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## Outrageous BLUNDER

*More freedom fighters' names come up on Razakars' list; nationwide anger; 2 ministers trade blame*

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With more names of freedom fighters cropping up on the Razakars' list, the home and the Liberation War affairs ministers have traded blame over preparation of the list that has caused nationwide outrage.

The Daily Star yesterday found 17 freedom fighters and organisers of the 1971 Liberation War on the list. Earlier, this newspaper noticed the names of seven freedom fighters on it.

Protests over the faulty list spread across the country yesterday as pro-liberation people held demonstrations in the capital, Barishal, Barguna, Rajshahi and elsewhere, demanding withdrawal of the list published by the Liberation War affairs ministry on Sunday.

In Barishal city, protesters set fire to a copy of the list while people in Pathorghata upazila observed strike spontaneously for six hours from 10:00am.

Meanwhile, the Office of the Chief

Prosecutor of the International Crimes Tribunal protested the list that contains the name of Chief Prosecutor Ghulam Arief Tipoo.

Against this backdrop, Liberation War Affairs Minister AKM Mozammel Haque has regretted the "unintentional" mistakes in the list.

In a statement yesterday afternoon, the minister said his ministry is looking into how the names of freedom fighters and pro-liberation people got included in the list.

"There are allegations that a good number of freedom fighters or pro-Liberation War people have been included in the list ... We are looking into the matter ..."

The names would be dropped from the list upon verification if the aggrieved persons submit application to the ministry, according to the statement.

The government on Sunday published the names of 10,789 Razakars, Al-Badrs,

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Demonstrators clash with cops during a protest against the new citizenship law in Seelampur area of Delhi, yesterday.

PHOTO: REUTERS

## 'No CAB, no NRC'

*Opposition seeks president's intervention; fresh clashes in Delhi, Kerala; Mamata holds another rally, vows to prevent their implementation in West Bengal; Modi defiant*

STAR REPORT

Police fired tear gas at protesters in India's capital yesterday as tens of thousands rallied around the country against a new citizenship law they say is anti-Muslim, but Prime Minister Narendra Modi remained defiant.

The law grants citizenship to non-Muslims from three neighbouring countries - Pakistan, Bangladesh and Afghanistan - in what opponents say is part of Modi's Hindu-nationalist masterplan. Critics say the law is unconstitutional because it goes against the country's secular

credentials.

Uproar over the move has sparked days of protests, clashes and riots across India that have left six people dead and dozens injured in a major challenge to Modi since he swept to power in 2014.

In Muslim-populated areas of Delhi yesterday, buses and a police outpost were torched and tear gas filled streets as thousands of protesters hurled stones at police in Seelampur district in the latest violence to hit the capital.

Tens of thousands more rallied in West Bengal, Kolkata and Tamil Nadu states on a sixth day of

nationwide protests.

But the prime minister was adamant that the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA), passed last week, would not affect Indian nationals, including Muslims.

He blamed the opposition Congress party for "spreading violence and creating an environment of fear" by lying about the law's intent.

"It's as clear as being engraved in stone that the CAA will not affect any citizen -- Muslim, Hindu, Christian or anyone else," Modi told a political rally in eastern Jharkhand state.

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## HIGH TREASON CASE Musharraf gets death penalty

REUTERS, Islamabad

A Pakistani court yesterday sentenced former military dictator Pervez Musharraf to death in absentia on treason charges stemming from his imposition of a state of emergency in 2007.

Musharraf, who seized power in a 1999 coup and later ruled as president until 2008, is out of the country

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## JRC meeting postponed

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Bangladesh India Joint Rivers Commission (JRC) talks scheduled to start from today was postponed at the last minute, delaying the exchange of data on six common rivers, which was last updated 34 years ago.

"The meeting is not taking place as we did not get the government order on it," said KM Anwar Hossain, a member of JRC, Bangladesh, who was supposed to lead the nine-member delegation to India.

"We will fix a new date after discussing with India."

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## Mushfiqur kicks off Ctg leg in style

SPORTS REPORTER

While the opening match of the Chattogram leg of the Bangabandhu Bangladesh Premier League was a run fest at the Zahur Ahmed Chowdhury Stadium yesterday, the following match between Sylhet Thunder and Chattogram Challengers was a rather low-scoring one under the lights at the same venue.

It was a blistering knock from wicketkeeper-batsman Mushfiqur Rahim that helped Khulna register a five-wicket victory over Rajshahi Royals in the day match. The right-hander walked in when Khulna were in a spot of bother, having lost openers with just 25 runs on the board in just 2.3 overs while chasing a challenging 189 for four.

Mushfiqur dazzled the Chattogram crowd while scoring a magnificent 51-ball 96. It would have

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