



Local dog arrested for impersonating a bird on Tweeter and posting anti-government statuses. He was sent on remand for cultural misappropriation by badly singing "Fly like an eagle" by Seal.

Local dog arrested for defamation

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The government of the Republic of Tango recently made international headlines after arresting a three-year-old labradoodle for what they're claiming as defamation. A video -- all 30 seconds of which has since been censored -- showed Luffy, the canine in question, wearing a costume that seemed to vaguely represent a top member of congress. Within hours of the video airing, the police had shown up at Luffy's home, where she along with her owners were arrested. There was massive outrage all over the internet by citizens of Tango, citing that the video was just cute and funny. However, any and all posts hinting towards public outcry have

since been swiftly deleted, with any individuals involved also being arrested. A representative of the government had this to say about the incident. "Look, if you see the video, it's quite clear the dog and her owner were trying to threaten the power of our state and provoke violence amongst the general public," he said. He continued, "We have to remind people of how great we as a government are, and so we acted swiftly and deftly." The police force of Tango, which has been criticised by many to be just the 'henchmen' of the state, and is also accused of racial profiling and ignoring some of the actual crimes going on in the country, have been under public and international scrutiny since the events

surrounding Luffy began. The police commissioner responded to us via an open letter, the contents of which were as follows: "My men are good men. News media bad men. Period." The Republic of Tango is a very small country, with a small number of inhabitants, most of whom are now behind bars due to a law that many experts are calling an "infringement on people's freedom". The "Internet Act", as it is called, allows the Tango government to arrest any individual on the internet. There are no subclauses and this vague description has allowed public officials to arrest anyone they want. Man, woman, child, and even dogs.

Drug peddlers offering courses to escape gunfight

POGO WRIGHTS

The alleged drug peddlers of Cox's Nagar have finally mastered the art of fleeing gunfights with police and are now offering courses for those in need. Yabashbak Sangram Parishad, an association of alleged drug peddlers, claimed to have found the lifesaving techniques of successfully fleeing gunfights. Murgi Shamim, alias Uff Bodi, self-proclaimed president of the association, talked to this newspaper yesterday on the condition of mentioning his interview as exclusive. During the interview, he placed a record of Police Headquarters before this correspondent that showed a majority of alleged drug peddlers managed to flee last month's 100 gunfights. He said, "Earlier, many alleged drug peddlers used to die in each gunfight. With our dedication and hard work, we managed to reduce the number. "Don't you see police accept that they conduct raids on information that a group of us are there. But then they only manage to kill one or at best two of us?" "Rest of us always manage to flee nowadays. Anybody who is interested in learning the advanced

techniques to flee gunfights can contact the association's secret Facebook group," he said. He then bragged about his ability to poison the whole country with his crazy pills. "It is now completely safe for the alleged drug peddlers to join the business as the association now teaches potential alleged drug peddlers to escape gunfights." When this correspondent asked why one alleged drug peddler always died in every gunfight, he responded with a threat. "You just asked an unnecessary and stupid question. You will face dire consequences for this," he said. "All credit goes to the one who does it all," he then whispered. He, however, did not elaborate on the statement. Contacted, Sheikh Wadud, marshal of Cox's Nagar Police, said he was not aware of any such course. He then praised his team saying that he led the best team of law enforcers in the world. "It was not at all surprising that none of our team members ever sustained a bullet injury from the alleged drug peddlers. Our officers are highly skilled," he said. "We are as innocent as Princess Anna. We only retaliate," he added.



Online activist known as Internet Philosopher shows his presentation on why men are more equal than women at a public event last Munday in Dhaka

Internet man starts #notallwomen movement

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Quite recently, the internet found itself divided, yet again, after one man from Donmondi started the *notallwomen* (NAW) movement on the social networking site Facebook. The man, known simply by his screen name "Internet Philosopher (IA)" agreed to sit with me for voice call, in order to preserve his anonymity. "Hello Mr IA, how are you doing today?" "Hello, I am constantly struggling against the inequality created by the patriarchy and the overall underlying fallacies of this prerogative narrative that women spew from their heinous visages," replied IA, his voice heavily masked by a Darth Vader voice filter. "Um, what?" "Oh sorry, I usually only use these words when typing out long comments on Facebook. I meant I was doing alright." "O-okay. Well IA, it seems that you have stirred up quite the ruckus when you started the NAW movement. How did it all begin?" I asked. He cleared his throat. "Well, actually, it's pretty simple. We are oppressed. Free speech is a joke. Women don't know how to comprehend my intellect. They feel threatened by it and therefore assume I am a sexist. But the truth is obviously that I am an equalist. I want everyone to be treated equally. All humans are the same. And I should be able to tell a woman that they are just as bad as us." He coughed again, I could only assume the rant would continue. He continued, "But you see, women do not want to understand anything except how to jump to conclusions. I thought free speech meant I could speak my mind. But then why do these women call me out when I openly talk about my opinions? That's not how free speech works. Women are just as bad as men, and that's why I started the NAW movement. It's to remind us to speak out against the oppression that men are under due to the constant scrutiny

woman put us under. Why should I have to think before I start typing up a status on Facebook? Where's the equality in that? Everyone is part of the problem. Not just men. They keep telling each other how great they are, but not all of them!" "So what would you say is the root cause of this 'problem' that you're talking about?" "The problem is society. Men and women, can both do bad things. Look at the wife of Captain Jake Ishparrow, she lied about him assaulting her. But now we know the truth. So, it's definitive, not all women are as great as they say they are. Therefore, the solution is to be willing to learn and reflect on your experiences," he replied calmly. "Oh, okay," I replied, somewhat surprised by this turn of events. "So, you're willing to learn?" "Yes, definitely! I am always looking for ways in which my knowledge matrix can be further updated with all new forms of lexicon and discourse." "Well, I would like to help do that. Anecdotes aside, such as the one you mentioned about Captain Jake, statistically, women are more likely to --" "STOP. You understood nothing I said. There's no way to prove statistics, math is dumb. Give me real-life experience, anecdotes are facts. And facts are the only thing that matter. Stop reading between the lines, there is nothing there. I am a male feminist. An equalist, which is better than a feminist. Don't equate my NAW movement to the not all men tagline. They're very, very different!" he responded. "They're really not. You're just criticizing women, instead of having a proper conversation about the problem. Your social bubble may have good men in it, but that doesn't carry forward to the experiences of everyone in the world --" "Shut up," he said, cutting me off. "My social bubble is the best. I have the best friends. And anyone who doesn't like NAW can unfollow me on Facebook. And as for you, this interview is over, simp"

First-world travel vlogger discovers Dhaka after barely interacting with locals

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"Hi, everyone! Did you miss me? Of course, you did. It's your favourite wanderlust-stricken traveller, coming to you from Da...Dacca, Bangladesh," Ryan said, lying in his hospital bed, holding up the selfie-stick. After reaching Dhaka during the pandemic, Ryan got stricken with something other than wanderlust: Covid-22. In an interview with The Daily Star at the hospital, Ryan shared Dhaka's characteristics in detail, after roaming specific parts of the city for just five days, while the virus explored his body. When asked why he travelled at a time like this, he replied, "I love challenges. My thirst for exploring this planet far surpasses my fear for a tiny virus. I mean, refugees go through so much to get to my country; I want to embody that energy." "Besides, I almost forgot there was a pandemic going on with all the people surrounding me every time I went out," he said. While Ryan was getting his daily blood plasma treatment, he started talking about the locals. "The spirit Dacca residents possess is beyond amazing. While the whole world is cooped up at home, Dacca is alive and bustling. The energy here is infectious," he remarked. "They're so welcoming, so friendly. Whenever I start vlogging, they all stare at me, giving me all their attention," he continued. "They stand behind me, looking at the camera, and even try to start conversations!" "Could colonialism be a reason you get that kind of attention?" this correspondent asked. "Co-colon what? My colon is just fine, thank you. Just having some bowel trouble." Ryan became embarrassed, not because he was unaware of the selective treatment he was getting from an otherwise bigoted nation, but because along with Covid-22, he had diarrhoea. It started after he went to Old Dhaka to try 100 percent authentic traditional Bengali food. "I've to say, it was worth it. That biryani was to die for; I mean, I don't want to die right now, but you know," he said. "The rustic flavour of the rice and that traditionally spiced chicken reflected the people's souls. That Nanna guy sure knows his stuff." "Nanna died a long time ago." "No." While Ryan was mourning, this correspondent ran a thorough investigation and found that Ryan had actually gone to "New Nanna Biryani House and Chinese Kabab Restaurant", so this was definitely not worth his diarrhoea.



Doctors were able to successfully remove vlogger Ryan's failing colon but were unable to cut away his colonial beliefs.

