

Mourners lay flowers at the Terminal 21 shopping mall, where a mass shooting took place, in the Thai northeastern city of Nakhon Ratchasima, yesterday.

'The Bangladesh fans deserve this win'

AA: It's nothing like that. It's just a game. It's a game of cricket. If I had to dedicate the win to someone, then the Bangladesh cricket fans deserve it.

room when six down?

AA: It was very simple. We had to keep wickets in hand and not give their two main bowlers, especially their leg-spinner who was bowling really well, wickets. If we didn't give TDS: Instructions from the dressing him wickets, then maybe the runs would come from the other end.

TDS: What was the discussion with Parvez Hossain Emon during vital partnership?

AA: What I said to him was that we were not going to take risky runs. No half-runs and if it was a confirmed single, we would take it.

Shringla to visit Dhaka

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charge on January 29.

Shringla told the envoy that he plans to visit Dhaka to prepare grounds for Modi's visit.

West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee is also likely to visit Dhaka further promote ties in areas like to attend the event but it is not clear whether she will travel as part of the

Indian PM's entourage.

During the meeting, Shringla noted the importance India attaches to the relationship with Bangladesh as its immediate neighbour and stressed that the two countries could defence, trade and people-to-people

The Bangladesh envoy appreciated Shringla's role in consolidating between countries during his tenure as the High Commissioner of India to Bangladesh.

Shringla served as the High Commissioner of India to Bangladesh from 2015-2018.

4 teenagers gang-raped

gang-raping two other girls in the city's Kadamtali area.

. The arrestees are Sohel Bapari, 38, Rana Bapari, 32, and Aktar Ali, 38.

Jamal Uddin Meer, OC of Kadamtali Police Station, said three girls, who were friends, were staying at a tin-roofed house in Kadamtali on Saturday night. The three men entered the house and raped two of

The following day, police picked up the trio after the owner of the house filed the case, he said.

Speaking to The Daily Star, mother of one of the victims said her daughter left home on Saturday the girl, a class-IV student, went to an added.

afternoon saying that she would go orchard near her home around noon to her maternal grandmother's house

"We don't know why she went to her friend's house that night.... We want exemplary punishment of the rapists," she said.

SCHOOLGIRL RAPED

In Tangail, a 13-year-old schoolgirl was allegedly raped by a man near her village home in Ghatail upazila on Sunday, reports our district correspondent.

Yesterday, the victim's father filed a case with Ghatail Police Station, accusing one Rofiz Uddin Opu, 45.

on Sunday to collect dry leaves.

Seeing her alone, Rofiz Uddin of the same village strapped her mouth with a piece of cloth and raped her. He threatened the schoolgirl with death if she disclosed the matter to anyone.

After returning home, the girl informed her mother about the incident.

Amir Khasru, superintendent of police (Gopalpur circle) in Tangail, said forensic tests were carried out on the girl at Tangail General Hospital yesterday.

A local court also recorded the According to the case statement, statement of the victim, the ASP

"Bangladesh has nothing to hide"

a member of the world body, it has deep faith in the UN and the UN representative, therefore, is welcomed in the country. The Prime Minister has also invited him to see things for himself and go anywhere he likes because the government has nothing to hide.

PANCHAYAT SYSTEM INTRODUCED The Bangladesh government has decided to introduce Panchayat system as an interim arrangement with immediate effect at the union level, dissolving the existing local councils under the Bangladesh Local Councils and Municipal Committees (Dissolution and Administration) Orders 1972.

Under the Orders, the members of the local union Panchayats would be selected from each ward by the local members of the Constituent Assembly in consultation with other local political leaders on ward basis.

The government has also launched a programme of the Gram Karmi Bahini (Village Workers Force) consisting of 40,000 young men drawn largely from among the freedom fighters with minimum ten members from each union. It will also include unemployed youths. RECOGNITION BY BENELUX

COUNTRIES

The Benelux countries, Belgium, Netherlands and Luxemburg, accord recognition to Bangladesh today. The recognition by these three countries brings the total number of countries so far to accept Bangladesh to 35. DHAKA-MOSCOW TELEPHONE

SERVICE The Dhaka-Moscow telephone has

been established and will be available for 24 hours.

ARRANGEMENTS TO BRING BACK BANGLADESHI NATIONALS FROM

Communication Minister Mansur Ali informs that an official team has already been sent to Great Britain to bring home Bangladeshi nationals who were anxious to meet relatives after remaining totally cut off from them for nine long months of Pakistani occupation in Bangladesh. **BRITAIN OFFERS LOAN**

Britain has renewed an offer of a multimillion-pound loan to Bangladesh which was once earmarked for East Pakistan. The Pakistan government had not shown any interest in this loan. The renewed loan offer was made to Bangabandhu by the threemember British delegation which called on the Prime Minister on February 9, 1972.

SOURCES: February 12, 1972 issues of Dainik Bangla, The Daily Ittefaq, Azad, Morning News, The Bangladesh Observer and Purbodesh.



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Investigation lingers on

early hours of February 11, 2012, at

their rented flat in the capital's West Rajabazar. The couple's only child Mahir Sarowar Megh, who was only five at the

time, was in the apartment when his parents were murdered. He is now 13. Talking to this newspaper over phone yesterday, Sagar's 68-year-old mother, Saleha Munir, expressed utter frustration at Rab's investigation. "If they can't solve the case, they should

prolong it this way". She said law enforcers cracked many cases, including the ones over the murders of Sagira Morshed 30 years ago and Feni madrasa student Nusrat Jahan Rafi last year. "But why are we not getting justice? What is our fault?"

hand it to another agency. They can't

She also said, "Some accused in Dr Nitai murder case, including thieves and robbers, were shown arrested in the [Sagar-Runi] case, but those were nothing but eyewash. I don't believe they have anything to do with the murders of my son and his wife. They should be released.'

She then asked, "Can't the court fix a date for the IO to complete the investigation? Isn't there any law for

She urged the prime minister to ensure justice for Sagar and Runi.

In the last eight years, seven officers from different agencies have investigated the case. After Sher-e-Bangla Nagar police and the Detective Branch of police, Rab was tasked with

the probe on April 18, 2012.

Right after the killings, the then home minister Sahara Khatun had announced the killers would be arrested within 48 hours.

Those "48 hours" never ended.

In the past, police officials had claimed to have made "significant progress" in the investigation. Investigation officers, however, did nothing but file time petitions with the court for submitting the probe

The slow pace of investigation in this case questions the integrity of the investigators, causing frustration to the victim families.

Relatives who are seeking justice for the couple have begun thinking that the murder case has been covered up. The family also feels that the voice of the people, in particular the journalist community, is fizzling out.

Even the High Court in November expressed disappointment as there is no significant progress in the murder

The court said the success of Rab, as an elite and technologically equipped force, in combating terrorism, drugs, illegal arms and food adulteration, will fade to some extent if it cannot find and arrest the offenders behind the killing of Sagar-Runi.

told the court that they were yet to receive DNA test results from the FBI laboratory in the US.

In November last year, the High

At a previous hearing, IO Shafiqul

Court ordered the investigation officer to submit a report by March 4 this year on the latest position of its

investigation. Earlier, Home Asaduzzaman Khan had told this newspaper that law enforcers were keen to solve every case, but

some might be pending for further investigation. The minister said the Sagar-Runi case might still be pending for the lack

of evidence and witnesses. Asked, he said there was no political pressure on the law enforcement

agencies to investigate the case. At least eight people, including suspects Rafiqul Islam, Bakul Miah, Masum Mintu, Kamrul Hasan alias Arun, Abu Sayeed, and two security

guards of the couple's house Palash

Rudra Paul and Enamul Hoque,

and the couple's "family friend"

Tanveer Rahman had been arrested in connection with the murder. Later, Tanveer and Palash got out of

jail on bail. The others are in jail. Meanwhile, Dhaka Union of Journalists (DUJ) General Secretary Sohel Haider Chowdhury said it was a matter of agony that justice had not been ensured for Sagar and Runi in all these years.

"Eight years have passed and the investigators are yet to submit the probe report. So, it's evident that the investigation is not going in the right direction," he told The Daily Star yesterday.

Spelling Bee back again

of Pandughar Group, Firoz Ahmed, COO of Dan Foods Ltd, and Russell T Ahmed, CEO of Champs21.com, among others, were present at the launching ceremony.

Mahfuz Anam said that the Spelling Bee is not just a spelling competition; it is a source of family entertainment as well. Through this programme, students not only learn how to spell, they acquire various skills and flourish their spirits through the best opportunity of learning from mistakes. "In order to assist the next

generation, I welcome the teachers to help the students prepare for future possibilities," he added.

Shykh Seraj hoped this season will be more fruitful than the previous ones. "A new generation, full of new skill round, a divisional round and a

sets, will be created before our very eyes. The experience obtained from the Spelling Bee will not only help the students in the country, but also help them shine worldwide," he said.

Firoz Ahmed said the Spelling Bee is a platform to groom our students as future leaders.

He said Dan Cake is extremely proud to be a partner of such an amazing initiative.

Russell T Ahmed invited everyone to join the new season. "Through the Spelling Bee, the participants can enhance their leadership skills. I am proud of our previous spellers who have shined both academically and professionally," he said.

The competition will consist of three rounds this year -- an online

television round.

During the online round, students will have to register through www. champs21.com or download Spell Champs app from Google Playstore to start. The online round starts from 10th February and will continue till 15th March. Top spellers from the online round

will be selected for the divisional round. From the divisional round, 96 top spellers will be selected to move on to the television round. Along with the champion's trophy,

the winner of the competition will receive Tk five lakhs to fund their

education and the opportunity to visit Washington DC with one parent. In the last seasons, about 12 lakh students participated from over three

2 'robbers' killed in 'gunfights'

Leda Rohingya camp, he said.

Two firearms, four bullet shells, a mobile phone, and four SIMs of mobile phone carriers in Myanmar were recovered from the spot, the Rab official claimed.

The robbers opened fire when a Rab

team, acting on a tip-off, conducted a raid at their den in a hill, said the camp commander.

The Rab members retaliated, triggering the "gunfight", he added.

on the spot and sent him to Teknaf at Kangsonagar in Burichang and

In the incident, two Rab members were injured. They took first aid at the upazila health complex.

In Cumilla, a suspected robber was killed in a similar incident with police at Paschim Singho in Burichang upazila around 2:00am, said Burichang Police Station.

Mazarul Islam, 35, of Debidwar declared him dead, he added. ipazila, was a highway robber who was involved in the killings including Inspector Nityananda Saha, After the "gun battle", the Rab of two businessmen that took members found bullet-hit Nurul lying place on Cumilla-Sylhet highway treatment at the hospital.

Chandina recently, the OC said.

The "gunfight" took place when Burichang police raided Pashchim Singho area on information that some robbers were preparing for committing a robbery, the police official added.

At one stage, Mazarul was hit. Mozammel Haq, officer-in-charge of He was rushed to Cumilla Medical College Hospital where doctors The OC said six police men

were hurt and they took primary

Our Cox's Bazar and Cumilla Upazila Health Complex, where he on Dhaka-Chattogram highway in correspondents contributed to this report.

Martin Luther

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meaning of love. The note reads, "Love is the greatest force in the universe. It is the heartbeat of the moral cosmos. He who loves is a participant

in the being of God." Zimet said his experience of 40 years in the business led him to believe the note was authentic the second he saw it. But he also compared it to other instances of King's handwriting to make sure it was real. CNN could not independently confirm its authenticity.

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০৮। বাজেট ও অর্থনৈতিক খাত

০৯। দরপত্র বিজ্ঞান্তি পত্রিকায় প্রকাশের তারিখ

দরপত্র আহ্বানকারী কর্মকর্তার নাম

Moments in Time bought the note from a memorabilia dealer in England, who apparently had no idea of the note's worth, according to Zimet.

While the high price point may not make this note an ideal Valentine's gift for the average person, Zimet hopes it goes to someone who will appreciate its meaning and value.

HRW urges Mali to investigate massacres

AFP, Bamako

Human Rights Watch on Monday called on Mali to bring to justice jihadist and ethnic militants who killed more than 450 people in the centre of the war-torn country last year.

Massacres committed in the centre of the West African country amounted to "the deadliest year for civilians" since 2012, the NGO said in a report.

গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার

বাংলাদেশ পুলিশ অধিনায়কের কার্যালয় ১২ আর্মড পুলিশ ব্যাটালিয়ন

স্মারক নং-এপিবি(১২)/প্রশাঃ-২০২০/৭৯৫ তারিখঃ ১০/০২/২০২০খ্রিঃ উন্মক্ত দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি (OTM) The Public Procurement Act-2006 & The Public Procurement Rules-2008 ও তদীয় সংশোধনী মোতাবেক ২০১৯-২০২০ অৰ্থ বৎসৱের

পুলিশ বাজেট কোভ নং-'৩-২২১১-০০০১-৪৯৯১' অন্যান্য মেরামত ও সংস্করণ

১২ আর্মন্ড পুলিশ ব্যাটালিয়ন, উত্তরা, ঢাকা'র অনুক্লে নিমুবর্গিত মেরামত/সংকার কাজের প্রকল্পসমূহ বাস্তবায়নের নিমিত্তে শর্তসাপেক্ষে অভিজ্ঞাত ঠিকাদার/সরবরাহকারী নিকট হইতে সীলমোহরকৃত খামে পৃথক পৃথকভাবে দরপত্র আহবান করা যাইতেছে। সর্ট্র মন্ত্রদালয়/পুলিশ বিভাগ। मरहा দরপত্র সম্পাদনকারী প্রধান অধিনায়ক (পুলিশ সুপার), ১২ আর্মড পুলিশ ব্যাটালিয়ন, উত্তরা, ঢাকা কি কারণে দরপত্র আহ্বান ক্রমিক নং-১৫ মোডাবেক। ০৫। সরপত্রের সূত্র নং এপিবি(১২)/গ্রশাঃ-২০২০/৭৯৫ ভারিখ্য ১০-০২-২০২০ব্রিঃ 160 তাবিখ কাজের বিবরণঃ উন্মুক্ত দরপত্র পদ্ধতি (OTM) ০৭। সরপত্রের পদ্ধতি

দরপত্র বিক্রয়ের শেষ তারিখ ও সময় ২৬-০২-২০২০ খ্রিঃ ১৪:০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত। 201 দরপত্র জমা প্রদানের সর্বশেষ তারিখ ও সম ২৭-০২-২০২০ খ্রিঃ ভারিখ ১২,০০ খটিকা ২৭-০২-২০২০ খ্রিঃ তারিখ ১২,৩০ ঘটিকা 251 অফিসের নাম ও ঠিকানাঃ অফিসের নাম ও ঠিকানা অধিনায়ক (পুলিশ সুপার), ১২ আর্মড পুলিশ ব্যাটালিয়ন, উন্তরা, ঢাকা ০১। ডিআইজি এপিবিএন, বাংলাদেশ পুলিশ, ঢাকা । ০২। অধিনায়ক (পুলিশ সুপার), ১২ আর্মন্ত পুলিশ ব্যটালিয়ন, উভরা, ঢাকা। দরপত্র ভকুমেন্ট/সিভিউল বিক্রয়কারী অফিস অধিনায়ক (পুলিশ সুপার), ১২ আর্মত পুলিশ ব্যাটালিয়ন, উত্তরা, ঢাকা'র কার্যালয়। দরপত্র গ্রহণকারী অফিস

অধিনারক (পুলিশ সুপার), ১২ আর্মত পুলিশ ব্যাটালিয়ন, উত্তরা, ঢাকার কার্যালয়। দরপত্র খোলার স্থান দরপত্র সম্পর্কিত তথ্যঃ ক) ট্রেভ লাইসেল, খ) নাগরিকত্বের সনদপত্র, গ) আর্থিক স্বচ্ছলতার সনদপত্র, গ) হালনাগাদ আয়কর পরিশোধসহ ডিআইএন সনদপত্র, খ) জ্যাট রেজিট্রেশন সনদপত এবং দরপত্র সিভিউলে উল্লেখিত অন্যান্য কাগজপত্র। কাজের বিবরণ ৪

সিভিউলেব দরপত্র জামানত কাজ সমান্তির সময় युगा ১২ আর্মত পুলিশ ব্যাটালিয়ন-এর ভাড়াকৃত ভবনের গ্যারেজের অবশিষ্ট অংশ, টিন সেড নির্মাণ, ক্যান্টিন মেরামত ও সংকার ৩০ দিন 021 \$4,000,00 ১২ আর্মত পুলিশ ব্যাটালিয়ন-এর ট্রেভম্যান রুম, ব্যারাকে রং 150 ৩০ দিন \$8,000,00 এর কাজসহ রান্লাঘর মেরামত দরপত্র সম্পাদনকারীর বিবরণঃ

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অধিনায়ক (পুলিশ সুপার)। ১২ আর্মন্ড পুলিশ ব্যাটালিরন, উত্তরা, ঢাকা 191 দরপত্র আহ্বানকারী কর্মকর্তার পদবী দরপর আহ্বাদকারী কর্মকর্তার ঠিকানা 201 空の2-660か2099 当の2-660か2095 দরপত্র আহ্বানকারী কর্মকর্তার যোগাযোগের মাধ্যম Email: co12ap@police.gov.bd ৰ) পূৰ্ত কাজের অভিজ্ঞতাসহ সরকারি/আধা-সরকারি/খায়ন্তশাসিত সংস্থ্য/বেসরকারি বা অন্য যে কোন সংস্থার কাজের অভিজ্ঞতা থাকিতে হইবে। পুলিশ হেভকোয়ার্টার্স কর্তৃক অনুমোদিত বরান্দের আলোকে কার্যাদেশ প্রদান করা হইবে, এতদৃসংক্রান্তে কোন আপত্তি প্রহণযোগ। হইবে না। দরপত্রে উল্লেখিত সময়ের মধ্যে কার্য সম্পাদন করিতে হইবে।

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