

Govt skirted provocation

Says PM about tensions with a neighbouring country over Rohingya crisis, returns from US

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Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has said the government was very cautious about avoiding any kind of war despite repeated provocations from a neighbouring country.

In an oblique reference to Myanmar, she said, "At one point, our very close neighbour showed such an attitude that there would be a war between us. I alerted our army, border guards and police so that they don't get confused because of any provocations under any circumstances and wait for my orders."

The PM was addressing a reception accorded to her on her return yesterday morning following a three-week visit to the United States and the United Kingdom.

The Awami League organised the programme at the VVIP lounge of Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport for her achievements at the 72nd session of the United Nations General Assembly in New York. Hasina, also president of



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Rohingya refugees, who arrived from Myanmar Friday night by boat, sit on the bank of the Naf river yesterday as border guards temporarily hold them at Shah Porir Dwip.

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No let-up in atrocities

Rohingya influx on as Myanmar not acting on its assurance

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Despite Myanmar's assurances that it is stopping the exodus of Rohingyas, members of the minority group continue to stream towards Bangladesh fleeing violence in Rakhine State.

At least 300 of the forcibly displaced people entered Bangladesh through Shah Porir Dwip point yesterday. The newly arrived refugees alleged fresh torching of houses at Maungdaw in the conflict-torn region.

Australia's ABC News reports that video footage from inside Myanmar shows half-buried corpses, villages burning and desperate people fleeing through the mountains.

The videos appeared to contradict claims from the country's de facto leader Aung San Suu Kyi that security forces ended their operations on September 5.

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Abject Tigers hurtle towards defeat

SAKEB SUBHAN from Bloemfontein

It would be comforting to say that the second day of the second Test against South Africa was as bad as it could get for Bangladesh,

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Human trafficking racket busted

Ring leader, three others arrested in last two days

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Saddam went to Libya around a year back spending Tk 4 lakh. He nurtured dreams of a financially solvent future and was determined to work hard for it, even if it meant being continents away from home.

But the 23-year old probably never fathomed that his decision would deliver him to the hands of a trafficking ring. From the day he stepped onto Libya, Saddam was held hostage in a hidden camp in Tripoli while the traffickers seized his passport. He did not see the sun for almost three

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A cruel mockery of 'Never Again'

INAM AHMED and SHAKHAWAT LITON

1994 should have been a watershed year in human history; a year to feel ashamed of humanity's failure to stop a genocide that resulted in the deaths of 800,000 mostly Tutsis in Rwanda; a year to mend the mistakes that allowed the atrocities to happen, and to build solid defence against such atrocities in the future; it should have been truly a year of re-learning the lessons from death and destruction.

2017 proved us wrong. Despite several efforts by the UN to build capacities, two reports by the BBC and The Guardian now reveal the UN itself had

ignored and suppressed early warning reports of genocide in Myanmar. The UN truly did not learn anything from Rwanda. With the UN system, history repeats itself.

There are just too many similarities in the UN failures in Rwanda and in Myanmar.

In Rwanda, three months before the genocide began, the UN Peacekeeping Mission chief sent a cable to the military advisor to the UN Secretary General warning of the imminent genocide. A month later, the Secretary General's Special Representative sent another warning cable in February.

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Falling prey to yaba rings

Hapless refugees are being made to peddle drug

FM MIZANUR RAHAMAN, Ctg

Drug dealers are luring Rohingyas into yaba rackets and using them as carriers, say officials of the Department of Narcotics Control.

Some traffickers even take the guise of refugees and smuggle in large consignments of the tablets. Law enforcers fear that consumption of yaba will surge when the lethal drug makes its way out of the camps.

Since the influx began on August 25, law enforcers arrested 12 Rohingyas with

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