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statement. adding that while several temple found.
"This is very exceptional Roman sanctuaries were

It will boost

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project and they look forward to the blessings of "connectivity, economic progress and easier travel".

"It is a major infrastructural project not just in terms of brick and steel," Doraiswami said, adding that it is a symbolic connection between the two parts of Bangladesh.

Australian High Commissioner to Bangladesh Jeremy Bruer has said the Padma Bridge is a major achievement by and for Bangladeshis which should make all of them proud.

In a message yesterday, the high commissioner said the bridge should give

a significant boost to the national economy.

It would reduce travel time and make it easier for people to move around the country to conduct business and to see their families.

On behalf of all Australians, the envoy congratulated the government and people of Bangladesh on the completion of this country's largest infrastructure project which will connect 21 Southern districts with Dhaka.

Hasina is scheduled to inaugurate the long-cherished Padma Bridge on June 25.

Polls will be fair

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authority to assist the EC in carrying out its activities, the PM said.

"It is the Awami League that has been playing a leading role in flourishing and advancing the country's democracy. Therefore, the present government led by Awami League has been playing a sincere and positive role in creating a suitable environment for holding a free, fair and acceptable election," said Hasina, also president of ruling Awami League.

Saying that election is an essential element in the democratic system, she said the role of AL in protecting Bangladesh's independence, sovereignty and democracy is historical

and undeniable.

11 MEASURES

In the written reply, the premier outlined the 11 "significant" measures for conducting the next polls in more acceptable and participatory manner.

The measures include the EC formulation law in line with article 118 (1) of the constitution to hold local body and national elections in an acceptable and neutral manner.

Hasina added that 22 amendment proposals of opposition parties were accepted during placing of "Appointment of the Chief Election Commissioner and Other Election Commissioners Bill" that is the first step of making the polls acceptable, free, fair and neutral.

She said voter list with photographs has been prepared for an acceptable election. Transparent ballot boxes have been ensured at the polling centres. Besides, electronic voting machines with modern system have been introduced, the PM added.

Hasina also replied to other issues, including her government's plan to create awareness at school level to prevent road accidents, recovering grabbed playgrounds in Dhaka and other major cities, modernising the Chattogram Port and upgradation of roads in southern districts.

With Speaker Sharmin Chaudhury in the chair, yesterday's question-answer session was tabled.

Thanks, but no thanks

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alliance government stopped the work of Padma Bridge project at the Mawa end and asked the Japan government to do a feasibility study for Aricha end.


"It's a blatant lie. We have proof which is the Japan International Cooperation Agency's complete feasibility report on Mawa-Jajira end. We have the copy of that feasibility study and the report was submitted on March 3, 2004," he said.

"When the feasibility report was officially submitted, how can she [the prime minister] say the BNP government stopped the work of Padma Bridge project? They worked later based on that feasibility study."

He said the problem started when the World Bank stopped the funding on a corruption allegation but the prime minister blamed the BNP for it. "But we came to know about it only after the World Bank raised the allegation."

Fakhruul then presented the details of the feasibility report at the press conference, held at Khaleda Zia's Gulshan office.

Replying to Sheikh Hasina's question who will be the prime minister if the BNP comes to power, he said, "Khaleda Zia will be the prime minister if BNP assumes office. In her absence, party's acting chairman Tarique Rahman will be the prime minister."

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Subject	Paper	Date	Time	Venue			
All Subjects	Paper – I	02.07.2022 (Saturday)	9.00 A.M.	BCPS, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212			
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FCPS Mid-Term Examination							
Subject	Paper	Date	Time	Venue			
1. Anesthesiology	Paper – I	02.07.2022 (Saturday)	9.00 A.M.	BCPS, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212.			
2. Medicine & Allied			to 10.40 A.M.				
3. Obstetrics & Gynaecology & Allied	Paper – II	03.07.2022 (Sunday)	9.00 A.M.				
4. Ophthalmology & Allied			to 12.00 Noon				
5. Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery							
6. Paediatrics & Allied							
7. Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation							
8. Psychiatry & Allied							
9. Surgery & Allied							
10. Otolaryngology – Head & Neck Surgery							
11. Radiology & Imaging							
12. Radiotherapy							
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Subject	Paper	Date	Time	Venue			
Medicine & Allied	Paper – I	04.07.2022 (Monday)	9.00 A.M.	BCPS, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212.			
	Paper – II	05.07.2022 (Tuesday)	to				
	Paper – III	06.07.2022 (Wednesday)	10.40 A.M.				
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1. Obstetrics & Gynaecology & Allied	Paper – I	04.07.2022 (Monday)	12.00 Noon	BCPS, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212.			
2. Otolaryngology – Head & Neck Surgery	Paper – II	05.07.2022 (Tuesday)	to				
3. Paediatrics & Allied	Paper – III	06.07.2022 (Wednesday)	01.40 P.M.				
4. Radiology & Imaging							
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Afternoon							
Subject	Paper	Date	Time	Venue			
1. Anesthesiology	Paper – I	04.07.2022 (Monday)	3.00 P.M.	BCPS, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212.			
2. Biochemistry	Paper – II	05.07.2022 (Tuesday)	to				
3. Dental Surgery (Conservative Dentistry & Endodontics, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Orthodontics & Dentofacial Orthopedics and Prosthodontics)	Paper – III	06.07.2022 (Wednesday)	04.40 P.M.				
4. Dermatology & Venereology							
5. Family Medicine							
6. Haematology							
7. Histopathology							
8. Microbiology							
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12. Radiotherapy							
13. Surgery & Allied							
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3 reportedly shot dead

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Hossain, superintendent of police in Rangamati, said, "We have heard that there was a shooting incident in the remote border of Rangamati near the Mizoram province.

"After being informed, police and army officials went to the area but did not find any bodies or signs of an attack.

He added that he spoke to the upazila chairman who also said he heard the news.

"There are no eye witnesses to the incident and so we cannot say for sure what happened."

SP Mudasser, however, also said, "We heard that there was one Kuki-Chin National Front engaged in gunfight with JSS workers but it could not be verified as there were no eyewitnesses."

Mahmuda Begum, additional superintendent of police (Crime and Operation), said, "We are trying to find out what happened. We will take steps according to the law once we find out what happened and why."

Union Parishad Chairman Atu Mong said there are two Tripura

families living in the area where the incident took place.

"Several members of the Kuki Chin party [are said to have] swooped and opened fire on them, leaving three dead and three injured."

Seeking anonymity, a local leader of the Tripura community, known as "Karbari", said, "Saijam Para has been divided into two parts - the old and the new. The Kuki-Chin men entered the newer part and opened fire, sensing the presence of JSS activity."

Several locals reported hearing sounds of guns being fired in the area around 7:00pm.

The group named "Kuki-Chin National Front-KNF", meanwhile, purportedly made a Facebook post taking responsibility for the attack, saying they "launched it on a JSS camp"

On the group's "Facebook page", someone identifying himself as Lt Colonel Solomon wrote, "Successful operation of commando Headhunter team", taking responsibility for the casualties.

Blitz against notebooks

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The latest draft act also said a school may arrange additional classes for weaker students subject to the written consent of the parents.

The classes will be held either before or after school hours in line with the rules or policies framed by the government or a circular or executive order.

Coaching centres for helping jobseekers, admission seekers or English lessons will remain out of the purview of the law, said top education ministry officials.

The draft law seeks to take action as per the penal code if any irregularities are detected at non-government educational institutions run by trusts.

Asked why it took more than 11 years to finalise the draft of the law, he was elusive. "I am also surprised that it took so many years," Siddique added.

Experts applauded the provisions in the draft act.

If the government can implement the provisions of banning guidebooks and control the private tuition, it would drastically reduce out-of-pocket expenditure, said KM Enamul Hoque, deputy director of Campaign for Popular Education.

In Bangladesh, the share of urban households paying for private tuition increased from 48 percent in 2000 to 67 percent in 2010 while the corresponding share of rural households doubled from 27 percent to 54 percent, according to the UNESCO 2021/2 Global Education Monitoring Report.

Overall, the average expenditure increased by 80 percent in real terms.

About 7 percent of families in Bangladesh have to borrow to send their children to school, the report added.