricted marriage under 18, said Towhida Khandakar, director of Bangladesh National Women Lawyers' Association. Birth and marriage certificates had to be digitised so that no one could go unpunished after violating the law, she added. In rural areas, men prefer

young women for marriage to have full control over them, said Rokeya Kabir, executive director of Bangladesh Nari Pragati Sangha.

The issue should be The journalists later incorporated in the national curriculum in a bid to Superintendent of Police, Mohammad Ali Mia, of the change perceptions among matter. In the evening, Jasim future generations, she Uddin, assistant police added. superintendent of

Md Helal Uddin, joint secretary of the Ministry of Religious Affairs, said aware-

ness programme and the process of enacting a law must go simultaneously.

"For instance, we have been training imams (religious leaders) through the Islamic Foundation to raise awareness about the demerits of child marriages. But it should also be made mandatory to produce birth registration certificates at the time of marriage."

What the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organisation (Unesco) did was educating people about the issue, said Mahfuza Rahman, a project officer at Unesco. Such education would help bring about changes in attitude towards child marriage. Early marriage puts a

child's life into uncertainty, said Jyoti Dhingra, joint coordinator of the World Food Programme. A young girl moves into a new family through marriage but is not given authority to say anything about family affairs, he added.

Rowshan Ara, a member of Naripokkho, an organisation working for women's rights, said that when a girl grew up, her family suffered from a sense of insecurity, for which the father often wanted to marry her off. "In reality, it is difficult to

ensure the social security that might have ended this.' Julia Ahmed, a rights

activist, said, "Behavioural change communication may play an important role in changing people's acceptability of child marriage, which is a violation of human rights. Also, we have observed that domestic violence is closely related to child marriage." Mamunur Rashid, coordi-

nator of Steps Towards Development, said the rate of child marriage might decrease if poor fathers were provided with financial help for not marrying their daughters off at an early stage.

Shahedul Anam Khan, editor (Oped & Defence & Strategic Affairs) of The Daily Star, moderated the discussion. Tanvir Wahid and Sonya Soheli of UNFPA also spoke on the occasion.

## Girl lashed 101 times

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this year.

married a month back. The arbitrators also real-

ised a "fine" of Tk 40,000 from the victim's family, the locals added.

ascertain the details and family members of Shirin were unavailable for comments. But

the girl's neighbours have confirmed the report.

Yesterday, seven journalists came under attack from 20-25 villagers led by Razzak's son Shiblu when they went to the girl's house around 3:20pm to collect news about the arbitration.

#### No outsider allowed FROM PAGE 20

Officer Mihir Sarwar Morshed toldThe Daily Star yesterday.

The law enforcers have also been ordered to make sure that outsiders who are already in town leave the area by today.

The EC at a meeting with the upazila chairman and other public representatives and distinguished persons of Kapasia sought their cooperation to this end.

"We have also decided that none except for the law enforcers and journalists can ride motorbikes in

Meanwhile, the three aspirants were seen conducting a door-to-door campaign

at midnight tonight.

Afsaruddin Ahmad and The ruling Awami League has nominated Rimi while Afsaruddin, also an Awami

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# authorities.

ing to revive the cases against Zardari.

The Supreme Court has been pressuring

Kaira too made it clear the PPP is sticking to . its principled position.

which ends in March.

become the first elected administration in decades to complete a full five-year term.

Humayun and Saimum Sarwar Kamal-- also held the bank's management responsible for the scandal.

Further delays FROM PAGE 20 he added.

Robiul Islam, a school teacher in Pabna whose father finally flew for Jeddah yesterday, said his father and 29 other hajj pilgrims arrived at the airport on September 25 at 10:30pm.

They were supposed to fly at 1:30am but were told that their flight would depart at 4:00am instead. Later, his father called to inform him that they were staying at the hajj camp.

"This should not be the system. The pilgrims are mostly the elderly and they should not be dragged

around like this," said Robiul.

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He said that even the food

supplied by the travel agent

at the Hajj Camp was usu-

dedicated entry point for hajj pilgrims in this regard. Cancellations of three of its flights on Monday night had left 1,200 of its passen-

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Bangladesh Airlines has continued to disrupt travel by only 24 hours. The airline plans of general passengers, had also put up a notice at the mostly migrant workers.

Nur Hossain was supposed to leave on September 10 for Kuwait but was informed that his flight has been resched-

"I came to the airport on

that I cannot depart before September 27," Nur said.

JOB VACANCY

uled to September 19.

September 19 only to be told

"I will have to face penalty for beingsolateforwork," hesaid.

Kapasia for these three days [from today]," said Mihir.

Interestingly, though, none of the candidates has yet come up with any specific commitment as to what he or she will deliver on being elected to parliament.

uncle and a niece --Simeen Hussain Rimi.

independent candidate.

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