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Jagannath Univ BCL activists again swoop on protesters

DU CORRESPONDENT

Chhatra League activists of Jagannath University allegedly swooped on agitating students again yesterday during demonstrations for residential halls.

Witnesses said a group of BCL men, led by university unit President FM Shariful Islam, attacked the agitators on the campus when they were about to bring out a procession, leaving around 25 students injured.

dents announced they will hold a mass students' rally at the Central Shaheed Minar at 10:00am today to press home their demand and in protest at the BCL SEE PAGE 10 COL 5

Later, a group of stu-



Activists of Jagannath University unit of Bangladesh Chhatra League beating up a demonstrating student on the campus yesterday. At least 25 students were injured after BCL men swooped on the agitators.

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PRAYER TIMING AUGUST 30

AZAN 4-30 12-45 4-45 6-33 8-00

JAMAAT 5-05 1-15 5-00 6-36 8-30

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# kills 71 in Yemen

98 injured; attacker drove car bomb into a gathering of army recruits

IS suicide bomber

AFP, Aden

An Islamic State group militant rammed his explosives-laden car into an army recruiting centre in Aden yesterday, killing 71 people in the deadliest jihadist attack on the Yemeni city in over a year.

The army, supported by a Saudi-led coali-

tion, is training young recruits to join its nationwide war against Shia Huthi rebels and their allies, as well as Sunni jihadists.

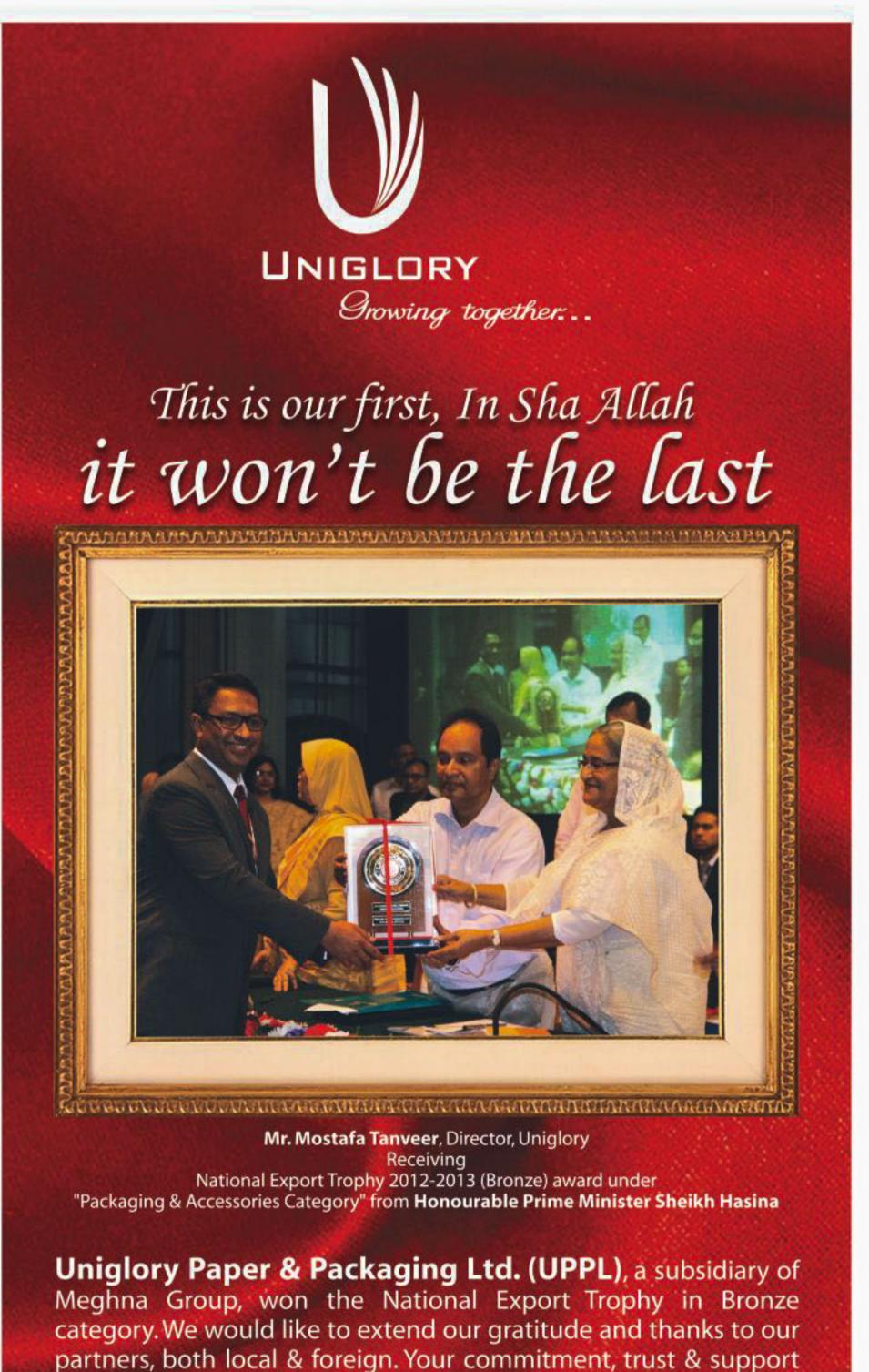
Aden is the temporary base of Yemen's internationally recognised government, which was forced into exile after Iranbacked insurgents seized Sanaa and other PHOTO ON PAGE 8 SEE PAGE 10 COL 3

### VERDICT REVIEW SC order on Quasem's plea today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

All eyes are on the Supreme Court as it is set today to pass an order on the petition of war criminal Mir Quasem Ali seeking review of its verdict that upheld his death penalty for wartime crimes.

A five-member bench of SEE PAGE 2 COL 5



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# Boy gets 20,000 birthday cards!

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An autistic boy has received tens of thousands of birthday cards from strangers all over the world, after his mother made a public appeal.

Karen Jones, 49, from Exmouth, posted a request for help on Facebook after her son Ollie told her he loved opening cards and had made his own to open on his 15th birthday.

Writing on a community page, she said: "He's just told me he love opening cards to [the] extent he's made himself a couple."

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### 'NO TO RAMPAL POWER PLANT' Activists vow to continue movement

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The National Committee to Protect Oil, Gas, Mineral Resources, Power and Ports yesterday vowed to continue with its movement against construction of a coal-fired power plant in Rampal until the government scraps the much-debated project.

"The movement will continue until the interest of the people is protected," said Sheikh Muhammad Shahidullah, convener of the committee, at a press briefing at the office of the Communist Party of Bangladesh in Dhaka.

The briefing came a couple of days after Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina had reaffirmed her government's resolve to proceed with the 1,320-megawatt coal-fired power station. Earlier, BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia extended her support in favour of the environmentalists.

Reading out a statement, Prof Anu Muhammad, member secretary of the committee, yesterday said whatever technologies are used, 100 percent pollution cannot be checked in any coal-fired power plant.

He added as per the Environment Impact Assessment report of the government, air from the plant will blow SEE PAGE 10 COL 1

MODERNISATION OF TRANSPORT

## Revised 20-year plan okayed

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The cabinet yesterday approved a revised Strategic Transport Plan (STP) extending its implementation time.

The new timeline to implement the STP is from 2015 to 2035 and includes several large expressways, metro rail, circular ring road and circular waterway project.

The previous timeline was 2005-2024.

The approval was made at the weekly cabinet meeting held at the Prime Minister's Office with PM Sheikh Hasina in the chair.

Urban Transport Policy 2015 and draft of the Institutional Development Report 2015 were also approved at the meeting.

The revised STP identified two projects for urgent SEE PAGE 13 COL 6

TK 80 EXAM FEE Punished for failure to pay, schoolgirl kills herself

A CORRESPONDENT, Chandpur

A schoolgirl allegedly hanged herself in her room in Madhya Bagadi of

Chandpur Sathi Akhter yesterday after evidently being punished by a teacher for failing to pay an exam fee

> Sathi Akhter, 14, a class-SEE PAGE 10 COL 3

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