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# Govt restricts open import

*Moves to ensure keeping sales records*

REFAYET ULLAH MIRDHA

The commerce ministry has imposed a restriction on wholesale import of formalin as the widespread misuse of this toxic chemical has posed a serious threat to public health in the country.

The restriction has come into effect from Wednesday and it will continue until further notice, said Kamal Krishna Bhattacharyya, an additional secretary to

the ministry.

"Some unscrupulous people are treating food items with formalin, which is causing serious health hazards to the consumers. To stop this, we have taken such a cautious move," he mentioned.

Under the new rules, the importers will have to apply to the ministry to seek permission for importing formalin, said a circular issued by the ministry on

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An officer of Chittagong Metropolitan Police using a formalin detector introduced at Kazir Deuri market in the port city yesterday.

PHOTO: PRABIR DAS

Mohakhali market now formalin-free

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Traders in the capital yesterday announced Mohakhali kitchen market formalin and carbide-free in efforts to promote the market where people can buy unadulterated fish and vegetables.

It is the third kitchen market to be so announced in the capital after Malibagh and Shanti Nagar markets.

The Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FBCCI) in association

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## 2 killed in Keraniganj

*Criminals murder driver to hijack CNG auto, mob retaliates chasing them*

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A mob beat an alleged mugger to death and injured another as the two were fleeing with a CNG-run autorickshaw after killing its driver in Keraniganj on the outskirts of the capital early yesterday.

The driver was identified as Babul alias Babla, 35, of Hasnabad in Dakhin Keraniganj.

The alleged mugger, Abul Hossain, was 40. Critically

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## Khoka charged with graft

COURT CORRESPONDENT

The Anti-Corruption Commission yesterday pressed charges against former Dhaka City Corporation mayor Sadeque Hossain Khoka and three others for misappropriating Tk 37 lakh through leasing out the car park of a DCC market.

The other accused are Abdul Baten, president of the DCC supermarket in Banani; Mahmudul

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## WAR CRIMES CHARGES AGAINST SAYEDEE Arguments at final stage

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The prosecution yesterday told the International Crimes Tribunal-1 that accused Jamaat leader Delawar Hossain Sayeedee was involved in forcing Hindus of Pirojpur to convert to Islam during the Liberation War.

Quoting testimonies of prosecution

witnesses, prosecutor Syed Haidar Ali said this while placing closing arguments on charge-19 out of 20 against the Jamaat leader at the tribunal.

According to the charge-19, Jamaat Nayeb-e-Ameer Sayeedee, being a member of the Razakar force and exercising his influence over the Hindus of Pirojpur,

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## PRAYER TIMING

November 9

Azan Jamaat

Fajr 5-00 5-35

Juma 12-30 1-15

Asr 3-45 4-00

Maghrib 5-25 5-30

Esha 7-00 7-30

Source: Islamic Foundation



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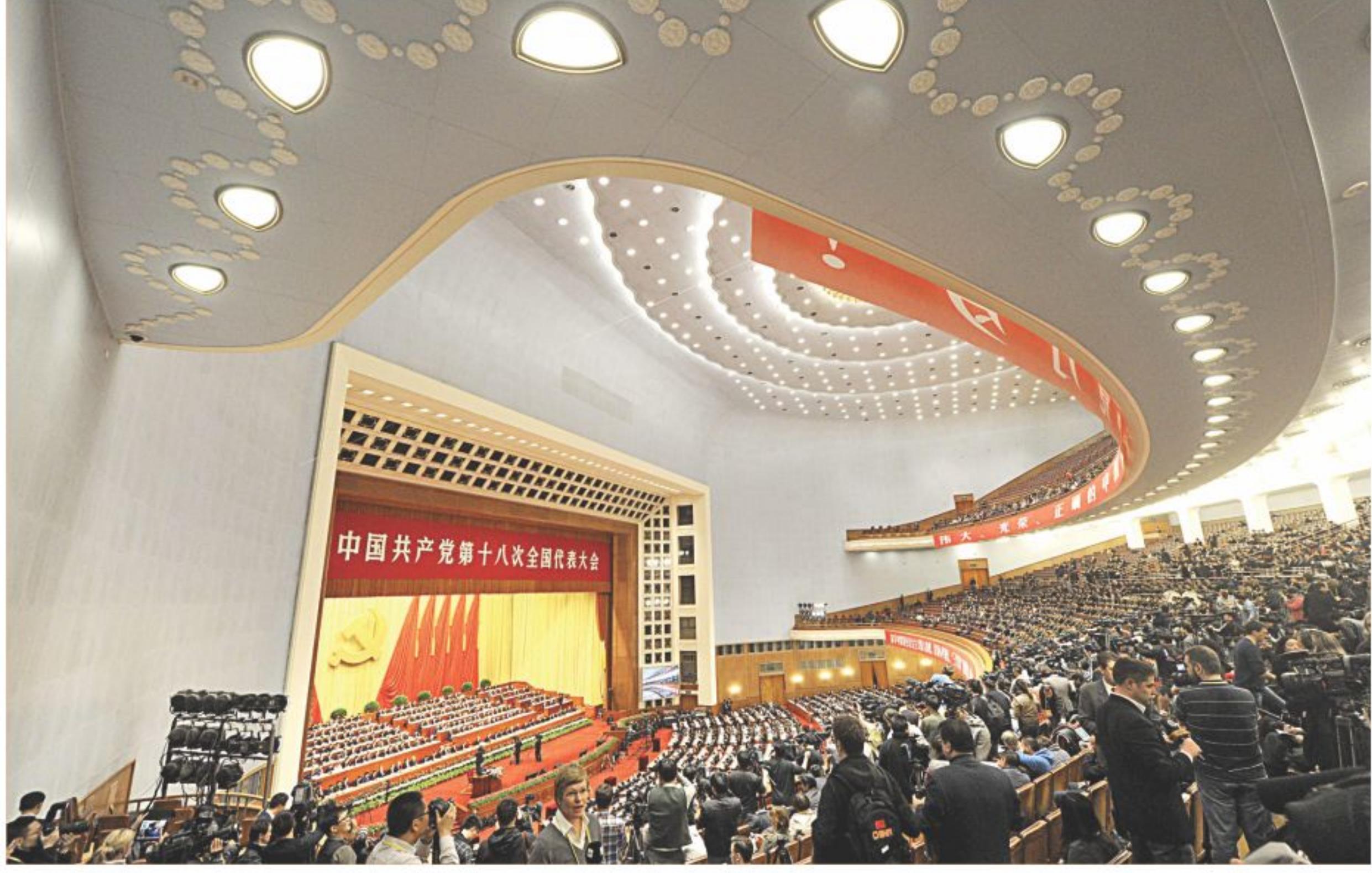
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Delegates attend the opening of the 18th Communist Party Congress at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing yesterday. Vice President Xi Jinping had moved closer to taking the reins of power and is expected to replace President Hu Jintao as party chief in a once-a-decade power transition.

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