



Security officer gone rogue

JU community and outsiders accuse official of assault and abuse; admin takes no action

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More than a dozen complaints of assault, blackmail and extortion, and verbal abuse of female visitors have been submitted to Jahangirnagar University authorities against its chief security officer Sudipta Shaheen in the four years since he took office. His activities created a menacing atmosphere on campus among students and staff as well small traders, several of who have been assaulted by him. However, the university authorities have taken no action against Shaheen so far despite the numerous allegations against him. After these incidents took place, all they said is, "Investigation is going on."



Sudipta Shaheen

old, who did not even spare university teachers. Written complaints were submitted to the authorities over two separate incidents -- one where Shaheen misbehaved with two teachers of the chemistry department who were with some alumni of the university and another with a former student of the university who runs a shop near JU's main gate. Some also verbally complained to the administration against Shaheen; many didn't even report the incidents out of fear, students said. Some were brutally beaten, tortured and threatened with dire consequences if they reported what they faced, the victims mentioned in their complaints. The latest victim is a van-driver named Nahid Hossain, who had his leg broken

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Chattogram Development Authority is demolishing some buildings at Muradpur to make way for canals. Work of canal re-excavation, expansion, renovation, and development is going on to ease waterlogging in Chattogram city. This photo was taken yesterday.

PHOTO: RAJIB RATHAN

DIGITAL SECURITY ACT DU teacher sued over comments on religion

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A professor at Dhaka University has been sued under the Digital Security Act for making "derogatory" comments on religion during a talk show on a private television channel. Two cases were filed with the Cyber Tribunal in Dhaka against Md Ziaur Rahman, professor of DU's Criminology Department, yesterday. Shamim Al Mamun, bench assistant of the tribunal, confirmed this to The Daily Star. Md Imrul Hasan, a



Ziaur Rahman

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Lee Kun-hee

Man who made Samsung a global powerhouse dies

REUTERS, Seoul

Lee Kun-hee, who built Samsung Electronics into a global powerhouse in smartphones, semiconductors and televisions, died yesterday after spending more than six years in hospital following a heart attack, the company said. Lee, who was 78, grew the Samsung Group into South Korea's biggest conglomerate and became the country's richest person. But he was also convicted of bribery and tax evasion, and he and the empire he built were vilified for wielding huge economic clout, and for opaque governance and dubious transfers of the family wealth. "Lee is such a symbolic figure in South Korea's spectacular rise and how South Korea embraced globalisation, that his death will be remembered by so many Koreans," said Chung Sun-sup, chief

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FIRST YEAR OF BANGLADESH BANGABANDHU'S NATION-BUILDING CHALLENGES

Freedom Fighters' Welfare Trust set up

October 26, 1972

SHAMSUDDOZA SAJEN

ANOTHER STEP FOR FREEDOM FIGHTERS' WELFARE Prime Minister Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman's government has formed a trust with an initial fund of about Tk 4 crore in both cash and industrial units for the benefit of freedom fighters who had made supreme sacrifices with their blood, sweat and tears for the liberation of Bangladesh. An eight-member board has been formed for the Freedom Fighters' Welfare Trust with Relief and Rehabilitation Minister AHM Kamruzzaman as chairman and Maj Gen (Retd) A Rab as the managing director. A total of seven industrial units and establishments have been placed under the disposal of the Trust. These are all profitable concerns and will generate money for disbursements for the benefits of the freedom fighters. The welfare trust would be a permanent source of income for freedom fighters or their descendants and beneficiaries of Shaheeds of the Liberation War. BANGLADESH TO OPEN EMBASSIES IN IRAQ, ROME The government of Bangladesh has decided to open two embassies, one in Iran and the other in Rome, shortly. This is disclosed by Foreign Minister Abdus Samad today prior to his departure on a 16-day tour of Eastern European countries. OFFICIALS ASKED TO FIGHT PEST ATTACK



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Dhaka seeks Tokyo's help in Rohingya repatriation

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Foreign Minister AK Abdul Momen yesterday sought Japan's strong support in resolving the Rohingya crisis. In another development, Bangladesh Ambassador in Greece Ashud Ahmed sought support from Greece for the repatriation of Rohingya refugees who fled persecution in their homeland in Myanmar's Rakhine state. Stressing the need to ensure peace, stability and prosperity in the region, the foreign minister urged Japanese Ambassador Naoki Ito to use his government's leverage with Myanmar to create a

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US man hits jackpot twice in one year



CNN ONLINE

The chances of winning the lottery are slim to none, but one man's luck has defied the odds. Michael Christiansen of Norfolk, Nebraska, hit the jackpot for a second time this year. Earlier this month, Christiansen won \$100,000 after purchasing a 20X The Money Scratch ticket. He collected his winnings on October 15 at the Nebraska Lottery's office in Lincoln. It was his second trip to the office this year because he won \$50,000 from a Money Clip Scratch ticket in March.

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SHUVRA MURDER Another held, confesses before judge

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

The Detective Branch of Mymensingh police on Saturday arrested Khairul, 35, of Kawrat Paschimpara in the district's Gouripur upazila, for allegedly killing the upazila's



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| JAMAAT | 5:25 | 1:15 | 4:15 | 5:39 | 7:45 | |

SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION



Players of Mahmudullah XI celebrate with the BCB President Cup's trophy after beating Najmul XI in the final by seven wickets at the Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium in Mirpur yesterday. The third team, Tamim XI, was eliminated in the group stage.

PHOTO: FIROZ AHMED

WHO reports 3rd straight daily record

AFP, Geneva

The World Health Organization's coronavirus dashboard yesterday showed a third consecutive daily record high in the number of new confirmed cases. The WHO's complete figures for Saturday showed that 465,319 cases were confirmed to the UN health agency during the day, topping the 449,720 recorded on Friday and the 437,247 logged on Thursday. The WHO has warned that some countries are on a "dangerous track", with too many witnessing an exponential increase in cases. Within each week, the pattern of cases being reported to the WHO tends to spike towards Friday, Saturday and Sunday, and dip around Tuesday and Wednesday. According to the WHO's figures, there have been more than 42.3 million confirmed cases of the respiratory disease, while nearly 1.15 million people have lost their lives, including 6,570 on Saturday. Nearly half of Saturday's new cases were registered in the WHO's Europe region, which logged a one-day record high of 221,898 cases.

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Father-in-law 'has Qatar expat killed'

Allegedly to grab Tk 1cr, 3 held

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Patuakhali

Police arrested a man on charges of killing his son-in-law with hired assassins in a bid to obtain Tk 1 crore from his bank accounts. Dilip Gazi, 45, who worked in Qatar for years, was drugged before he was asphyxiated to death at his home in Lalua area of Kalapara, Patuakhali, on Wednesday night, said Moinul Hasan, superintendent of police in the district.

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