

30m under Covid lockdown in China

AFP, Beijing

Nearly 30 million people were under lockdown across China yesterday, as surging virus cases prompted the return of mass tests and hazmat-suited health officials to streets on a scale not seen since the start of the pandemic. China reported 5,280 new Covid-19 cases yesterday, more than double the previous day's tally, as the highly transmissible Omicron variant spread across a country that has stuck tightly to a zero-Covid strategy.

Russian TV protester faces 10 days in prison

AFP, Moscow

A Russian journalist who protested Moscow's military action in Ukraine during a prime-time news broadcast on state TV was in court yesterday, facing 10 days in jail for the demonstration. Marina Ovsyannikova, a state television employee who barged onto the set of Russia's most-watched evening news broadcast holding a poster, went on trial for breaching protest laws, a Moscow court representative told AFP. She pleaded not guilty. The poster, clearly visible for a few seconds, read: "No war, stop the war, don't believe the propaganda, they are lying to you here." Ukraine's President Zelensky also praised her for "telling the truth". But Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov called her actions an act of hooliganism.



A gunman fires into the air during the funeral of 16-year-old Palestinian Nader Rayan who was killed by Israeli forces, at the Balata camp near the northern city of Nablus, yesterday. Israeli troops killed two Palestinians in separate shootings in the occupied West Bank yesterday.

PHOTO: AFP

POSSIBLE CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY IN MYANMAR UN cites 'clear indications'

AFP, Geneva

The United Nations yesterday denounced mass killings in Myanmar and accused the military of possible war crimes and crimes against humanity since last year's coup d'etat.

The UN human rights office urged the international community to take immediate steps to halt the spiral of violence in Myanmar.

In a report covering the period since the military seized power on February 1 last year, UN human rights chief Michelle Bachelet's office said Myanmar's military and security forces had shown a flagrant disregard for human life.

It described how the military had bombarded

populated areas with air strikes and heavy weapons and deliberately targeted civilians, many of whom were shot in the head, burned to death, arbitrarily arrested, tortured or used as human shields.

"We have really been able to identify a pattern over the past year, which indicates that this is planned, coordinated, systemic attacks; that there are clear indications that they would amount to war crimes and crimes against humanity," UN human rights office spokeswoman Ravina Shamdasani told reporters in Geneva. "This is the clearest yet indication of the commission of these crimes."

The report said that at least 1,600 people had been killed by security forces and their affiliates, while more than 12,500 people had been detained.

Russia says received US guarantees on Iran nuclear deal

AFP, Moscow

Russia's Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov yesterday said that Moscow had received written guarantees from Washington on its ability to trade with Tehran as part of ongoing talks to salvage the Iran nuclear deal. More than 10 months of talks in Vienna have brought major powers close to renewing the landmark 2015 Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) on regulating Iran's nuclear programme. The negotiations halted after Moscow earlier this month demanded guarantees that Western sanctions imposed following its military incursion into Ukraine would not damage its trade with Iran. Meanwhile, Iran has arrested several suspected members of a spy network linked to arch foe Israel, foiling its attempt to sabotage a key underground nuclear facility, state media reported.

Angry crowd tries to storm Sri Lanka president's office

AFP, COLOMBO

A huge crowd tried to storm the Sri Lankan president's seaside office yesterday as anger flared over runaway prices brought about by the worst financial crisis in the island's modern history. The cost of food, medicine and other essential goods have risen dramatically across the South Asian nation, with long queues outside petrol stations and rolling blackouts now the norm. Fuel costs have risen by nearly 80 percent since early February while food prices rose by a quarter according to January figures.

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AL to run with 14-party

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Contacted, Maizbhandari told The Daily Star, "We wanted to know about the vote and the alliance. She [PM] told us that the next election will be contested under the alliance banner. The prime minister also said the alliance will neither be expanded nor shrunk."

According to meeting sources, the PM said it was not fair that some alliance leaders had criticised the government on different occasions.

She said while remaining in the ruling alliance, if they criticise the government for saving their parties, opposition parties could use it as a weapon against the alliance, the sources said.

Echoing the PM's views, some alliance leaders said many of their leaders became lawmakers and even ministers, and got

various benefits in the last 13 years because they were part of the alliance.

"So, making such criticisms is nothing but a double standard," said a leader wishing not to be named.

Meeting sources said AL President Hasina asked alliance partners to strengthen their parties and she would help if needed.

The PM instructed the alliance leaders to remain on the streets with political programmes to counter opposition parties, said the sources.

Menon said when he wanted to know about the government's stance on Hefajat-e-Islam, the premier replied that she has to follow the policy of pacifying all and take everyone with her.

According to Menon, she also said they have to ensure that opposition forces cannot utilise

Hefajat for their own gains.

After the meeting, Menon told journalists, "We said the questions that remain between the government and the 14-party alliance need to be resolved. It is because we are not agreed on all matters. So if there is any anomaly, the issue comes up for discussion."

Asked whether they will contest the polls under the alliance banner if BNP boycotts the election, he said, "That was not discussed. We know that BNP will not participate in the polls."

The 14-party alliance was formed in 2008. The Jatiya Party joined it before the 2009 national election and formed the Awami League-led Grand Alliance.

The 14-party combine contested the 2014 and 2018 elections without Jatiya Party as an alliance member.

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Rounaq Jahan, Debapriya Bhattacharya and Prof Mustafizur Rahman, former cabinet secretary Ali Imam Majumdar, former University Grants Commission chairman Prof Nazrul Islam, and educationist Prof Syed Anwar Husain, are also in the list of invitees.

Former Bangladesh Bank governor Mohammed Farashuddin, Palli Karma-Sahayak Foundation Chairman Qazi Kholiquzzaman Ahmad, noted jurist Shahdeen Malik, Dhaka University professors Abul Barkat, MM Aksah, Amena Mohsin, Robaet Ferdous, SM Shameem Reza, Sheikh Hafizur Rahman and Kaberi Gayen, local government expert Tofail Ahmed, former foreign secretary Mohiuddin Ahmed, former ambassador AFM Golam Hossain, ex-secretaries

Abdul Latif Mandal and Abu Alam Mohammad Shahid Khan have been invited to join talks.

The other invitees include Transparency International Bangladesh (TIB) Executive Director Iftikharuzzaman, Shushashoner Jonno Nagorik (Shujan) Secretary Badiul Alam Majumdar, Manusher Jonno Foundation Executive Director Shaheen Anam and Nijera Kori Coordinator Khushi Kabir.

Writer and columnist Mohiuddin Ahmad, Bangladesh Heritage Foundation Chairman Rahman, Leadership Studies Foundation Chairman Sinha MA Sayeed, strategy analyst Brig Gen (ret'd) Abdul Hafiz and Bangladesh Indigenous Peoples' Forum General Secretary Sanjeeb Drong have been invited.

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| 674003 | Construction of Multistoried Residential Flat for Govt. Officers-Staffs at Paikpara, Mirpur, Dhaka (Sub-Head: Construction of Utility Buildings e.g.: Sub-Station/Service Building-1 & 2, Floating Club House, School Building, Community Block, Mosque, Mondir, Multipurpose Building including Civil, Sanitary & Electrical works, Construction of Boundary Wall, RCC Road, Footpath, Walkway, Parking, Ornamental Main Gate, Development of Pond & Water body with Construction of Jogging track, Ghat & Retaining Wall, Construction of RCC Dustbin, Pump house, Guard Room etc. financial year-2021-2022 | 17-Apr-2022 15:30 | 17-Apr-2022 16:30 |

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IO's negligence

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Moreover, he did not submit any documents in favour of his statement nor did he provide any explanation as to why Noman was not included in the charge sheet.

The judge said Kabir Hossain was convicted as he held meetings with others to plan the attack and recced the area before launching it. Arman was jailed as he gave shelter to the attackers.

Jalal Uddin, a sub-inspector of Chawkbazar Police Station, filed a case against some unidentified people under the Anti-Terrorism Act a day after the blasts.

On October 16, 2016, Mohammad Shah Uddin Sheikh, an inspector of Detective Branch of Police, submitted a charge sheet against 10 people, including two juveniles, to Dhaka's Chief Metropolitan Magistrate's Court.

According to the case documents, Kabir, Arman and Zahid confessed to their involvement in the attack.

On May 31, 2017, a Dhaka court framed charges against eight accused in the case.

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human rights," he said, adding that there will be a second summit on democracy this year, where Bangladesh can get invited.

The comments come ahead of US-Bangladesh Partnership Dialogue to be held in Dhaka on March 20.

Jatiya Kabi Kazi Nazrul Islam University

Trishal, Mymensingh, Bangladesh

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