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# All-party elections

UN delegation hears civil society, meets Khaleda

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

The next general election should be held with the participation of all political parties, civil society representatives told a UN delegation yesterday.

The three-member UN delegation was led by UN Assistant Secretary-General for Political Affairs Oscar Fernandez-Taranco, who arrived here on Thursday.

Transparency International Bangladesh Executive Director Iftekharuzzaman, Director of Institute of Governance Studies of BRAC University Rizwan Khair and eminent jurist Shahdeen Malik attended the meeting, held at Sonargaon Hotel in the capital.

The civil society members emphasised that there should be dialogues between Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina and Leader of the Opposition Khaleda Zia to

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A candle-lit vigil held at the Central Shaheed Minar yesterday commemorates the martyrs of Liberation War, 1971. Naripokkho, a platform of women activists, arranged the event.

PHOTO:  
PALASH KHAN

## SEX TRADE IN INDIA 2 Bangladeshi girls freed

TIMES OF INDIA, Ahmedabad

Six months after being rescued from prostitution in India, sixteen-year old Nahla (not her real name) will be reunited with her family in Bangladesh next week.

Nahla and Shahida (not her real name) were rescued by the joint efforts of an NGO Childline and Indian state police in Gujarat.

According to state police officials, Childline volunteers and Government Railway Police (GRP) personnel spotted Nahla crying on the platform at Kalapur railway station back in July.

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## HARASSMENT BY COPS 2-day transport strike called

STAR REPORT

The Dhaka regional committee of Bangladesh Sarak Paribahan Samik Federation yesterday called a transport strike for December 11 and 12 to press home its seven-point demand including an end to harassment by

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## Climate taken seriously

WB report dubs Bangladesh, Maldives frontrunners in adapting to climate change impacts

UNB, Dhaka

As the most vulnerable nations to climate change impacts, Bangladesh and the Maldives are becoming frontrunners in adapting the climate change impacts.

The environment ministers of the two South Asian nations at a high-level event organised during the annual UN Climate Summit convened in Doha discussed how

Bangladesh and the Maldives were prioritising climate change issues as a key developmental challenge and embracing actions aimed at increasing climate resilience of people and infrastructure through strategic national investments and innovative national climate financing.

According to recent estimates, some 14.6 million people in the coastal areas of

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## Housewife killed in city

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A housewife was found murdered at her Pallabi residence in the city yesterday.

In another incident, locals beat up a suspected child-lifter to death in Dhaka Udyan housing in Mohammadpur last night.

The dead housewife is

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## Egyptian military calls for talks

Statement on state media warns country against entering 'dark tunnel'

THE GUARDIAN ONLINE

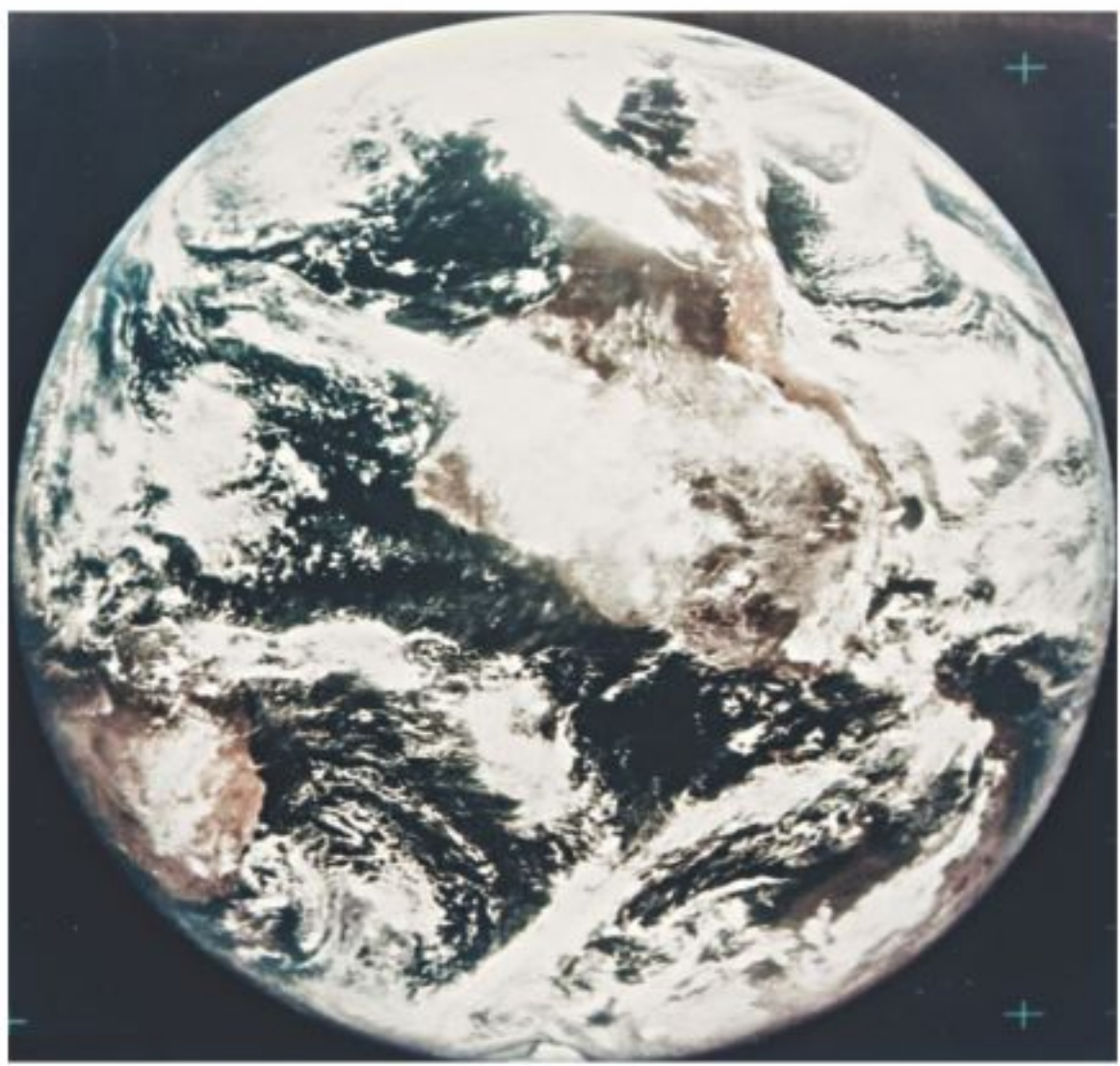
The Egyptian military has urged rival political forces to solve their disputes via dialogue and save the country from being dragged into a "dark tunnel" of increasing violence.

A statement from a military spokesman

was read out on state radio and television made no mention of President Mohamed Morsi, whose contentious draft constitution and decrees granting himself extraordinary powers and judicial immunity

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## THE EVOLUTION



Left, the very first picture released to the public in 1967 shows the whole Earth from space, The image has gone up for sale at London auction house, where it is expected to reach £5,000. A recent Nasa picture of the earth reveals storms moving across the globe in high definition, showing how far technology has come.

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**বিকল্প বিরোধ নিষ্পত্তি (আয়কর)**

আয়কর সম্পর্কিত যে কোন বিরোধ নিরসনের জন্য সম্প্রতি সরকার “বিকল্প বিরোধ নিষ্পত্তি (ADR)” ব্যবস্থা চালু করেছে।

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- কোন মামলা আপিল, ট্রাইব্যুনাল ও মহামান্য হাইকোর্টে বিচারাধীন থাকা অবস্থাতেও এ পদ্ধতির সুযোগ গ্রহণ করা যায়।
- কর বিভাগে কর্মরত নন এমন একজন সহায়তাকারীর (Facilitator) মধ্যস্থতায় বিরোধ নিষ্পত্তি করা হয়।
- এ পদ্ধতিতে বিরোধের বিষয়ে যদি কোন ঐক্যমতে পৌছান সম্ভব না-ও হয়, তাহলে প্রচলিত আপিল ব্যবস্থায় ফিরে যাওয়া যায়।

বিস্তারিত জানার জন্য নিম্নবর্ণিত কর্মকর্তার সাথে যোগাযোগ করা যেতে পারে।

মোহাম্মদ ফখরুল ইসলাম দ্বিতীয় সচিব (কর আপিল) ফোন নং- ৮৩৯১৬১২ মোবাইল : ০১৭১১২৮২০৮৮	মো: জাহাঙ্গীর আলম প্রথম সচিব (লিগ্যাল এন্ড এনফোর্সমেন্ট) ফোন নং- ৯৩৫৫৩৩১ মোবাইল : ০১৭১১৯০২৭৫৩
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**“বিকল্প বিরোধ নিষ্পত্তি” পদ্ধতির সুযোগ নিন।  
আয়কর সম্পর্কিত বিরোধ দ্রুত নিরসন করুন।**

**The Daily Star**

**Integral Energy Limited**  
**ONLINE POLL**  
Do you think that the Communist Party of Bangladesh (CPB) and Bangladesh Shamajtantrik Dal's (BSD) demand for banning Jamaat-Shibir from politics is justified?

Yes (58%)  
No (40%)  
No Comments (2%)

TOTAL VOTES: 565

**TODAY'S POLL**  
Do you agree with Finance Minister AMA Muhith that the World Bank's latest statement is totally unjust?

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

Source: Islamic Foundation

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