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Captain Mashrafe Bin Mortaza is greeted with flowers upon the Bangladesh team's arrival at the Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport last night.

PHOTO: FIROZ AHMED

Tigers home

SPORTS REPORTER

The Tigers received a heroes' welcome when they arrived in Dhaka yesterday after a satisfying World Cup campaign down under.

Mashrafe Bin Mortaza's men, who made it to the World Cup quarterfinals for the first time, found it tough to make their way out of the Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport, which turned into a hub of Tigers fans well before the plane carrying the Bangladesh team landed 30 minutes behind its scheduled arrival at 7.30pm.

BCB director and media committee chairman Jalal Younis welcomed the players at the VVIP lounge with a bouquet of flowers and

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Arson attacks take four more lives

Student buses of Dhaka, Jahangirnagar universities torched

STAR REPORT

When day labourer Matin Biswas left his village home in Magura with his two uncles and a cousin for work on Friday night, he had no idea of the horrors awaiting him.

As he and eight others were returning to Malikgram village from Magura town by a truck after offloading sand, alleged blockaders threw two petrol bombs at the vehicle in the town's Moghi area on Saturday morning.

He along with the other eight victims was brought to Dhaka Medical College Hospital early yesterday.

As Matin gasped for breath lying in a bed at the burn unit in the afternoon, his wife Jahida Tahrima said, "Only Allah knows how we will survive if something bad happens to him."

Her fears turned into reality as Matin, 25, with 56 percent burns lost his battle for life

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'Return' Salahuddin or face dire consequence

Khaleda asks govt; he was picked up by law enforcers, insists missing BNP leader's wife



STAFF CORRESPONDENT

BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia has warned that the government will face "dire consequences" if it does not return missing BNP leader Salahuddin Ahmed to his family or produce him before court.

"Twelve days have passed since law enforcers picked up the BNP joint secretary general, but the authorities are yet to release him, produce him in court or even admit his arrest," Khaleda said in a statement yesterday.

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A double-decker of Dhaka University burns at Farmgate in the capital after criminals torched it yesterday evening.

PHOTO: ANISUR RAHMAN



TOP QUOTE

"City corporation polls will be a window for the BNP to return to healthy politics."

COMMERCE MINISTER
TOFAIL AHMED
AT THE SECRETARIAT

Seize property of those torching land offices: PM

UNB, Dhaka

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday asked law enforcement agencies to seize all land properties of those to be found guilty of torching land offices.

"All of their fathers' and grandfathers' land property will be seized... they cannot be the owners of any land, they'll be living in their respective areas, but they won't have any land of their own," she said.

Hasina made the remarks while speaking at a function marking the 40th founding anniversary of the Islamic Foundation Bangladesh.

The PM also said criminals belonging to BNP-Jamaat alliance were setting fire to land offices in districts and upazilas. "What is the reason behind burning the documents of land offices?" she questioned.

In this connection, she mentioned that her government

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BLOCKADE VIOLENCE

(Jan 5-March 22)

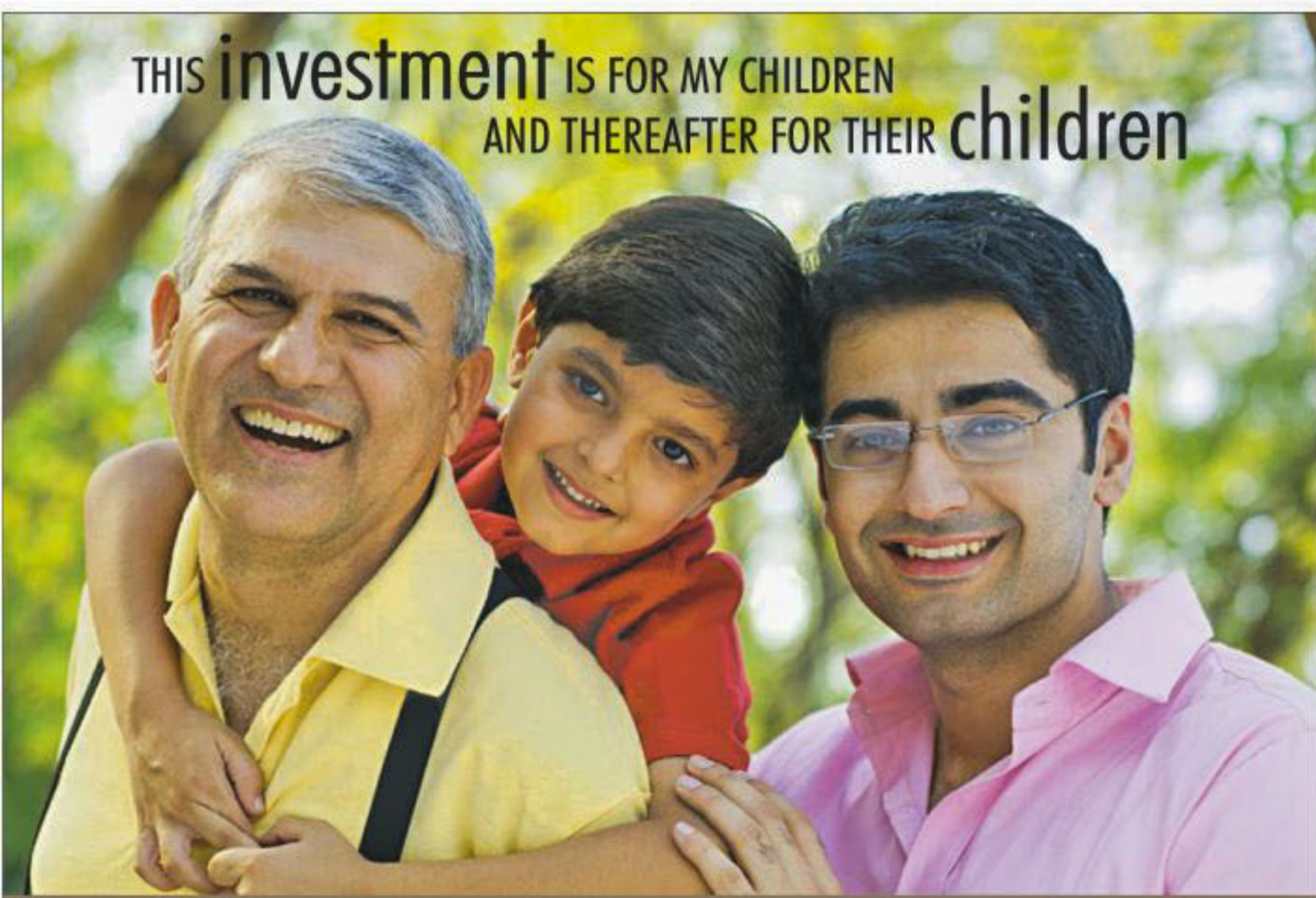
Total killed:

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Injured: over **1,400**

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