

14 beaten to death in first 9 days of this month

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Incidents of killings in mob beating in the city and other parts of the country have gone up alarmingly.

During the first nine days of the current month, a total of 14 alleged muggers were beaten to death. This reflects that in the face of a widespread rise of crime, people are taking the law in their own hands rather than seeking help from the law enforcing agencies.

The police, who always arrived late in the scenario of such mob-attack on muggers, could not ascertain whether these victims were really muggers or the victims of any rivalry.

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Mob beating kills four alleged muggers in city

Another beaten on Thursday dies in hospital

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Four alleged muggers were beaten to death by a mob at Kaptanbazar in the city's Sutrapur area yesterday morning.

Meanwhile, another alleged mugger, who sustained fatal injuries at Basiruddin Road at Kalabagan on Thursday night, died at the Pongu Hospital yesterday

evening.

The identity of the four alleged muggers beaten to death at Kaptan Bazar could not be known immediately.

The incident took place when a gang of about ten muggers tried to snatch away valuables from some Dhaka-bound passengers at the Narsindi bus stand at Gulistan between 7.00 am and 8.00 am.

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UZ Parishad Act Dev activities by MPs, UZ chairmen suggested

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The high-powered Cabinet Committee on amendment to the Upazila Parishad Act yesterday suggested some local-level development activities by parliament members side by side the Upazila Parishad chairmen.

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High-level meeting reviews progress Govt hopes to implement 100-day agenda in time

UNB, Dhaka

The government hopes its first 100-day agenda would be implemented within the deadline and directed all concerned to work with utmost seriousness to complete the tasks in time.

As the government completed its two months in office amid some criticism of some sloth in implementation of the Prime Minister-announced programme, a high-level meeting yesterday held detailed discussion on its progress.

The meeting expressed satisfaction over the work so far done and said there would be positive results in development activities with the implementation of the programmes.

Held at the PM office with Prime Minister's Principal Secretary, Dr Kamal Uddin Siddiqui in the chair, the meeting pointed out that many programmes beyond the 100-day agenda are also being implemented.

Dr Siddiqui directed all concerned to complete the

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It's all over...crowd gathers around bodies of two of the four alleged muggers who were beaten to death by a mob at Kaptanbazar in the city's Sutrapur area yesterday morning.

3 secretaries transferred

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government yesterday transferred three more secretaries.

Ayub Quadri, Economic Relations Division (ERD) secretary, has been transferred to agriculture ministry. He has been replaced by Anisul Haq Chowdhury who previously served in the information ministry.

Agriculture secretary Azad Ruhul Amin has been transferred to the land ministry.

All these three senior secretaries underwent reshuffle only about a month ago.

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Blood crisis grips city donation centres

STAR REPORT

The city's blood donation centres are faced with a serious crisis as the number of regular donors has sharply fallen due to Ramadan.

According to Sandhani, the leading blood centre, blood collection has declined by more than 50 per cent since the onset of the month of fasting.

The Bangladesh Red Crescent Society (BRCS) that also collects a substantial volume of blood to meet the bulk of the country's demand is also facing a similar crisis.

According to Sandhani, a total of 60,000 bags of blood are collected annually by voluntary blood donation organisations.

"Since Ramadan, blood collection has declined by more than 50 per cent," said Ziaur Rahman, president of Sandhani Bangladesh. "For instance, the Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH) and Sir Salimullah Medical College Hospital (SSMCH) blood collection centres are collecting less than

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Khaleda leaves for KSA today

BSS, Dhaka

Prime Minister Khaleda Zia leaves for Saudi Arabia today to perform holy Umrah.

During her three-day stay in the Saudi kingdom, the prime minister will perform Umrah in Makkah Al-Mukarrama, official sources said.

Begum Zia is expected to visit Medina al-Manowara to offer fateha at the holy Rouza Mubarak of Prophet Hazrat Muhammad (SM).

Stay extended Regular case against Shahriar

COURT CORRESPONDENT

Airport police station yesterday took a complaint case on sedition charge against writer and columnist Shahriar Kabir as a regular case and sent it to the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate's court for next hearing.

Mohammad Shahadat Hossain, Officer-in-charge of Airport police station, on Saturday filed the complaint case against Shahriar Kabir.

Second Additional Chief

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ACI Iftar

Sehri, Iftar timing

Ramadan	Dec	Sehri	Iftar
24	10		5-16
25	11	5-06	5-16
26	12	5-07	5-16