WAR CRIMES Man sent to SC upholds death jail over rape sentence of Qaiser

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The Supreme Court yesterday upheld the death sentence of former Jatiya Party leader Syed Mohammad Qaisar, for his involvement in crimes against humanity and war crimes -- including killing and rape -- during the 1971 Liberation War.

The apex court delivered the verdict, allowing an appeal in part filed by Qaisar -- a local leader of the then Razakar and Peace Committee, two anti-liberation forces -- challenging the International Crimes Tribunal-2 verdict that sentenced him to death for the crimes committed in Habiganj and Brahmanbaria in 1971.

A four-member bench of the Appellate Division of the SC headed by Chief Justice Syed Mahmud Hossain came up with a short verdict at 9:05am, without disclosing the names of the judges who gave the majority and minority views.

The top court maintained the punishment including death penalty, imprisonment for life and imprisonment for different tenures to Qaisar, the founder of Qaisar Bahini, in 10 charges and acquitted him in the other four charges in which the ICT-2 had convicted and sentenced him on December 23, 2014.

Among the seven charges in which the ICT-2 had sentenced Qiasar to death, the SC yesterday upheld death penalty in three charges, commuted his death sentence to life imprisonment in three charges and acquitted him in another charge. SEE PAGE 4 COL 1 of 8-year-old OUR CORRESPONDENT, M'singh Mymensingh court yesterday sent a man to jail

over the rape of an eightyear-old girl in Tarakanda upazila of Mymensingh. He was arrested on Saturday.

The arrestee is Badir Uddin (65), said OC Abul Khayer of Tarakanda Police Station. On Monday, the victim's mother lodged a case, accusing Badir.

Quoting the case statement, the OC said on January 2, Badir, a father of four, lured the first-grader to his house with candy and raped her.

Hearing her screams, neighbours rushed to the spot and rescued her but Badir fled the scene, he said. Influential locals tried to

downplay the incident, but police arrested him from Phulpur upazila, he said.

The girl was sent to Mymensingh Medical College Hospital for tests yesterday, the OC informed.

right beside remains deserted. This photo was taken vesterday. PHOTO: ANISUR RAHMAN 4 killed in road accidents

66 suspected Rohingyas detained near Andaman

They were trying to reach Malaysia, Indian authorities say DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT According to the UN Refugee Agency, between

Indian authorities on Monday intercepted a boat carrying at least 66 suspected Rohingyas near Tarmugli Island of Andaman and Nicobar, which is located at the juncture of Bay of Bengal and Andaman Sea

Quoting officials, Indian TV channel News 18 reported that the boat carrying suspected Rohingyas allegedly left from Bangladesh over two weeks ago.

On January 13, police of Port Blair -- the capital of Andaman and Nicobar Islands -received a call from locals about suspicious boat movement near Tarmugli Island. Search teams were immediately formed to trace the suspicious boat

The boat was finally located in the evening and 66 on board were detained, it reports.

Police said there were 24 men, 27 women and 15 children among the detained, and they were reportedly moving towards Malaysia from Bangladesh. Further investigation is going on to determine the origin of the detained persons, officials told News 18.

2012 and 2015, an estimated 112,500 Rohingya risked their lives on smuggler's boats in the Bay of Bengal and Andaman Sea, with hope of reaching Malaysia.

Those making the sea journey ranged from people fleeing inter-communal violence in Rakhine state in 2012, to those who grew increasingly desperate amid restrictions back home on their freedom of movement and access to services and livelihoods.

Since August 2017, some 750,000 Rohingyas fled brutal military campaign in Rakhine and took shelter in Cox's Bazar, where they live in refugee camps.

Rohingyas are not volunteering to return to Myanmar, though there were two repatriation attempts since August 2017. They say they don't have guarantee of safety and citizenship in Rakhine state.

According to refugee and migration experts, risk of human trafficking through the Bay of Bengal to Malaysia has increased as the sea remains calm during winter.

Four people were killed in separate road crashes across three districts, including capital Dhaka, in the last two days, report our staff correspondent and a news agency.

STAR REPORT

A man was killed and another injured after a covered-van hit their motorcycle in the capital's Motijheel area early yesterday, reports our staff correspondent. Deceased Abdul Jalil (35) had hired the motorcycle from Abdullahpur to reach Motijheel.

The accident took place around 2:30am, said Sub-Inspector Faruk Mia of Motijheel Police Station. As the motorbike approached the Fakirerpool intersection, the speeding covered-van hit it from behind.

Jalil sustained severe head injuries after the bike skidded off the road, the SI added.

He was rushed to Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH) where the doctors declared him dead. The motorcyclist, whose name could not be known immediately, took first aid.

The covered van driver managed to flee the scene with the vehicle, police said.

In Sylhet, a college student was killed and another was injured after a human-haulier crashed into their motorcycle in Bishwanath upazila on Monday.

Witnesses said the accident occurred

Court orders Shovon Nondi (17) and Akash Ghosh (17) injured, reports UNB. Both were students of interrogation Sylhet's MC College.

Locals took the injured to Sylhet MAG Osmani Medical College Hospital, where doctors declared Shovon dead, said Md Shamim Musa, officer-in-charge of Bishwanath Police Station.

In another accident in Rajshahi, two people were killed and four were injured in an ambulance-auto rickshaw collision at Nowdapara in the city on Monday, reports the news agency.

The deceased were identified as Amirul Islam (22) and Alamgir Hossain (50) Alamgir was a teacher at a local madrasa.

Abul Kalam Azad, inspector of Shah Makhdum Police Station, said the accident occurred when an ambulance of Naogaon Prime Hospital collided head-on with a battery-run auto-rickshaw at around 5:30pm.

The injured were rescued and taken to the emergency department of Rajshahi Medical College Hospital (RMCH). Later, the doctors at the hospital declared Amirul And Alamgir dead.

Police have sent the bodies to RMCH morgue for autopsy.

The ambulance and the auto-rickshaw at Digholi Kazibari around 1pm, leaving were seized and taken to the police station.

A Dhaka court yesterday directed police to interrogate college student Azizul Khan Rafi for one day at jail gate, in a case filed over attempting to kidnap a first-year student of Jagannath University (JnU) and demanding Tk 80,000 as ransom from him

KIDNAP ATTEMPT ON JNU STUDENT

of accused

INU CORRESPONDENT

Dhaka Metropolitan Magistrate Dhiman Chandra Mondol passed the order after Sub-Inspector Atoar Hossain produced accused Rafi, a student of Kabi Nazrul Government College, before the court with a five-day remand prayer.

JnU Islamic Studies department student Zakaria Islam on Monday filed the case with Kotwali Police Station. Other than Rafi, five others were accused in the case, three of who are JnU students.

Zakaria also filed a written complaint to JnU administration over the incident the same day.

"Three of the six accused tried to kidnap SEE PAGE 4 COL 2

Patient's relatives vandalise Gazipur health complex

They say lack of proper care caused patient's





imprisonment

OVERPRICING ONION Mobile court

sentences two to six months'

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A mobile court of Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) on Monday night sentenced two traders to six months' imprisonment for selling onions of OMS in the black market.

The traders are: Sekander Ali Akhand, owner of Jamil Banijyalay at Sadeque Khan Krishi Market in Mohammadpur and its manager Konkon Bhawal.

Everyday Trading Corporation of Bangladesh (TCB) provides 3,000kg onions to a dealer for selling in Open Market Sale (OMS) at a price of Tk 35 per kg.

The onion of the OMS was sold to the traders by Asad, a worker of OMS, SEE PAGE 4 COL 5 death; doctors deny allegation OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gazipur

Relatives of a patient ransacked a government health complex in Gazipur yesterday, following death of the patient. With chest pain, Mobarak Hossain (30) from Boronagar village in Gazipur was taken to the emergency department of Kaliganj Upazila Health Complex around 8:45am, said Dr Sadequr Rahman.

Doctors gave him primary treatment and referred him to Shaheed Tajuddin Ahmed Medical College Hospital in the city, he said.

Mobarak's family, however, did not comply with the suggestion and took him home, said the doctor.

Around an hour later, the relatives took him to the health complex again as he fell ill, said the physician.

As his condition kept deteriorating, doctors suggested him to go to Tajuddin hospital immediately. At that time, the relatives followed the suggestion and were

taking the patient to the hospital by an ambulance; but Mobarak died on the way, he added.

Deceased's father Mazammel Haque admitted to the vandalism.

Talking to reporters, he alleged, "The doctors did not take care of Mobarak properly. They referred the patient to another hospital when his condition severely deteriorated. All these factors caused my son's death."

Dr Sadequr Rahman, however, denied the allegation.

Following the death, the deceased's relatives attacked the upazila health complex and vandalised glass windows, furniture and equipment, Dr Sadequr added.

In the evening, Sadequr filed a complaint with Kaliganj Police Station in connection with the attack, said Additional Superintend of Police Pankaj Dutta in Gazipur.

They were collecting video footage to identify the attackers, said the ASP.

Signs of the attack inside the ultrasonogram room at Kaliganj Upazila Health Complex. Inset, broken panes of the ticket counter. PHOTO: STAR

গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার জাতীয় রাজস্ব বোর্ড রাজস্ব ভবন সেগুনবাগিচা, ঢাকা [বোর্ড প্রশাসন-৩ (যানবাহন) শাখা] নথি নং-০৮.০১.০০০০.০০৩.০২৫.১৭/৪৮৮ তারিখ্ঞ তে গৌষ ১৪২৬ বঙ্গদ্দ নথি নং-০৮.০১.০০০০.০০৩.৩৬.০২৫.১৭/৪৮৮ তারিখ্ঞ তে গৌর ১৪২৬ বঙ্গদ্দ মেকেজো গাঁড়ির নিলাম বিজ্ঞন্তি জাতীয় রাজধ বোর্ড, ঢাকার নিম্নে বর্গিত অকেজো ০১ (এক)টি যানবাহন (যেখানে যে অবছায় আছে ভিরিতে) নিলাম বিক্রয় ইচ্ছুক ব্যক্তি/প্রতিষ্ঠানের নিকট থেকে নিম্নেন্ড শর্তে সীলমোহরকৃত খামে দরপত্র অধ্যন করা যাচ্ছেঞ্চ					Mohiuddin		(\mathbf{R})	Office of the Rajbar	i Pourashava	উন্নয়নের গণতন্ত্র
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ক্রুঃ নং ০১	যানবাহন নং তৈরীর সন ঢাকা মেট্রো-চ-০২-৩৭৪৯ ১৯৯৩ইং মিট্সুবিশি	যেখানে অবছান জাতীয় রাজম্ব বোর্ড, রাজম্ব ওবন প্রাঙ্গণ	সরকারি ধার্য্যকৃত মূল্য ১,১০,০০০/-	যানবাহনের ধরণ মাইক্রোবাস	Movement veteran and 1971 Liberation War organiser. To mark the day, a	408131	UGIIP-III- 2/RAJB/SWM- SN/01/2017	Construction of 1 Nr. Sanitary Landfill 21027m2 with Boundary wall & Construction of 6 nr. Public	16-Jan-2020 at 09:00	18-Feb-2020 at 13:30
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