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BRICS SUMMIT OPENS TODAY

# South Asian tensions to dominate

India will take its drive to isolate Pakistan

India will take its drive to isolate Pakistan and rally the international community against cross-border militancy to a summit of emerging market powers today, when it hosts BRICS nations in the western state of Goa.

For Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the gathering of leaders from Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa offers an opportunity to highlight the threat he sees to Indian security from recent frontier clashes with Pakistan.

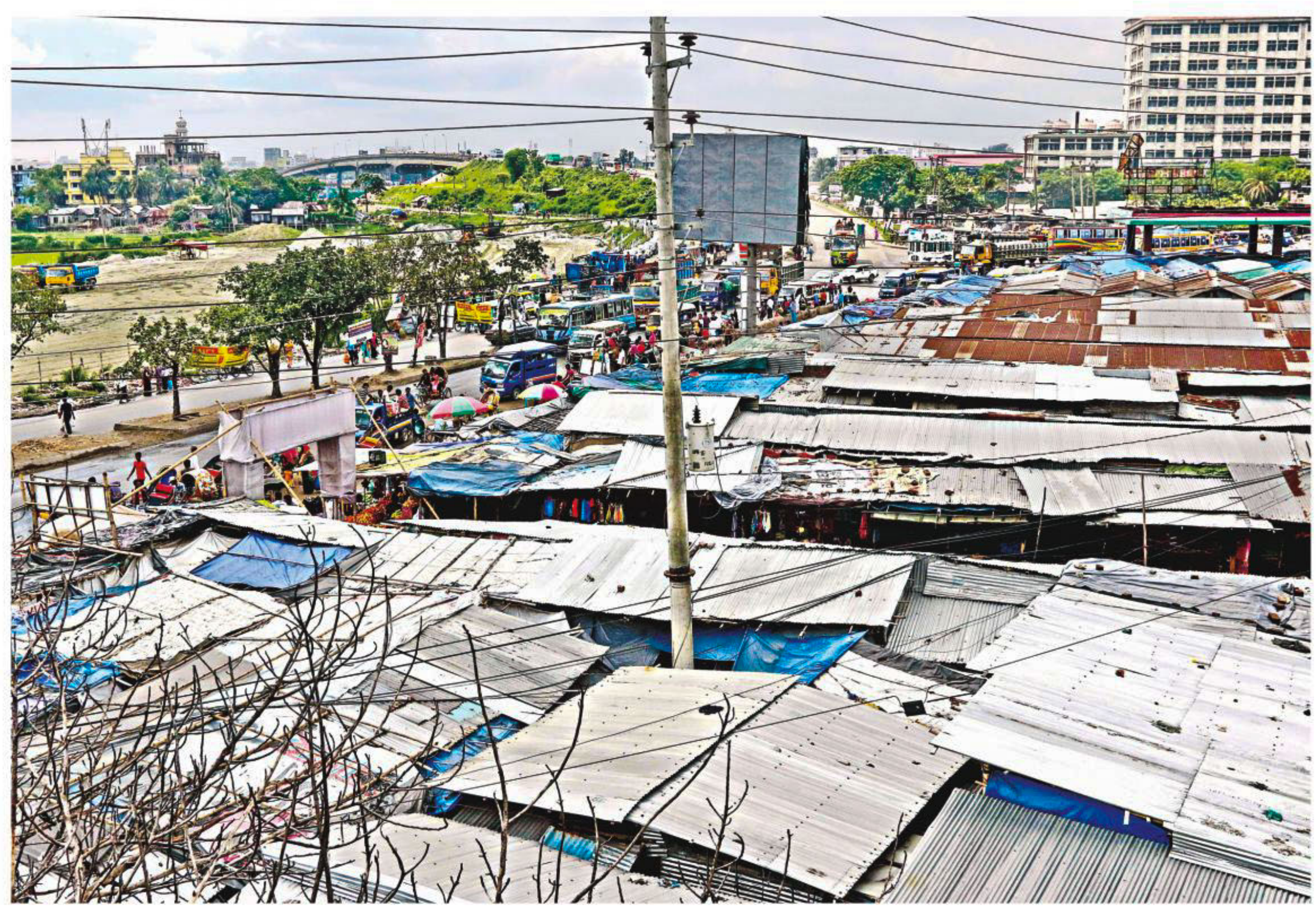
But across the summit table at a resort hotel, Chinese President Xi Jinping is unlikely to have much interest in casting Beijing's alliance with Pakistan into doubt.

The final summit declaration is expected to repeat earlier condemnations of "terrorism in all its forms", say diplomats and analysts, but avoid levelling blame over tensions between the nuclear-armed South Asian rivals.

Such discussions will make security a dominant issue at the eighth annual summit of the group, even as leaders also address core themes such as the global economy, financial cooperation and mutual trade.

"We will be looking at the global economic and political

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A market stands just by the Dhaka-Chittagong highway, hampering the smooth flow of vehicles. The market contributes to traffic chaos at this point, near Kanchpur bridge in Narayanganj. The photo was taken yesterday.

PHOTO: ANISUR RAHMAN



## Tutul wins PEN Int'l Writer of Courage award

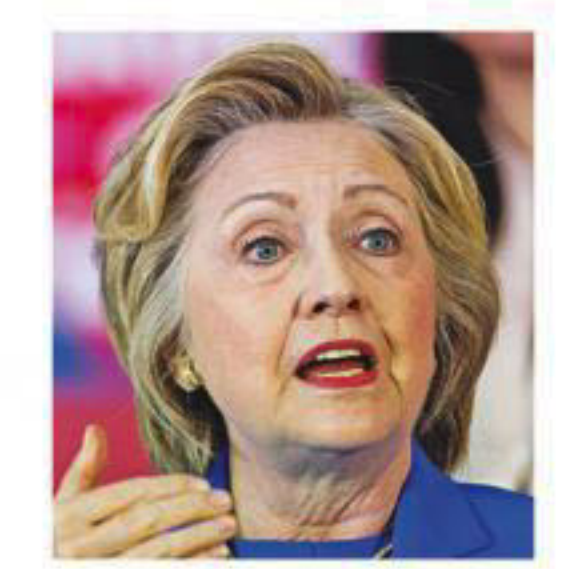
STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bangladeshi publisher and writer Ahmedur Rashid Chowdhury Tutul, who survived a militant attack last year, has been named this year's winner of PEN International Writer of Courage award for his bravery in upholding free speech.

Canadian poet, novelist and environmental activist Margaret Atwood, the 2016 PEN Pinter Prize winner, announced Tutul's name at a public event at the British Library in London on Thursday evening.

The PEN Pinter Prize was established in 2009 by English PEN, the founding centre of the worldwide

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## Now Clinton accuses Trump of 'stalking'

AFP, Washington

Hillary Clinton has accused her Republican presidential rival Donald Trump of "stalking" her during their televised debate on Sunday.

Trump often stood closely behind the Democratic nominee glowering as she answered questions from the audience during the town hall-style event in St Louis.

Speaking during an interview on NBC's The Ellen DeGeneres Show set to air yesterday, Clinton said his movements made her feel "really weird" on stage.

"Because of the revelation of the public video,

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## ISLAMABAD SAARC SUMMIT PULLOUT

# Bangladesh's reason different than India's

Hasina tells The Hindu

Bangladesh feels "frustrated" with Pakistan over its export of terror, but Dhaka's reasons for pulling out of the Saarc summit in Islamabad were "different from India's," says Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, attempting to draw a distinction between supporting India on terrorism after the Uri attacks and supporting the subsequent cross-LoC strikes.

"It was over the situation in Pakistan that we decided to pull out. Terror [from Pakistan] has gone everywhere, which is why many of us felt frustrated by Pakistan. India pulled out because of the [Uri attack], but for Bangladesh the reason is totally different," Hasina said.

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She was speaking to The Hindu in an exclusive, wide-ranging interview at her official Gono Bhaban residence in Dhaka ahead of her visit to India to attend the BRICS-BIMSTEC outreach, involving nations surrounding the Bay of Bengal in Goa, on October 15 and 16.

Hasina said one of the other main reasons for her government's Saarc pullout was the hurt felt over Pakistan's strident criticism of the war crimes tribunal process in Bangladesh in which a dozen Jamaat-e-Islami leaders, accused of brutalities during the Liberation War in 1971, have been hanged or indicted.

"There is a lot of pressure on me to cut off all diplomatic ties with Pakistan for their behaviour. But I have said the relations will remain, and we will have to resolve our problems. The fact is, we won our liberation war from Pakistan, and they were a defeated force," Hasina said, adding that she appreciated India's support during the war and later.

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## Important, genuine friend

Khaleda on China

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia yesterday urged visiting Chinese President Xi Jinping to continue their support for Bangladesh's development activities and stand by its side.

The BNP chief made the call during a meeting with the Chinese president at the Le Méridien Hotel in the capital in the evening.

During the 40-minute meeting that started at 5:30pm, Khaleda and Xi Jinping discussed various bilateral issues, BNP Secretary General Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir told reporters after the meeting.

He said China also expects Bangladesh's support in its development activities and the role it is playing in the geopolitical field.

Khaleda at the meeting mentioned that former president Ziaur Rahman had established Bangladesh's diplomatic ties with China.

"Later, an overwhelming relation developed between the two countries that still continues," Fakhrul quoted Khaleda as saying.

The BNP chairperson also described China as an important and genuine friend of Bangladesh.

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## Putin's secret army of decoys



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At first glance, they look like any other military vehicle. However, Russian army bosses have revealed their latest range of weapons - and they are all inflatable.

The blow up battalions are designed to bamboozle satellites and surveillance aircraft into thinking forces are more powerful than they actually are.

"If you study the major battles of history, you see that trickery wins every time," Aleksei A Komarov of Rusbal, a hot air balloon company that also provides Russia's Ministry of Defence with everything from tanks, jets and missile launchers - all in inflatable form, told the New York Times.

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## Kachchi Biriyani for Xi

UNB, Dhaka

President Abdul Hamid yesterday entertained visiting Chinese President Xi Jinping with Dhakai Kachchi Biriyani, shami kabab and aloo bukhara chutney as he hosted a dinner for his Chinese counterpart at the Bangabhaban.

Ten items were on the

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SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION



## THAILAND MOURNS KING BHUMIBOL

AGENCIES

Massive crowds of weeping Thais and saluting soldiers lined the streets yesterday as late King Bhumibol Adulyadej was borne through Bangkok, a day after his death left an apprehensive country facing an uncertain future.

Bhumibol, the world's longest-reigning monarch, passed away at 88 on Thursday after years of ill health, ending seven decades as a stabilising figure in a nation of

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