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Missing youths under spotlight

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- Educational institutions to inform authorities concerned if student remains absent for 10 days
- Judges requested to be more rigid in granting bail to militant suspects

PARTHA PRATIM BHATTACHARJEE and SHARIFUL ISLAM

The home ministry yesterday directed the Inspector General of Police to instruct all police stations across the country to collect information about missing youths, who may have been involved in religious extremism away from home.

It will make a list based on the information and publish the details and photos of those youths, seeking people's help for their arrest.

Police across the country, however, have started collecting such information upon a directive by the Police Headquarters two days ago.

Yesterday's decision came at a cabinet committee meeting on law and order in the wake of two deadly terror attacks on a Gulshan café and at Sholakia in Kishoreganj in a span of just six days.

Several of the attackers, who are from affluent families and had gone to reputed educational institutions at home and abroad, had been missing for months from their houses.

It is believed that these men in their 20s took training and planned those attacks. "We have unverified information about 60 to 70 youths who went missing," said a top official at the Police Headquarters, adding that they were trying to learn more about them.

Earlier on Saturday, the police HQ on its own instructed police stations across the country to send information about the missing youths.

"We have also instructed them to gather personal information of the teachers at some private universities and trustee members," he added asking not to be named.

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Police search a car and stand guard at two checkpoints at Gulshan in the capital yesterday. Security in the area has been beefed up in the wake of back-to-back militant attacks -- one on a Gulshan café and the other near Sholakia Eidgah in Kishoreganj.

PHOTO: PALASH KHAN



ROOTING OUT MILITANCY
PM vows to be as tough as needed

UNB, Dhaka

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday said her government would be as tough as needed to stamp out the scourge of militancy from the country.

"We will be very tough and do whatever is necessary to eliminate militancy...we must combat the man-made disaster along with natural calamities," she said.

The PM was speaking at a programme organised to exchange Eid greetings with the officials of the Prime Minister's Office

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Dhaka to weigh all aspects before taking int'l help

Say officials; Biswal offers US expertise in enhancing counter-terrorism capabilities

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

With the international community offering to assist in the fight against terrorism and violent extremism, the government says it will think over all the aspects before accepting foreign support.

In the latest response to the two back-to-back terror attacks in the first week of this month, top American diplomat for south and central Asian affairs Nisha Desai Biswal yesterday offered "US expertise" in building Bangladesh's counter-terrorism capabilities.

The US stands by Dhaka in countering terrorism, she said.

Dhaka is positive about taking help from other countries but the question is the support would come in what form, diplomatic sources said.

The government is careful about deciding how other nations can help in



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Govt decides to take Peace TV off air

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government has decided to take Peace TV, run by Islamic preacher Dr Zakir Naik, off the air in Bangladesh.

The decision came at a meeting of the cabinet committee on law and order yesterday. Chaired by Industries Minister Amir Hossain Amu, the meeting asked the information ministry to implement the decision immediately.

Commenting on the issue a couple of hours later, Information Minister Hasanul Haq Inu said his ministry would take administrative measures today to take Peace TV off

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HOLEY ARTISAN SIEGE

Confusion follows death of 2 staff

SHAHEEN MOLLAH and AKRAM HOSEN

The death of two Holey Artisan Bakery staff has led to confusion, as their colleagues who were at the Gulshan eatery during the bloody siege as well as families claim the duo was not associated with the gunman.

One of the two, Saiful Chowkidar, 34, was a pizza chef at the bakery in the diplomatic zone of Gulshan, Dhaka.

He was named as an accused in a case filed on July 4 over the terror incident.

Apart from Saiful, the five youths -- widely identified as the gunman who stormed the bakery and held diners hostage on the night of July 1 -- were also made accused in the case.

According to the case statement, Saiful died in the commando operation launched in the morning of July 2 to end the siege.

The five youths too were killed in the operation after they butchered nine Italians, seven Japanese, one Indian and three Bangladeshis.

The other staff, Zakir Hossain Shaon, 19, who was detained as a suspect, died of wounds at Dhaka Medical

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'POOR LABOUR RIGHTS'

Bangladesh once again left out of GSP

REFAYET ULLAH MIRDHA

Bangladesh has once again been left out of the American list of beneficiary countries for trade privileges from the US on grounds of poor labour rights.

The list of beneficiaries for the Generalised System of Preferences scheme was updated last month by the United States Trade Representative, the chief trade negotiation body for the US government.

Ecuador, Fiji, Georgia, Indonesia, Iraq, Niger, the Philippines, Thailand, Ukraine and Uzbekistan have also been excluded this time, mostly for poor labour

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Portugal stun hosts to win Euros

AFP, Saint-denis

Cristiano Ronaldo was stretched off in tears but an extra-time goal by Eder saw Portugal beat hosts France 1-0 in Sunday's Euro 2016 final to win their first major tournament.

The victim of a heavy challenge by Dimitri Payet, Ronaldo went off in the first half, but returned to the touchline to see Lille striker Eder settle the game with a low 25-yard strike at Stade de France.

Twelve years after losing 1-0 to Greece as hosts of Euro 2004, Portugal inflicted the same fate on France, who were seeking a cathartic victory eight months on from the Paris attacks that left 130 people dead.

France coach Didier Deschamps had hoped to lead his side to a fourth major tournament win, and third on home soil after Euro 1984 and the 1998 World Cup, when he

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Portugal players jubilantly celebrate after winning their maiden UEFA European Championship by defeating France 0-1 in the final at the Stade de France yesterday. Captain Cristiano Ronaldo -- who went off injured in the 25th minute -- cradles the trophy.

PHOTO: REUTERS

Not blinded by anger but guided by nobility

Family of a Japanese victim wants Jica to finish what he started in Bangladesh

STAR REPORT

They suffered a loss so heavy that they may never be able to recover from it. Yet one family of a Japanese national killed by terrorists in the Gulshan café wants that the development project he was working for never fails.

"I was asked by the bereaved family to make the project a success, without fail," Japan International Cooperation Agency (Jica) President Shinichi Kitaoka told reporters while attending the funeral.

He was referring to the family of Koyo Ogasawara. "We will continue the work while raising the security level," The Japan Times quoted him as saying.

Funerals were held in Tokyo on Friday for Hiroshi Tanaka, 80, and Koyo Ogasawara, 56, two of the seven Japanese victims of last weekend's terrorist attack. All the seven were working on a Jica project in Bangladesh.

During Tanaka's funeral, attended by some 500 people, his younger brother said in a speech that he could not accept his brother's sudden and unreasonable death, according to a participant.

"He was a very humble person and had a strong will to

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