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Hartal can be banned if people want

Says law minister
STAFF CORRESPONDENT

If people want, the government will consider formulating a law to ban hartal in the country, Law Minister Anisul Huq has said. "What we see in the name of hartal now is nothing but terrorism. We have an anti-terrorism law and it will be used to tackle terrorist activities," he told a "meet the reporters" programme at Dhaka Reporters Unity yesterday.

Replying to a question, the minister reiterated that BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia was not being confined to her office at Gulshan.

"The government is not preventing anybody from doing politics, but trying to stop terrorist activities and protect peoples' lives and properties," he said.

He also said the



An ambulance carrying a departing passenger and his family members is barred by law enforcers from entering the Shahjalal International Airport yesterday. To travel to the airport, the people used ambulance to avoid attacks by pickets during the nationwide hartal yesterday. Right, a locked gate of the airport and a car intercepted by a security official before the entry to the airport. In the wake of political violence, the authorities have restricted visitors' entry to the airport for an indefinite period.



PHOTO: ANISUR RAHMAN

Govt to set up two more cantonments

Army fully ready to resist evil force, says PM

HASAN JAHID TUSHER, from Baliakandi, Rajbari

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday announced setting up of two more cantonments for Bangladesh Army.

"Initiatives have been taken to build cantonments in Rajbari and Lebukhali of Barisal-Patuakhali. The process of setting up a cantonment has already begun in Lebukhali while a piece of land has been picked in Rajbari for the army's use," she said while addressing a Darbar of the army at

Baliakandi in Rajbari.

She said the initiative was taken to turn the military into a modern and skilled force as per the Forces' Goal 2030.

Addressing the Darbar, Hasina recalled the army's role in nation building. She said the army helped in the continuation of the democratic process in the country during the January 5 parliamentary elections last year by discharging its duties neutrally and professionally.

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TRIAL COURT JUDGE Khaleda expresses no-confidence

COURT CORRESPONDENT

BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia has expressed no-confidence in another judge who has held two hearings in two corruption cases against her.

The judge, Abu Ahmed Jamadar, of the Special Judge Court-3 of Dhaka, is holding the trial of the Zia Orphanage and Zia Charitable Trust graft cases filed against Khaleda and eight others.

Jamadar, appointed as a new judge at the court on December 18 last year, held the two hearings on December 24 and January 7.

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DR SYED A WADUD Doa mahfil today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A doa mahfil for renowned ophthalmologist Dr Syed A Wadud will be held at his residence at Road 66, House 10, Gulshan-2, at 3:30pm today.

Born on March 1, 1926 in Sherpur, the eminent physician passed away on January 1 in Atlanta, USA. His janaza was held at Georgia Islamic Center and he was buried in Atlanta.

He completed his MBBS from Dhaka Medical College (DMC) in 1950. Later, he went on to achieve higher medical degrees from the UK and other European countries.

In 1961, Dr Wadud

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Origami boat an adult can row

MAIL ONLINE

Countless numbers of children have marvelled at how a homemade boat made of folded paper can float on water. And now engineers have created a giant origami version that can carry an adult.

Unlike the simple toy that's constructed using a single piece of paper, they also used glue and sticky tape to create the lake-worthy vessel, which measures 3.6 metres long.

Pupils from Tottenham UTC School helped to launch the giant paper construction on Southwark Boating Lake in South London to mark the 50 day countdown to the annual Big Bang Fair, which promotes careers in science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

The project was intended to show them that even the humble paper boat can be super-sized using engineering techniques capable of making it strong enough for a human.

Morwenna Wilson, an award-winning engineer,

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PHOTO: STAR

The army in its winter exercise titled "Assault River Crossing" in the river Gorai at Sonakanda in Rajbari yesterday.

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ONLINE POLL

Do you think the government should immediately launch a probe into the gun attack on BNP chairperson's adviser Reaz Rahman?

Yes (76%)
No (24%)

TOTAL VOTES: 323

TODAY'S POLL

Do you think there should be a law to ban hartal?

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PRAYER TIMING January 16

	Azan	Jamaat
Fazr	5-30	6-05
Juma	12-30	1-15
Asr	4-00	4-15
Maghrib	5-36	5-40
Esha	7-00	7-30

Source: Islamic Foundation

Dhaka being ruined in the name of urban dev

Experts tell int'l conference on architecture in Dhaka

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Dhaka is definitely being ruined in the name of urban development, said the state minister for power, energy and mineral resources at the inauguration of a three-day international conference on architecture in the capital yesterday.

Private housing schemes are being developed massively filling rivers and water bodies with earth and some architects or others are designing those, added Nasrul Hamid, himself a real estate developer.

Blaming policymakers will be of no use, it is the responsibility of professionals to sensitise policymakers. "We

want to save Dhaka but we cannot even save the Buriganga river," he said without elaborating why.

Nasrul said he started off drawing pictures in his childhood and finally ended up as "a real estate businessman".

Bengal Foundation in association with the Institute of Architects Bangladesh (IAB) is hosting the conference fashioned Engage Dhaka 2015 with the participation of 14 globally-acclaimed historians, theorists, teachers and practitioners of architecture from home and abroad.

Addressing the event, Information

Minister Hasanul Haq Inu said, "We need development in harmony with nature with the help of climate-resilient and modern architecture that nurtures the age-old local history and heritage."

"Architecture is like a painting and one does not have to be an architect to appreciate it," said chief guest Finance Minister AMA Muhith.

The conference Director Kashef Mahboob Chowdhury said Dhaka carries the legacy of master architects like Muzharul Islam, Louis I Kahn, Paul Rudolph and Stanly Tigerman.

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