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CONTAINER OPERATORS POSTPONE STRIKE Huge loss for businesses

DWAIPAYAN BARUA, Ctg The strike by the owners and workers of prime movers and trailers was postponed yesterday but it has already caused the export and import industries a huge loss. Although it is too early to figure out the exact amount of the loss, exporters, importers, vessel operators and private inland container depots, among others, have to face it manifold. Abu Bakar Siddique, member secretary of Prime Mover Trailer Malik Sramik Oikya Parishad, said they postponed the indefinite strike until October 4 following a meeting with Chittagong Metropolitan Police (CMP) Commissioner Iqbal Bahar Chowdhury around 12:30pm. The parishad had gone on an indefinite strike on September 26, protesting harassment by the staff of the Road Transport and Highways Division on Dhaka-Chittagong highway. Siddique said the CMP commissioner assured them of allowing a 14-wheel prime mover to carry maximum 42 tonnes of weight on highways till October 4. An inter-ministerial meeting is scheduled to be held on that day to discuss the issue.

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Pro-government activists tussle with the campaigners who organised a cycle procession on the Central Shaheed Minar premises yesterday. Inset, law enforcers use water cannon to disperse the campaigners near Doyel Chattar.

PHOTO: STAR



150 killed in 'crossfire', custody in 9 months Says ASK report

STAFF CORRESPONDENT One hundred and fifty people were killed in crossfire and law enforcement agencies' custody in the last nine months, says an Ain o Salsih Kendra (ASK) report. Sixty-one of them were killed in crossfire involving police, 34 involving Rapid Action Battalion, 11 involving Detective Branch (DB) of police, one involving police-Border Guard Bangladesh and three were killed in SWAT operation (Hit Strong 27), said the report sent to the media yesterday. Seven people died after torture by police and one each after torture by DB

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Rosetta mission ends in comet collision



AFP, Darmstadt

Europe's pioneering Rosetta spacecraft dramatically concluded its 12-year odyssey yesterday, crash-landing into the comet it orbited and probed for two years in a quest to demystify the Solar System's origins. There were tears, hugs and cheers at mission control in Darmstadt, Germany when spacecraft operations manager Sylvain Lodiot announced: "This is the end of the Rosetta mission." "Rock-n-roll Rosetta," added a visibly moved Matt Taylor, project scientist, as he left the podium,

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RAMPAL POWER PLANT BCL activists scuffle with protesters

STAFF CORRESPONDENT Chhatra League activists scuffled with demonstrators in front of the Central Shaheed Minar yesterday to foil a cycle procession, protesting the government's decision to set up Rampal Power Plant near the Sundarbans. Police later used water cannons to stop the protesters from moving towards Doel Chattar. The series of scuffles left some 25 demonstrators injured. Witnesses said over 100 cyclists gathered on the premises of the Central Shaheed Minar around 10:30am. Soon a group of BCL activists allegedly from Dhaka University reached there and formed a human chain in favour of the

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Act firmly to check Zika

WHO tells Bangladesh, 10 other Asian countries

STAFF CORRESPONDENT The World Health Organization yesterday urged 11 Asian countries, including Bangladesh, to take decisive action to prevent, detect and respond to Zika virus as Thailand has confirmed two cases of Zika-related microcephaly. "Zika virus infection is a serious threat to the health and wellbeing of a pregnant woman and her unborn child," Poonam Khetrpal Singh, regional director, WHO Southeast Asia, said. The WHO Southeast Asia region covers

Bangladesh, Bhutan, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, India, Indonesia, the Maldives, Myanmar, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Thailand and Timor-Leste. The warning comes for the region when Zika outbreak has recently taken place in Singapore, Malaysia and Thailand and increased the risk for Bangladesh where there is strong presence of Aedes mosquitoes that spread both dengue and Zika virus. The risk is also high because travels between Bangladesh, Singapore and Malaysia are heavy with a large number of

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Prime movers and trailers entering the Chittagong port after a platform of owners and workers relating to the vehicles postponed its strike yesterday.

PHOTO: STAR

Indo-Pak tension soars after 'surgical strikes'

Thousands evacuated along borders as world urges calm; Pak PM rejects India's version of events AGENCIES India evacuated thousands of people living near the border with Pakistan yesterday, a day after carrying out strikes along the de facto frontier in disputed Kashmir that have dramatically escalated tensions between the nuclear-armed neighbours. Authorities in parts of northern India said they were evacuating villages within 10 kilometres of the border following Thursday's

Six killed as truck rams human haulier

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh Six people were killed and three others injured as a truck rammed a human haulier at Shibpur in the district's Gouripur upazila yesterday evening. The identity of the deceased could not be known immediately. They were from Kishoreganj, police said. Morshedul Hasan, officer-in-charge (investigation)

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