

# Nine killed in road crashes

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Nine people died and 14 others were injured in road accidents in Bogra and Comilla yesterday and on Sunday night.

In Comilla, three people died on the spot and 11 others were injured when a microbus collided head on with a BRTC bus on the Dhaka-Chittagong highway in Nobogram area under Chouddagram upazila at 12:30pm yesterday, according to our correspondent.

Two of the dead were identified as

Joya Pal, 19, and Avi, 9. The identity of the other could not be known.

The injured are undergoing treatment at different hospitals and clinics in Comilla town.

Police recovered the bodies and sent them to Comilla Medical College and Hospital morgue for autopsy.

Our Bogra correspondent reported that a banana-laden Bogra-bound truck and a shallow-engine driven vehicle loaded with ice collided head-on at Baburpukur on the Bogra-Natore highway at about 11:00pm on Sunday.

The truck skidded into the roadside ditch, leaving five of its passengers as well as the driver of the shallow-engine driven vehicle killed.

The dead were identified as truck passengers Abdul Hannan, 45, Rezaul Karim, 25, Rafiqul Islam, 45, Abdus Samad, 50, Zillur Rahman, 18 of Rainagar Union under Shibganj upazila in Bogra district, and driver of the improvised vehicle, Mostaque, 30.

Seriously injured Talab, Bablu and Saddam were admitted to Bogra MohammadAli Hospital.

## Time for 6th Wage Board extended

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The time of the 6th Wage Board for the newspaper industry has been extended for another six months (up to October 20), an official handout said yesterday.

The wage board was formed to re-fix salaries, allowances and other benefits for journalists, press workers and general employees of the newspapers and news agencies.

