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against artificial price hikes of kerosene oil and has advised people not to pay more than the fixed price. A press note issued today emphatically states that there is absolutely no shortage in supply that would warrant a price hike. This is the result of the profit-mongering motive of a section of dealers and the government would take stern action against them, the press note cautions. **40,000 TONNES OF AUSTRALIAN WHEAT FOR BANGLADESH**
The World Food Programme is arranging to ship 40,000 tonnes of wheat to Bangladesh from Australia after a request from the United Nations Relief Organisation in Dhaka. The World Food Programme will pay the freight on the wheat. **SOURCES:** September 16, 1972 issues of *Bangladesh Observer*, *Dainik Bangla* and *Dainik Ittefaq*.

Actor

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employee of the Bangladesh Post Office and acted in more than 500 films in a span of five decades. He received the National Film Award for the film *Ekti Cinemar Golpo*.
Known for his negative roles in films, Bachchu came into the limelight with the critically acclaimed film *Chadni*, directed by Ehtesham, back in the 90s.

Jibon Nodir Tire, Koti Takar Kabin, Pita Matar Amanot, Shujon Shokhi, Mayer Chokh, Amar Praner Shami, Bhalobasha Zindabaad, Badhuboron, Lobhe Paap Paape Mrittu and Mon Boshe Na Porar Table E among others are some of his notable films.

He also worked in theatre, radio and television. His debut television show *Prothom Ongkar* aired in 1978, while his debut film, *Ramer Sumoti*, directed by Shahidul Amin, was released in the 80s.

Gronthik Gono Kohe, Jonaki Jole, Shojon Badhiar Ghat, Purbo Ratri Purbo Din and Nakshi Kanthar Math are among his popular shows for BTV. Founder and president of Matijheel Theatre, Bachchu was lauded for his performances in plays like *Kafoner Pocket Nai*, *Cap and Kulangar* among others, while *Khelaghor* remains one of his most famous radio shows.

"He was like a father to me," said actor Omar Sunny. "I have worked with him for thirty years. We last worked together in a film directed by Uttam Akash. The industry will always be grateful to him for his immense contributions. I will miss him."

Actor Shabnaz said, "I met him during my debut film *Chadni*. Bachchu uncle, Nayeem and I became very close and went on to work in films like *Soniya*, *Dil*, and *Chokhe Chokhe* among others... I wish he had more time with us. May the Almighty grant him the best place in Jannah."

Bachchu was laid to rest at the Khilgaon Taltola Graveyard.

Suga elected

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Given the LDP's legislative majority, Suga is expected to handily win a parliamentary vote Wednesday and become prime minister, taking over from Abe, who is resigning for health reasons.

A powerful government adviser and spokesman, 71-year-old Suga is seen as promising stability and a continuation of Abe's policies. He has specifically said his candidacy was motivated by a desire to continue the outgoing prime minister's programmes.

Ishiba, who is popular with the Japanese public but less so within his own party, won just 68 votes, with Kishida, who was once considered Abe's favoured successor, taking 89.

Abe, who smashed records as Japan's longest-serving prime minister before being forced to resign after a recurrence of ulcerative colitis, declined to publicly endorse any candidate.

8 cops

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tortured him and implicated him in two "false" cases on charges of possessing yaba pills and firearms. Police later produced Samar before a Chattogram court, showing him arrested in four cases, including those in connection with recovery of yaba pills and firearms. The court later sent him to jail.

Samar walked out of jail on bail on July 12, 2018. Police drew criticism from different quarters after a photo of Samar holding a firearm in his hand at the police station was run by some news portals.

The then Boalkhali OC, Himangshu, was withdrawn from the police station and was attached to Chattogram District Police Lines after a probe by the police into the two cases. Himangshu and two SIs were suspended later.

Samar was acquitted in the four cases by Chittagong courts after investigators found that he was not involved in those alleged crimes.

Talking to this newspaper on July 20, 2018, Samar had said two sub-inspectors with consent from the then Boalkhali OC tried to kill him in a "shootout".

Himangshu, however, refuted the allegation.



A teacher distributes hydroalcoholic gel to students in a school on the first day of classes in the new academic year during the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, in Thessaloniki, Greece yesterday.

PHOTO: AFP

Myanmar troops mobilised

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Rohingya residents of Maungdaw, who fear a repeat of the deadly "clearance operations" in 2017, reported Kaladan Press.

A Rohingya in Maungdaw said Burmese soldiers had already been in Rakhine in high numbers since 2017. Now the reinforcement of it with additional two to three thousand more is seriously worrying for the Rohingyas.

He said it was surprising why the troops used the waterways to reach to northern Rakhine when there were no problems with roads.

Security analyst Shahedul Anam said such troop mobilisation in Rakhine is happening at a time when it is failing to comply with the International Court of Justice order of preventing genocidal acts. Instead, the escalation of conflicts between Myanmar military and the Arakan Army (a Myanmar separatist group) in recent months left hundreds of ethnic Rakhine and dozens of Rohingya civilians killed, he said.

Meanwhile, two soldiers who deserted the military in Rakhine also confessed in a film of their involvement in mass killings of Rohingyas upon orders from the high command, a fact that could be significant in the investigation by the International Criminal Court.

"The arrival of so many Burma Army troops is creating fear among

Shahedul Anam said it is possible that the military would conduct operations in Rakhine to fuel the nationalistic behaviour of the Burmese ahead of the national polls on November 8.

Munshi Faiz Ahmad, former chairman of Bangladesh Institute of International and Strategic Studies, said Myanmar had wanted to drive out all the Rohingyas from Myanmar. Now that all are busy tackling the coronavirus pandemic and are drawn by other regional or global tensions. It is not unlikely Myanmar military wants to drive out the rest six lakh Rohingyas to Bangladesh, he said.

Fighting the Arakan Army can also be used just as a pretext by Myanmar to actually conduct anti-Rohingya operations, he said.

Both the experts said Myanmar tried to provoke Bangladesh repeatedly by mobilising military along the border and by violating Bangladesh's air space, but Bangladesh has always dealt it with keeping heads cool.

"This time too, Dhaka should not do anything so that Myanmar can put blame on us. Rather, we should reach out to the international community and continue keeping the focus on addressing the Rohingya crisis," said Faiz, also a former ambassador.

Putin offers support to Belarus strongman

REUTERS, Moscow

Russian President Vladimir Putin bestowed a \$1.5 billion loan on Belarus yesterday in a gesture of support for its leader Alexander Lukashenko, who flew to treat his patron for help as demonstrations showed no sign of abating.

A day after more than 100,000 protesters demonstrated in Minsk for the fifth straight weekend to demand his resignation following an election they say was rigged, Lukashenko, who has led Russia's closest ally for 26 years, met Putin in the Black Sea resort of Sochi.

"First of all, I want to thank you... personally thank you and all Russians, all those, and I will not list them, who were involved in supporting us during this post-election time," Lukashenko said after the talks.

Putin gave few details about the new loan, which he said Prime Minister Mikhail Mishustin had agreed during

a recent visit to the Belarusian capital.

The Russian leader also signalled support for Lukashenko in other ways and said defence cooperation would continue. Hours earlier, Russian news agencies reported Moscow was sending paratroopers for joint exercises.

Putin also backed plans Lukashenko has previously announced for constitutional reform, which the opposition has dismissed as a stunt to keep power after the Aug. 9 presidential election.

"We want Belarusians themselves, without prompting and pressure from outside, to sort out this situation in a calm manner and through dialogue and to find a common solution," Putin said.

Despite aggressive action from his security forces, Lukashenko has failed to reclaim the streets from demonstrators, who taunted him on Sunday with chants of "You're a rat!"

Another cop arrested

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Station Pradeep Kumar Das arrested in a corruption case.

Major Mehedi Hasan, deputy commander of Rab-15 in Cox's Bazar, said Rubel was arrested from Teknaf Police Station.

The arrest was made based on information given by other accused who were arrested earlier in connection with the murder, the Rab official said.

Rubel was first interrogated at the Rab office, he said, adding that Rab members then showed him arrested in the case.

"We did not seek any remand for Rubel. He will be taken on remand in future if necessary," he added.

A total of 14 people has been made accused in the murder case.

GRAFT CASE
The court of Metropolitan Sessions Judge in Chattogram Ashfaqur Rahman passed the order after Pradeep was produced before the court in a case filed against him and his wife by the ACC for amassing wealth illegally.

On Saturday, Pradeep, who was accused in Major (ret'd) Sinha murder case, was taken to Chattogram Central Jail from Cox's Bazar.

ACC Public Prosecutor Mahmudul Haque told The Daily Star that after the hearing, the court ordered the ACC to show him arrested in the graft

case. "During the hearing, Pradeep's lawyer sought bail for him and division in jail, but the court fixed September 20 for hearing on the issues."

In the morning, police cordoned off the court building area and tightened security. Around 1:00pm, Pradeep was produced before the court and after the court passed the order, he was taken to Chattogram Central Jail amid tight security.

On August 23, ACC Assistant Director Riaz Uddin filed a case against Pradeep and his wife Chumki Karan with the ACC's Chattogram office-1.

When Pradeep was the OC of Teknaf Police Station, he used to make money from bribes and corruption. Chumki, under the disguise of businesses, had been legalising the ill-gotten property of her husband.

Their misdeeds came to the fore through an enquiry into their wealth by the anti-graft body.

In the enquiry, the ACC found that Chumki amassed Tk 3.95 crore of wealth from her husband's "illegal income".

Chumki went into hiding after the graft case was lodged.

[Our Cox's Bazar and Chattogram correspondents contributed to this report]

Ferry service

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who were seen crossing the river by launches and speedboats.

Navigability problem has been intensifying over time thanks to continuous sedimentation, said BIWTA officials, adding that it has now become impossible to operate ferry services.

"Now, we are planning to operate ferry services through an alternative channel," said Saidur Rahman, additional chief engineer of BIWTA.

However, he could not be specific about when the service would be resumed.

Normally, 15 ferries run on Shimulia-Kathalbari route -- one of the major gateway to the southern districts. But the services were facing disruption over the last couple of months due to strong currents and navigability crisis.

Amid such a situation, authorities concerned were forced to shut down the services on September 3 for the same reason.

The service resumed on September 11, but ferries were facing difficulties while plying.

However, ferry services on another major route Paturai-Daulatdia were normal till yesterday, said officials concerned.

Around 150 vehicles were seen waiting at Paturia ghat area to board a ferry to cross the river, said Abdus Sattar, assistant general manager (Marine) of BIWTA Aricha Regional Office in Manikganj.

Bangladesh Inland Water Transport Corporation (BIWTC) is responsible for the maintenance of the ferry terminals.

"However, we think the pressure of vehicles will intensify in the coming days as ferry operations on the Shimulia-Kathalbari route have been suspended," he told The Daily Star, yesterday afternoon.

KILLING OF JUVENILES Why not compensate victims' families

HC asks authorities

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday issued a rule asking the authorities concerned to explain in four weeks why they should not be directed to pay Tk 50 lakh as compensation to each family of the three teenage boys who were killed at Jashore Juvenile Correction Centre last month.

In the rule, the HC also asked the respondents to show cause why they should not be ordered to take necessary steps to stop irregularities and mismanagement in all three shishu unnayan kendras (children development centre) of the country.

Secretaries to the ministries of home and social welfare, director general of the Department of Social Services, deputy commissioner and superintendent of police of Jashore and assistant director and probation officer of Jashore Juvenile Correction Centre have been made respondents to the rule.

The HC bench of Justice Md

Khasruzzaman and Justice Md Mahmud Hassan Talukder issued the rule following a writ petition filed by guardians of the three boys seeking necessary directives. Lawyer Shanjid Siddique appeared for the petitioners.

The guardians of the three teenage boys, who were killed on August 13, had collectively filed the writ petition with the HC on August 27 seeking its order on the respondents to pay Tk 50 lakh as compensation to each of their families.

Parvez Hasan Rabbi, 18, Rasel alias Sujon, 18, and Naem Hossain, 17, were allegedly tortured to death by some staffers and senior inmates at Jashore Juvenile Correction Centre. Fifteen others were also injured in the incident.

The injured, who had allegedly been subjected to similar abuse, reportedly said they, including the deceased, were tortured in two phases from around noon to evening on August 13 as "punishment" for their involvement in a scuffle with the head guard of the centre.

WHO warns Europe

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being overwhelmed if the virus continues to spread at its current rate.

It has also reheated the debate over how best to respond to the rise in infections, with England limiting social gatherings to no more than six people from yesterday.

On the other hand, millions of schoolchildren in other affected countries returned to their classrooms for the first time in months.

Italian children were among the first in Europe to see their schools closed, and some 5.6 million returned for the first time in six months yesterday.

Although officials said thousands of extra classrooms had been set up, there were concerns over a lack of surgical masks for teachers and a shortage of single-seat benches.

Some southern Italian regions postponed their reopening, worried that they were not properly prepared.

India has recorded 92,071 new cases, taking total cases to 4.85 million, the federal health ministry said yesterday.

The world's second-most populous country lags only the United States globally in overall number of infections, but it has been reporting more daily cases than the United States since mid-August, reports Reuters.

TRUMP RALLY 'RECKLESS'

While Europe battles with rising infections, other parts of the world are tentatively easing restrictions.

In a sign of a growing readiness to reopen, Saudi Arabia said it would partially lift a six-month suspension of international flights this week and South Korea said it would ease rules in and around the capital Seoul after cases declined.

The backlash against the restrictions is also being factored in by beleaguered governments.

Australian police arrested dozens at an anti-lockdown rally in Melbourne on Sunday after crowds defied stay-at-home orders, which came after rallies in Germany and Poland on Saturday attended by anti-vaccine campaigners, conspiracy theorists and far-right activists.

Scientists

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last 40 years primarily in zoos. Some herds have been found in Mongolia.

"This birth expands the opportunity for genetic rescue of endangered wild species," said Ryan Phelan, executive director of Revive & Restore, a wildlife conservation organization promoting biotechnologies that's partnering with San Diego Zoo Global and ViaGen Equine on the cloning project.

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