AL wins 80pc mayor posts

phase, polls were held in 58 municipalities and 29 of them used EVMs.

Thirty municipalities went to polls on Sunday in the fifth phase and all of them

used EVMs. LOWEST TURNOUT

EC data shows that the voter turnout in the fifth phase of the municipal elections was

Asked about the reason for the low voter turnout, Badiul Alam said, "Voters have lost their interest in casting ballots as they have lost faith in the Election Commission. People's faith in the commission has reached 'zero' level. They are biased towards one party."

Voter turnout was 65.25 percent in the

WON BY	MAYORAL POSTS
AL	185
BNP	11
Independent	32
Jatiya Party	1
Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal	1

first phase, 61.92 percent in the second phase, 70.42 percent in the third phase, 65.86 percent in the fourth phase and 58.67 percent in the fifth phase, according to EC statistics.

The average voter turnout in the municipalities polls was 65 percent. The figure was much lower than those of the municipal polls in 2015 and 2011.

Elections to 234 municipalities in 2015 were held in one day and the turnout was around 74 percent. Polls to 250 municipalities in 2011 were held in four phases and the average turnout rate was 78

Municipality elections are held once in every five years. Political parties registered with the EC can take part only in mayoral

VOTER TURNOUT

1st phase 65.25%

>> 2nd phase **61.92**%

>> 3rd phase 70.42%

>> 4th phase 65.68%

>> 5th phase **58.67**%



Pro-democracy supporters make hand signs outside the West Kowloon court in Hong Kong yesterday, ahead of court appearances by dozens of dissidents charged with subversion in the largest use yet of Beijing's sweeping new national security law.

Ex-president

appeal and remains free, with no arrest warrant issued.

The verdict is the latest twist in the tumultuous political career of the 66-yearold who ruled France from 2007 to 2012 and remains a favourite for many on the

The conviction is likely to undermine any attempted comeback to frontline politics, an ambition he has denied, but which has been promoted by many supporters ahead of 2022 presidential elections.

Only one other French president, Sarkozy's political mentor Jacques Chirac, was put on trial after leaving office, but he was excused from having to attend his 2011 corruption trial because of ill health.

Chirac received a two-year suspended sentence over the creation of ghost jobs at the Paris city hall to fund his party when he

The verdict yesterday related to a case of influence peddling and corruption, one of at least four separate investigations into the former leader, who married former supermodel and singer Carla Bruni while

Sarkozy was accused of offering to help a judge obtain a senior job in Monaco in exchange for putting pressure on an inquiry into his campaign finances.

The former president told the court during the trial he had "never committed the slightest act of corruption".

Prosecutors called for him to be jailed for four years and serve a minimum of two, and asked for the same punishment for his co-defendants -- lawyer Thierry Herzog and the judge Gilbert Azibert.

"The events would not have occurred if a former president, as well as a lawyer, had kept in mind the magnitude, the responsibility, and the duties of his office," prosecutor Jean-Luc Blachon told the court as the trial wound up in December.

The graft and influence-peddling charges -- among several legal cases against him -carry a maximum sentence of 10 years and a fine of one million euros (\$1.2 million). 'WITH CERTAINTY'

Prosecutors say Sarkozy and Herzog tried to bribe judge Azibert over an inquiry into claims the former leader had received illicit payments from L'Oreal heiress Liliane Bettencourt during his successful 2007 presidential campaign.

The state's case is based on wiretaps of conversations between Herzog and Sarkozy, with prosecutors accusing him of "using secret telephone lines" to cover up his attempt to infiltrate the court.

Prosecutor Celine Guillet said it had been established "with certainty" that judge Azibert transmitted confidential information about the Bettencourt case to his friend Herzog.

One conversation "overwhelmingly" showed that Sarkozy had promised to intervene to get Azibert a post in Monaco, she said.

Sarkozy's lawyer Jacqueline Laffont lashed out at the flaws and "emptiness" of the prosecutor's accusations, with the defence also claiming that the tapped conversations had been just "chats between

Azibert, who was a senior adviser at France's highest appeals court at the time, never got the job in Monaco.

Bangladesh flag hoisted at Dhaka close to the six-point demands of planned for such a pla

if such confrontation continues, then they will not be able to escape the flames," added Bangabandhu.

Bangabandhu, as a directive, called for a province-wide hartal from March 3 to 6 from 6:00am to 2:00pm in all spheres including government offices, secretariat, High Court and other courts, semigovernment and corporations, PIA, Railways and other communication services, transport -- private and public -- and all mills, factories, industrial and commercial establishments and markets. Exemptions are to be extended to ambulances, press cars, hospitals, medicine shops, electric and water supply services. Tajuddin Ahmad was entrusted with the task of formulating the directives.

Archer K Blood, then American Consul General in Dhaka, assessed the situation as: "It seemed to us that the Sheikh [Mujib] was trying to walk a slippery path. On the one hand he was trying to maintain his leadership and keep the initiative by calling for an end to martial law and a continuation of the struggle. One the other hand he was seeking to cool the crowds so as to avoid a tightening of military control." [Archer K Blood, The Cruel Birth of Bangladesh, UPL, 2006, pg. 162] 'PPP HAS NEVER REJECTED 6 POINTS'

In a press conference held in Karachi on March 2, 1971, Zulfikar Ali Bhutto claimed his party had consistently endeavoured to go as the Awami League.

"We did not demand a strong centre but only a federal centre that would have the character of keeping the country united federal state. We further manifested our 'bona fides' by mass mobilisation of public opinion in West Pakistan in favour of a constitution as close to the Six Points formula as possible," he

Regarding the postponement of the National Assembly session, Bhutto said, "We demanded postponement of the National Assembly session only to provide the two major parties with an opportunity to have another dialogue. We are willing to have this dialogue anywhere at any time that the Awami League would like. If the Awami League fails to reciprocate, the onus for the consequences will not be on us.

SEARCH FOR A POLITICAL SOLUTION

In search of a political solution to the situation created in East Pakistan after the sine die postponement of the National Assembly, Yahya Khan and Bhutto, accompanied by several of their key advisers, held a discussion on March 2, 1971. The goal was to find an institutional forum, short of a meeting of the National Assembly, that would be conducive to forge a political solution. Bhutto agreed to participate in a roundtable conference of all parties represented in the National Assembly. They

planned for such a meeting so that they could face Awami League in situation that would be morally, though not legally, binding. [Richard Sisson and Leo E Rose, War and Secession: Pakistan, India, and the Creation of Bangladesh, UCP, 1990, pg. 96] CURFEW IMPOSED IN DHAKA

At about 7:30 pm the imposition of curfew in Dhaka city, from 9:00pm to 8:00am the following morning, was announced through radio. Subsequently, the Martial Law Administrator (MLA) announced that the curfew would continue on a daily basis from 7:00pm to 7:00am until calm was restored.

As soon as the announcement of the curfew was made, students came out of their hostels and general people of their houses and formed processions, chanting slogans to oppose it. Their slogans "Sandhya ain mani na", "Joy Bangla", "Bir Bangali osthro dhoro, Bangladesh shadhin koro" echoed throughout the city. The curfew was broken and barricades were formed.

In front of Morning News newspaper office at DIT intersection, the military opened fire on people at around 9:30pm. When another procession of people broke the curfew and headed towards the Governor's House, they also became targets of bullets.

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4 arrested

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The suspects raped her throughout the night and left her critically ill, police added.

The 12-year-old girl somehow managed to escape from the house and rushed to the mango orchard where she found her friend bound and tied.

The two of them then walked to a local market and called their families. The family members then rescued the

The victim's mother filed a case accusing six men, including the four arrestees, said Tanvirul Islam, officerin-charge of Thakurgaon Sadar Police

Ziaul Haque, who is investigating the case, said the accused admitted raping the girl during primary interrogation. In Lalmonirhat, police arrested

45-year-old madrasa teacher Saddam Hossain on charges of abducting and raping a 14-year-old girl, who was his student.

Saddam, who has two children, abducted the girl around a week ago and took her to his rented flat.

He kept the girl confined and raped her, said police, quoting the victim's family members.

On Saturday night, the girl's mother, with the help of locals, went to Saddam's rented flat and rescued her. They also handed Saddam to the police, said Shah Alam, officer-incharge of Lalmonirhat Sadar Police Station.

Her mother filed a case against Saddam later, the officer added.

[Our correspondents from Thakurgaon and Lalmonirhat contributed to the story]

300 BNP men

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and another on two-day remand in the case. They are among the named accused, said court sources.

The court placed the arrestees on remand after the investigation officer of the case produced them before it seeking 10-day remand for each. The FIR of the case mentioned that

police fired 75 bullets, 26 pellets and four teargas shells during the incident to disperse the protesters to ensure public safety".

Among the accused are BNP Joint Secretary Habibun Nabi Khan Sohel, Jubo Dal General Secretary Sultan Salauddin Tuku, Swechhasebak Dal General Secretary Abdul Kader Bhuiyan, JCD Pesident Fazlur Rahman Khokon, and General Secretary Iqbal Hossain Shyamol. Among the other named accused are central and district level JCD leaders.

UK aid charities warn of famine as Covid hits poorer nations

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Sylhet during the year 2020-2021

A coalition of UK aid agencies warned yesterday that the Covid-19 pandemic is worsening the "dire humanitarian" crisis in fragile states and raising the risk of famine, including in Yemen.

Parts of Yemen and South Sudan are already on the brink of famine, while Afghanistan and the Democratic Republic of Congo are at risk, driven by the pandemic's economic impact, the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) said in a new report.

The warning came as the United Nations appealed at an online conference yesterday for \$3.85 billion (4.45 billion euros) to prevent large-scale famine in Yemen.

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"People living in places made perilous by conflict, violence and climate disasters are coping with the coronavirus pandemic as best they can, but the odds are stacked against them," DEC chief executive Saleh

"The knock-on effects of the pandemic have crippled economies, making the world's poorest people even poorer," he added.

"Without continued support, many lives will be lost -- not just from Covid-19 itself, but from the economic impact of the virus."

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and Syria, and the plight of Rohingya refugees from Myanmar sheltering in camps in Bangladesh.

PK Halder

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corporation, according to Canadian media reports.

He came under the spotlight during the anticasino drives in Bangladesh in 2019.

The ACC launched an investigation into the involvement of 43 people, including Halder, in the illegal casino business.

In January this year, the ACC filed five cases against 33 people, including Halder, for allegedly laundering over Tk 350 crore of International Leasing and Financial Services Limited (ILFSL).

The ACC is also looking into allegations that Halder and his associates laundered over Tk 10,000 crore from four non-banking financial (NBFIs) institutions between 2014 and 2019.

Suu Kyi hit

FROM PAGE 12 and "instigators" would be punished. The army was also investigating financial abuse by the civilian government, he said.

Suu Kyi, aged 75, looked in good health during her appearance before a court in the capital Naypyidaw, one of her lawyers said. Two more charges were added to those filed against her after the coup, she said.

"I saw Amay on the video, she looks healthy," lawyer Min Min Soe told Reuters, using an affectionate term meaning "mother" to refer to Suu Kyi.

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গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার

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"The Public Procurement Regulation-2006 & 2008 ও তুদীয় সংশোধিত" বিধি মোতাবেক চলতি ২০২০-২১ অর্থ সালে ইভাস্ট্রিয়াল পুলিশ-০৫, ময়মনসিংহ, নতুন পুলিশ লাইপের জন্য ০২ (দুই) টি সেমিপাকা ব্যারাক ভবনের অবশিষ্ট নির্মাণ কাজ বাস্তবায়নের জন্য বাংলাদেশের প্রকৃত ঠিকাদার/সরবরাহকারী প্রতিষ্ঠানের নিকট হতে সীলমোহর যুক্ত খামে প্রতিযোগিতামূলক উন্মুক্ত দরপত্র আহ্বান করা যাচ্ছে।

উনাক্ত দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি নং-২০২১ (OTM)

١.	মন্ত্রণালয়/বিভাগ	8	স্বরাষ্ট্র মন্ত্রণালয় (জননিরাপত্তা বিভাগ)।			
₹.	সংস্থা	8	পুলিশ বিভাগ।			
೨.	দরপত্র সম্পাদনকারী প্রধান	8	পুলিশ সুপার, ইভাস্ট্রিয়াল পুলিশ-৫, ময়মনসিংহ।			
8.	দরপত্র সম্পাদনকারীর জেলা/সংস্থা	8	ইভাস্ট্রিয়াল পুলিশ-৫, ময়মনসিংহ।			
¢.	দরপত্রের সূত্র ও তারিখ	8	পুলিশ হেডকোয়ার্টার্স স্মারক নং-৪৪.০১.০০০০.০৪৩.২৪৮-২০১৯/১৩৮৪৭, তারিখ-২৫/০২/২০২১ খ্রিঃ।			
৬.	দরপত্রের পদ্ধতি	8	উনুক্ত দরপত্র পদ্ধতি (ওটিএম)।			
٩.	বাজেট এন্ড সোর্স অব ফান্ড	8	রাজস্ব খাত।			
ъ.	দরপত্র প্রকাশের তারিখ	8	০২-০৩-২০২১ খ্রিঃ তারিখ।			
৯.	দরপত্র সিডিউল বিক্রয়ের সর্বশেষ প্রাপ্তির তারিখ	8	পত্রিকায় বিজ্ঞপ্তি প্রকাশের পর হতে ১৫-০৩-২০২১ খ্রিঃ অফিস চলাকালীন সময় পর্যন্ত।			
٥٥.	দরপত্র গ্রহণের তারিখ ও সময়	8	১৬-০৩-২০২১ খ্রিঃ ১২.০০ ঘটিকা।			
۵۵.	দরপত্র বাব্ধ খোলার তারিখ ও সময়	8	১৬-০৩-২০২১ খ্রিঃ তারিখ- ১৩.০০ ঘটিকায় দরপত্র দাতার মনোনীত প্রতিনিধিদের উপস্থিতিতে (যদি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকেন) দরপত্র বাক্স খোলা হবে।			
۵٩.	দরপত্র সম্পাদনকারী অফিস ও ঠিকানা	8	ইভাস্ট্রিয়াল পুলিশ-৫, ময়মনসিংহ, সিডস্টোর বাজার, ভালুকা, ময়মনসিংহ এর কার্যালয়।			
۵٥.	দরপত্র প্রান্তির স্থান	8	 অতিঃ আইজিপি এর কার্যালয়, ইভাস্ক্রিয়াল পুলিশ, হেডকোয়ার্টার্স, উত্তরা, ঢাকা। ২. ডিআইজি, ময়মনসিংহ রেঞ্জ এর কার্যালয়। ৩. পুলিশ স্পার, ইভাস্ক্রিয়াল পুলিশ-২, গাজীপুর। ৪. পুলিশ স্পার, ইভাস্ক্রিয়াল পুলিশ-৫, ডালুকা, য়য়মনসিংহ এর কার্যালয়। 			
١8.	দরপত্র আহ্বান কর্তৃপক্ষের অফিস ও খোলার		পুলিশ সুপার, ইন্ডাস্ট্রিয়াল পুলিশ-৫, সিডস্টোর বাজার, ভালুকা, ময়মনসিংহ এর কার্যালয়।			
ኔ ৫.	দরপত্র মূল্যায়ণের তারিখ ও সময়	8	১৬-০৩-২০২১ খ্রিঃ তারিখ ১৫.০০ ঘটিকা হতে পিপিআর- ২০০৬ ও ২০০৮ এবং তুঁদীয় সংশোধিত বিধি মোতাবেক নির্ধারিত সময় পর্যন্ত।			
১৬.	দরপত্র দাতার যোগ্যতা ও দরপত্রের সাথে যে সকল কাগজপত্র জমা দিতে হবে	0	দরপত্র সিভিউল ক্রয়ের সময় নিমূলিখিত মূল দলিলপত্র প্রদর্শন করিতে হইবে, যাচিত দলিলপত্রে ফটো কপি প্রথম শ্রেণীর গেজেটেড কর্মকর্তা কর্তৃক সত্যায়িত করিয়া দরপত্রের সহিত দাখিল করিতে হইবে (১) নবায়নকৃত ট্রেড লাইসেন্স (২) হালনাগাদ আয়কর সার্টিফিকেট (৩) ভ্যাট রেজিষ্ট্রশন সার্টিফিকেট (৪) দরপত্র দাতাদের স্থায়ী ঠিকানা ও অস্থায়ী ঠিকানা সম্মিলিত নাগরিকত্ব সনদপত্র (৫) ০২ কপি পাসপোর্ট সাইজের রঙিন ছবি (৬) ব্যাংক সলভেন্দি সার্টিফিকেট ও সংশ্লিষ্ট কাজের অভিজ্ঞতা সনদপত্র ।			
۵٩.	দরপত্র আহ্বানকারী কর্মকর্তার নাম ও পদবী	8	জনাব মোঃ মিজানুর রহমান, পুলিশ সুপার, ইন্ডাস্ট্রিয়াল পুলিশ-৫, ময়মনসিংহ।			

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۵.	ইভাস্ট্রিয়াল পুলিশ-৫, ময়মনসিংহ নতুন পুলিশ লাইন্সের নির্মাণাধীন ১ নং সেমিপাকা ব্যারাক ডবনের (২০০ ফুট দৈর্ঘ্য ২৮ ফুট প্রস্থ ৭ ফুট বারান্দাসহ) অবশিষ্ট নির্মাণ কাজ।	\$000/-	3 0,000/-	কার্যাদেশ মোতাবেক						
ચ.	ইভাস্ট্রিয়াল পুলিশ-৫, ময়মনসিংহ নতুন পুলিশ লাইলের নির্মাণাধীন ২ নং সেমিপাকা ব্যারাক ডবনের (২০০ ফুট দৈর্ঘ্য ২৮ ফুট প্রস্থ ৭ ফুট বারান্দাসহ) অবশিষ্ট নির্মাণ কাজ।	3000/-	80,000/-	কার্যাদেশ মোতাবেক						

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ক. ব্যক্তি বা প্রতিষ্ঠানের স্বস্তাধিকারীর স্বাক্ষরযুক্ত প্যাডে আবেদন পূর্বক অতিঃ আইজিপি এর কার্যালয়, ইভাস্ট্রিয়াল পুলিশ, হেডকোয়ার্টার্স, উত্তরা, ঢাকা। ডিআইজি. ময়মনসিংহ রেঞ্জ এর কার্যালয়। পুলিশ সুপার, ইভাস্ক্রিয়াল পুলিশ-২, গাজীপুর এবং পুলিশ সুপার, ইভাস্ক্রিয়াল পুলিশ-৫, সীডস্টোর বাজার, ভালুকা, ময়মনসিংহ এর কার্যালয় হইতে পত্রিকায় বিজ্ঞপ্তি প্রকাশের পর থেকে ১৫-০৩-২০২১ খ্রিঃ তারিখ অফিস চলাকালীন সময় পর্যন্ত দরপত্র সিভিউল ক্রয়/সংগ্রহ করা যাবে।

- খ. সর্বক্ষেত্রে প্রচলিত পাবলিক প্রকিউর্রুমৈন্ট আইন ও বিধিমালা অনুসরণ করা হবে। গ, দরপত্র সিডিউলে অন্যান্য শর্তাবলী বিস্তারিত ভাবে বর্ণনা করা হবে।
- ঘ, দরপত্র দাতা সিডিউলে বর্ণিত সকল শর্তাবলী অবশ্যই পালন করতে হবে। ঙ. নির্ধারিত তারিখ ও সময়ের পর সিডিউল বিক্রয় এবং দরপত্র গ্রহণ করা হবে না।
- চ. কোন কারণবশত দরপত্র খোলার দিন অফিস বন্ধ থাকলে পরবর্তী কার্যদিবসে একই সময়ে ও নিয়মে দরপত্র গ্রহণ ও খোলা হবে।
- ছ, সকল কাজের ক্ষেত্রে প্রকৃত অভিজ্ঞতা সম্পন্ন ঠিকাদারদের অগ্রাধিকার দেয়া হবে। কর্তৃপক্ষ কোন কারণ দর্শানো ব্যতিরেকে দরপত্র বাতিল বা গ্রহণের ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন এবং সর্বনিম্ন দরগ্রহণ করতে বাধ্য নহেন।



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