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kill 5 amid raid

dead, 40 hurt in 'bomb attacks' near Sylhet militant hideout; its of the building; Operation Twilight still on

ıld not say who carried it out. he explosion, law enforcers found ile raiding the surrounding areas. ng that there were bombs inside it, ed in the bomb disposal unit but exploded suddenly, he said. after the blasts, US-based SITE ice said terror group Islamic State

redit for the attack. slamic State's Amaq News Agency that the group is responsible for a on Bangladeshi forces in Sylhet,"

on its website. Bangladesh government denies s presence in the country.

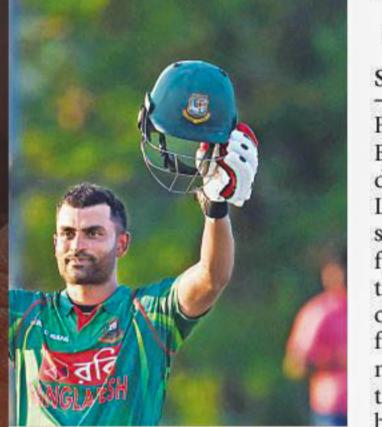
in the day, Para Commandos het division evacuated 78 resito had been trapped inside the since early hours Friday. tracked down the hideout barely

fter busting two militant dens in

ng reporters about Operation SEE PAGE 2 COL 2



People lie wounded on a road after an explosion yesterday evening just 400 metres away from a militant hideout in Shibbari of Sylhet city. More photos on page 2. PHOTO: STAR



m Iqbal scored 127 to lay the ory over Sri Lanka in the first

## Tigers roar with team effort

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SAKEB SUBHAN from Dambulla

For long-time watchers of Bangladesh cricket, yesterday's first ODI against Sri Lanka must have seemed strangely familiar. Within the first 10 overs of the innings the outcome was more or less

certain. Halfway through the innings home fans were cheering every boundary scored, not because the hit to the fence furthered their team's chances of winning, but because it gave them something to cheer about after a long day of cricket.

It was familiar because Bangladeshi fans had endured such events in Mirpur count-

less times. It was strange because yesterday, the venue was the Rangiri Dambulla International Stadium and the team swimming against the tide were the home team Sri Lanka. The hosts were at first subjected to a leather-

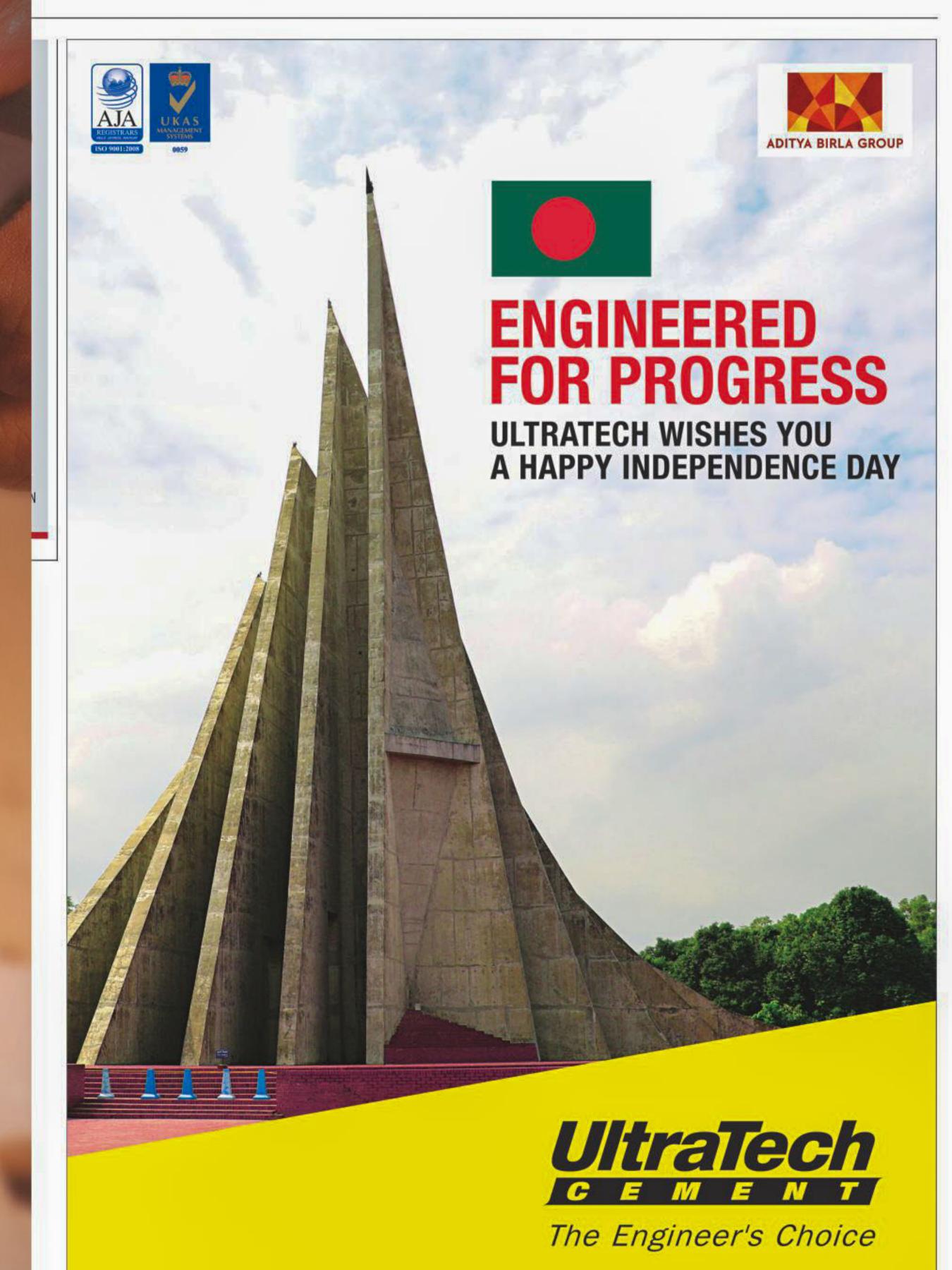
hunt as Tamim Iqbal's eighth ODI ton drove Bangladesh to 324 for five, their highest score against Sri Lanka, before relying on a valiant yet futile half-century from Thisara Perera to be all out for 234 in 45.1 overs and lose the match by 90 runs.

In chase of the steep target, Sri Lanka were almost out of the running by the 11th SEE PAGE 11 COL 5



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