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Rampal power plant to destroy Sundarban

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Rampal power plant in Bagerhat will destroy the unique ecosystem and bio- bans.' diversity of the Sundarban, Andolon president Mujaffar Ahmed on Wednesday.

'The development works that destroy the unique ecosystem of the Sundarban is not development ... I do hesitate to call it development,' he told the inaugural session of a report launching ceremony and a panel discussion at BIAM audito- the chair. rium in the city.

Coastal Development Part- Sundarban is unique, but out destroying it,' he said.

nership jointly organised unplanned human actions the function and the discussion tilted 'Bangladesh. THE proposed coal-based India and climate change: versity and natural resourcsharing experiences and es are being destroyed due evidence from the Sundar- to aggressive human activi-

said Bangladesh Paribesh change group at the International Institute for Environ- the socio-economic presment and Development Dr sures are changing the Saleemul Huq, CSE deputy environment in the Sundirector Chandra Bhushan darbans, resulting in multiand CDP executive director faceted impacts on the lives S Jahangir Hasan Masum and livelihood of people also spoke at the function held with Jahangirnagar nomena. University assistant professor Sharmind Neelormi in ment has failed to preserve

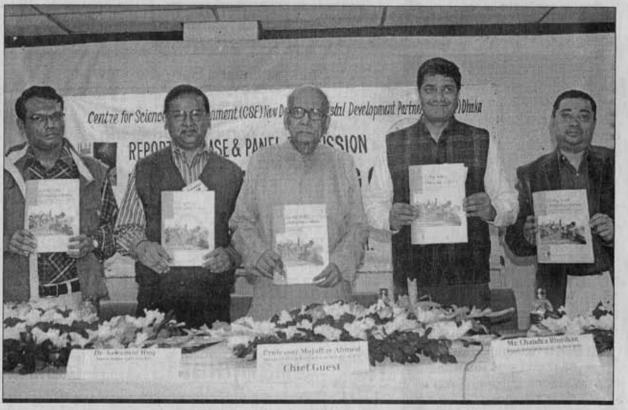
Centre for Science and guest, Mujaffar Ahmed natural resources, you can Environment of India, and said the biodiversity of the get economic benefits with-

have changed it.

The flora-fauna, biodities and the growing pres-Senior fellow of climate sure of population, he said.

The Bapa president said and other biological phe-

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Guests hold the copies of a book titled 'Living with Changing Climate' at its launch in the BIAM Auditorium in Dhaka on Wednesday. - New Age photo