

# Rules bent to favour errant contractor

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A Chinese contractor fails to restart the country's lone state-run chemical factory in over four years, yet it finds no problems in getting its employer to deliver undue benefits.

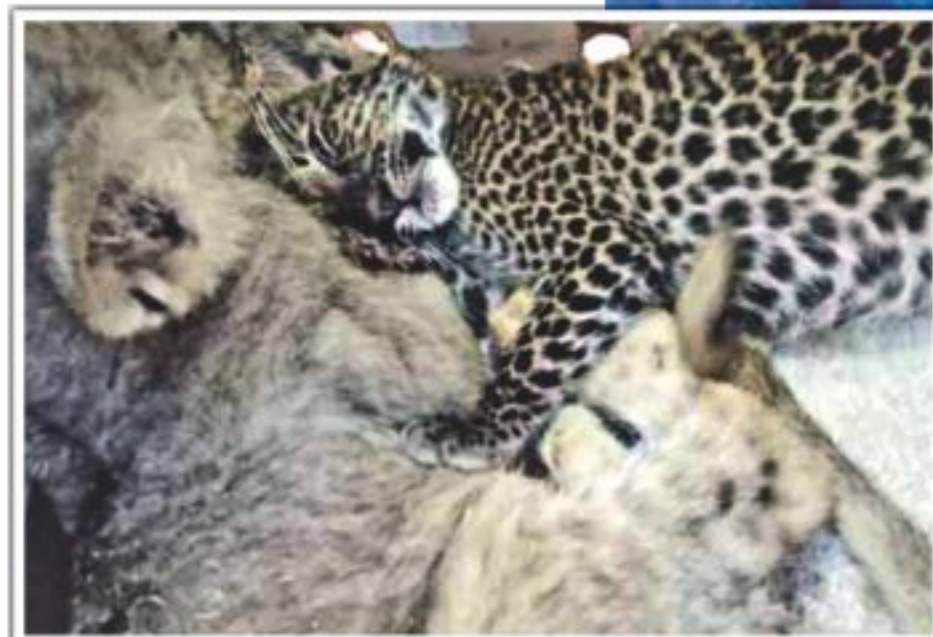
Wuhan Anyang Science & Technology Co Ltd (WASTCL) has been given three quarters of its bank guarantee back, even though it was supposed to get it after it had completed the Tk 115 crore project for getting Chittagong Chemical Complex (CCC) factory up and running again.

And this is not the first time the company has been given undue privileges. Earlier, it had been paid Tk 3 crore as advance payment and another Tk 50 lakh was given as loan

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These four cubs of two species of the big cats were rescued from a sport utility vehicle in Jessore Sadar Upazila yesterday afternoon. Of them, two are lion cubs and two are leopards.

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## 4 cubs of lion, tiger rescued from SUV

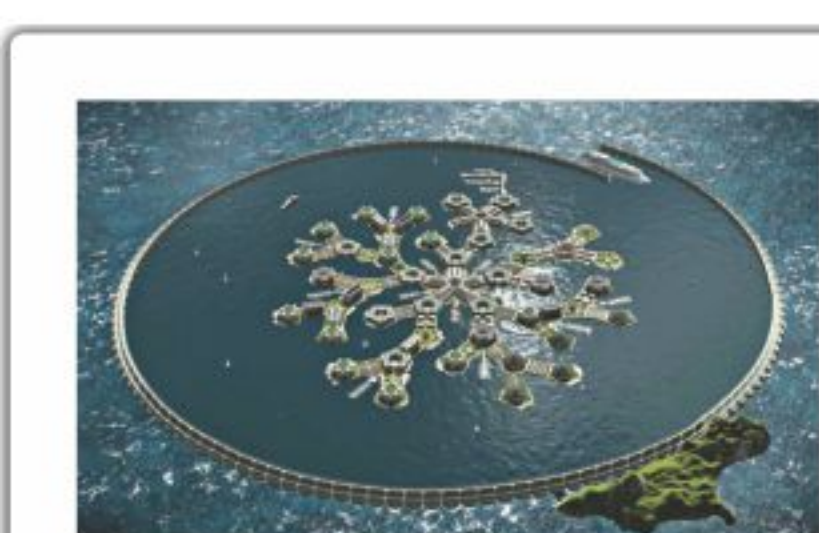
STAR REPORT

Police rescued two lion and two leopard cubs from a sport utility vehicle (SUV) in Jessore Sadar upazila yesterday afternoon.

The cubs were being taken from Dhaka's Uttara to Benapole using the SUV (Dhaka Metro-Gha 13-2790) illegally, said Syed Bayejid Hossain, in-charge of Chansra police camp.

On a tip off, the camp police stopped the vehicle at Chansra intersection at around 10:10am and

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## World's 1st 'floating nation' by 2020

MAIL ONLINE

The world's first floating nation is set to appear in the Pacific Ocean off the island of Tahiti in 2020.

A handful of hotels, homes, offices, restaurants and more will be built in the next few years by the non-profit Seasteading Institute, which hopes to "liberate humanity from politicians".

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## US to step up pressure on Myanmar army

Tillerson to visit the country tomorrow; exodus of Rohingyas 'excluded' from Asean statement

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

In the face of widespread "atrocities" against ethnic Rohingya people in Myanmar, the United States has been cautiously stepping up pressure on Myanmar's army, while taking care to avoid endangering the civilian government of Aung San Suu Kyi.

As the US takes a more active role in the region — several American delegations have passed through in recent weeks — Secretary of State Rex Tillerson plans to travel to Myanmar tomorrow to meet Suu Kyi, the nation's leader, as well as army chief General Min Aung Hlaing, reports AFP.

Tillerson is expected to adopt a firm tone with military leaders in Myanmar, whom he has deemed "responsible" for the crisis facing the Rohingyas, an embattled Muslim minority that has seen more than 6,00,000 of its members flee to neighbouring Bangladesh in two and a half months.

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## Trump, Duterte bond at Asia summit

REUTERS, Manila

US President Donald Trump yesterday said he has a "great relationship" with his Philippine counterpart, Rodrigo Duterte, while a White House official said human rights got only a brief mention when the two met on the sidelines of an Asian summit.

A spokesman for Duterte said there was no mention at all of human rights or extrajudicial killings during their conversation.

The meeting between the two presidents was one of the most anticipated at the summit of East and Southeast Asian leaders in Manila, with human rights groups pressing Trump to take a tough line on Duterte over his bloody war on drugs, in which thousands of people have been killed.

"The conversation focused on ISIS

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JAMAAT	5-35	1-15	4-00	5-25	7-30

SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION

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Eminent industrialist, **Mr. Zainal Abedin Majumder** Managing Director of **ABC Footwear Industries Limited** has been recognized as a CIP (Export) for 2014 Consecutively for the 2nd Time.

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Mr. Zainal Abedin Majumder received his CIP (Export)-2014 card from honorable Commerce Minister Mr Tofail Ahmed, on November 12, 2017.

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