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## SAFETY MEASURE OR FARCE?

Garment workers of factories at Nadia Complex in the capital's New Eskaton yesterday demonstrate how to climb down this rope ladder. This rope ladder is being temporarily used as the emergency fire exit of the building.



PHOTO: PALASH KHAN



## Qatar, the country of millionaires

PTI, Dubai

Qatar has the highest density of millionaires in the world, with 14.3 percent of the oil-rich Gulf nation's population holding private wealth of at least \$1 million, according to a report.

The figure shows 143 out of every 1,000 households in Qatar holding private wealth of at least \$1 million, much higher than the global average.

Kuwait ranks third with 11.5 percent, while Bahrain (4.9 percent) and the UAE (4.0 percent) rank seventh and ninth, respectively, the Boston Consulting Group's (BCG) 13th annual global wealth management report says.

Wealth in the Middle East and Africa (MEA) saw near double-digit growth at

## JAMAAT HARTAL Pickets clash with police

Pro-hartal activists clashed with police in different districts during yesterday's countrywide dawn-to-dusk hartal enforced by Jamaat, leaving four people including two cops injured in Sirajganj.

In a sudden attack around 10:00am, two crude bombs were hurled at the on-duty policemen at Bakua in Ullapara upazila, said Officer-in-Charge

# POLLS TO 4 CITY CORPORATIONS Campaign peaks

BNP presses for army, CEC says no

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**

Campaigning for the June 15 polls to four city corporations reached fever pitch with leaders of Awami League and BNP joining in to drum up support for the mayoral aspirants backed by their parties.

Winning the polls appears to be a prestige issue for both the alliances.

Amid such situation, a BNP delegation yesterday met the chief election

commissioner (CEC) and demanded deployment of army to maintain law and order to ensure peaceful elections.

CEC Kazi Rakibuddin Ahmad told them that the law and order was at a satisfactory level and army deployment was not required.

In Sylhet, AL senior leaders Amir Hossain Amu, Tofail Ahmed and Mohammad Nasim have been campaigning for Badar Uddin Kamran for the last couple of days. AL MPs of the

Sylhet division also joined them.

Kamran's opponent BNP-backed candidate Ariful Haq Chowdhury has also been having along BNP bigwigs Shamsur Mubin Chowdhury and Amir Khasru Mahmud Chowdhury, seeking vote for him.

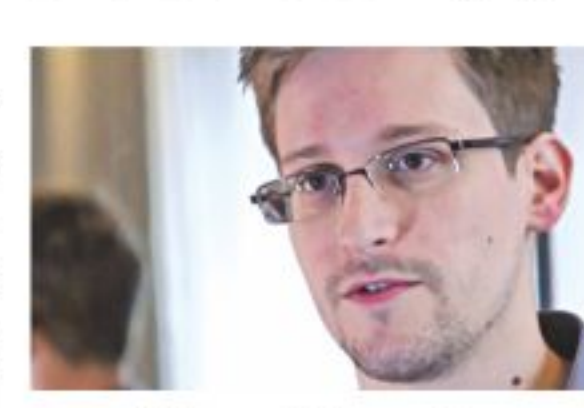
In Khulna, AL senior leader Sheikh Fazlul Karim Selim and some mid-level leaders have campaigned for Talukder Abdul Khaleque while BNP

## NSA LEAKS Ex-CIA man the whistleblower

**THE GUARDIAN**

The individual responsible for one of the most significant leaks in US political history is Edward Snowden, a 29-year-old former technical assistant for the CIA and current employee of the defence contractor Booz Allen Hamilton.

Snowden has been working at the National Security Agency for the last four



Edward Snowden

years as an employee of various outside contractors, including Booz Allen and Dell.

The Guardian, after several days of interviews, is revealing his identity at his request. From the moment he decided to disclose numerous top-secret documents to the public, he was determined not to opt for the protection of anonymity.



## Flying fish to your table

Sushi eatery serves diners by mini helicopter

**MAIL ONLINE**

As a way of easing the burden on waiting staff, it is an idea that could certainly get off the ground.

The Yo! Sushi chain of restaurants is trialling a mini helicopter to serve its customers.

The gadget has four rotors and can travel at up to 25 miles an hour -- or more than six times a waiter's usual walking speed.

## DHAKA NORTH CITY CORPORATION Bossless for 11 days

**HELEMUL ALAM**

On June 4, Additional Secretary Nozmul Islam of the public administration ministry took office as the administrator of Dhaka South City Corporation (DSCC). But Akhter Hossain Bhuiyan, member (estate) of Rajdhani Unnayan Karttripakkha (Rajuk), did not take up his post at the DNCC.

The two were given the appointments the previous day.

LGRD ministry sources said the posts of the administrator are filled with additional secretary-level officials. But of late, they have become reluctant to take up the role as the incumbent government's tenure has reached its fag end.

Officials fear that they might be labelled politically and thus their career might suffer.

## DEFENCE TRIAL Defence says he was not in country during war

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**

The defence of war crimes accused Salauddin Quader Chowdhury yesterday continued its effort to establish the alibi that the accused was studying in the University of Punjab during the Liberation War.

During cross-examining at the International Crimes Tribunal-1, defence counsel Ahsanul Huq Hena asked the investigation officer of the case if he knew that Salauddin took admission at the University of Punjab after getting a transfer from Dhaka University in April, 1971, and that he graduated from there in October, 1971.

Investigation officer Nurul Islam said it was not true.

## RANA PLAZA FACTORIES Owners' remand extended for further quizzing

**COURT CORRESPONDENT**

A Dhaka court yesterday remanded for two more days the owners of the Rana Plaza factories that collapsed on April 24, killing at least 1,130 people.

They are Anisur Rahman, chairman of Ether Tex; Aminul Islam, chairman of Phantom Apparels Ltd and Phantom Tack Ltd; Bazlul Samad Adnan, chairman of New Wave Buttons, and Mahbubur Rahman Tapash, managing director of the factory.

The court passed the order in a case filed in connection with the disaster after they were produced before it on completion of their four-day remand granted earlier.

Bijoy Krishna Kar, assistant superintendent of police of Criminal Investigation Department and also the investigation officer of the case, in his forwarding report said he needed more time to extract further information about the incident from the accused.

Samad, Aminul and Tapash were arrested on April 27 while Anisur on April 28.

Police have so far arrested 15 people, including the building owner, Sohel Rana, and his father Abul Khalek.

**The Daily Star**

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**ONLINE POLL**

Do you agree with FBCCI President Kazi Akram Uddin Ahmed that the budget is realistic but the government will face some challenges in implementing it?

Yes (35%)

No (65%)

TOTAL VOTES: 100

**TODAY'S POLL**

Do you think that the ACC will be able to probe the allegations against DMP deputy commissioner Mollah Nazrul Islam for extorting Tk 1 crore from a businessman in the capital?

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**PRAYER TIMING June 11**

Azan Jamaat 4-05 4-40  
Fajr 12-45 1-15  
Asr 5-00 5-15  
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