

Sangsad sees debate on opposition role

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Jatiya Party will stage a walkout from the House or resign from the cabinet, if necessary, to protest the government's anti-people stance, a JP state minister said in parliament yesterday.

Farazi initiated the debate if the opposition party would be able to play its due role while it is also in the cabinet. He said parliament would be more effective if the independent lawmakers play the role of the opposition. Rustom sought guidelines from Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina in this regard.

the opposition party's role to oppose everything. "We have no objection if the opposition plays its due role," she said. But it doesn't have to encourage terrorism, militancy and anarchy or patronise anti-liberation forces, the veteran leader added.

HC questions ACC's inaction to grill Biman CBA leaders

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday questioned the legality of the Anti Corruption Commission's inaction to investigate corruption allegations against 17 CBA leaders of Biman Bangladesh Airlines.

BANGLADESH ISSUES US Senate hearing today

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

The US Senate Committee on Foreign Relations will again hold a hearing on Bangladesh's current political situation and workers rights issues today.

Bangladesh's political situation, officials said. The hearing carries special significance as it is taking place ahead of the review of the suspension of Bangladesh's trade privileges in the US market scheduled for May.

Why not stop

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Altaf filed the petition as a public interest litigation in October last year, stating that the proposed 1,200MW power plant would have harmful effect on the natural resources, biodiversity, wetlands and the livelihood of people in its surrounding areas.

US embassy was 'in touch'

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smuggling case. According to the judgment in the case, the confessional statement of former NSI director general Brig Gen (ret'd) Abdur Rahim reveals that in the third week of April 2004 he was in the process of transferring the then NSI director Wing Commander Shahab Uddin from NSI to his original workplace in the air force.

the Pakistan High Commission, ARY, the US Embassy and the Indian separatist organisation Ulfa leader Paresh Barua. For this reason, absconding accused Ulfa leader Paresh Barua while giving Tk 50 lakh to accused Hafizur Rahman said there is no need to worry about permission for the CUFL jetty as the chiefs of the DGFI and the NSI managed those," the verdict reads.

Keep highways

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lives were lost and properties worth crores of taka damaged in road accidents due to these unfit vehicles. These vehicles were illegal, as they did not have fitness licence, he argued.

Abdur Rahim also mentioned that on April 3, 2004 (the day after the haul), he went to the Prime Minister's Office and informed state minister for home Lutfuzzaman Babar about Shahab Uddin's involvement in the smuggling of the arms.

Referring to the confessional statement of Hafizur Rahman, the verdict said Paresh told Hafizur that NSI director Shahab Uddin was a powerful person and he would manage everything like the police, CUFL jetty, navy and coast guard.

Jubo League cadre killed

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said Lt Colonel Gulzar, in charge of media wing at Rab-8. Others managed to flee the scene. Several firearms including two pistols and a pipe gun, bullets, and three sharp weapons were recovered from the spot, Gulzar added.

grabbing public and private properties in the city's commercial areas, police mentioned. However, Faruq's father demanded justice against the "killing" of his son without trial.

city under the banner of Jubo League. The gang attacked Barisal Press Club in 1999. The duo went into hiding after the BNP-led alliance government came to power in 2001.

Owner Delwar denied bail

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bail. The court rejected both of them bail at that time. The surrender came six weeks after the same court took charges against them into cognisance and issued arrest warrants for the couple in the first-ever move in the country to prosecute garment owners for a factory fire.

In December last year, police pressed homicide charges against 13 people, including Delwar and Mahmuda. The couple are also facing charges of negligence that led to so many casualties in the blaze.

Court and the lower court. Only the security-in-charge is now behind bars. In response to a writ petition, the HC in May last year asked the government to explain why it should not be directed to prosecute Delwar for his alleged negligence in ensuring workers' safety.

Art you can eat!

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half-eaten Digestive biscuit represent a bra, bike helmet, umbrella and bicycle. "I went in with my personal Facebook page in February 2013 and started posting these images as an expression of pure enjoyment," he says.

food. "I always seek more challenges to create art and use common things to create the unusual." The re-imagining of inanimate, mundane objects is an example of the psychological phenomenon pareidolia. It causes people to see random images and perceive them as something significant. In this case, Victor manages to create numerous detailed pictures from plain objects.

SC scraps bail for Hall-Mark chairman

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Supreme Court yesterday cancelled the High Court order that granted bail to Hall-Mark group Chairman Jasmine Islam in a corruption case.

Mufti Izhar, son charge-sheeted

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After the explosion, police recovered four handmade grenades and huge bomb-making materials like iron caps, cylinders, electric cables and 18 bottles of picric acid from madrasa premises.



Harun Bin Izhar

Izharul, however, claimed that the explosion originated from a laptop charger while his son Harun claimed that it was from an instant power supply (IPS). Two cases -- one under explosive substances act and the other for storing acid -- were filed with Khulshi Police Station on October 8, 2013, said SI Lokman.

Later a murder case was filed in connection with the blast, Lokman, also the investigation officer (IO) of the explosion case, added. Police arrested Harun and his bodyguard Md Junayed from the house of Harun's in-law at Hathazari upazila of Chittagong on October 9. The IO said 12 people were accused in the explosive case. The charge sheet was submitted against nine people as three other accused -- Nur-un-Nabi, Md Salmar and Jobair Ahmed -- succumbed to their injuries at Chittagong Medical College Hospital.

The unvanquished

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The first month at the CRP went behind straightening Sharif's back through physiotherapy, which got bent due to the absence of his limbs. After that Sharif was given his artificial limbs and trained to use them for nearly two months.

Shahidullah defends Bangla

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and charisma. Jinnah was succeeded by Khwaja Nazimuddin, chief minister of East Bengal, as the new governor general. Real power, however, passed into the hands of the prime minister, Nawabzada Liaquat Ali Khan. He soon made it clear that he was in charge.

ease the pressure," recounted Das. "Gradually we made him walk up and down the stairs and today he can walk with the help of a crutch. With further exercise, he might not even need the crutch in the future," he added. The CRP also has plans of funding him for a business and providing him with vocational training. Sharif's dream of donning the national cricket jersey might have crashed with the accident, but it was his 'never-say-die' attitude that helped him reinvent himself against all the odds.

IOJ chief picked up, later freed without reason

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Police allegedly picked up Islami Oikya Jote (IOJ) Chairman Abdul Latif Nezami from his residence in the capital yesterday and released him after a while without giving any reason.

Rebels blow up key Pakistan gas pipelines officials

AFP, Quetta

Separatist insurgents in Pakistan's Baluchistan province have blown up three pipelines supplying natural gas to the country's biggest province Punjab, depriving factories and homes of fuel

He obviously thought such a move would uphold the Islamic nature of the state of Pakistan among the Bangladeshes. Fazlur Rahman's comments were met, understandably, with derision. Interestingly, at another conference, this one known as the East Bengal literary conference and organised by another Bangalee minister, Habibullah Bahar, on Dec 31, 1948 and January 1, 1949, the demand for Bangla as a state language was reiterated in unmistakable terms.

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