

# JS team off to Russia for IPU assembly

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A 14-member delegation of the 137th Sangsad led Dhaka yesterday to participate in the 137th Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) Assembly to be held in Saint Petersburg, Russia. Deputy Speaker Fazle Rabbi Miah is leading the Bangladesh parliamentary delegation at the IPU conference to be held on October 14-15. The delegation will strongly place the Rohingya issue in the assembly, said a Parliament Secretariat handout.

# Teenager hospitalised

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with him. The intensity of the pressure and the overall situation might have led the boy overdose himself with the antipsychotic medication, he observed, saying, "He has been recovering gradually from the effects of the medicine." Najmul Islam, additional deputy commissioner of social media monitoring police of the cyber security department of Dhaka Metropolitan Police, said the boy might have played the "Blue Whale game", but they are yet to gather any evidence that would enable them to draw a conclusion that he had tried to commit suicide after playing the game. "We haven't found any proof or complaint that anyone committed suicide after being a victim of the game in Bangladesh," he told The Daily Star. The game is said to be viral about fake news that are being circulated in the social media about people committing suicide after playing the game. "We are keeping a close eye on all these activities."

# 'VERBAL ABUSE' DU teacher restrained from course lectures

A department of Dhaka University yesterday barred one of its teachers from delivering class lectures of a course after a female student brought "verbal abuse" allegations against him. The decision was taken at an internal meeting of the department as the teacher was found to be guilty of the allegations, said the department chairman, adding that they also sent a letter to the vice chancellor of DU "to take immediate steps against him as per the law of our university".

The student in her written complaint, submitted on Tuesday, alleged that the teacher made indecent comments and hurled abuses at several female students as they were dressed in western attire in the classroom. Denying the allegations of verbal abuse, the teacher said, "It's nothing but a conspiracy against me. Some of my colleagues instigated the student to submit the complaint against me."

# DIALOGUES WITH EC CPB for JS dissolution Ganonotri Party wants polls under present govt

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Communist Party of Bangladesh (CPB) yesterday proposed dissolution of parliament before the announcement of schedule for the next general elections while Ganonotri Party wants the polls to be held under the Sheikh Hasina-led present government.

The two parties placed their respective proposals during separate dialogues with the Election Commission (EC) at the EC office. A CPB delegation, led by its President Mujahidul Islam Selim, placed a 16-point proposal while a Ganonotri Party team, led by its chief Mohammad Arosh Ali, presented a 21-point proposal. Both the meetings were held with Chief Election Commissioner KM Nurul Huda in the chair.

CPB suggested reducing the authority of the election-time government through a constitutional amendment to keep its functions limited only to supervisory and essential routine works. The leftist party also wanted introduction of a proportional election system, giving the EC absolute freedom to deploy any force for maintaining law and order and holding a neutral election, restoration of the "No Vote" provision, reducing the ceiling of election expenditure for a candidate to a maximum of Tk 3 lakh instead of existing Tk 25 lakh and refraining from the use of electronic voting machines (EVs) for now. Participating in the meeting in the afternoon, Ganonotri Party said the government during the polls will have to perform only routine works and will not take any policy decision. However, the party suggested bringing the key ministries - home, public administration and local government - under the EC during the election.

# Voter registration in capital

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the country this year. They collected data of some 25 lakh possible voters and 13 lakh dead voters during the campaign that concluded in August. The process of taking photographs and fingerprints of potential voters started in August across the country outside the capital. Now the Commission is going to begin the collection of photographs and fingerprints in the capital. Chief Election Commissioner KM Nurul Huda and EC acting Secretary Helaluddin Ahmed will see the voter registration process at Siddheswari Girls College Registration Centre at the city's Bailey Road on Saturday, Asaduzzaman said.

Justice Shahinur Islam, a High Court judge and member of the tribunal, has been appointed as the chairman. Justice Amir Hossain, another HC judge and Abu Ahmed Jomader, a retired retired judge who is now on post-retirement leave, have been appointed as members.

# New ICT chairman seeks

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closing arguments after reconstitution of the tribunal. The accused are former Jamaat-e-Islami lawyer Abu Saleh Md Abdul Aziz Mia, Ruhul Amin alias Manil, Abu Muslim Md Ali, Abdul Latif, Najimul Huda, and Abdur Rahim Mia. Latif is in jail now while others are absconding. The government on Wednesday reconstituted the tribunal by appointing its chairman and two members after three months of stalemate in criminal trial. Justice Shahinur Islam, a High Court judge and member of the tribunal, has been appointed as the chairman. Justice Amir Hossain, another HC judge and Abu Ahmed Jomader, a retired retired judge who is now on post-retirement leave, have been appointed as members.

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