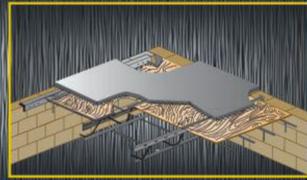


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# Soft loan not a problem

Muhith on funds to fight climate change

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh does not have any problem in getting soft loans by any international organisation to tackle the impacts of climate change, said Finance Minister AMA Muhith.

He said this at a daylong workshop titled 'Accessing Green Climate Fund: Opportunities, Options and Challenges for Private Sector Civil Society Organisations'.

The Economic Relations Division (ERD) of the finance ministry, the national designated authority (NDA) of Bangladesh to the Green Climate Fund (GCF), organised the workshop as part of an effort to prepare the country to get access to the fund.

Speaking as the chief guest of the inaugural session of the workshop yesterday, the minister said the government would be happy to take soft loan from the international climate change fund.

Bangladesh is one of the worst victims of climate change, he said, adding, getting access to the GCF is very important and the government, private sector and civil society have to work together to achieve this.

Mohammad Mejbahuddin, senior secretary to ERD and NDA of Bangladesh to the GCF, said Bangladesh has already been conducting different development programmes taking soft loans from the World Bank and the Asian Development Bank (ADB).

So, Bangladesh should not have any problem to take soft loan at low interest rate, he added.

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**UNITED EFFORTS, INDEED!** During yesterday's Junior Dakhil Certificate exams, a teacher and examinees solve questions together at a centre in Jhalakathi's Rajapur Degree College. Many others there were doing the same but returned to their places seeing reporters.

PHOTO: JAHIRUL ISLAM JEWEL

# RANA PLAZA CASE Govt wouldn't allow inclusion of its officials

COURT CORRESPONDENT

The labour ministry has not approved the inclusion of its three officials in the charge sheet in a Rana Plaza collapse case.

The ministry argues the charges brought against the officials -- Yunus Ali, Md Shahidul Islam and Md Jamsedur Rahman -- are not criminal offences.

The nine-storey building in Savar caved in on April 2013 24, killing at least 1,136 people. Two cases were filed in this regard -- one for violating building code and the other for the loss of lives.

It is the second case in which a senior judicial magistrate of Dhaka on July 8 sought the ministry's permission to include the officials in the charge sheet.

In response, Senior Assistant Secretary Shahin Akhter of the ministry on November 3 said there is "no legal and factual reason" to include the officials

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# Man sets his wife afire

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A mere missed call had made Polly Rani Das unworthy of her husband's trust and so he set her afire unleashing his anger.

She was rushed to Dhaka Medical College Hospital early yesterday from their house at Purbo Chandra Dighirpar of Kaliakoir upazila in Gazipur.

Her condition was critical with 90 percent burns

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## SPECIAL DRIVE IN DISTRICTS

# 1,500 held in 2 days

STAR REPORT

More than 1,500 people including many activists of Jamaat-e-Islami and BNP have been arrested in a special drive in different districts in the last two days.

Among them, 665 were arrested in 24 hours as of yesterday evening during the drive that the police headquarters in Dhaka ordered two days ago to maintain law and order, according to sources in the HQ.

Taskforces comprising members of police, Armed Police Battalion, Rapid Action Battalion, Border Guard Bangladesh and Coast Guard started the drive on Friday night and launched a crackdown in 16 districts as of yesterday evening to arrest suspected troublemakers, the sources added.

The drive is set to continue until further notice, said an official at the police HQ wishing not to be named.

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## INDO-NEPAL BORDER

# Lift unofficial blockade

17 South Asian rights bodies ask India

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Members of the Asian Forum for Human Rights and Development (FORUM-ASIA) have urged the Indian authorities to immediately lift the unofficial blockade along Indo-Nepal border that halted the supply of goods and services.

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# Liton gets bail to join JS session

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gaibandha

A Gaibandha court yesterday granted an interim bail to ruling party lawmaker Manzurul Islam Liton in a case filed for shooting a 10-year-old boy in the district's Sundarganj upazila on October 2.

Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate Moinul Hasan Yousuf granted him bail so that he could attend the ongoing parliament session which began yesterday.

"I don't know what will happen next. I am afraid," said Saju Mia, father of victim Sourav Mia, told the correspondent.

The bail period will continue as long as the

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# Legal battle soon over Koh-i-Noor

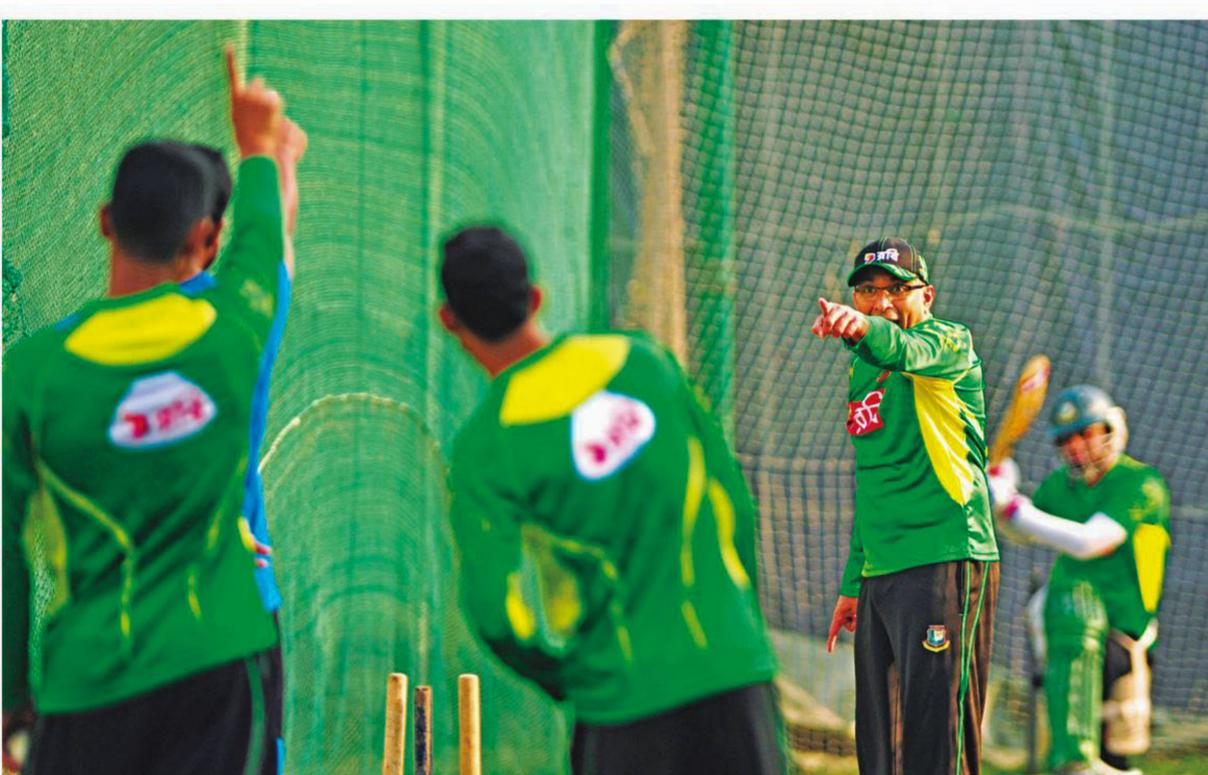
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It is the extraordinary £100 million diamond worn by the Queen Mother at the Coronation of her husband and then her daughter.

But the Koh-i-Noor, which also dazzled in the crowns of Queen Alexandra and Queen Mary, could be stripped from Britain's Crown Jewels and returned to India.

Bollywood stars and businessmen have united to instruct lawyers to begin legal proceedings in London's High Court. They are demanding that the government return the 105-carat diamond, which they say was stolen from its true home.

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An ecstatic Chandika Hathurusingha (2nd from right), Bangladesh's head coach, marshals his troops during a training session at the Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium in Mirpur yesterday ahead of the second one-day international against Zimbabwe

PHOTO: STAR

# High turnout in historic polls

Suu Kyi party upbeat as observers report no major fraud in Myanmar election

AGENCIES

Millions of people voted yesterday in Myanmar's landmark election, with a massive turnout that could catapult Aung San Suu Kyi's party to power and finally end decades of military control.

Voters had queued from before dawn in huge numbers to cast their ballots for the first time in a quarter of a century, on a day heavy with history and pregnant with emotion.

As counting got under way, early indications were of an "80 percent" turnout, according to Union Election



Commission deputy director Thant Zin Aung -- a figure the opposition believe favours their bid for a majority.

Voting was generally smooth, observers said, with some isolated irregularities. The first official results are expected to be issued from 09:00 local time (15:30 GMT) today.

Although the outcome of the poll will not be clear for at least 36 hours, a densely packed crowd blocked a busy road beside the headquarters of Suu Kyi's National League for Democracy

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