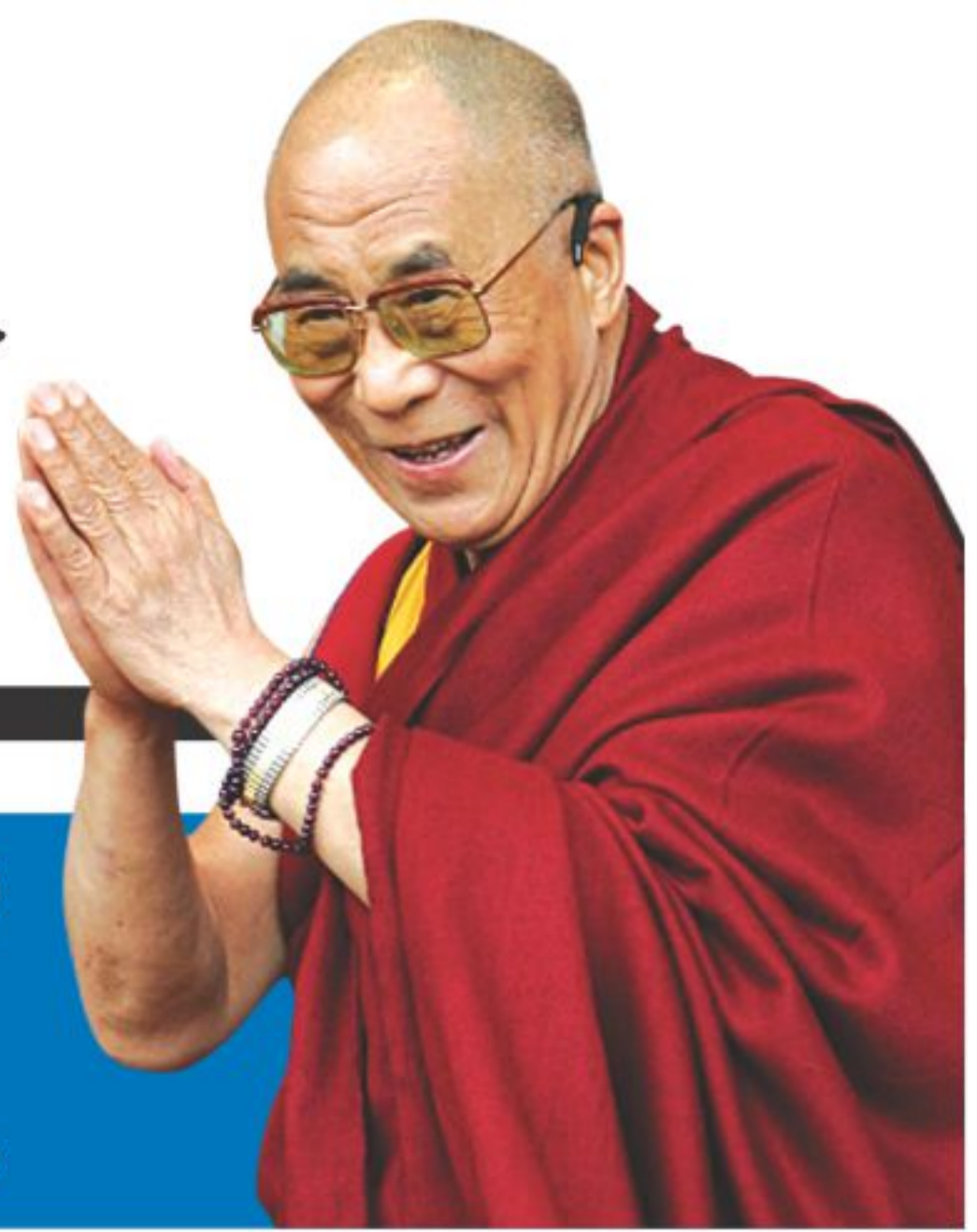


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Home-goers stuck for hrs on highways

Sufferings mount as pre-aid trips get longer

STAR REPORT
The onrush of eid holidaymakers has pushed the country's narrow highway network to the brink of collapse and made people suffer even before they hit the road to go home to their families.
Due to gridlocks on highways, a journey that usually takes a couple of hours was in cases taking five to six hours.
Holidaymakers were yesterday seen at bus terminals waiting for their transport for hours on end as the traffic jams on highways triggered schedule collapse of bus services.
The Dhaka-Tangail highway was the worst.
Mohammad Abdul Baten of Kuril in Dhaka said he with his family started for Tangail from Mohakhali Bus Terminal around 6:00am, but their bus only reached Pakulla in Mirzapur upazila around 12:30pm thanks to traffic jams.
He said the journey usually took two hours, but even after six hours he was still not home.
Abdul Hannan of Kathalbagan, Dhaka, said he along with his eight-member family started their journey at Gabtoli Bus Terminal around 9:00am to go to Pabna, but the bus reached only Elenga in Tangail eight hours later, at 4:00pm.

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RISKY TRAIN RIDE HOME



Passengers desperate to go home to celebrate eid try to land on the roof of a train from a footbridge ignoring a barbed wire fence yesterday at the Airport Railway Station. Many others, inset, resort to climbing up to the roof. More photo on page 5. PHOTO: PALASH KHAN



Pybus quits as Tigers' coach

STAR SPORT DESK
Bangladesh cricket coach Richard Pybus quit his post after less than five months in the job, saying that disagreement and discord with the Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) had made his position 'completely untenable'.
The BCB has confirmed

Doing business gets harder

Bangladesh's ranking down 5 notches in global survey

STAFF CORRESPONDENT
Bangladesh has slipped five notches down in the global Doing Business survey ranking thanks to the difficulties in starting business and poor availability of funds and electricity, among other things.
The fall shows how hard it is to start and run a business in the country.
This year, Bangladesh ranked 129th among 185 countries in a survey done by the International Finance Corporation, a wing of the World Bank.
The Doing Business ranking sheds light on how easy or thorny it is for a local entrepreneur to open and run a small to medium-size business when complying with relevant regulations.
It measures and tracks changes in regulations

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Durga Puja ends with immersion of images

STAFF CORRESPONDENT
Hindu devotees bade an emotional farewell to the Goddess Durga and her pantheon as the five-day celebrations came to an end yesterday. Bijaya Dashami marks the end of Durga Puja, the biggest Hindu festival in the region, through the immersion of idols in the river and other water bodies.
After the final moments



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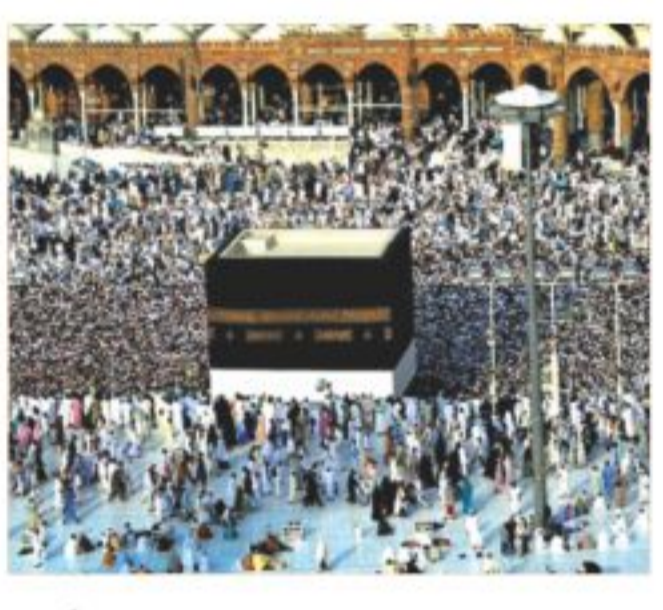
Govt now mulls alternative

AMENDMENT TO COMPANIES ACT
REFAYET ULLAH MIRDHA
The government may halt the move to amend the Bangladesh Companies Act, 1994 subject to the existing law allowing it to appoint administrators to troubled companies, said Commerce Secretary Ghulam Hussain yesterday.
It may seek special permission from court to appoint administrators to Destiny Group that breached the law by indulging in illegal banking.
"We will stop the amendment process, if the existing

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Hajj today

AGENCIES
More than two million Muslims began yesterday the rituals of the hajj pilgrimage, the world's largest annual assembly, leaving Saudi authorities with a daunting security and safety challenge.
The hajj rituals will peak today.
The pilgrims began leaving the holy city of Makkah at dawn yesterday headed for the holy sites of Mina, Muzdalifah and Arafat.
In the arid valley of Mina, a pit-stop en route to Mount Arafat, pilgrims spent the



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