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Moments after scoring the winning runs, Taskin Ahmed and Najmul Hossain Shanto burst into celebration as Bangladesh sealed a historic maiden T20I series win over world champions England in Mirpur yesterday. Bangladesh beat Jos Buttler-led England by four wickets in the second T20I to clinch the three-match series 2-0 with a game in hand. PHOTO: FIROZ AHMED

Tigers down world champions

Miraz, Shanto script series winner

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Having beaten every other Test playing nations in a series, a trophy against England had long eluded Bangladesh but Shakib Al Hasan and the 'Tigers' plans went according to script in the second T20I yesterday as they scaled a new peak with a maiden T20I series triumph over the reigning T20 and ODI world champions England after a four-wicket win in Mirpur.

The Tigers lead the three-match series 2-0 with a game in hand. Najmul Hossain Shanto and Taskin Ahmed were pumping fists in the air, almost in sync as the latter found back-to-back boundaries to finish off the game -- a moment of utter relief grabbed the Tigers after the game swung late. Shanto was once again the hero with the bat, coming in at the third over, taking the game deep and prevailing with a 47-ball 46 to guide the team over the ropes.

The bowlers set up the series win yesterday, just as death-bowling had set up the first T20I in Chattogram. Taskin Ahmed began with fire and angled one across in the third over which led to the planned dismissal of Dawid Malan, who skied it to third man.

England, however, moved fast to 50 for one by the end of powerplay before Shakib brought himself on and created the right disturbance with a leg-stump line to dismiss Phil Salt for a 19-ball 25.

Hasan Mahmud possibly bowled the delivery of the game, a yorker shaping in to uproot Jos Buttler's stumps and England, a batter short, never looked threatening from that point.

All rounder Mehedi Hasan Miraz's inclusion, brought on by the four left-handers in the England top and middle-order, worked like a charm for Bangladesh. The patch of grass present at the media end of the wicket helped slow up deliveries just a tad. There was turn as well and the Bangladesh spinners used the patch to their advantage.

Moeen swept one at straight to deep mid-wicket against the spin but Sam Curran stitched a 34-run partnership with Ben Duckett until Miraz returned in his second spell to undone Curran with a quicker, out stumped. Miraz struck again in the 15th over, bagging Chris Woakes, this time an even better glove work from wicketkeeper Liton Das led to the dismissal. Chris Jordan became Miraz's fourth victim

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BIMAN HIRING SCAM

Carrier's probe fails to be a thorough one



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A three-member Biman body investigating irregularities in hiring pilots for its Boeing 777-300ERs did not probe allegations that under-training cockpit crew members were paid hefty salaries breaching Biman's rules.

Interestingly, the head of the probe committee and Director of Flight Operations Capt Siddiqur Rahman is one of the three signatories to an office order instructing that the under-training pilots be paid salaries.

This paper on March 1 ran a report on the irregularities in the recruitment of pilots, how many who do not qualify had been recruited, how Biman lost money attempting to train them, and how it illegally paid them hefty salaries.

The report said pilot Sadia Ahmed, wife of then chief of training Captain Sazid Ahmed, had forged her SSC and HSC certificates claiming that she was in the science group.

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EC totally free to conduct next polls

PM tells visiting UK minister

UNB, Dhaka

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday reiterated that the Election Commission is totally independent to conduct the country's next general election.

She said this when visiting UK Minister of State for Indo-Pacific Anne Marie Trevelyan paid a courtesy call on her at the Gono Bhaban in the morning.

During the meeting, they discussed different issues, including the election, Rohingya and the

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FIRE DISASTERS

Counterfeit wires, cables wreak havoc

Short circuits to blame for 38pc incidents last year, says fire service

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In the heart of Old Dhaka's Nawabpur, a 20ft-by-30ft room houses a handful of machinery.

Huddled together in the dimly lit room, a group of five workers toil with age-old copper collected from shops.

They cut them into various sizes with a rounding machine, use acid-water to make them gleam and then transform them into electric wires and cables with "insulation".

Insulation in this case is name only as it does little to keep electricity from transferring through.

Such unscrupulous businesses operate without any authorisation or quality control, resulting in the rampant use of low-quality and counterfeit electric cables, which ultimately increase the risk of electric short circuits -- one of the leading causes of fires in the country.

According to the fire service, 38 percent of the fire incidents last year were due to short circuits, owing to the widespread use of counterfeit and low-quality cables and equipment.

A recent data released by the Fire Service and Civil Defence shows how short circuits were the cause of fires in previous years as well.

Experts said counterfeit products are sold with the logos of

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Angry protests at RU after clash

Students stage sit-in, lay siege to VC's residence, block highway for hours protesting police firing, authorities' failure to control situation

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Protesting Rajshahi University students blocked the Dhaka-Rajshahi highway, set rail lines on fire, kept their vice-chancellor and other top officials confined for hours, and assaulted journalists yesterday.

Rail link to Rajshahi city was cut off after 8:00pm. Railway officials started repairing the lines after the students left around 11:00pm, said Rajshahi station manager.

The students blamed the university authorities for allowing what they said was an argument over trifles to escalate into overnight clashes between students and locals that left 220, including two policemen, injured on Saturday.

They began a sit-in demonstration around 10:30am in front of the university administration office, protesting the cops' use of firearms on Saturday and the administration's failure to handle the situation.

The protesters later marched through the campus wielding iron rods, cricket stumps and sticks and laid siege to the vice-chancellor's residence.

At the time, they assaulted Channel 24 cameraperson Muhammad Jewel and reporter Abrar Shair for "reporting against the students" and threw their camera in a drain and broke their broadcasting equipment.

They also kicked Kaler Kantho photographer Gazi Salahuddin's camera and broke it.

Moments later, a group of students went to Dhaka-Rajshahi highway adjacent to the campus and put bricks on the road and set fire to tires, blocking the highway.

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BNP won't run in any polls under this govt

Party delegation tells EU diplomats

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The BNP yesterday said they would not take part in any election held under the incumbent government.

After a meeting between a party delegation and EU diplomats in the capital's Gulshan, BNP Standing Committee member Amir Khosru Mahmud Chowdhury said they told the envoys that if the election is held under the ruling Awami League government, the people would not be able to elect their representatives.

"We clearly said we would not go for any election under the incumbent government. It has been made clear to all who are closely monitoring the situation in Bangladesh. And even the reason for such statement has also been made clear to them," Khosru told journalists.

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আপনার শিশুকে টিকা দিন

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গণ বিজ্ঞপ্তি

এতদ্বারা সংশ্লিষ্ট সকলের অবগতির জন্য জানানো যাচ্ছে যে, স্থানীয় সরকার (সিটি কর্পোরেশন) আইন, ২০০৯ (২০০৯ সনের ৬০নং আইন) এর ঢাকা দক্ষিণ সিটি কর্পোরেশন (বেসরকারি বাজার প্রতিষ্ঠা ও পরিচালনা) প্রবিধানমালা, ২০২২ অনুযায়ী ঢাকা দক্ষিণ সিটি কর্পোরেশন অধিক্ষেত্রে লাইসেন্স গ্রহণ সাপেক্ষে বেসরকারি বাজার (ব্যক্তি/প্রতিষ্ঠান বা সংস্থার মালিকানাধীন জায়গায় নিত্য প্রয়োজনীয় খাদ্যদ্রব্য, ভোগ্যপণ্য, শাক-সবজি, পশু পাখি, পানীয় বাজার) প্রতিষ্ঠা ও পরিচালনার বিধান রয়েছে। নির্ধারিত হারে ফি পরিশোধ সাপেক্ষে বেসরকারি বাজার প্রতিষ্ঠা ও পরিচালনার লাইসেন্স অত্র কর্পোরেশনের সম্পত্তি বিভাগ হতে সংগ্রহপূর্বক আগামী ২২ চৈত্র ১৪২৯ বঙ্গাব্দ (০৫ এপ্রিল ২০২৩ খ্রিস্টাব্দ) তারিখের মধ্যে জমা দেয়ার জন্য অনুরোধ করা হলো। লাইসেন্সবিহীন বাজার পরিচালনা করা হলে আইনানুগ ব্যবস্থাসহ জরিমানা করা হবে।

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Rohingya camp fire was act of sabotage

Finds govt probe

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The fire that gutted nearly 2,200 Rohingya shanties and rendered around 16,000 people homeless in Cox's Bazar refugee camps on March 5 was an act of sabotage, a government probe body has found.

Some criminal groups carried out the "planned" sabotage over establishing supremacy in the camps, according to the probe body findings.

However, the committee could not identify the criminals.

Additional District Magistrate Abu Sufian, who led the probe body, shared the findings with journalists at a press briefing in the deputy

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Protesting students of Rajshahi University blockaded Senate Bhaban on campus and kept their vice-chancellor and other top officials confined for several hours yesterday. PHOTO: COLLECTED