Delhi throws its weight behind

will address the challenge," Indian External Affairs Ministry Spokesperson Arindam Bagchi said at the weekly virtual media briefing yesterday.

He was responding to a question about the violent street protests by Hefajat in parts of Bangladesh protesting Modi's visit. Arindam said the Indian PM's visit

to Bangladesh facilitated "significant decisions" to reinforce the legacy of 1971 and this was in furtherance of India-Bangladesh bilateral cooperation.

Asked about the escalating crackdown by Myanmar's military junta on prodemocracy protesters, Arindam said his country condemns any use of violence.

"We believe the rule of law should prevail. We stand for restoration of democracy. We have urged for release of political leaders and support attempts

at resolving the current situation in that country, including through the ASEAN." He said India remains engaged on this

issue with its international interlocutors and at the UN Security Council in an effort to play "a balanced and constructive role".

About India's stand on the flow of people from coup-hit Myanmar to north eastern Indian states like Mizoram and Manipur, the spokesperson said, "We are dealing with it as per law and on humanitarian considerations."

Regarding the attendance of an Indian diplomat at Myanmar's annual military parade in that country recently, Arindam said, "We have a functional embassy in Myanmar. Our ambassador, defence attache and other diplomats are carrying on their diplomatic responsibilities. Nothing more should be read in the particular event being

Diplomats to visit Bhasan Char

referred to.'

people from the authorities, and others living and working there.

After visiting the island, the UN team said The United Nations is grateful to the government of Bangladesh for its facilitation of the visit and looks forward to continuing the dialogue.

The development comes following an impasse of more than a year between the government and the UN regarding the global body's technical assessment of the

The government has already relocated some 15,000 Rohingyas to Bhasan Char from Cox's Bazar in phases since December last year. It is in the process of relocating more in the coming days.

Bangladesh Navy implemented the Tk 3,100 crore housing project after some 7,50,000 Rohingyas had fled a military crackdown in Myanmar's Rakhine state in 2017 and took shelter in camps in Teknaf

Apart from the risk of landslides in the hilly terrain, the government cited issues such as drug peddling, human trafficking, gender-based violence, conflicts between factions of the refugee communities in Cox's

Bazar, and environmental degradation as major reasons for the relocation.

The UN had raised concerns over risks of tidal surge and cyclone at the remote island, but the government said with 120 brick-built cluster villages and 120 cyclone shelters, flood protection embankments, facilities for education, farming and fishing, hospitals and playgrounds, the char is a much better living place than the Cox's Bazar camps.

The UN said it wanted to send one of its technical teams to the island to assess the housing facilities. Asked by the government, it even submitted the terms of reference for the visit in December 2019. The move got stalled after that.

Project officials said separate buildings for the UN and other international aid agencies have also been constructed on Bhasan Char.

After relocation of the first batch of Rohingyas in December last year, some 44 NGOs volunteered to go there and started providing humanitarian assistance to the refugees. There were concerns over how funds needed for 100,000 refugees would be managed after their relocation.

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Jahanara Begum

passes away

CITY DESK

Jahanara Begum, wife of late Shah Alam Chowdhury, passed away at a hospital



in Dhaka yesterday. She was 81. She died of old-age complications, said a press release.

Jahanara left behind three sons including former BGMEA president Anwar-Ul Alam Chowdhury Parvez, a daughter and grandchildren to mourn her death.

She was buried at Banani graveyard following a namaz-e-janaza at Gulshan Azad Mosque.

The smell

FROM PAGE 12 Pakistan split by innumerable waterways, is the sort of terrain regular soldiers hate but guerrillas

MEMORANDUM TO PRESIDENT NIXON

The US Secretary of State Rogers, in a memorandum to President Nixon, today provided a background to the thinning out of the US presence in East Pakistan. Referring to evacuation of personnel by the UN, the World Bank and various countries including Germany, Japan and Yugoslavia, Rogers shared that a plan had been made to facilitate the departure within the next few days of nonofficial Americans who want to leave, the wives and children of American officials, and some official

As to the present situation, he informed, "Thus far, the Awami League resistance groups have gained little momentum although they control an estimated 75% of the East Pakistan territory. However, over time these resistance elements may be able to mount a large-scale rebellion with possible covert support from Bengali elements in India."

Americans who are

considered non-essential.

The memorandum ended with the comment, "The key question is whether the events of the last week have made it unlikely - or impossible for the Government of Pakistan ever to reassert effective political influence over the East '

NO BURMESE OIL

The Burmese government stopped the sale of aviation fuel to Pakistan, Burmese embassy sources said today. The Burmese government took the decision as it did not want to get involved in the internal situation now prevailing in Pakistan. [Hindusthan Standard, April 4, 1971]

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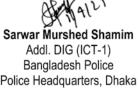
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Invitation for e-Tender published in different national dailies as per Memo No. 44.01.0000.437.07.032.2021.04 Date: 09/03/2021 is hereby amended as follows. To submit e-Tender, bidders are requested to register on e-GP System Portal

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Junta slammed for deaths

The authorities have made numerous arrests during night raids on the homes of people suspected of supporting the rallies or the civil disobedience movement that has sprung up aimed at stopping the military from running the country.

Human Rights Watch said the junta had "forcibly disappeared" hundreds of people, refusing to confirm their location or allow access to lawyers.

"The military junta's widespread use of arbitrary arrests and enforced disappearances appears designed to strike fear in the hearts of anti-coup protesters," said HRW's Asia director Brad Adams.

There were more protests around the country yesterday, according to local media reports.

In Yangon, people left flowers at bus stops and other public spots in memory of those killed in the crackdown.

throttled junta has communications in an effort to stop news getting out, and on Thursday it ordered a complete shutdown of wireless internet services. The authorities mhave already shut down mobile data.

In response, anti-coup groups have shared radio frequencies, mobile apps such as maps that work without a data connection, and tips for using SMS messages as an alternative to data services to communicate.

"In the following days, there are street protests. Do as many guerrilla strikes as you can. Please join, Khin Sadar, a protest leader, said on Facebook in anticipation of the internet blackout, referring to quick protests in unexpected places that break up when the security forces appear.

"Let's listen to the radio again. Let's make phone calls to each other too."

The military did not announce or explain its order to providers to cut wireless broadband. Înternet was

available only on fixed lines, rare in Myanmar where most homes and businesses connect through wireless

networks. Outrage from world powers has been growing at the increasing violence, and on Thursday the UN Security Council unanimously "expressed deep concern at the rapidly deteriorating situation" condemning violence against peaceful

Britain announced a new round of sanctions, this time targeting the junta's extensive business interests, as well as a \$700,000 contribution towards UN efforts to document serious human rights violations in Myanmar.

But so far neither sanctions nor calls for restraint have shown any sign of holding back the junta as it struggles to quell the widespread unrest.

Ousted civilian leader Aung San Suu Kyi has meanwhile been hit with a new criminal charge, accused of breaking an official secrets law.

The 75-year-old, a democracy icon in Myanmar for decades, faces a raft of charges and conviction would see her barred from political office for the rest

Meanwhile another leading figure in Myanmar's struggle for democracy, Mya Aye, was charged on Thursday under a law against inciting people to commit criminal offences, his lawyer told AFP.

Mya Aye is one of the leaders of the 88 Generation, a veteran prodemocracy group that came of age during an uprising against junta rule

That movement was brutally suppressed by the military, with thousands gunned down by soldiers.

The military has defended its coup with claims of fraud in the November election which Suu Kyi's National League for Democracy won by a landslide.

Bangladesh wants

Experts hailed it as a good initiative from the government.

They also said the government should be in contact with innovators of other vaccines, which are developed with other newer platforms or technologies.

"Bangladesh has the capacity to produce vaccine from seed. What we need is the transfer of appropriate technology as most of the vaccines developed against Covid-19 have applied relatively newer techniques. However, combining the seed with adjuvants, stabilisers and preservatives to form the final vaccine preparation might not be difficult for our vaccine manufacturers if they get required technical assistance from the innovator," Md Sayedur Rahman, chairman of pharmacology department at BSMMU, told The Daily Star yesterday.

He said if Bangladesh wants to produce vaccines from seed, substantial investment is needed to establish the required facilities of a global standard and to employ skilled technical manpower.

A senior epidemiologist, preferring not to be named, however, said the country's drug licensing authority Directorate General of Drug Administration (DGDA) -- needs to grade its biological lab to meet global standards.

"The DGDA's biological lab is not an A-category lab. It should be ungraded from category C to A," the epidemiologist said, adding that the World Health Organization certifies

categories after inspection. This certification of DGDA is required to export vaccines from Bangladesh.

The health ministry recently wrote to WHO requesting inspection of DGDA's biological lab as part of its upgradation

ABM Farooque, former dean of pharmacy faculty at Dhaka University, said the government has made a very good move, but it should also contact with other vaccine producers like Sputnik V.

'If pharmaceuticals companies get the technology, it would be great as Bangladesh can produce the vaccine. We can even bring vaccines in bulk and repackage here, which will also be a good move. We have some world-class pharmaceuticals companies and they are capable enough to produce it," he

Bangladesh received 70 lakh Oxford-AstraZeneca doses from Serum Institute of India as part of an agreement. The country has purchased three crore vaccine doses from Serum. Apart from this, the country on

January 21 received 20 lakh doses as a token of friendship from India and another 12 lakh from the same country that Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi bought with him during his visit to Dhaka last month. The Daily Star sent an email to

AstraZeneca but did not get any response till filing of this report last AstraZeneca has more than 20

supply partners in 15 countries and more than 20 analytical testing sites three manufacturing sites in UK, more than five in EU (Belgium, Netherland, Germany, Italy and Spain)

In South Asia, Serum Institute of India is the manufacturing partner of

An official from AstraZaneca in Sweden told The Daily Star that apart from the government, some pharmaceuticals companies Bangladesh are also contacting them.

He, however, declined to elaborate

Dig reveals oldest

economy functioned - and suggests that it was far bigger and more efficient

than previously thought. The economy was based substantially on cattle – without salt, however, efficiently operating such an economy would have been impossible.

The discovery in Yorkshire therefore suggests that Britain's earliest agriculturalists were able to produce much more food than was previously considered to be the case - and that would have enabled more rapid population expansion, thus accelerating social and political change.

The discovery also has substantial implications for prehistorians' understanding of the nature of early trading activity in Britain.

The archaeologists – excavating near Loftus, Yorkshire – have so far discovered three salt-making kilns and fragments of dozens of ceramic bowls used in the process.

Scientific tests on those fragments have shown very high levels of salt on their interior surfaces.

"This discovery changes our understanding of key aspects of the Neolithic economy," said the director of the excavation, Dr Stephen Sherlock, an archaeologist working for Highways England.

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Bazar. The fire partially or completely damaged at least 10,000 shanties of the refugees, the aid agency added.

UK imposes

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residence rights in the UK (including long-term visa holders) will be allowed to enter, and they must stay in a government-approved quarantine facility for 10 days.

During their stay, passengers will be required to take a coronavirus test on or before day 2 and on or after day 8, and they will not be allowed to shorten their quarantine period on receipt of a negative test result, added

India fears worse

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vaccine doses, Indian Health Ministry said. India plans to ramp up daily vaccination coverage to five million, R S Sharma, CEO of National Health

Authority, said. Europe is also struggling to stop dramatic surges in infections, as the World Health Organization warned Thursday that its sluggish vaccination drive was prolonging a pandemic that has already claimed more than 2.8 million lives worldwide.

Many European Union nations are reeling from dramatic spikes in cases that have forced the reimposition of unpopular restrictions, including in Belgium where police used water cannon to disperse thousands who had gathered in violation of Covid-19

Only 10 percent of Europe's total dose, and four percent have received two, according to the WHO.

Spikes in South America have reached alarming levels, fuelled by a more contagious variant first detected in Brazil, as Chile closed all borders, Bolivia sealed its frontier with Brazil, and Peru went into a lockdown over Easter.

Intensive care units in Chile are close to capacity, and authorities are trying to speed up vaccinations in a bid to stem the spread of Covid-19.

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Democratic society

He said the people of the country don't want that type of

Rangamati Deputy Commissioner Mohammad Mizanur Rahman addressed the function, chaired by PIB Director General Zafar Wazed.

Tigresses to get

taken although the official procedure is not yet complete. If the Covid-19 situation is under control, there is hope of playing Test cricket this year," Nadel told The Daily Star yesterday.

"We are very excited to have gotten the Test status. And I hope that this will help our women's cricket go a long way," Salma Khatun, Bangladesh's T20 skipper, said in a video message after learning about ICC's decision.

Daily record shattered

years old, added the release.

Since the detection of the first cases in the country, the lowest monthly infection rate of 2.82 percent was recorded in February this year. The following month, it jumped to 10.39 percent.

The DGHS data shows that 65,079 people were infected last month. Of them, 50,408 tested Covid-19 positive in the last 15 days of the month. Meanwhile, 50 people died from the virus in 24 hours

issued by the DGHS. Among the deceased, 40 were men and 10 women. One was aged between 21 and 30, two were within 31-40, four between 41 and 50, 11 within 51-60 and 32 were above 60

The death toll from Covid-19 in the country has reached 9,155, and 6,887 of them were men and 2,268 women. Over 5,100 of the deceased were aged above 60. The highest number of deaths was registered (5,228) in Dhaka division. This year, 1,596 people died from novel coronavirus

infections so far, and the record shows that over 500 died in the last 15 days. period, raising the total number of recoveries to 547,411.

Some 2,473 Covid patients recovered in the same 24-hour The recovery rate is now 87.64 percent.

Web: www.bafsc.edu.bd, E-mail: bafshaheencollegectg@yahoo.com দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি বি এ এফ শাহীন কলেজ চট্টগ্রাম প্রতিষ্ঠানের নাম নিয়োগ পদ্ধতি উন্মুক্ত দরপত্র পদ্ধতি বি এ এফ শাহীন কলেজ চট্টগ্রামের শিক্ষক শিক্ষিকাদের জন্য নিচতলা খালি রেখে ০১x২৪ (৭তলা ভিত বিশিষ্ট ৭ তলা পারিবারিক বাসস্থান নির্মাণ। চ।এমইএস তালিকাভূক্ত অথবা সমমানের অন্যান্য যে কোন দরপত্রদাতার সরকারী প্রতিষ্ঠানে তালিকাভূক্ত 'এ' ও 'বি' শ্রেণি যোগ্যতা ঠিকাদারগণ দরপত্রে অংশগ্রহণ করতে পারবে। । প্রয়োজনীয় নিরাপত্তা ছাড়পত্র থাকতে হবে। চ।দরপত্রদাতার ঠিকাদার অথবা সহকারি ঠিকাদার হিসেবে নির্মাণ কাজে ন্যূনতম ০৫ (পাঁচ) বছরের অভিজ্ঞতা থাকতে হবে। । দরপত্রদাতার গত তিন বছরে সশস্ত্র বাহিনীর সাথে ন্যুনতম একটি ঠিকাদারের সংস্কার বা নির্মাণ কাজ সম্পন্ন করার অথবা চলমান কাজের অভিজ্ঞতা অভিজ্ঞতা থাকতে হবে, যার চুক্তিমূল্য ন্যূনতম ৭৫০.০০ লাখ টাকা । দরপত্রদাতাকে তিন বছরের অর্থনৈতিক বিবরণী জমা দিতে হবে যার ০১ (এক) বছরের মুনাফা ১,৫০০.০০ লাখের বেশি হবে। ক। কাজের অভিজ্ঞতা সনদের সত্যায়িত কপি। হালনাগাদ ট্রেড লাইসেন্স এর সত্যায়িত কপি হালনাগাদ আয়কর ও ভ্যাট পরিশোধের সার্টিফিকেট (টিআইএন) এর সত্যায়িত কপি। দরপত্রের সাথে সংযুক্তি ব্যাংক সলভেন্সি সার্টিফিকেট এর সত্যায়িত কপি । কাজের জন্য আইটেম ওয়াইজ এনালাইসিস (বিশ্লেষণ)। অন্যান্য প্রয়োজনীয় কাগজপত্র ৭ কাজের সময়সীমা ৩০ মাস দরপত্রের অন্যান্য সিডিউল/চুক্তিপত্রের বর্ননা মোতাবেক। শৰ্তাবলী উক্ত কাজের জন্য অগ্রণী ব্যাংকের যে কোন শাখা হতে 'বি এ এফ সিডিউল মূল্য শাহীন কলেজ চট্টগ্রাম' এর অনুকূলে ১৫,০০০.০০ (পনের হাজার টাকা মূল্যের অফেরতযোগ্য ব্যাংক ড্রাফট/পে-অর্ভার দিতে হবে। দরপত্রের সাথে উক্ত কাজের জন্য ৩৫,০০,০০০.০০ (পয়ত্রি* দরপত্রের সাথে লক্ষ) টাকা নিরাপত্তা জাুমানত (ফেরতযোগ্য) সরকারী/সিডিউল জামানত ব্যাংক হতে বি এফ শাহীন কলেজ চট্টগ্রাম এর অনুকুলে ব্যাংব ending at 8:00am yesterday, according to a press release ডাফট/পে₋অর্<u>ডার দিতে হবে</u> ১১ দরপত্র প্রাপ্তি ও জমাদানের স্থান বি এ এফ শাহীন কলেজ চট্টগ্রাম। দবপত্র বিক্রয় আরম্ভের ০৪ এপ্রিল ২০২১ (০৯০০ থেকে ১৪০০ ঘটিকা) তারিখ ও সময় দরপত্র বিক্রয়ের ১৮ এপ্রিল ২০২১ শেষ তারিখ দরপত্র জমাদানের ১৯ এপ্রিল ২০২১ (১৩০০ ঘটিকা) শেষ তারিখ ও সময় দরপত্র খোলার ১৯ এপ্রিল ২০২১ (১৩৩০ ঘটিকা) তারিখ ও সময় অধ্যক্ষ, বি এ এফ শাহীন কলেজ চট্টগ্রাম। ফোন ঃ ০৩১২৫০২০৪৭ দরপত্র আহ্বানকারী ক। সরকারী নিয়ম অনুযায়ী বিল হতে উৎসে ভ্যাট ও আয়কর

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