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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	
Maghrib	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.

Bangladesh will consider the practicalities of establishing a joint enterprise (50:50 equity) in Bangladesh for wholesale supply of Belarus-produced equipment and machinery, mentioned the statement.

The two sides agreed to launch a study on the possibility of establishing joint enterprises on pharmaceuticals in Belarus, with the

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The Daily Star

Integral Energy Limited ONLINE POLL

Do you support the government's move to introduce parliamentarians' quota for enrollment at non-government schools?

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