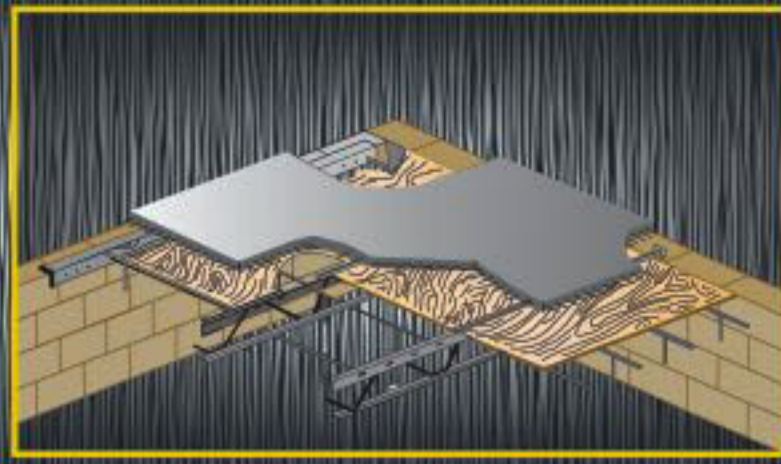


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Teachers go for no work

Want their salaries raised, status upgraded; work abstention at all public universities today

MAHDI AL MUHTASIM

Teachers of all 37 public universities will observe a daylong work abstention programme today to press for a four-point demand, including salary with due dignity in the eighth national pay scale and a separate wage structure.

"No classes and examinations will be held in any university," said Prof Farid Uddin Ahmed, president of Federation of Bangladesh University Teachers' Association (FBUTA), a platform of teachers of all 37 state-run universities.

The cabinet yesterday approved a new pay scale for civil servants with minimum basic salary of Tk 8,250 and maximum of Tk 78,000 per month.

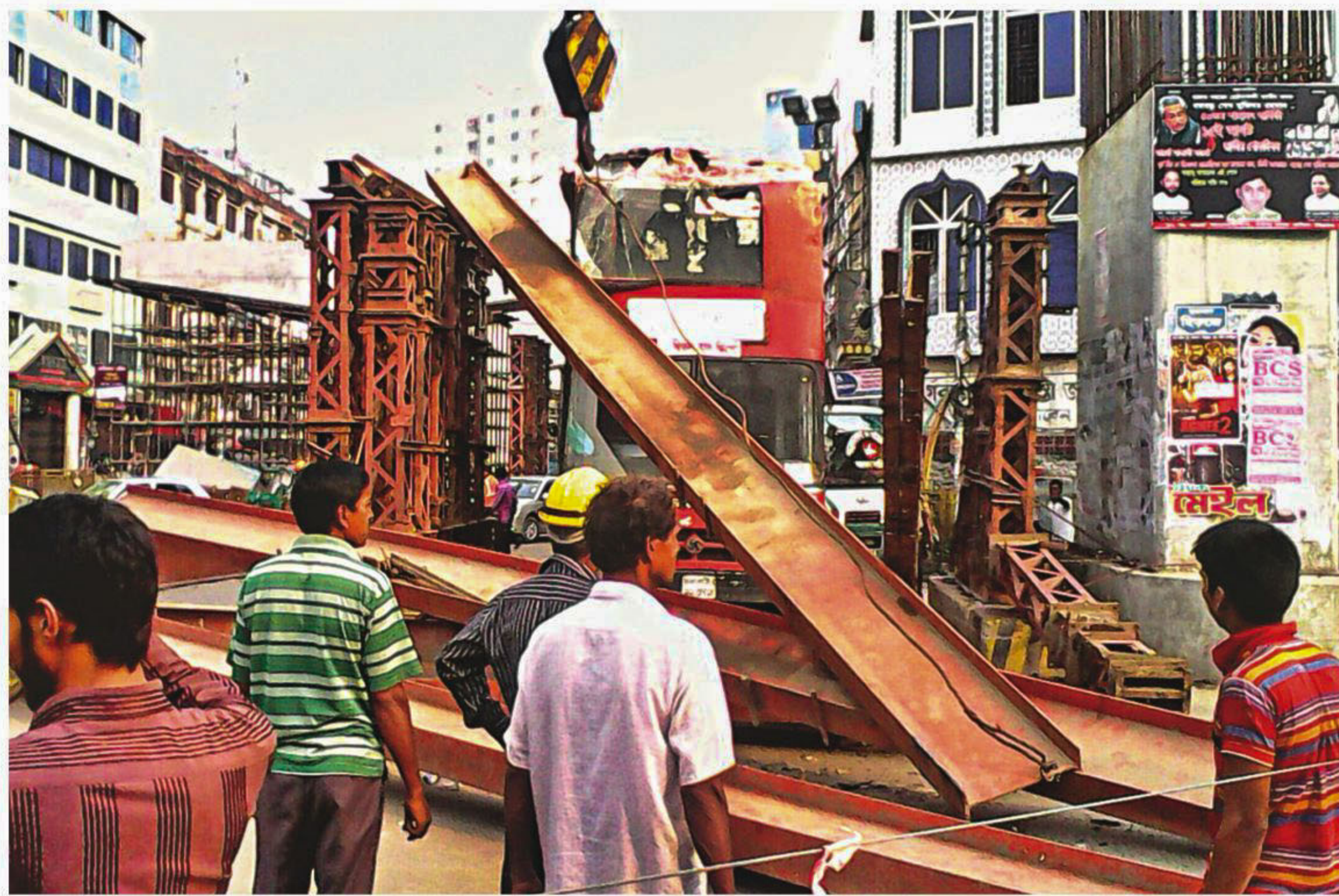
The new pay scale kept their grades as proposed in the draft. Prof Farid, who teaches economics at Dhaka University, said they had expected a separate pay scale for the teachers as the government approved the new pay scale.

"But that did not happen," he told The Daily Star. Prof Farid further said they would hold a protest rally and bring out a procession on all campuses today.

He also said they would go for a movement for an indefinite period if their demands were not met.

Cabinet Secretary M Musharraf Hossain Bhuiyan said the cabinet committee was asked to sit with the teachers and get

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Large metal frames of the under-construction Moghbazar-Mouchak flyover collapse after a double-decker hit the scaffolding early yesterday. No one was injured.

PHOTO: ANISUR RAHMAN

Ensure smooth movement of cattle-laden trucks: IGP

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Policemen have been instructed not to stop cattle-laden trucks on roads without specific instruction to do so ahead of Eid, said Inspector General of Police AKM Shahidul Hoque yesterday.

Vehicles cannot be stopped in the name of checking their documents, he told a press briefing at the police headquarters in the capital, adding that a cell has been set up to monitor policemen's unethical activities.

The IGP's comments came amid allegations that policemen extort from cattle traders and truckers on highways ahead of Eid.

However, Rustom Ali, general secretary of Bangladesh Truck and Covered Van Owners Association, said police had come up with similar directives in the past but unscrupulous policemen still extorted from traders and drivers.

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Khaleda seeks support of the Hindus

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia last night urged the Hindus to change their traditional mentality of supporting the Awami League and rally behind her party.

"You should make your family members understand that it won't be wise for them only to talk about Awami League and boat [electoral symbol of AL]. You must change this mentality. You will make a mistake if you adopt the same mentality in the 21st

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INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY TODAY

100pc literacy by this year far off

WASIM BIN HABIB

The government is set to miss the Millennium Development Goal of hundred percent literacy of the population aged above 15 by this year.

Around 40 percent people of the age group are illiterate, according to the 2013 census of Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics.

The government has already failed to keep its electoral pledge to eradicate illiteracy from the country by 2014.

Experts and educationists blame the failure on poor planning and lack of initiatives.

Against this backdrop, the country observes International Literacy Day today.

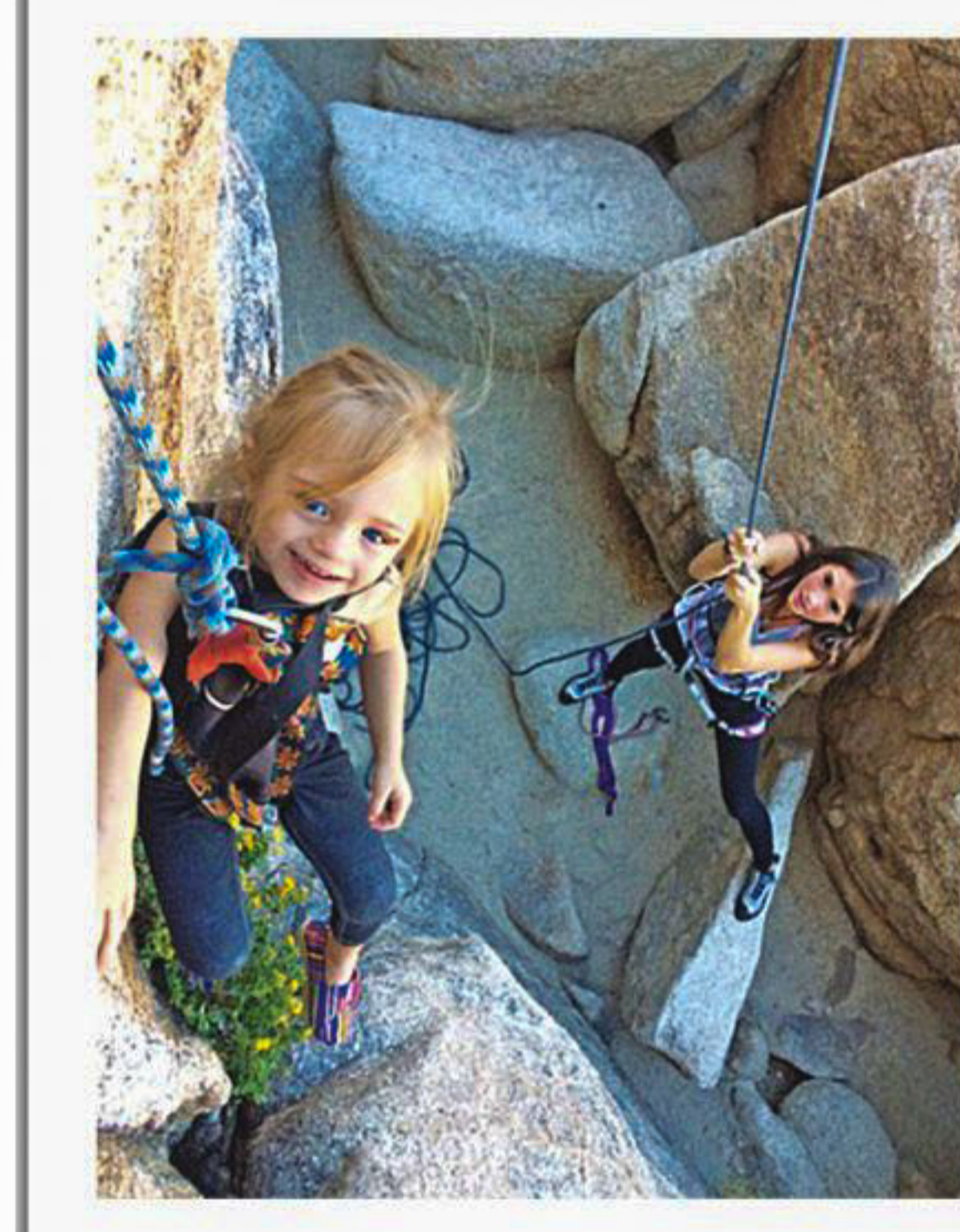
This year's theme is Literacy and Sustainable Societies.

The ruling Awami League in its 2008 election manifesto promised to ensure cent percent literacy by 2014. After assuming office in 2009, it incorporated the target in the National Education Policy 2010 and the sixth five-year plan for development.

However, not much progress has been made towards the target. The government could not implement any major initiative yet.

Only last year, the Bureau of Non-formal Education (BNFE) took up Tk 452-crore Basic Literacy Project to give education to 45 lakh people between 15 and 45 years in 64 districts.

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Mother nature, her wild child

MAIL ONLINE

Just walking with toddlers can be a bit of an uphill struggle, but one young mother and her three-year-old daughter are having the time of their lives travelling the world and climbing mountains together.

Morgan Brechler has conquered some of America's most famous national parks with her daughter Hadlie, three, since she was just a few months old.

As well as exploring Joshua Tree in California and the Grand Canyon in

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ONLINE POLL

Do you agree with Dr Iqbal Arslan, general secretary of Bangladesh Medical Association that half of the patients in Bangladesh are wrongly treated?

Yes (98%)
No (2%)

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TODAY'S POLL

Do you think it was justified for the State Minister for Power, Energy & Mineral Resources Nasrul Hamid that people would not get the benefit if the govt decreased fuel prices?

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The arms and ammunition seized by the army from a remote jungle in Sadhukchhara under Dighinala upazila of Khagrachhari yesterday. A criminal was arrested in this connection.

PHOTO: STAR

Tk 10cr VoIP gear seized

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Customs intelligence officials yesterday seized 118 cartons of voice over internet protocol (VoIP) equipment from the cargo village area of Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport.

The equipment were shipped from Hong Kong under the false declaration of computer accessories for M/S Sadia Trading in the capital, said Moinul Khan, director general of Customs Intelligence, at a press briefing at its headquarters in Kakrail.

As the cartons, shipped in on August 10,

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OPERATIONS IN HILLS

Criminal caught with arms, ammo

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Army men yesterday detained a criminal with a huge cache of weapons and ammunition from a remote jungle in Sadhukchhara under Dighinala upazila of Khagrachhari, an Inter Services Public Relations Directorate (ISPR) press release said.

Nantu Chakma, 45, was held during a drive led by Lt Col Mohsin Reza around 5:00am. The drive was conducted following up intelligence that at least 25 members of a gang were staying over in three houses in Sadhukchhara hills, the release read.

The 28-member army team seized a machinegun, two sub-machineguns, two SLRs, one grenade, nine bullet magazines and about 350 rounds of bullets along with seven sets of military uniforms and other accessories from the place, it said.

The other gang members managed to flee the scene, it added.

India allows 'refugees' to stay with expired visa

OUR CORRESPONDENT, New Delhi

India yesterday said it will allow minority "refugees" from Bangladesh and Pakistan to overstay their visas.

A home ministry statement said, "The Indian government has decided, on humanitarian considerations, to exempt Bangladeshi and Pakistani nationals belonging to minority communities who have entered India on or before December 31, 2014, in respect of their entry and stay in India without proper documents or after the expiry of relevant documents."

There are reports that some Bangladeshi and Pakistani nationals belonging to minority communities in those countries entered India either without any valid travel document or with valid documents, but the validity of such documents has expired.

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PRAYER TIMING
SEPTEMBER 8

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| AZAN | 4-35 | 12-45 | 4-30 | 6-20 | 7-45 |
| JAMAAT | 5-10 | 1-15 | 4-45 | 6-25 | 8-15 |

SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION

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