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Extradition deal with India in Jan

PALLAB BHATTACHARYA, New Delhi

Bangladesh and India yesterday agreed to sign an extradition treaty and a Revised Travel Agreement (RTA) next month.

India is considering Bangladesh's request for handing over its most wanted criminal Subrata Bain, said Shambhu Singh, joint secretary in Indian home ministry.

The felon was arrested in Kolkata last month after he escaped from a jail in Nepal.

Seeking to address a major concern of Bangladesh over border killings by the Border Security Force (BSF), India agreed not to resort to firing unless fired upon or attacked by armed criminals, said a joint statement yesterday.

It came following talks between visiting Bangladesh Home Minister Muhiuddin Khan Alamgir and his Indian counterpart Sushilkumar Shinde at the latter's North Block office here.

The extradition treaty and the RTA would be signed

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Dewdrops on a rice plant sparkling in the morning sunlight announce early advent of winter.
The photo was taken recently in Bhuapur of Tangail.

PHOTO:
SK ENAMUL HAQ

Vienna tops list of best livable cities
CNN ONLINE

Vienna, famous for its hundreds of museums, 2000 parks and of course its roasted coffee, is the best place on the planet to live, according to Mercer's 2012 Quality of Living Index. This year's latest accolade makes Vienna number one in the world for the fourth year in a row.

The annual survey by the global human resources consulting firm points not just to Austria's qualities but to much of the region's virtues. Eight of the report's top 10 cities are in Europe. Zurich is the world's

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Motorised rickshaws ply illegally

Pro-AL workers' leaders involved

SHARIFUL ISLAM

Although illegal, several thousand battery-run rickshaws are running in the capital at the behest of some Sramik League leaders and their aides in the name of associations.

Owners of these rickshaws allegedly pay a share of their income to those leaders and their sidekicks. In exchange, the leaders of Sramik League, associate labour body of the ruling Awami League, provide the owners with token licence for the rickshaws.

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Azad abducted, confined a girl

She was forced to kill herself, testifies brother at war crimes tribunal

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A prosecution witness yesterday testified that Abul Kalam Azad had abducted his sister and driven her to suicide after her release as his cohorts tried to abduct her again during the Liberation War.

Dev Kumar Das, brother of victim Anjali Das and eleventh prosecution witness in the case against the expelled Jamaat-e-Islami member, told the International Crimes Tribunal-2 that Azad alias Bachchu Razakar and his cohorts also looted their house forcing them to leave the country.

Rawshan Ali Biswas, a neighbour of Dev and twelfth prosecution witness, gave almost a similar description of the heart-wrenching incident committed in Ujjirpur in Faridpur.

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WAR CRIMES TRIAL Explain the absence

Tribunal asks 4 defence counsels

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The International Crimes Tribunal-2 asked four defence counsels of two war crimes accused Jamaat leaders to explain by December 6 their absence in the court yesterday.

Observing their conduct as "unsatisfactory and unbecoming", the three-member tribunal led by Justice ATM Fazle Kabir asked the defence counsels to reply why their absence would not be considered as misconduct.

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A battery-run rickshaw parked up at roadside in Tejgaon area in the capital. Flouting an official ban, thousands of such three-wheelers are plying the city streets, exposing the passengers to frequent accidents.

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Do you think that the main opposition BNP's boycott of electoral talks with the Election Commission is justified?

- Yes (55%)
- No (44%)
- No Comments (1%)

TOTAL VOTES: 494

TODAY'S POLL
Do you think it was justified for BNP to extend its moral support to Bangladesh Jamaat-e-Islami's hartal?

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বাংলাদেশ ব্যাংক

PM slams BNP for backing Jamaat hartal

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday said by extending its support to Jamaat's hartal, the BNP has proved once again that it does not want the trial of war criminals.

"By extending their support in principle to today's hartal, BNP leader [Khaleda Zia] has proved again that they want to free the war criminals," she said while addressing a meeting of the Awami League-led 14-party alliance at Gono Bhaban in the capital.

Hasina said it is very usual that the BNP would try its best to save the war criminals as it had given them national flags by

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PRAYER TIMING December 5

	Azan	Jamaat
Fajr	5-15	5-50
Zohr	12-45	1-15
Asr	3-45	4-00
Magrib	5-19	5-22
Esha	7-00	7-30

Source: Islamic Foundation

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