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Jamaat-Shibir men attack a police officer in front of a tyre store, top, on Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue and vandalise a police van, bottom left, a BRTC bus, bottom centre, and a police vehicle, bottom right, protecting the law minister's car. The Jamaat-Shibir men also hurled brickbats at police, top right, and beat up an allegedly pro-ruling party man on the busy thoroughfare of the capital.

PHOTO: AMRAN HOSSAIN/RASHED SHUMAN/SAJJADUR RAHMAN



Be careful  
in making  
comments  
Tribunal asks all  
STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The International Crimes  
Tribunal-2 yesterday disposed of two separate  
contempt of court petitions  
against ruling  
Awami League leaders  
Syeda Sajeda Chowdhury  
and Matia Chowdhury

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## Testimony against Jamaat trio

*Ghulam Azam, Nizami, Mojaheed seen at torture centre, informer tells war crimes tribunal*

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

An eyewitness yesterday testified that he had seen Jamaat-e-Islami leaders Ghulam Azam, Motiur Rahman Nizami and Ali Ahsan Mohammad Mojaheed at a Pakistan army and their collaborators' camp at Mohammadpur during the Liberation War.

All three Jamaat leaders are facing trial in connection with the crimes against humanity committed during the Liberation War.

The Mohammadpur Physical Training College was the torture and training centre of Al-Badr and Razakar forces as well as a camp of the Pakistani army during the nine-month-long war, Rustam Ali Molla,

an informer of freedom fighters told the International Crimes Tribunal-2.

Rustam, the fifth prosecution witness in the crimes against humanity case against Mojaheed, narrated how the anti-liberation forces and the Pakistani army tortured and killed intellectuals at the fag end of the war.

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JS session  
from today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Parliament goes into its 15th session this afternoon amid main opposition BNP continuing to boycott the sittings.

Before the House sits at 4:00pm, the Business Advisory Committee (BAC) of ninth parliament will sit to fix the duration and other business

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## Man 'detained for ransom'

*Family seeks HC order for his release 'from law enforcers' custody'*

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Law enforcers have been holding a factory worker for ransom since rescuing him from abductors around eight months ago, according to a writ petition filed with the

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Young West Indies opener Kieran Powell (R) and a vintage Shivnarine Chanderpaul enjoyed a run-fest on the opening day of the first Test against Bangladesh at the Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium in Mirpur yesterday. Powell struck 117 and Chanderpaul was 123 not out as the visitors closed the day on 361-4.

PHOTO: FIROZ AHMED

## BBC ABUSE REPORT ROW Internal probe shows lapses

AFP, London

The BBC showed "basic" journalistic failures in a news report in which it wrongly accused a senior politician of child abuse, an internal investigation has found.

The findings were announced Monday after the BBC's acting director-general Tim Davie pledged to "get a grip" of the deepening crisis at the world's largest publicly-funded broadcaster as two more top news executives stood aside.

The investigation into the allegations that a former Conservative party treasurer, Alistair McAlpine, had abused children at a home in Wales in the 1970s found there had been a failure to complete "basic journalistic checks".

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Landmine  
victims in  
Myanmar  
on the rise

AFP, Yangon

The number of reported landmine casualties in Myanmar rose sharply last year, despite signs that the army has reduced its use

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PRAYER TIMING November 14	
Azan	Jamaat
Fajr	5-00 5-35
Zohr	12-45 1-15
Asr	3-45 4-00
Magrib	5-22 5-25
Esha	7-00 7-30
Source	Islamic Foundation

## Dhaka, Minsk for closer ties

*Joint statement on Belarus PM's visit stresses tapping export potential, dairy industry in joint venture*

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh and Belarus stressed the need for deepening economic ties between the two countries and agreed to consider the opportunities of exporting clothing, jute yarn, tobacco, fish and other marine products from Bangladesh.

They agreed to study the opportunities for collaboration in milk production and dairy industry in

Bangladesh, including supply of skimmed milk powder to Bangladesh and establishment of advanced dairy farms in Bangladesh by Belarusian specialists, said a joint statement issued yesterday.

The communiqué was issued at the end of the three-day official visit by Belarus Prime Minister Mikhail Myasnikovich to Bangladesh. On Monday, the two countries inked 12 deals on bilateral cooperation.

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Do you support the government's move to introduce parliamentarians' quota for enrollment at non-government schools?  
Yes 1 (4%)  
No 94% (94%)  
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TOTAL VOTES: 248  
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