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2 more arson victims die

Vehicles torched on eve of fresh hartal

STAR REPORT

Two victims of petrol bomb attacks died at Dhaka Medical College Hospital yesterday, raising the death toll in the violence that began since January 6 to 80.

On the 54th day of the nationwide blockade, several vehicles were set ablaze, bombs went off and there were arrests of Jamaat and Shibir activists and recovery of explosives.

A Shibir activist had his wrist blown off in a bomb blast in Gazipur.

As the BNP-led 20-party alliance's 72-hour countrywide hartal starts from 6:00am today, the government moved today's SSC and its equivalent exams to March 14 (Saturday).

The tests will be held from 10:00am to 1:00pm, said Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid at a briefing in his Hare Road residence in Dhaka.

Another test, which was scheduled for

February 12, will be held on March 13 (Friday) from 9:00am to noon, while the exam slated for March 3 has been postponed. Its date would be announced later.

Shakil Ahmed, 18, died of his injuries three days after he was burnt by petrol bomb at Rugganj in Narayanganj yesterday. Sixty percent of his body was burnt.

Shakil and bus helper Yasin, 12, were sleeping inside a bus in front of Bismillah CNG Filling Station on the Dhaka-Sylhet highway in Sawghat around 3:30am when the criminals hurled a petrol bomb.

Shakil died at 3:30pm at the intensive care unit, said Partha Shankar Paul, residential surgeon of DMCH burn and plastic surgery unit.

Kabir Hossain died at 3:30am due to excessive bleeding. He had jumped off a truck that criminals firebombed Friday night, injuring his leg.

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A person tries to douse the flames in a bus on Kamal Ataturk Avenue in the capital yesterday after criminals torched the bus on the eve of the 72-hour hartal that begins today.

PHOTO: PRABIR DAS

Latif Siddique suffers heart attack

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Sacked minister Abdul Latif Siddique yesterday suffered a cardiac arrest at Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University,

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Sorry, folks, gig's up – it's a blue and black dress

MAIL ONLINE

It is the question that has divided the internet: is this dress white and gold, or blue and black?

The two-toned frock has sparked a fierce online debate, with users taking to social media to argue over what colours they see.

The picture of the dress was first posted on

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Violence architects must face trial

Says EU team's release after Bangladesh visit

STAR REPORT

An EU delegation in a statement yesterday said victims of violence in Bangladesh deserved proper justice and the perpetrators, whoever they were, must be identified, brought to justice, and should receive "a fair trial".

"There was a fruitful discussion on the importance of upholding the rule of law and respecting human rights as fundamental instruments for de-escalating political tensions," read the statement issued by the delegation at the end of its sub-groups meetings with the government.

Three sub-groups meetings were held on February 26-27 under the framework of the 2001 Cooperation Agreement -- Governance,

Human Rights and Migration, Trade and Development Cooperation in the city.

The discussions were open and constructive, said the delegation, adding that they exchanged views on a wide range of issues.

HUMAN RIGHTS

At the outset of the sub-group meeting on Governance, Human Rights and Migration, the delegation raised a number of concerns about the current political situation. In particular, the need to protect the fundamental democratic rights of the people of Bangladesh was discussed in view of the recent incidents of blockade violence.

The sub-group also addressed the need to strengthen cooperation on democracy,

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Top Putin critic shot dead

West condemns murder; Putin pledges to nail Nemtsov killers

AFP, Moscow

President Vladimir Putin yesterday vowed to bring the "vile" killers of Kremlin critic Boris Nemtsov to justice as Western leaders and Russia's opposition roundly condemned the drive-by shooting near the Kremlin walls.

Putin, who earlier blamed the assassination on foes trying to discredit the Kremlin, said in a message to Nemtsov's mother: "Everything will be done so that the organisers and perpetrators of a vile and cynical murder get the punishment they deserve."

The 55-year-old former deputy premier who was a vocal critic of Putin, was shot in the back several times shortly before midnight Friday as he walked across a bridge a stone's throw from the Kremlin.

Hours later yesterday a steady stream of mourners, many

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PHOTO: AFP

New Zealand paceman Trent Boult struck Australia like a lightning in their World Cup match at Eden Park in Auckland yesterday. His five-wicket burst bowled the Aussies out for a paltry 151. Not only that, coming in to bat at number 11, he dug out an express yorker from Michael Starc to save the day for the Kiwis, who scratched to a one-wicket win.

Kiwis edge out Aussies, India toy with UAE

AFP, Sydney

New Zealand reached the World Cup quarterfinals with a nail-biting one-wicket win over Australia in Auckland on Saturday while 5,500 kilometres away in Perth, India destroyed the amateurs of the UAE by nine wickets.

New Zealand carved out a fourth win in four games in Pool A but, in pursuit of just 152 and sitting comfortably at 78 for one, the Black Caps were crippled by sudden stage-fright as their next eight wickets fell for just 68 runs with 40,000 fans at Eden Park on the edge of their seats.

But Kane Williamson (45 not out) smashed the winning runs with a mighty six off Pat Cummins from the first ball of the 24th over, having watched helplessly as Australia left-arm seamer Mitchell Starc wreaked havoc with a career-best six for 28.

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Integral Energy Limited ONLINE POLL

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Yes (91%)

No (9%)

TOTAL VOTES: 306

TODAY'S POLL

Do you agree with a report by Amnesty International that police and other forces committed torture with impunity in Bangladesh?

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৩৮৩, টিঙ্গী ডাইভারশন রোড, মগবাজার, ঢাকা

২০১৫-২০১৬ কর বৎসরের জন্য আয়কর অধ্যাদেশ, ১৯৮৪ এর ৬৪ ধারা অনুযায়ী অগ্রিম আয়করের ৩য় কিস্তি পরিশোধ সংক্রান্ত বিজ্ঞপ্তি

কর অঞ্চল-১৩, ঢাকা এর অধিক্ষেত্রাধীন সম্মানিত করদাতাগণের ২০১৫-২০১৬ কর বৎসরের জন্য প্রদেয় অগ্রিম আয়করের তৃতীয় কিস্তি প্রদানের সর্বশেষ তারিখ ১৫ই মার্চ, ২০১৫ ইং।

প্রদেয় অগ্রিম আয়কর সংশ্লিষ্ট সার্কেলের উপ কর কমিশনার, কর অঞ্চল-১৩, ঢাকার অনুকূলে পে-অর্ডার অথবা ক্রসড চেকের মাধ্যমে পরিশোধ করিতে হইবে অথবা কর অঞ্চল-১৩, ঢাকার অনুকূলে কোম্পানি করদাতার জন্য প্রদেয় অগ্রিম আয়কর ১-১৯৪৯-০১০০-০১০১ কোডে এবং ব্যক্তি করদাতার জন্য প্রদেয় অগ্রিম আয়কর ১-১৯৪৯-০১০০-০১১১ কোডে বাংলাদেশ ব্যাংকে জমা প্রদান করিতে হইবে।

নির্ধারিত তারিখের মধ্যে অগ্রিম আয়কর পরিশোধ না করা হইলে আয়কর অধ্যাদেশ, ১৯৮৪ এর ১২৫ ধারা মোতাবেক প্রদেয় আয়করের সম পরিমাণ অংক জরিমানা হিসাবে এবং ৬৯, ৭০ ও ৭৩ ধারা মোতাবেক ১০ শতাংশ হারে সরল সুদ আরোপ করিবার বিধান রহিয়াছে।

সম্মানিত করদাতাগণের অগ্রিম আয়কর প্রদান অথবা এতদ বিষয়ে কোন তথ্যের প্রয়োজন হইলে অত্র কর অঞ্চলের অতিরিক্ত কর কমিশনার-বেগম নাফিসা খান, ফোনঃ ৯৩৫৯৯৬২, যুগ্ম কর কমিশনার-জনাব মোঃ আশরাফুজ্জামান, ফোনঃ ৯৩৫৯৯৮১, যুগ্ম কর কমিশনার-জনাব আল মামুন, ফোনঃ ৮৩৯৯১৬৯ এবং উপ কর কমিশনার-জনাব মোহাম্মদ শাহ আলম, ফোনঃ ৯৩৫৯৯৭৩ এর সহিত যোগাযোগ করা যাইতে পারে।

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