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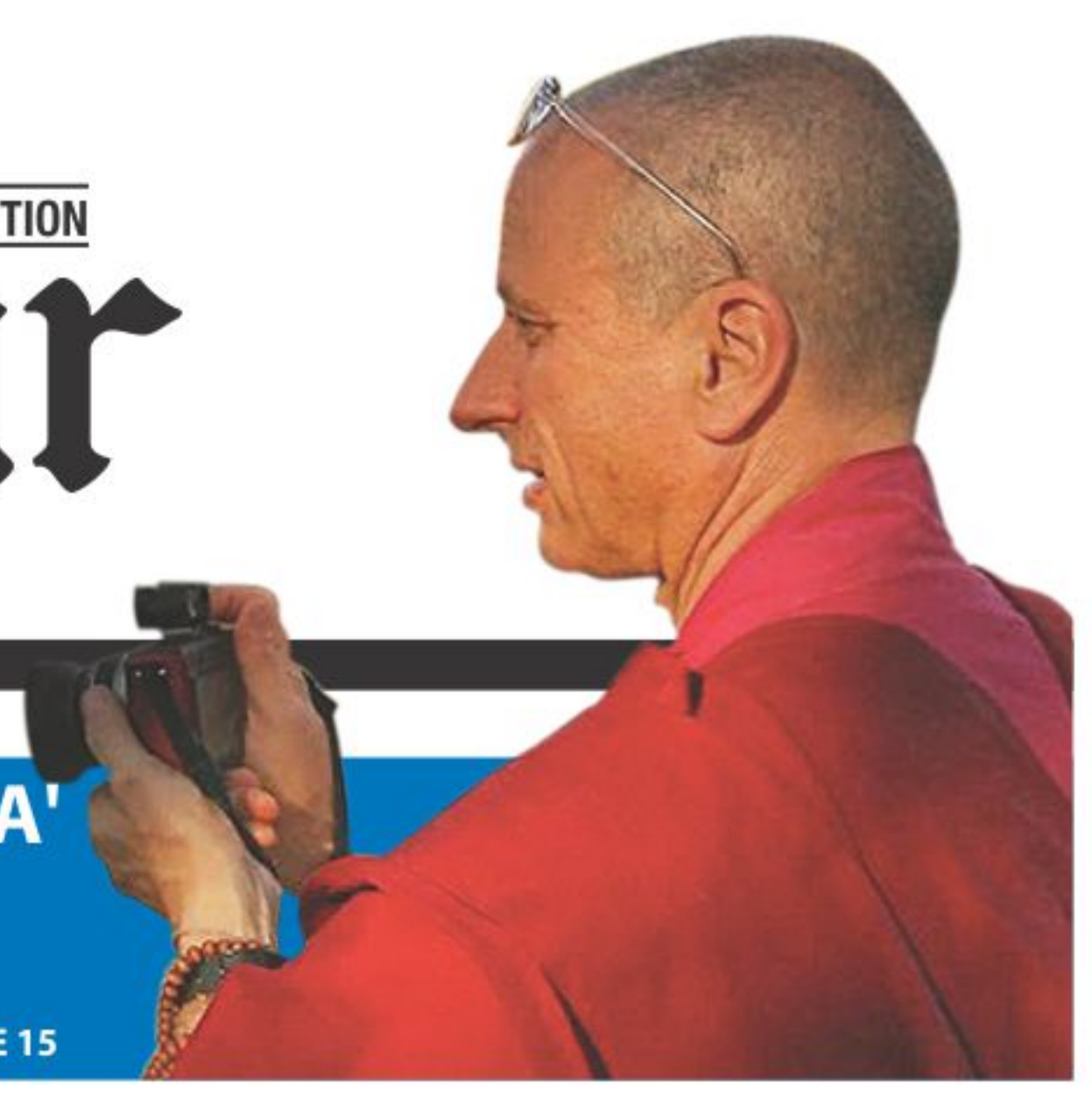
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# Ochoa keeps Brazil at bay

AFP, Fortaleza

Goalkeeper Guillermo Ochoa produced an inspired performance as Mexico held World Cup hosts Brazil to a frustrating 0-0 draw in Group A in Fortaleza on Tuesday.

Ochoa twice made decisive interventions to deny Neymar before coming up with a stunning save to keep out a Thiago Silva header from point-blank range four minutes from the end of a scrappy encounter in the steaming heat of the Castelao Stadium.

Always eager to attack themselves, Mexico were well worthy of a draw which leaves both sides level on four points in the group and, even with Croatia and Cameroon set to meet each other in Manaus on Wednesday, ensured that the section will not be decided until the final round of games on June 23.

The enormity of the occasion clearly got to some of the Brazil players, with Neymar breaking down in tears at the end of a rousing version of the national anthem, and the home side struggled to settle in the early stages of the match.

Passes were wayward and challenges were mis-timed as the nervous energy of the

crowd inside the 60,342-capacity stadium made for a frantic start to the game.

Indeed, Mexico, backed by a colourful and vociferous support of their own, initially looked the better team and had the first real chance of the afternoon, a rising strike from just outside the area by Hector Herrera that was turned over the bar by Julio Cesar in the home goal, although no corner was given.

While Mexico were unchanged from their 1-0 victory against Cameroon last Friday, Brazil coach Luiz Felipe Scolari made one alteration from the side that defeated Croatia 3-1 in their opening game in Sao Paulo last Thursday, with Ramires replacing Hulk, who failed to fully shake off a niggling hamstring problem in time to start.

That meant Oscar was moved from the right flank, where he had been outstanding against Croatia, to the left.

But it was from the right that the home side created their first opening, a cross from Dani Alves being headed goalwards by Neymar at the back post, only for Ochoa to make a superb save flying low to his right.

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Mexico goalkeeper Guillermo Ochoa dives to save a scorching header from Brazil's Neymar, which was only one of his many incredible saves in yesterday's match in Fortaleza that ended 0-0.

PHOTO: REUTERS

## BANGLADESHIS IN IRAQ Embassy shifts 50 to safety

BELAL HOSSAIN BIPOLO

At least 50 Bangladeshi migrants, who were rescued from restive Mosul in Iraq six days ago, will be sent back home soon.

"We have transferred 50 Bangladeshis to Kurdistan from Mosul with the assistance of the Kurdish state forces. We are now planning to send them back home," Maj Gen Rezanur Rahman Khan, Bangladesh ambassador to Iraq, told The Daily Star yesterday.

Civilians, including foreigners, have been passing their days in great anxiety with Iraqi government forces engaged in heavy clashes with Sunni insurgents who made major and swift advances in some provinces last week. Mosul, Iraq's second largest city, fell to the insurgents.

The prime minister of Iraq's autonomous Kurdish region told BBC that it would be very hard for Iraq to return to the situation that existed before the Sunni militants took control of the northern cities of Mosul and Tikrit in a rapid advance last week, and Tal Afar on Monday. The insurgent group is spearheaded by the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL).

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## INVASION BY ISLAMIST MILITANTS Fighting erupts near Baghdad

UN warns of Iraq break-up; Baghdad accuses Riyadh of funding militants

AFP, Baghdad

Fighting erupted at the northern approaches to Baghdad yesterday as Iraq accused Saudi Arabia of backing militants who have seized swathes of its territory in an offensive the UN says threatens its very existence.

Washington deployed some 275 military personnel to protect its embassy in Baghdad, the first time it has sent troops to Iraq since it withdrew its forces at the end of 2011 after a bloody and costly intervention launched in 2003.

It was also mulling air strikes against the militants, who are led by the jihadist Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) but also include loyalists of now-executed Sunni

Arab dictator Saddam Hussein.

Since the insurgents launched their lightning assault on June 9, they have captured Mosul, a city of two million people, and a big chunk of mainly Sunni Arab territory stretching south towards the capital.

The offensive has displaced hundreds of thousands of people and sent jitters through world oil markets as the militants have advanced ever nearer Baghdad leaving the Shia-led government in disarray.

The militants yesterday briefly held parts of the city of Baquba, just 60 kilometres from the capital, officials said.

They also took control of most of Tal Afar, a strategic Shia-majority town between

## Bribery by two anti-graft men

Realtor paid Tk 37 lakh in bribe, went to ACC upon demand for Tk 20 lakh more

M RAHMAN

Tk 37 lakh was not enough for them. Taking the amount in bribes from a realtor, two deputy directors of the Anti-Corruption Commission demanded another Tk 20 lakh.

It all began when the commission issued a notice to real estate businessman Mobarak Hossain early last year asking for his wealth statement.

Starting as a medical representative, Mobarak turned into a businessman within a short time and became a director of Rupayan Group, a real estate company, according to ACC officials.

He, however, submitted his wealth statement within the stipulated time.

Deputy directors Zahid Hossain and Golam Mostafa, who were acquainted with Mobarak, assured him that they would manage the ACC if it harasses him. In return, they asked for Tk 37 lakh.

Mobarak met their demand but kept an audio record of their conversation regarding the bribe, said a complaint he submitted to the acting chairman of ACC.

The duo didn't there. They demanded Tk 20 lakh more; otherwise, they would put him in trouble, it added.

The realtor also submitted a compact disk along with the complaint on June 10, saying the disk contained the conversation.

ACC acting chairman Mohammad Shahabuddin told The Daily Star that the

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## Dhaka, Phnom Penh agree to boost ties

4 deals signed to foster cooperation after Hasina-Hun Sen official talks

BSS, Dhaka

Bangladesh and Cambodia yesterday agreed to boost bilateral cooperation in the fields of industry, trade, commerce and agriculture.

Dhaka and Phnom Penh reached the consensus at the official talks between the two countries at the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) in the capital.

After the talks, both countries signed three agreements and one memorandum of understanding in a bid to advance bilateral ties.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina and visiting Cambodian Premier Hun Sen witnessed the signing ceremony.

The talks were held in a warm and cordial environment, Hasina's Press Secretary AKM Shameem Chowdhury and Foreign Secretary Shahidul Haque told reporters after the meeting.

The two premiers mentioned that both the countries have similar experiences in the field of struggle for freedom and independence, they said.

Bangladesh and Cambodia have been included in the LDCs and they have similar status in the socioeconomic field as

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The world may be focused on Brazil as football giants take on each other for glory but for some playing skins versus shirts in pouring rain on the street is a lot more fun. The photo was taken from Tejgaon Industrial Area in the capital yesterday.

PHOTO: SK ENAMUL HAQ

## Terrible Tigers

Taskin's five-for goes in vain

BISHWAJIT ROY

The Tigers reached the height of embarrassment as an under-strength India side taught them a harsh lesson on way to sealing the three-match ODI series with a 47-run victory in the rain-curtailed second match at the Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium in Mirpur last night.

A dream debut for 19-year-old pacer Taskin Ahmed was ruined by a pathetic and shameful batting display by Mushfiqur Rahim's men who hit their lowest total of 58, matching the ignominy they suffered at the same venue against West Indies in the 2011 World Cup. They also came away with a sordid entry in the record book as India defended the lowest (105 runs) ever total in one-day-internationals.

The Bangladesh captain had delivered a verbal salvo against this second-string India side but he must now swallow some humble pie after the way his side performed in the first two games to lose the series with one match in hand, especially in the way they squandered an opportunity in the chase of 105 runs, left many questions to be answered about their ability and approach to their game.

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Taskin Ahmed