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2 killed in shootout with Rab

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Two alleged members of the outlawed Nakshal Bahini were killed in a shootout with Rapid Action Battalion and two pistols were recovered from their possession early yesterday, aimed Rab.

The incident took place in the Goyeshbari area under the taikula in Santhia upazila.

One of the killed was identified as Biplob Kumar Pradhan alias Bipul 28, son of Abdul Pramanik from the Shalangi village and the other was Moyeen Uddin, 7, son of Motaieb Hossain from Paiksha village under the taikula of Santhia upazila in the district, Rab said.

On a tipoff that members of the outlawed party

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NEWS ANALYSIS

Chinese recipe for fighting graft

SHAKHAWAT LITON

Xi Jinping, chief of Communist Party of China, did not try to hide the numerous incidents of rampant corruption in his own party, the historic Communist Party of China (CPC). The latest disclosure of punishing one million party officials—both "tigers" and "flies" has made him different than some of his predecessors, though previous leaders have also fought against party rogues.

His fight against corruption has been lauded by people of China. His popularity is on the rise. This has been reflected in a latest survey by the Pew Research Center, a nonpartisan American "fact tank" based in Washington D.C.

The results of the survey released earlier this month said 49 percent of the respondents said corrupt officials were a big problem, and 64 percent said they believed the situation would improve over the next five years.

"Across China, there is a sense that those who indulge in corrupt activities face a high risk of exposure. As a consequence, the volume of graft has gone down considerably," said M. D. Nalapat, a professor of geopolitics at Manipal

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No conflict between police, Rab

Says police chief

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barisal

Inspector General of Police AKM Shahidul Hoque yesterday said there might be some differences of opinion between the Rab and the police, but there is no conflict between them.

He was talking to journalists after inaugurating the newly constructed six-storey barrack of Range Reserve Force at Barisal Police Lines.

"We are proud of the Rab that it is an elite force. There is no major conflict [between the two forces]. Whatever has been reported in the media is unfortunate. It should not have been reported," the IGP said.

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Batting collapse after Tamim ton

Bangladesh 220, England 50/3 on first day of second Test

BISHWAJIT ROY

Twists and turns were the hallmarks of the Chittagong classic between Bangladesh and England and the Mirpur Test promised that kind of flair on the very first day. A majestic hundred from Tamim Iqbal was followed by a terrible collapse before spin duo Mehedi Hasan Miraz and Shakib Al Hasan once again dismantled England's

top order before the day's play was called off 19 minutes ahead of scheduled time due to rain. The left-handed Tamim may have been at the centre of discussions at the end of the day's play for his swashbuckling eighth Test hundred, but the batsmen following him spoiled his party.

On a day that saw 13 wickets fall England's Moeen Ali was also one of the heroes as his off-breaks played a big part, apart from Ben Stokes's reverse swing much like in the first Test, in Bangladesh's abysmal collapse to be bowled out for 220 runs after at one stage being 171 for one. The question however remained whether Moeen -- whose

second five-for included the scalps of the two successful Bangladeshi batsmen Tamim and Mominul Haque -- and Stokes were the beneficiaries of poor shot selection by the home batsmen. It was especially puzzling why Mahmudullah Riyad was fishing outside off stump as his irresponsible waft became the signal for the astonishing collapse.

At the end of the day's play the Bangladesh team will probably regret wasting a great opportunity to take firm control of the match by putting a decent total on the board after a blazing 170-run second-wicket partnership between Tamim and Mominul laid a strong foundation. Instead, their lone solace in the aftermath of the batting madness was Shakib and Mehedi's late strikes that brought the hosts back into contention by reducing England to 53 for three.

With spinners dominating the proceedings, many might be curious to know whether the Bangladesh Cricket Board's

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second-wicket partnership on the first day of PHOTO: FIROZ AHMED