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The tree dedicated to Faraaz bears the inscription: "In Dhaka, he chose not to leave his friends and was murdered by the terrorists."

In March 2018, students of Rummo High School in Benevento of Italy planted a tree honouring Faraaz.

He was awarded Mother Teresa Memorial International Award for Social Justice in November 2016. Faraaz's mother Simeen and elder brother Zaraq Ayaat Hossain received the award in Mumbai.

Some of the past recipients of the award are Médecins Sans Frontières, the Dalai Lama, Malala Yousafzai, Mahathir Mohammad and Baroness Caroline Cox.

In recognition of his courageous act, PepsiCo Global launched the annual Faraaz Hossain Courage Award in 2016, setting up a fund of \$200,000. The money would allow a \$10,000 prize to be awarded every year for the next 20 years.

The purpose of the award is to recognise individuals for their acts of exceptional courage and empathy, the very spirit Faraaz showed.

Faraaz was recognised as a graduate by Goizueta Business School of Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia.

Apart from this, the university also introduced the Faraaz Hossain Core Value Award, the first of which went to Gurbani Singh, a student of the university.

Emory University also established "Hossain-Kabir Room" at its Oxford College campus in memory of Faraaz Hossain and Abinta Kabir.

A heart

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in a bid to promote innovation and leadership.

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The Oxford College also introduced a scholarship in the name of Abinta.

Abinta Kabir Foundation makes contribution to the scholarship for bright students in providing students' cost, including tuition fees and accommodation.

Prof Fayyaz Khan new VC of BUBT

CITY DESK

Prof Muhammed Fayyaz Khan joined Bangladesh University of Business and Technology (BUBT) as its vice chancellor yesterday, says a press release.

President Abdul Hamid appointed him in the post.

Prior to joining BUBT as vice chancellor, Dr Fayyaz was dean (in-charge), Faculty of Engineering and Applied Sciences of the university and a professor of electrical and electronic engineering.

In 1974, he graduated from Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology and joined its electrical engineering department as a lecturer. He completed MSc in 1977, and obtained PhD in 2008 from Buet.

He served various national and international organisations as advisor and received awards including "IEEE Best Paper (USA, 1994)". Prof Fayyaz was also the pro-VC of Green University of Bangladesh.



An integral

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Addressing the session, DU VC Prof Md Akhtaruazzaman said ensuring research work and quality education will be the pledge of this celebration, and urged all concerned to work diligently to that end.

Termining DU an integral part of the nation's history, National Professor Rafiqul Islam said, "Dhaka University has led all the democratic movements. Teachers, students and staffers of the university sacrificed their lives in these movements."

"The university has been playing an important role not only in the pursuit of knowledge and science but also in the socio-economic development of the country," Prof Rafiqul Islam added.

DU commenced its academic activities on July 1 of 1921 with a campus on 600 acres of land, three faculties, 12 departments, 60 teachers, 877 students and three dormitories.

Cartoonist Kishore

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rejected the remand and bail petitions of Kishore and three others in the case.

The IO submitted two remand prayers for 14 days to quiz the four on May 7.

The court, however, allowed police to interrogate the accused at jail gate for two days, within seven working days.

The four were arrested from different places of the capital on different dates and produced before the courts on May 6 and 7 respectively.

Eleven people -- including the four arrestees -- were charged with "spreading rumours and carrying out anti-government activities" under the Digital Security Act on May 6.

Swedish-Bangladeshi journalist Tasneem Khalil, who runs Netra News; US-based journalist Shahed Alam, and blogger Asif Mohiuddin are also among those named in the case.

Online services

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Currently, DSCC is spraying insecticides from morning to evening every day, under a comprehensive plan, since June 1.

To avail the new service, one must pay from Tk 2,000-8,000, depending on the number of floors, plot size and nature (residential or commercial) of the building.

SC stays

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furniture and household items to the officials of the power plant, said Advocate Khurshid Alam Khan.

Asif was also arrested that day.

According to several reports, the prices of the various items used to furnish the project's 966 flats for the Russian engineers and others were abnormally higher than market prices.

The reports claimed that each pillow was bought for Tk 5,957, and the cost of carrying it to a flat was Tk 760. An electric stove cost Tk 7,747 and the cost of carrying it from the ground floor to the top floor was Tk 6,650. The price of an electric iron was Tk 4,154 and the carrying cost was Tk 2,945.

Armed police

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Around 11 lakh Rohingya refugees, including newcomers, were settled into 34 camps in Ukhia and Teknaf of the district.

Bangladesh Army, Border Guard Bangladesh and Rapid Action Battalion members remain on duty to ensure overall security of these camps. The district police were responsible for security inside the camps, which now APBn will ensure.

Hemayetul Islam, commanding officer of APBn-16, said, "We will conduct drives and ensure security inside the camps. But a sub-inspector rank official from district police will be present with us as a liaison officer to file and investigate cases."

The district police can also avail support of APBn for conducting drives, he said.

The government formed APBn 14 in 2018 and APBn 16 in 2019 to ensure law and order of the district and security of Rohingya refugees.

Two superintendents of police rank officials were posted as the commanding officers of the battalions, which have a manpower of 1,176.

Hemayetul Islam said APBn 16 will be in charge of security in 15 camps in Teknaf and Ukhia and APBn 14 will ensure security of 19 camps in Ukhia.

On an average, 25 to 30 APBn members will be on duty in each camp.

Earlier, the inspector general of police directed the APBn officials to take the charge of Rohingya camps within June 30, according to officials.

ABM Masud Hossain, superintendent of Cox's Bazar district police, said the special battalions were formed to take care of Rohingya camps and they have already started their work.

APBn will take care of daily activities including check posts, patrolling and conducting drives inside camps, he said.

"If any specific information reaches us, we will also conduct drives along with APBn members," Masud added.

Since August 25, 2017 to June this year, around 668 cases including 52 on murder charges were filed in 34 Rohingya camps against 1,561 persons.

Trials shall

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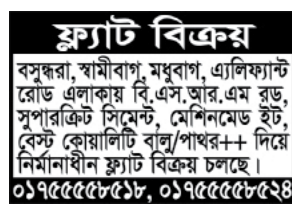
Kushtia he says, "Mr Bhutto, you may hold as many conferences as you like but be sure that the war criminals will be tried on the soil of Bangladesh."

Referring to the recent Lahore speech of Bhutto in which he defended the Pakistani army which committed genocide in Bangladesh, Bangabandhu wonders how Bhutto could issue such a certificate to them.

"Are you not ashamed of what they have done?" he asks Bhutto. Bangabandhu says that the people of Pakistan would certainly feel guilty if they could come to know what kind of atrocities and genocide the Pakistani army had perpetrated in Bangladesh. **BANGABANDHU'S CALL FOR AGRICULTURAL REVOLUTION**

Bangabandhu today calls for launching agricultural revolution in the country. He calls upon the farmers to work hard to increase food production. Addressing a mammoth public meeting in Kushtia, the prime minister observes that the peasants constitute the backbone of the nation. Mentioning that the new budget has maximum allocation for the agricultural sector, Bangabandhu declares that he would do everything possible for the development of rural areas. He regrets that in the past, all efforts were directed towards developing the towns. We have done away with this concept of development, he adds.

SOURCES: July 3, 1972 issues of Bangladesh Observer, Dainik Bangla and Dainik Ittefaq.



Divers stretched

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increase in the number of divers. In the last letter sent in 2018, the fire service had requested the ministry to appoint at least 215 new divers for its diving unit.

In response, the government has appointed only 25 divers in the last two years, Md Abdul Halim, assistant director (operation) of FSCD, told The Daily Star.

After completing a year's training primarily, a newly recruited diver has to undergo a professional training for another year, Halim said.

He said the 25 new divers have joined work, but they are not allowed to go in deep water as they are yet to complete their professional training.

"The number of divers have gone up to 50 now, but they are frequently called for conducting rescue operations. We often face serious problems when three to four incidents happen within a very short time. In those situations, we need to manage the deployment of divers by distributing the work."

For this reason, the divers are often overburdened with work, said Halim.

ACCIDENTS IN WATERWAYS

At least 3,654 people were killed, 516 injured and 489 others went missing in 570 accidents in the inland waterways from 1991 to 2019, according to data of the Department of Shipping.

In the latest accident on Monday, 34 people died after a launch named Morning Bird sank in the Buriganga in the capital's Sadarghat area. The vessel was hit by another one named Moyur-2. A total of 33 divers, including 11 from the fire service, joined the rescue operation.

Abdul Halim, fire service assistant director, said their divers are supposed to carry out operations in shallow waters and help rescue people as first responders.

"But our divers have to go deep-water diving and our members also work to rescue sunken vessels," he said.

Data compiled by the fire service control room shows that its diving unit has attended around 2,701 waterways incidents and recovered around 2,101 bodies from January 2015 to December 2019.

Analysing the data, it was found that the highest number of incidents were reported last year. The fire service diving unit attended 820 incidents alone in that year and recovered 668 bodies.

Abul Khayer, team leaders of divers, said although their manpower has increased recently, it is still not adequate. Besides, they also need some modern equipment to carry out rescue operations smoothly, added Khayer, who has been working as a diver for 30 years.

FOUR DIVERS FOR EACH DISTRICT

According to officials, the fire service now has 20 divers in Dhaka, nine in Chattogram, six in Mymensingh, six in Sylhet, and three divers each in Rajshahi, Barishal and Khulna divisions.

Brig Gen Sazzad Hussain, director general of fire service, said they were trying their best to address the manpower crisis in the diving unit.

"We had asked for sought four divers in each district to ensure smooth rescue operations. But the home ministry appointed only three divers in each division which is quite inadequate," he told The Daily Star.

He said they have written to the ministry again regarding the issue.

Mallick Sayeed Mahub, joint secretary (fire wing) of the home ministry's Security Services Division, yesterday said they were yet to receive any letter from fire service regarding the shortage of divers.

Although the number of divers did not increase significantly over the years, the number of water vessels has gone up rapidly.

The Department of Shipping data shows that the number of registered water vessels in the country was 9,367 in 2013. The figure went up to 12,959 last year.

10 more die

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hospital at the time this report was filed. Of them, 22 new patients admitted yesterday. Some 24 more were discharged yesterday, she said.

Since April, a total of 153 patients died at the isolation unit. Of them, 127 died with coronavirus symptoms and 26 more died after testing positive for the virus.

Girl dies

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Saiful, poured from a bottle and gave the glass to the Meftaul, who fell sick after drinking from it.

She died on the way to Nawabganj Upazila Health Complex.

Ashok Kumar Chowhan, officer-in-charge of Nawabganj Police Station, said the body of the girl was sent to M Abdur Rahim Medical College Hospital for autopsy. He added that Saiful was arrested.

Speaking to The Daily Star over phone, Meftaul's grandmother said they were going to file a case in this regard.

Dr Shahjahan Ali Upazila Health Officer of Nawabganj said that the girl seemed to have ingested "some poisonous liquid".

Japan city

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There is no punishment for those unable to tear themselves away from their screens in the street but the suburb of 240,000 wants to use the ordinance to highlight the dangers of scrolling while strolling.

The unusual move appeared to have broad support from citizens both young and old, with very few people on the streets of Yamato spotted breaching the new rule.

Hundreds of protesters arrested

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terrorism and collusion with foreign forces with up to life in prison, will see mainland security agencies in Hong Kong for the first time and allows extradition to the mainland for trial.

China's parliament adopted the law in response to protests last year triggered by fears that Beijing was stifling the city's freedoms, guaranteed by a "one country, two systems" formula agreed when it returned to Chinese rule. Beijing denies the accusation.

Hong Kong police cited the law in confronting protesters.

"You are displaying flags or banners/chanting slogans/or conducting yourselves with an intent such as secession or subversion, which may constitute offences under the ...

Miseries pile up for flood-hit people

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With the Surma, the Jadukata and the Old Surma rivers water exceeding above danger level, all eleven upazilas of the district were affected, including the district town.

So far, from the flooded ponds in the district, estimated 1,267 tonnes of fish and 122 tonnes of fish fries were washed away by the floodwaters, Md AbulKalam Azad, Sunamganj district fisheries officer.

Dijendra Das, a fish farmer of Shorishpur village in Chhatak upazila said, "I only have one pond where I farm fish. But my all fishes have been washed away."

Like him, hundreds of fish farmers are facing similar troubles.

Fisheries Officer Abul Kalam Azad said the government had no initiative to provide financial assistance to the fish farmers.

Meanwhile in Sylhet district, 672 ponds in four upazilas washed away with 261 tonnes of fish which estimated a loss of around Tk 3.31 crore, according to the district fisheries office.

In Jamalpur, over three lakh people of 42 unions in six upazilas and eight municipalities remained waterlogged.

Four people have drowned in flood waters and another one died from snake bite in the district so far, said Nayeb Ali, district relief and

national security law," police said in a message displayed on a purple banner.

Authorities in Beijing and Hong Kong have repeatedly said the legislation is aimed at a few "troublemakers" and will not affect rights and freedoms, nor investors' interests.

But critics fear it will end the pro-democracy opposition and crush freedoms, including an independent legal system and right to protest, that are seen as key to Hong Kong's success as a financial centre.

US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo said the new law was an affront to all nations and Washington would continue to implement President Donald Trump's directive to end the territory's special status.

Britain said it would stand by its word and offer all those in Hong Kong

with British National Overseas status a "bespoke" immigration route.

British Foreign Secretary Dominic Raab described yesterday's protests as heartbreaking and reprimanded HSBC and other banks for supporting the new law, saying the rights of Hong Kong should not be sacrificed for bankers' bonuses.

Britain and Canada also updated their travel advisories for Hong Kong, saying there was an increased risk of detention.

Police fired water cannon to try to disperse the protesters. A game of cat and mouse reminiscent of last year's often violent demonstrations followed, with protesters blocking roads before running away from riot police charging with batons, only to re-emerge elsewhere.

dyke by throwing bamboos and trees.

Local villagers built a 400-foot sand dyke with their own donations and voluntarily laboured.

Local farmer Sekendar Ali, 65, said the dyke act as shield to protect the village, houses, croplands and livestock. If it collapse, everything will be washed away.

Local Union Parishad member Matiar Rahman Mati said he had appealed to the government for repairing the dyke.

In Kurigram, many flood-hit people are yet to get relief from the government.

"Almost all the people of our village are poor. Their households, livestock and other valuables have been washed away. We are passing tough days. But, we are yet to get any assistance from the government," said Azaharul Islam, 62, a flood hit farmer in Rowmari upazila's Char Kartimari area.

In Sirajganj, several hundred houses of a village in Suvagacha area in Kazipur upazila washed away after an embankment was breached by floodwater yesterday.

Many people were seen shifting to higher place, road, flood centres or other safe places for survival.

Our Sylhet, Lalmonirhat, Jamalpur and Pabna correspondents contributed to this report.

THE DEPARTURE OF A VISIONARY

ADN Group deeply mourns the untimely passing away of **Mr. Latifur Rahman, Chairman - Transcom Group.**

He was a successful industrialist, visionary business leader and a humble person. His contribution to society will be remembered and his presence will be deeply missed. May Allah grant peace to his departed soul.

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Giving it all to others

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father could not afford the child's medical treatment, which, he said, would cost about Tk 2 lakh.

When Ali shared this incident on Facebook urging people to help with the boy's treatment, many responded. A total of Tk 2,65,000 has been raised so far.

Once the pandemic mitigates, Ahad's father will start his son's treatment with this money, said Kabya Sumi Sarker, one of the 100 volunteers who work alongside Ali.

Involved in a number of cultural and literary organisations, including Mymensingh Sahitya Sangsad and APEX Club of Brahmaputra, Ali has been known for his social work for years.

"We always respond when he calls for any assistance," said Motiur Rahman Foyal, another volunteer.

Motiur, a lawyer and the Mymensingh divisional convener of environmental organisation BD-Clean, has known Ali's altruistic nature since his boyhood.

Trusted and respected, Ali receives positive responses from different quarters when he seeks blood donation or financial assistance for anyone on his Facebook wall.

"I donated blood for a helpless old woman suffering from severe kidney disease during the holy Ramadan and Ali Yusuf organised the blood donation at my office," said Sheikh Hafizur Rahman Sajal,

upazila nirbahi officer of Mymensingh sadar.

Praising Ali's philanthropic activities, the UNO said many young people will be inspired by these.

Ali is also in the advisory body of three blood donation groups, including Brahmaputra Blood Kalyan Society and Roktodane Aamra Mymensingh.

He himself donated blood more than 50 times since 1992 on different occasions and also organised blood donation camps, said Shahadat Hossain, convener of Roktodane Aamra Mymensingh.

Ali, a modest altruist, gives the full credit of his philanthropy to his volunteers and family members.

"I have grown up seeing my father, a truck driver, help his poor relatives with full support from my mother," he said.

Inspired by his late parents, Ali continues his philanthropic work with support from his wife Kohinoor Akter, three children and an orphan nephew, who is part of his family.

Though his only earnings come from a printing press he owns, Ali has no complaints.

"I live in a rented house and have to pay Tk 12,000 a month including rent and other bills. But I am very happy as I do not have any wants and can contribute a little to the society," he said.

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