



Students of Shahjalal University of Science and Technology form a human chain on the Dhaka University campus yesterday demanding steps to restore congenial atmosphere in their university.

Sust academic activities yet to begin

DU CORRESPONDENT

Though Shahjalal University of Science and Technology (Sust) reopened on August 9 after about three months of unscheduled closure, it is still virtually closed, as academic activities have not begun yet, a number of Sust students complained at a press conference in the city yesterday.

They said the university has been facing another spate of virtual unscheduled closure since August 9, as classes of the most of the departments are not being held, university buses do not ply and the campus is almost deserted.

"After three months, the campus was reopened, we hoped that academic activities would resume in full-swing but now we got frustrated, as the normal atmosphere of the campus seems far away," one of the students said at a press conference at Dhaka University Journalists' Association office.

Academic life of about 65,000 students has become uncertain as the authorities failed to end the stalemate created since after the killing of Shamim.

General students of the university made a platform to launch a peaceful movement against the impasse of the university on August 31 and demanded the concerned to meet their two-point demand, students said.

"Since then we held rallies, formed human chains, took out processions on the campus and submitted memorandums to the Chancellor, Finance Minister and to Education Minister but all in vain. Now we came to the capital to press our just demand," another student said.

Their two-point demand includes bringing back normalcy at the university immediately and proper investigation into Shamim killing.

Earlier, they formed a human chain at Teacher-Student Centre (TSC) of Dhaka University.

Two shot at Mirpur

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Extortionists shot and injured a hotel manager and a construction worker in separate incidents at Mirpur in the city yesterday.

The victims were identified as Mohammad Shamim, 45, manager of Rabbani Hotel and Restaurant, and Zakir Hossain.

The police said two youths entered the hotel at Block # B, Mirpur # 10 at around 6:15am and handed two phone numbers to Shamim, who was sitting at the cash counter of the hotel. They also ordered him to immediately call the numbers.

An altercation between them ensued when Shamim refused to make the calls. At one stage, the youths shot him in his left leg and

fled the scene, said Shamim who is now undergoing treatment at Dhaka Medical College and Hospital (DMCH).

Police sources said one of the telephone numbers belongs to Shahadat, a listed criminal of Mirpur area, who might have sent the youths to extort money.

In the other incident, Zakir Hossain was shot by another gang in the same style when he was working at an under-construction building at Road # 5, Mirpur # 1, at around 9:30pm.

The gang handed him phone numbers of Shahadat and told him to give it to the building owner.

With bullet wound in his left hand, Zakir is now undergoing treatment at the DMCH.

Police informer found dead

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The police recovered the body of a DB police informer from Dhanmondi area in the city on Tuesday night.

The body of Md Matlab Mollah, 45, was found lying on a sunshade of a two-storey building at Maneshwar Road around 10:00pm.

Mollah had been missing since Sunday morning when he left home after receiving a phone call from an unknown caller, said his wife.

She suspects that some local drug peddlers are behind the killing of Mollah as he earlier helped the police arrest them for carrying out illegal activities in the locality.

Illegal ice-cream factory unearthed in Ctg

CU CORRESPONDENT

A mobile court unearthed an illegal ice-cream factory at a residential area near Fakir Mohammed Road at Halishahar in the port city yesterday.

The Milky Ice-cream Factory producing and supplying ice-creams to different city areas, posing health hazards.

During a drive, the mobile court seized 200 kilograms of contaminated ice-cream from the factory. However, the factory owners, manager and workers managed to

flee.

Chittagong Port Authority (CPA) Magistrate Mohammad Munir Chowdhury found that the factory, which has long been using sub-standard and contaminated raw materials, does not have any licence from Bangladesh Standard and Testing Institute (BSTI).

The court also realised Tk 2.5 lakh in fines from Mohammed Selim, owner of M/S Selim Plastic Industries, which was sealed off on September 7 on charge of manufacturing PVC pipes without obtaining the BSTI licence.

Schoolgirl dies in road accident in Rangamati

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Rangamati

A schoolgirl died in a road accident at Moghachhari under Kawkhali upazila of the district yesterday afternoon.

Quoting eyewitness police said a truck ran over Anita Marma, 11, a student of class four while she was crossing Rangamati-Chittagong highway. The girl died on the spot.

On information, police rushed to the spot and seized the truck. However, the driver managed to flee away.

Allowances for widows, divorcees increased

UNB, Dhaka

Allowances for the widows and divorcees have been increased by 21 crore to Tk 156 crore for helping the helpless women under a social safety net.

It was decided at a meeting of the widow and divorcee allowance distribution-related advisory committee at the Ministry for Women and Children Affairs yesterday.

State Minister Alamgir Kabir presided over the meeting that also increased the number of beneficiaries to 650 lakh and the monthly allowance to Tk 200 each.

Besides, it also decided to increase the number of beneficiaries in the poverty-stricken Rangpur 'on priority' under the annuity programme.

Lightning kills 9 in Kushtia

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Kushtia

Nine people were killed and at least 25 were injured in separate incidents of lightning in Kushtia, Chuadanga and Meherpur on Tuesday.

Of them, two were killed in Kushtia, five in Chuadanga and two Meherpur.

In Kushtia, two old aged people Rifaz Uddin, 65, of Jhalupara village and Abdul Hamid Shadhu, 70, of Mongolbaria were killed in sadar upazila.

Rifaz was struck by lightning when he went out of home at about 4:00pm to see his banana garden. He died on the spot.

Hamid was struck by lightning when he was returning home from Kushtia town at about 4:00pm.

In Chuadanga, two separate incidents of lightning killed five people in sadar and Damurhuda

upazila.

Abdur Rahim, 23, of Garabari and Billal Hossain, 26, of Baldia village in sadar upazila were killed when they were watching television at about 5:00pm.

Family sources said the room where they were sitting was electrified with heavy lightning. They all died on the spot.

Another incident at Hogoldanga village in Damurhuda upazila killed three of a family. They are Joyinal Abedin, 30, his wife Taslima Khatun Bulbul, 22, and Jarina Khatun, cousin of Joyinal.

Sources said the lightning hit

them when they were sitting at veranda of Joyinal's house at about 5:15pm. All died on the spot.

In Meherpur, two farmers Safi Hossain, 40, and his labourer Kabul, 30, were working at their yard when lightning struck them at about 5:30pm. Their bodies were severely blown and died on the spot.

At least 25 people were also injured in the lightning.

Of them, Rokya, 30, Sariful, 26, Rajkumari, 25, and Nasrin, 18, Babul, 25, Ansar, 50, Ali, 42, Safia, 23, Dalim and Nazmul were admitted to Chuadanga sadar hospital.

WITHDRAWAL OF CASE AGAINST 11 BNP MEN Court decision today

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court will give decision today on the government petition for withdrawal of a criminal case filed against 11 BNP leaders and activists saying the case was filed with 'political motivation'.

Earlier on September 10, Judge SM Mojibur Rahman of the First Additional Metropolitan Sessions Judge's Court had heard the government petition and fixed today for order on the issue.

The case was filed against them for making bombs on the Kabi Nazrul Government College campus in the old city in February 1999 that left one dead due to explosion.

Metropolitan Public Prosecutor (PP) Abdullah Mahmud Hasan on September 10 submitted a petition along with a home ministry letter recommending the withdrawal of the case saying the case was 'politically motivated'.

According to the prosecution, a team of Sutrapur police arrested three BNP activists from the Kabi Nazrul College campus at about 8:40pm on February 10, 1999 while they were

making bombs. They also hurled bombs on policemen when they were announcing with a hand-mike to stop their offences. The police then fired blank shots to disperse them from the spot.

Police arrested Kanchon, Noor Hossain and Rahul from there and found a body of one Mamun. Police also came to know from the arrestees that the victim died in explosion while they were making bombs.

Later, Sub-Inspector Mizanur Rahman filed a case for making bombs and killing their man the same day. The home ministry had earlier dropped the name of Sagor from the charge and he was killed by a group of miscreants last year.

The home ministry in a letter to the district magistrate of Dhaka on August 14 this year said that it had decided to withdraw the charges against 11 BNP leaders and activists as the charges were 'politically motivated'.

The ministry asked the district magistrate to hand over the matter to the metropolitan PP who will arrange the withdrawal of the case with permission from an appropriate court.

2 RMG factories ransacked

A CORRESPONDENT, Gazipur

ARC Garments and Oko Textile in South Panshail area in Gazipur were ransacked following a clash between the workers of the two garment factories yesterday morning.

The incident led to a production halt in both the factories.

Witnesses said a total of six workers of the two factories locked horns over paying van fare in front of the factories. As the news distortedly reached other workers in the factories, they turned furious and ransacked the factories with sticks.

Pak HC gives 2 ambulances to Ctg health deptt

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Chittagong

The high commissioner of Pakistan handed over two ambulances to Chittagong Divisional Health Department yesterday.

This was a gift from the government of Pakistan to Bangladesh to show honour to the existing friendly relations and brotherhood between the two countries, said High Commissioner Alamgir Bashir Khan Babar at a function organised on the occasion at the Chittagong Institute Club.

Director of Ispahani Group Mirza Salman Ispahani attended the function as the special guest while Chittagong District Civil Surgeon Dr Khurshid Jamil Chowdhury presided.

Dr Khurshid said one ambulance would be given to Chittagong General Hospital and the other to Fatikhahari Upazila Health Complex.

Chittagong Health Department Director Dr Shukur Uddin Mridha, Chittagong Medical College Hospital Director Brigadier General Abedur Rahman, Chittagong Medical College Principal Prof Dr Emran Bin Yunus and Acting President of Bangladesh Medical Association, Chittagong, Dr Saifuddin Mohammad Jareq also spoke.

Chevening Unilever Scholarship

Unilever Bangladesh Limited and the British High Commission signed an agreement on September 11, 2006 to jointly fund a Chevening Scholarship titled the 'Unilever Chevening Scholarship' for a Bangladeshi national wishing to study in a university in the United Kingdom, says a press release.

The fields of study included for the Unilever Chevening Scholarship are Health, Education

and Women's Empowerment. Chevening Scholarships are prestigious scholarships awarded by the UK's Foreign and Commonwealth Office, aimed at providing opportunities for post-graduate studies in the UK for young professionals in early or mid-careers who demonstrate both academic excellence and the potential to become leaders, decision-makers and opinion-formers in their own countries.



Chairman and Managing Director of Unilever Bangladesh Limited Sanjiv Mehta and Acting High Commissioner of British High Commission Stephen Bridges shake hands after signing an agreement to jointly fund 'Unilever Chevening Scholarship' at the British High Commission in the city yesterday.

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