



Peace prevails in 7 Indian states as govt stopped arms smuggling

Says PM, promises a better Dhaka

UNB, Dhaka

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday highlighted the significance of the Awami League government's efforts to stop arms smuggling from Bangladesh to Indian separatist groups in the northeastern states.

"As a result, peace prevails in the seven sister states of India. The Awami League has done this, and it is a significant accomplishment," she added.



"We want to build a ring road in Dhaka to facilitate easier inter-district communication."

PM SHEIKH HASINA

The prime minister made the remarks during a ceremony inaugurating several development projects in Old Dhaka, including the construction of a new 10-storey Bangabazar Nagar Wholesale Market.

The original market was destroyed by a

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A soil-laden truck crashes into a metro rail pillar in the capital's Agargaon intersection around 5:00am yesterday. Later in the morning, police towed the vehicle away.

PHOTO: STAR

Sixth phase sees 59pc turnout

Polling completes in 486 out of 543 constituencies

OUR CORRESPONDENT, New Delhi

Indian voters braved temperatures of nearly 45 degrees Celsius (113 Fahrenheit) in parts of the country as they headed to polling stations in the penultimate phase of the world's largest election yesterday.

More than 111 million people in 58 constituencies across eight states and federal



territories are eligible to vote in the general election's sixth phase. According to the Indian Election Commission's voter turnout app, the turnout was 59.06 percent at 7:45pm. The overall turnout in the same phase of the last election in 2019

was about 63 percent.

The states and union territories which

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DW DOCUMENTARY 'It's false and fallacious' Says ISPR

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Inter-Services Public Relations Directorate yesterday said the Deutsche Welle (DW) documentary titled "Torturers deployed as UN peacekeepers" is "false and fallacious".

In a press release, it said the documentary presents a misleading portrayal of Bangladesh

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Workover makes gas worth Tk 2,590cr usable

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Following successful workover procedures, a well at the Titas Gas Field resumed production yesterday, generating around 12 mmcfd (million cubic feet per day).

A workover project for the existing Titas-14 well began on March 19. Authorities completed the procedures on May 21 with the local rig Bijoy-11.

The well has an estimated reserve of around 40 billion cubic feet (BCF) and it can continue to produce gas for the next 10 years, according to a press release from the Ministry of Power, Energy and Mineral Resources.

The estimated price of the gas reserve is Tk 2,590 crore and around Tk 75 crore has been spent to conduct the workover, the press release said.

The Titas Gas Field operates under Bangladesh Gas Field Company Limited, which has five other such fields, namely, Habiganj, Bakhrabad, Narshingdi, Meghna and Kamta.

There are 39 gas wells under these six fields that produce around 560 million cubic feet of gas per day (mmcfd).

Curtains close on Cannes 2024

SHANJY CHOWDHURY

The 77th Cannes Film Festival concluded yesterday, leaving behind a trail of scintillating premieres, captivating performances, and the award-season buzz.

This year's edition offered a diverse feast for cinephiles — from projects by established cinematic titans to the works of burgeoning talents.

The Cannes Film Festival 2024 official competition's nine-member jury was

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SUN PHARMA SETS UP NEW MANUFACTURING PLANT IN MEGHNA INDUSTRIAL ECONOMIC ZONE (MIEZ)

INAUGURATION MARKS A SIGNIFICANT EXPANSION FOR SUN PHARMA IN BANGLADESH

Sun Pharmaceuticals (EZ) Limited- a subsidiary of Sun Pharma, the fourth largest global specialty generic pharmaceutical company has inaugurated its factory in Meghna Industrial Economic Zone (MIEZ), Sonargaon, Narayanganj on May 25, 2024. The state-of-the-art facility is equipped with latest technology and conforms to cGMP standards. Hon'ble Adviser to the Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina on Private Industry and Investment **Mr. Salman Fazlur Rahman, MP**, inaugurated the factory as Chief Guest. Hon'ble High Commissioner of India to Bangladesh, His Excellency **Mr. Pranay Kumar Verma**; Executive Chairman (Senior Secretary), Bangladesh Economic Zones Authority (BEZA) Mr. Shaikh Yusuf Harun; Chairman & Managing Director, Meghna Group of Industries (MGI) Mr. Mostafa Kamal; Director General, Directorate General of Drug Administration (DGDA) Major General Mohammad Yousuf; President, Bangladesh Association of Pharmaceutical Industries and Chairman & MD, Incepta Pharmaceuticals Ltd. Dr. Abdul Muktedir; Dean (Acting), Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Dhaka Prof. Dr. Firoj Ahmed were present as Special Guests in the groundbreaking ceremony. It was hosted by senior Sun Pharma official, Mr. Indranil Sen- Regional Head (MENA/Bangladesh) along with local leadership team lead by Mr. Sanjay Basu (Country Head- Bangladesh).