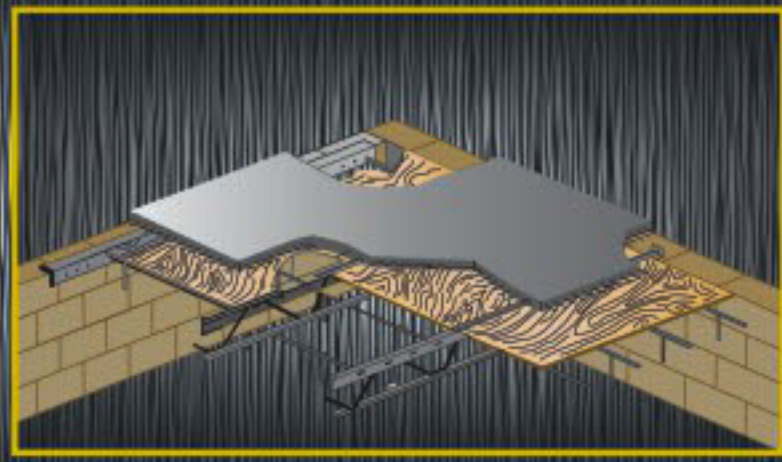


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PM dedicates UN award to people

Vows to build developed nation by 2041

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday expressed her strong commitment to making Bangladesh a middle-income country by 2021 and a developed one by 2041.

Addressing a civic reception at the South Plaza of Jatiya Sangsad Bhaban for her winning the UN's Champions of the Earth award, the premier said she has committed herself to turning Bangladesh into a "Sonar Bangla" free from poverty and hunger.

She said, "I'm dedicating this award to the people of Bangladesh. They are the ones who actually deserve this award."

In an emotionally charged speech, Hasina, also the ruling Awami League president, recalled her return to the country back in 1981 and her fight to establish people's right.

"When I had returned home, I didn't get any love and affection from my father, mother and brothers. Instead, I got love from the people of this country. So, I am ready to make every sacrifice for them," she said.

Seeking cooperation from people, the premier also



Mayors of two Dhaka city corporations present Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina with a bonsai at a civic reception at the South Plaza of the Parliament Complex yesterday.

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MINA STAMPEDE Bangladesh death toll reaches 51

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The death toll of Bangladesh pilgrims from the Mina stampede has gone up to 51.

The Bangladesh consulate in Jeddah has sent a list of 29 deceased, who have been identified so far, to the religious affairs ministry, Consul General AKM Shahidul Karim of the consulate told The Daily Star yesterday.

Another 131 Bangladeshi hajjis have been missing since the September 24 stampede, he added.

A total of 130 Bangladeshis, including stampede victims, are undergoing treatment at different hospitals in Saudi Arabia, said Shahidul.

Ibrahim Bahar, president of Hajj Agencies Association of Bangladesh, said burials of most of the deceased have already been completed.

Meanwhile, Bangladesh Hajj Mission has asked the relatives of the deceased to report to the mission's control room after burials of the dead.

The mission on its website said the Saudi authorities are working with the relatives of the deceased and Hajj guides to identify and bury the victims.

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Trio wins Nobel Prize for parasite therapies

AFP, Stockholm

A trio of scientists earned the 2015 Nobel Prize for Medicine yesterday for unlocking revolutionary treatments for malaria and roundworm, helping to roll back two parasitic diseases that blight millions of lives.

Tu Youyou of China won half of the award for her work in artemisinin, a drug based on ancient Chinese herbal medicine, the Nobel jury announced. She is the first Chinese woman national to win a Nobel prize in science.

Irish-born William Campbell and



Omura Youyou Campbell

Satoshi Omura of Japan shared the other half for an anti-roundworm treatment dubbed avermectin, derived from soil-dwelling bacteria.

"These two discoveries have provided humankind with powerful new means to

Tougher money laundering act on the cards

Ordinance to come soon

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government has decided to have an ordinance promulgated on Money Laundering Prevention (Amendment) Act to introduce tougher provisions in the proposed law ahead of a visit by an international anti-money laundering organisation.

The cabinet yesterday approved a proposal of the finance division to promulgate an ordinance on the proposed law considering "its urgency", cabinet

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12 Pacific nations reach landmark trade deal

Fight over approval looms

REUTERS, Atlanta

The United States and 11 other Pacific Rim countries have reached a deal on the most sweeping trade liberalization pact in a generation but the accord on Monday faced initial skepticism in the US Congress.

In a deal that could reshape industries and influence everything from the price of cheese to the cost of cancer treatments, the 12 countries will cut trade barriers and set common standards. Details of the pact were emerging in statements by officials after days of marathon negotiations in Atlanta.

The Trans-Pacific Partnership would affect 40 percent of the world economy and stand as a legacy-defining achievement for US President Barack Obama, if it is ratified by Congress. Lawmakers in other TPP countries must also approve the deal.

Initial reaction from key US lawmakers was sceptical.

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Two tourists, local guide 'abducted' in Rangamati

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bandarban

Two tourists and their local guide were reportedly abducted by armed men at Bilaichhari upazila in Rangamati on Saturday.

The tourists are Jubayer, 26, and Munna, 34, from Dhaka, and their guide Mangsai Mro, 30, from Ruma upazila of Bandarban, said Manzurul Islam, officer-in-charge of Bilaichhari Police Station.

"The three were abducted on October 3 when they reached Raingkyong Lake area in the upazila from Bandarban's Ruma," the OC said, quoting locals.

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Vehicles make their way through an inundated road near Osmani Memorial Auditorium in the capital. The road goes under water even after a light rain. The photo was taken yesterday afternoon.

PHOTO: SK ENAMUL HAQ



Rare Tintin drawing fetches \$1m in HK

AFP, Hong Kong

A rare drawing of comic book hero Tintin by Belgian cartoonist Hergé fetched over a million dollars at auction in Hong Kong yesterday as experts say comic art is becoming as collectible as paintings.

The artwork is an illustration from the cartoonist's "The Blue Lotus" book, published in 1936.

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One giant glimpse into Apollo missions

NASA releases almost 10,000 never-seen-before images

BBC ONLINE

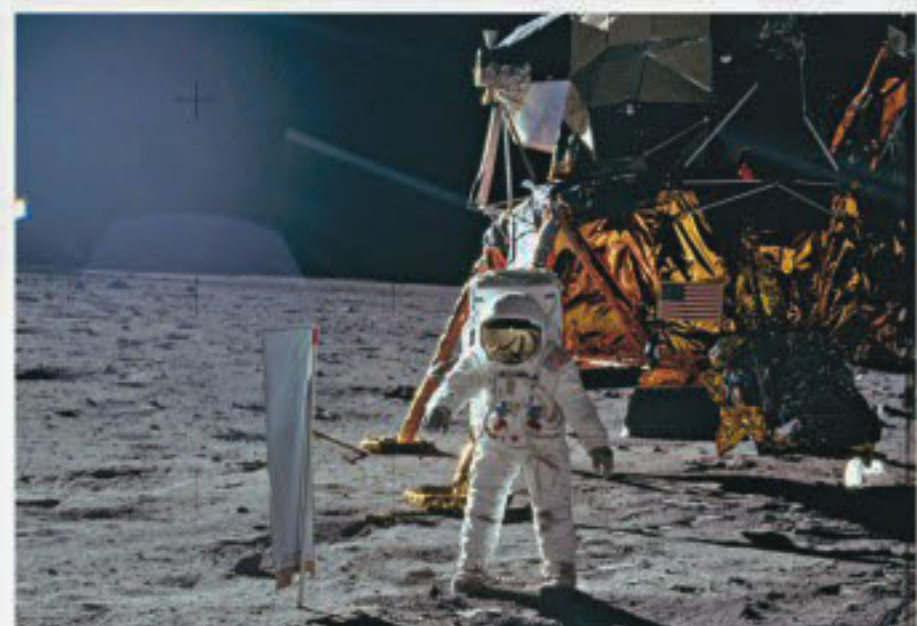
Thousands of photos taken by Apollo astronauts on moon missions are now online.

Around 13,000 scans of images from NASA's archives, taken across all manned Apollo missions between 1961 and 1972 have been given to founder of the Project Apollo Archive Kipp Teague.

He told Newsbeat "serious budget cuts" mean the organisation doesn't have the resources to publish them.

Kipp launched the gallery in 1999, but following questioning about decisions to edit some images in the past, he was prompted to post unedited, high resolution images this time around.

He said: "Many times over the years I've



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been asked if I can make them available in a more user-friendly way.

"I felt it was time to get the full resolution, unprocessed versions out there," he told Newsbeat.

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