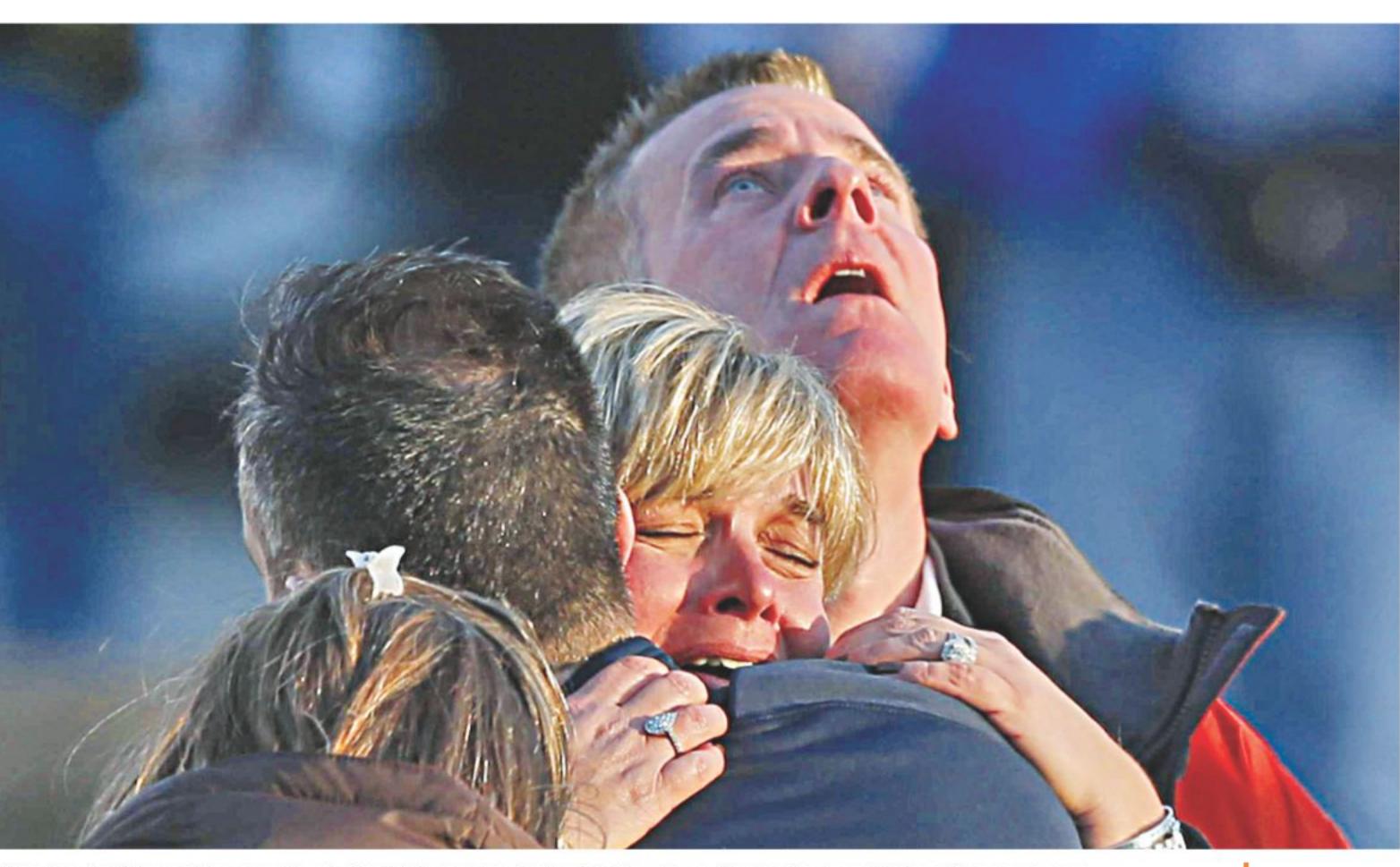




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Grieving families gather near Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut, on Friday after a gunman opened fire on children and staff of the school, killing at least 26 people including 20 kids.

REUTERS

# US in tears

NEW YORK TIMES ONLINE

Gradually, the group of frantic parents shrank and was gently ushered to wait in a back room in the old brick firehouse around the corner from Sandy Hook Elementary School.

The sounds of cartoons playing for restless children wafted incongruously through the air, but the adults were hushed. A police officer entered and put the parents' worst fears into words: their children were gone. The wails that followed could be heard from outside, sounding the end of a horrifying shooting that took the lives of 20 children and 6 adults in the school.

It was about 9:30am, when the school locks its doors to the outside world, demanding identification from visitors. What happened next sounded different depending on where you were in the school when a normal school day exploded.

Pops. Bangs. Thundering, pounding booms that echoed, and kept coming and coming. Screams and the cries of children ebbed, until there was only the gunfire.

Laura Feinstein, a reading support teacher, reached for her telephone. "I called the office and said, 'Barb, is everything OK?' and she said, 'There is a shooter in the building.'

"I heard gunshots going on and on and on," Feinstein said.

Even in the gym, the loudest room in any school on a given day, something sounded very wrong. "Really loud SEE PAGE 6 COL 1

### Democracy confined

Claims BNP

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The main opposition BNP yesterday alleged the ruling Awami League has destroyed the spirit of victory by "confining" democracy, saying people now want to get rid of this situation.

"Rights situation has reached the worst level. Law and order has deteriorated. Press freedom is under threat now. In this way the government has taken a stance against the spirit of the Liberation War," said senior BNP leader Moudud Ahmed at a discussion meeting held at Mahanagar Nattya Mancha in the capital.

The BNP organised the meeting to mark the Victory Day. Party standing committee member

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### Pro-Nazi Party Germany moves to ban it

BBC ONLINE

Politicians in Germany have asked the Constitutional Court to outlaw the far-right National Democratic Party, often accused of promoting neo-Nazi ideology.

The upper house of parliament voted to file the request, though Chancellor Angela Merkel has not yet given her support to the application.

She said a similar attempt had collapsed in SEE PAGE 19 COL 4

# Worry for democracy

Discussion seeks immediate ban on communal politics

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Speakers at a discussion yesterday demanded an immediate ban on religion-based communal politics as a mea sure for resisting violence and establishing democracy in the country.

There is a militant economy inside the mainstream economy of the country and a spirit of fundamentalism inside the state machinery, said economist Prof Abul Barkat. He was speaking at a discussion styled "Are the recent

incidents pushing Bangladesh towards near past Afghanistan?" organised by Sammilito Samajik Andolon (SSA) at Dhaka Reporters Unity.

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### BISHWAJIT KILLERS Govt asked not to create confusion

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Transparency International Bangladesh **Executive Director** Iftekharuzzaman yesterday criticised the government for arguing about the identities of the killers of Bishwajit Das and demanded immediate trial of the perpetrators.

"The government should bring the criminals to justice without any delay rather than debate whether they were

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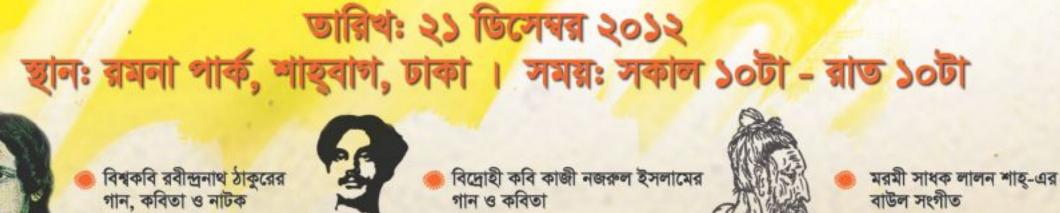


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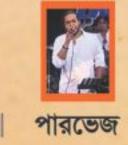












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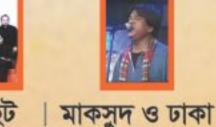
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