in Mirpur

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A fire gutted around 13 shops and warehouses of scraps of fabrics of garment factories in Dhaka's Mirpur-10 early today. Twelve fire fighting units

doused the blaze at 1:45am, said fire service. Pallabi police said the reason behind the fire could not be ascertained immediately.

No casualties were reported till filing of the report.

Laila, Monirul new envoys to Morocco, Ethiopia DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

The government has decided to appoint Sultana Laila Hossain as the next ambassador of Bangladesh to the Kingdom of Morocco.

Laila is currently serving as the consul general in Bangladesh Consulate General, Los Angeles. She will replace

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in the capital yesterday.

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suffering from undernutrition has

been dropping in Bangladesh since

1996, challenges still remain to keep

levels below World Health

Organization's (WHO) "critical

thresholds", experts told a seminar

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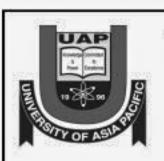
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Maushumi

reaches Lisbon DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Maushumi Rahman, counsellor (political) at Bangladesh High Commission in Islamabad, reached Portugal yesterday to take up her new diplomatic assignment at the Bangladesh mission in Lisbon.

"She reached Lisbon this afternoon and will join [work] next week," Imtiaz Ahmed, Bangladesh ambassador to Portugal told The Daily Star by phone. The Pakistan Foreign

Ministry on Tuesday summoned the Bangladesh High Commissioner in Islamabad and requested to "withdraw" Maushumi Rahman, who was also head of chancery in Islamabad, within 48-hours, without citing any reason. The Bangladesh foreign

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added that despite the commendable

progress in achieving MDG 1 targets,

36 percent of children aged below five

suffered from stunting while the

Additional Secretary to the minis-

try Roxana Quader said the govern-

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WHO threshold was 30 percent.

ministry, which foresaw "some sort of retaliation" following withdrawal of the Pakistani diplomat Farina Arshad from Dhaka on December 23, prepared for Maushumi's fresh posting in Lisbon.

"We were prepared and that helped us make the quick decision to send her on a fresh diplomatic assignment, said State Minister for Foreign Affairs Md Shahriar Alam.

Court ends recording

FROM PAGE 3

appear before the court due to her personal affairs, said Taherul Islam Tauhid, one of her counsels.

Anti-Corruption Commission Deputy Director Harunur Rashid, also the investigation officer of the case, gave his deposition. Judge Abu Ahmed Jomadar of the Special Judge Court-3

recorded the statement and fixed January 14 for the defence

to cross-examine the IO, the 32nd and the last witness of the case following a time petition by Khaleda's lawyer. In the statement, the IO said following the case he took over the charge of investigation into the case after being directed by his office. During the investigation, he seized

important documents from different banks and offices which were related to the case. He also recorded statements of witnesses who knew about the fact of the case. After an investigation, Harun pressed charge against

Khaleda and three others on January 16, 2012.

The ACC on August 8, 2011 filed the case against the four of abusing power to raise fund in the name of Zia Charitable Trust.

DPHE info official FROM PAGE 3

The Daily Star correspondent of Savar had complained to

the commission as the official did not give information to the journalist in time after an application was filed on September 16, 2015. Chief Information Commissioner Mohammed Farooq and Information Commissioner Prof Khurshida Begum Sayeed were present during the hearing. The official said he would provide the information.

ICT accepts 6 charges

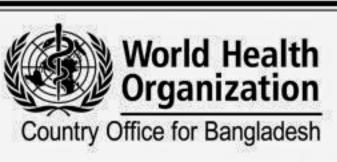
FROM PAGE 3 warrant against the duo.

BRAHMANBARIA WAR CRIMES

The tribunal also sent a war crimes accused, Emdadul Haque,

78, from Brahmanbaria to jail after police produced him.

Police arrested Emdadul hours after the tribunal issued a warrant yesterday over his alleged involvement in crimes committed in Brahmanbaria during the Liberation War. Prosecutors say Emdadul was the chief of the Peace Committee of Chunta union during the Liberation War.



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