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## EASE OF DOING BUSINESS

Bangladesh slips two spots to 174 in WB ranking

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## IN GRAVE, STILL GREAT

Michael Jackson becomes top earning dead celebrity, makes £75m this year

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# Home minister backtracks

'Boro Bhai' mystery prevails as Kamal now says Quayum 'one of the top suspects' in Tavella killing

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

In around 13 hours, he changed his statement.

Home Minister Asaduzzaman Khan Kamal early yesterday told the media that Dhaka city BNP leader and former ward commissioner MA Quayum is the "Boro Bhai" who was behind the September 28 murder of Italian aid worker Cesare Tavella.

But later around 1:30pm, he denied making such comment and claimed some media outlets had misquoted him. This time he said Quayum is "one of the top suspects".

"A ward commissioner from BNP is on the suspect list. He is certainly one of the top suspects. Not only Quayum, others are also on the list, according to information available to us," the minister told reporters at the secretariat, emerging from a meeting of the cabinet committee on law and order.

Earlier on Monday, police at a press briefing said they arrested four youths, including three hitmen who took part in the shooting of the Italian

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## Quayum fears he would be framed

RASHIDUL HASAN

BNP Dhaka city unit joint convener MA Quayum yesterday claimed his fear of being framed by the government in the case over the killing of Italian aid worker Cesare Tavella had finally come true.

"After detectives picked up my younger brother [MA Matin], and the home minister's statement that a big brother hired and financed hitmen to kill the Italian citizen, I feared that the government was going to implicate me in the matter



## Bomb attacks can't stop progress: PM

UNB, Dhaka

Noting that the recent bomb attack on a Tazia procession was aimed at tarnishing Bangladesh's image, Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday said the country's progress cannot be stalled by carrying out such attacks.

She was addressing the foundation stone-laying ceremony of Padma Jashaldia Water Treatment Plant (phase-1) at a city hotel.

"Bangladesh is moving ahead and it'll do so. Let me say one thing, the march forward of Bangladesh can't be stopped by hurling two bombs or five eggs... those who're thinking of it are making a mistake," she said.

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## SITE stands by its reports on IS claims

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The US-based SITE Intelligence Group has said it stands by its reports on the Islamic State's claims of responsibility for the killing of two foreigners and the bomb attacks on a Shia programme in Bangladesh.

However, investigators said they are yet to ascertain the authenticity of the IS claims.

The government maintains that there's no

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## MONEY LAUNDERING CASE

### Ex-BNP minister Mosharraf indicted

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday framed charges against BNP standing committee member Khandaker Mosharraf Hossain in a money laundering case.

He amassed more than Tk 9.5 crore by misusing power when he was health minister between 2001 and 2006, and deposited the money in a bank in the UK, according to the case statement. Nasim Anwar, a director of the Anti-Corruption Commission, filed the case with Ramna Police Station, in February last year.

The BNP leader, now in jail, pleaded not guilty after the Dhaka Special Judge Court-1 read out the charges to him.

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## Hoshi Killing Hira gives confessional statement

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Rangpur

Humayun Kabir Hira, arrested in connection with the killing of Japanese citizen Kunio Hoshi, made a confessional statement before a Rangpur court last night.

Police produced Hira before a senior judicial magistrate around 8:00pm, court sources said.

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## NEWS ANALYSIS

### Is \$13.5b too much for N-power plant?

SHARIER KHAN

The Rooppur Nuclear Power Plant would require a staggering \$13.5 billion to build, Finance Minister AMA Muhith told The Daily Star on Tuesday.

Once its financing from Russia is confirmed, this 2,400MW power plant would be the costliest project ever undertaken by the government.

This is the first time the government has actually revealed the price of the plant. When the government first seriously floated the idea of this plant in 2009, some experts had said it would require around \$2-3 billion.

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A child sits between two carriages of a Dhaka-bound Demu train from Joydevpur yesterday. It wasn't clear whether he couldn't afford a ticket or didn't find room inside. A number of other children were seen doing the same when this photo was taken at Tejgaon Railway Station at 4:40pm.

PHOTO: MD KAWSAR

**MG!**

"Serious crimes were also committed by the pro-independence forces, but no one has been investigated or brought to justice for them."

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL ON OCTOBER 27 OVER THE WAR CRIMES TRIAL IN BANGLADESH.

সাবন্দ জুয়েলার্স লিঃ -এর যুগান্তকারী পদক্ষেপ ঢাকা নিউ মার্কেট-এ গুড, স্লিক, মায়াবি পরিবেশে

**সাবন্দ ডায়মন্ডস্ (প্রাঃ) লিঃ**

শুভ উদ্বোধন ৩০ অক্টোবর (শুক্রবার) ২০১৫

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