

There's no way to tell battery-driven vehicles are banned in the city from seeing this long line of three-wheeler human hauliers parked on the street in front of Holy Cross College in Farmgate. Their route of operation stretches from Farmgate to Nabisco intersection. Popular among local passengers for low fare, they carry out their business right in front of the traffic police. PHOTO: AMRAN HOSSAIN

MINIMUM JAIL TERM FOR GOVT OFFICIALS TO LOSE JOB

Legal notice seeks scrapping of Public Service Act clause

A rights organisation yesterday served a legal notice on the government, requesting it to scrap in seven days the section of public service law which provides that a civil servant will not be dismissed from their job for a criminal offence unless they are sentenced to at least one year's imprisonment.

Human Rights and Peace for Bangladesh (HRPB) sent the legal notice to seven secretaries of the government, saying appropriate legal action will be taken if they fail to rescind Section 42 of the Public Service Act-2018 within seven

The organisation said in the legal notice that a gazette notification on the Public Service Act-2018 was issued on November 14 last year, incorporating Section 42 -- which says a civil servant will not be dismissed from the job for any criminal offence unless they are sentenced to at least one year's imprisonment.

According to the Contempt of Court Act-1926 -- which is now in force -- a public servant is dismissed from service if they are sentenced to six months'

The maximum punishment under this law is six months' imprisonment.

The government has formulated the Public Service Act-2018 incorporating Section 42 in order to damage the spirit of the contempt of court law, as the public servant will have no fear of losing their job under this law, the notice said.

Advocate Manzill Murshid, who sent the legal notice on behalf of the HRPB, told The Daily Star that there is no rule in the Contempt of Court Act-1926 for sentencing any person to more than six months, and a civil servant will not lose their job unless they are punished to at least one year's imprisonment.

The Public Service Act-2018 has been formulated incorporating the Section 42 in order to give protection to civil servants from contempt of court charges, which is illegal and unconstitutional, he said.

Manzill Murshid said he will move a writ petition before the High Court for necessary action if authorities concerned of the government do not respond to the legal notice and scrap Section 42 of the law in

The legal notice has been sent to the secretaries to the offices of the president and prime minister, the cabinet, and public administration ministry, two divisions of the law ministry, and the Jatiya Sangsad

Man hacked to death in Cumilla

Our Correspondent, Cumilla

An employee of Bangladesh Rural Electrification Board (BREB) was hacked to death by a group of masked men at his house in Cumilla's Barura upazila around 2am yesterday.

The deceased is Sharif Uddin (45) of Sadar upazila in Sirajganj. Sharif, a father of three, was incharge of BREB's complaint centre in the upazila's Adda

Sharif's wife said the gang entered their home forcibly and attacked Sharif with sharp weapons.

Neighbours rushed there after hearing screams and took Sharif to Cumilla Medical College Hospital, where he was declared dead

Iqbal Bahar, inspector (operations) of Barura Police Station, said they are investigating the incident.

Jalaluddin, deputy general manager of BREB in Barura, said, "Sharif's body was sent to Comilla Medical College morgue for autopsy, and it will later be taken to his village home. We don't know of any disputes Sharif was involved in."

AL dominates

Yesterday, while electioneering in Jatrabari, Ishraque termed the case false and said the government has revived an old issue to harass him ahead of the election.

"I'm not afraid," he said, alleging that the party leaders, activists and supporters are being barred from electionrelated activities

Ishraque said they have been lodging complaints with the EC but to no avail. "We hope they will ensure a levelplaying field in the election," Ishraque said.

Taking a vow, the BNP mayor candidate said, "We will be active in the election race regardless of conspiracies. We will continue our movement to regain people's democratic

All coaching centres

at 3,512 centres in 28,884 institutions.

Dipu Moni said 16,35,240 candidates will sit for SSC exams under nine general education boards; 2,81,254 for Dakhil exams under Madrasah Education Board and 1,31,285 for vocational exams under Technical Education Board this year. Besides, 342 students will take part in the examinations from abroad, the minister said.

The exams will begin on February 1 and continue till February 22. Practical examinations for general boards wil be held from February 23 to February 29.

HC asks parties

Following the petition, the HC issued a rule the next day, asking Green Line authorities and the government to explain why they should not pay Tk 1 crore compensation

The HC on March 31 last year directed Green Line to pay Tk 50 lakh. But it has so far given Tk 13 lakh to Russel, Advocate Monjurul told The Daily Star yesterday.

Advocate Khandakar Shamsul Haque Reza appeared for the writ petitioner.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Make district | First time

officials formed a human chain on the capital's National Museum premises to press home their demand. They also submitted a memorandum to the DC office.

Among all regional committees, Dhaka district committee is the only one that has not held a single meeting since its inception, although Article 27(2) of Persons with Disabilities Rights and Protection Act 2013, stipulates that district committees must hold four meetings every year, speakers claimed.

According to the article, every district is supposed to have an individual committee to deal with cases of discrimination against people with disabilities. As per Article 36, individuals can apply to the district committee if they want compensation for any discrimination they faced based on their disability, said the NGO officials.

SEID Chairperson Ranjan Karmaker presided over the human chain which was addressed, among others, by formei district judge SM Rezaul Karim and the NGO's programme director Karishma Ahmed.

estimates, the total number of people infected with dengue was 1,01,354 in the last nine months. However, private estimates say the number of infected persons was more

The number of deaths from the disease was 166, according to the government estimates.

Meanwhile, a total of 3,84,711 people have been hospitalised with cold-related illness across the country from November 1 last year to 8am yesterday, the report

Some 57 people have died during this time from coldrelated ailments, the DGHS report added.

Minister can't avoid

ministry can take action against laxity of anyone, if any, in this regard," said Mozammel.

Another senior AL MP Maj (Retd) Rafiqul Islam reiterated that the minister will have to take responsibility, as he published the list. He said the minister could not collect the list of authentic collaborators yet.

"I think he will not be able to do it. Because, I have been hearing the same words for the last five years," said Rafiqul

Gonoforum MP Sultan Muhammed Mansur Ahmed, in his supplementary question, urged the minister not to divide the country in the Mujib Borsho [birth centennary of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman] by publishing the list of collaborators.

In reply, Mozammel said he did not get any question, rather an advice from Sultan Mansur. "I will consider his advice," the minister said.

Three relatives

the duo halted it. Maruf tried to snatch her bag and a bracelet. At that time, as Sagira identified Anas, Maruf opened fire on her and fled the scene, the PBI official added.

The investigators found that the revolver used in the killing was owned by an alleged criminal Monu Mia alias "Horror Monu" who was killed in a "gunfight" with police

PBI arrested the four in November last year.

Sagira was working as a researcher at Bangladesh Institute of Development Studies after achieving a postgraduate degree in economics from Dhaka University. After being stayed for 28 years, the HC bench of Justice

M Enayetur Rahim and Justice Md Mostafizur Rahman withdrew the stay order on June 26 last year, and cleared way for the lower court to resume the proceedings. PBI took three months to complete the investigation.

Earlier, the Detective Branch of police submitted a charge sheet to the lower court concerned against one Minto alias Mantoo alias Moron. On January 17, 1991, a Dhaka court framed charges against him. The court also

recorded statements of seven witnesses in the case. Name of Maruf Reza, a relative of former home minister Mahmudul Hasan, came to light when the trial court was recording statements of witnesses. Then the lower court directed police to further investigate the case on May 23,

Later, Maruf filed a revision petition with the HC, challenging the lower court order for further investigation. On July 2, 1991, the HC stayed the case's trial proceedings and further probe.

Reza, who had been arrested, was later exempted from the case. Mantoo, who had also been arrested in connection with the case, was released from jail on bail.

The PBI also recommended to exempt 25 people from the case who were arrested in different times in this connection.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Directorate of Primary Education Section-2, Mirpur, Dhaka-1216

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Corrigendum to e-Tender Notice

Memo No.: 38.01.0000.500.07.44.19-687

Date: January, 16/2020

The Directorate of Primary Education (DPE)'s e-Tender Notice No.: 38.01.0000.500.07.44.19-533; Dated: December 17, 2019 published in The Daily Samakal (দৈনিক সমকাল) on December 18, 2019 and The Daily Star on December 20, 2019 is amended as follows:

Package No.	Tender Name	Tender ID No. and Provision		Tender document selling/ Downloading Date & Time.	Tender Closing Date & Time	Tender Opening Date & Time
GD 213.01/2019- 20 (Lot No. 01)	Procurement of School Furniture (Chair-5553, Table-3354, High Bench with Long Bookshelf-25333 a nd Low Bench-25333) for Rajshahi and Mymensingh Division	389530	Previous Provision	22-Jan-2020, 17:00	23-Jan-2020, 13:00	23-Jan-2020 13:00
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GD 213.01/2019- 20 (Lot No. 02)	Procurement of School Furniture (Chair-5213, Table-3066, High Bench with Long Bookshelf-24411 a nd Low Bench-24411) for Khulna and Sylhet Division	389915	Previous Provision	22-Jan-2020, 17:00	23-Jan-2020, 13:15	23-Jan-2020 13:15
			Amended Provision	27-Jan-2020, 17:00	28-Jan-2020, 13:15	28-Jan-2020 13:15
GD 213.01/2019- 20 (Lot No. 03)	Procurement of School Furniture (Chair-4123, Table-2582, High Bench with Long Bookshelf-18868 a nd Low Bench-18868) for Dhaka Division	389916	Previous Provision	22-Jan-2020, 17:00	23-Jan-2020, 13:30	23-Jan-2020 13:30
			Amended Provision	27-Jan-2020, . 17:00	28-Jan-2020, 13:30	28-Jan-2020 13:30
GD 213.01/2019- 20 (Lot No. 04)	Procurement of School Furniture (Chair-4918, Table-3142, High Bench with Long Bookshelf-23985 a nd Low Bench-23985) for Chittagong Division	389918	Previous Provision	22-Jan-2020, 17:00	23-Jan-2020, 13:45	23-Jan-2020 13:45
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GD 213.01/2019-	Procurement of School Furniture (Chair-4780, Table-3200, High Bench with Long Bookshelf-24654 a nd Low Bench-24654) for Barisal and Rangpur Division	389919	Previous Provision	22-Jan-2020, 17:00	23-Jan-2020, 14:00	23-Jan-2020 14:00
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All other aspects of the e-Tender Notice will remain unchanged.

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Amendment of Tender Notice (Amendment No -2)

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: Establishment of Essential Drugs Company Limited (3rd Plant), Gopalganj

: Furniture and Fixture

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