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Woman killed in road mishap**UNB, Narayanganj**

A pedestrian was killed in a road accident on Dhaka-Chottagong highway on Friday.

Police said Sofura Khatoun, 55, was crushed under the wheels of a bus. Agitated passengers of the bus caught driver Rabiul and handed over him to police.

Robbery at Narayanganj**UNB, Narayanganj**

Armed robbers raided two houses at Sheha Char in Fatulla thana early Friday and looted cash and valuables injuring a bank official.

Witnesses said the muggers broke open the door of the house of Enamul Haque Patwari, officer of Nitaiganj branch of the IFIC Bank, beat him and looted Tk 10,000 in cash, seven tolas of gold ornaments and other valuables.

Two arrested**UNB, Rajbari**

Two people were arrested from Goalondo ghat thana areas on Thursday.

Police said they arrested Belal Hossain, 30, an accused of a murder case, from Doulatdia brothel.

They also arrested hundi trader Shafiqul Azam, 30 of Chuadanga with Tk 5 lakh from ferry ghat area.

A case was filed.

Police constable electrocuted**UNB, Jessore**

A police constable was electrocuted at Lichutola in Puratonkasha area of Jessore town on Monday.

Police said Monirul Islam, 45, came in contact with a live electric wire when he went to close the window of his quarter during a storm that lashed Jessore. Monirul Islam, hailed from village Bhanbanipur in Gopalganj, died at Jessore General Hospital. His body was sent to his village home.

Split in alliance of RU BNP-Jamaat aligned teachers imminent

ANWAR ALI, Rajshahi

A split in the alliance of BNP-Jamaat aligned teachers of Rajshahi University (RU) is imminent.

Majority of BNP aligned teachers at the party's steering committee meeting on Wednesday afternoon pressed the alliance convenor to get rid of pro-Jamaat teachers and form a new committee.

In the meeting at Room No 150 of Shahidullah Arts Building, pro-BNP teachers argued with pro-Jamaat

teachers. According to them, the teachers loyal to Jamaat-e-Islami were much privileged in recruitment of teachers and employees than they deserve.

The BNP-backed teachers held the pro-Jamaat teachers responsible for recent defeat of the BNP-Jamaat backed White Panel in the elections of different teachers' associations.

At one stage, the BNP aligned teachers led by Dr Saydur Islam, Dr Sayedur Rahman and Dr Abdur Rahman Siddiqui asked the alliance convenor, Dr Azhar Ali to step down

in case of his failure to comply with their demand.

They demanded formation of a new committee with only BNP aligned teachers as its members.

However, when contacted, alliance convenor Dr Azhar Ali told newsmen that any split in the alliance was 'not possible' considering the current scenario of the campus.

He also denied that any alliance member raised any question of his removal or of abolition of the alliance in Wednesday's meeting.



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Chowdhury Kamal Ibne Yousuf, Minister for Disaster Management and Relief (2nd from right) offers prayer after opening a bridge on Wednesday on Madhumita canal at Daulat Khan upazila in Bhola. The 30 feet bridge was constructed at a cost of Tk 12 lakh by the Relief Ministry. Hafez Ibrahim, local member of parliament (MP) was also present.

Unnatural deaths on rise in Satkhira

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Satkhira

Unnatural deaths are on increase alarmingly in seven upazilas of Satkhira.

Twelve persons, most of them women met unnatural deaths in three weeks of April. On April 4, a mawal was

killed by Royal Bengal tiger in the Sundarbans. Maheuddin, 28, son of Afil Uddin Sazi of Singtali Harinagar in Shyamnagar upazila was collecting honey at Bayarsing in the Sndarbans. Then a tiger swooped on him and killed him on the spot, eyewitnesses said.

On the same night, housewife

Marzina Khatun, 30 wife of late Hossain Ali of Goalpara in Kalaroa upazila was raped and killed by miscreants.

On the sameday, a seven-year-old boy Sabbir Hossain son of Mohammad Hossain of Munshipara in Satkhira town drowned in a pond near his

No salaries for staff of five medical colleges

UNB, Comilla

Over 1,500 officers and employees of Comilla, Bogra, Dinajpur, Faridpur and Khulna medical colleges are not getting their salaries for the last seven months.

The employees are observing half-day work abstention everyday from April 20 to press home their three-point demand including payment of the arrears of salary and allowances.

Due to bureaucratic complexities the employees were not getting their salaries for the last seven months.

The officials and employees of Comilla Medical College at a press conference demanded realisation of their three-point demand without further delay.

24 fined, six jailed by railway mobile court

UNB, Rajbari

Twenty-four people were fined and six others jailed by a railway mobile court in Rajbari on Wednesday for travelling without tickets.

The court realised Tk 3,149 as fare and fine from them and sentenced six others to seven days' imprisonment each as they failed to pay the fare and fine.

Commercial officer of Pakshi rail sector Sarder Shahadat Ali conducted the mobile court.

house. The victim was palying near the pond. Suddenly he fell down the pond. Later villagers recovered the body, local people said.

On April 4, a motorcycle rider Abdul Jabbar, 30, son of Alhaj Samsur Rahman of village Bazargram in Kaligonj upazila was killed in road accident at Katibarhall in Shyannagar upazila on Kaligonj Shyannagar road when a bus knocked him down.

On the same day, Safiqul Islam, 13, son of Abul Gazi of village Khuddipur in Kaligonj upazila was electrocuted resulting his death on the spot. He came in touch with live wire while he repairing his tape-recorder in his house, eyewitnesses said.

On April 5, a college student Rumana Khatun, 20, daughter of Golam Rahman Milon of Labsa in Sadar upazila committed suicide by pouring Kerosene on her person and set it on fire. She died at Dhaka Medical College Hospital. Failure in love was the cause of her suicide.

On April 10, an 8-year-old girl Afroza, daughter of Nazrul Islam Sarder of village Kumira in Tala upazila was killed in a road accident at Charabattala in Tala upazila on Satkhira-Khulna road when a bus knocked her down.

On April 16, Liakat Ali, 45, son of Gahar Ali of village Debnagar in Sadar upazila, following family trouble, took poison and died on the spot.

On the same day, Firoza Khatun, 16, daughter of Babar Ali of village Helatala in Kalaroa upazila committed suicide by taking poison following family trouble.

On April 17, an old woman was killed in a road accident at Parulia bridge in Debnata upazila on Satkhira-Kaligonj road. Sakina Begum, 65, of village Parulia was run over by a bus when she was crossing the road.

On April 18, Jhankari, 35 wife of Surat Ali of village Saira in Kaligonj upazila committed suicide by taking posion.

On April 20, Bablu, 25, son of Mujibar Rahman of village Damar Pota in Sadar upazila committed suicide by taking poison.

**Bimbisa**

Obtains scholarship

Meherunnessa Akter Bimbisa has obtained the Primary Scholarship for the year 2002 from PK Rajganj Primary School in Goga union of Sarsa thana, Jessore, says a press release.

Bimbisa is the daughter of Golam Mohammad Akter, C&F agent of Benapole and Shahana Akhter, a housewife.