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In Memory of Shazneen

Coming Home . . .

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Reality Number One is the realisation that public protection is a myth in Bangladesh. There is law, but poor law enforcement. There is punishment, but the real culprits are hardly punished. There is accountability, but no one guilty is ever held accountable. Our system is permeated by graft, inefficiency and a lack of commitment to morality and truth on such an insidious and entrenched scale, that it is now virtually impossible to believe and not always clearly defined.

You see, even as we contemplate the horror of Shazneen's murder, even as we lament and mourn her untimely and cruel death, even as we contemplate the implications of a world in which our children are no longer safe within their own homes, we also know for sure that we must go on. Life must and does - go on.

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