



PHOTO: STAR  
A woman activist of Awami League was arrested while she was entering the party office at Bangabandhu Avenue during hartal hours yesterday.

# AL worker gunned down in Rajshahi

RU CORRESPONDENT

An Awami League (AL) activist was gunned down at Bagmara in Rajshahi on Friday night. A gang of criminals opened fire on Parvez, 20, also a fertiliser trader and grocer, from a close range at about 11.00pm at his shop adjacent to his house, sources said.

Son of Ayeenuddin of Dhangapara village in Thikra union, he was immediately rushed to Atrai Health complex but died on the way. SI Siddikur Rahman of Bagmara thana suspected that Parvez might have been associated with the Purba Banglar Communist party (PBCP) and the killing could be a sequel to its factional feud. Sources said all of his family members are supporters of AL and Parvez was the fifth son of his parents. The family members, however, could not say anything about the motive for the killing. Local people said police arrived at the spot late. No-one was arrested till filing of the report

yesterday. A case was filed with Bagmara thana.

## CUTA to observe strike today

CU CORRESPONDENT

Chittagong University Teachers' Association (CUTA) will observe a daylong work abstention programme on the campus today to protest the attack on prominent writer Humayun Azad. They will also take out a silent procession from the local press club that will end at the Shaheed Minar premises after parading important thoroughfares in the city. The procession will be brought out demanding immediate arrest and trial of the culprits involved in the attack. A meeting of the syndicate will also be held on the campus today. The university authorities have convened the meeting to discuss the 22-point demand of the CUTA.

# One gets 37 years' RI for raping girl

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A tribunal in Dhaka yesterday sentenced a man to 37 years' rigorous imprisonment for kidnapping and raping a schoolgirl.

Judge Sarker Abul Mansur Ahmad of the Special Tribunal for Prevention of Women and Children Repression passed the sentence on Mohammad Shah Jamal alias Khokan, the convict.

The tribunal also acquitted another accused, Mosammat Baby, as the charges brought against her were not proved.

Earlier, the prosecution and the defence completed their arguments and the tribunal recorded statements of 14 prosecution witnesses.

According to the prosecution story, the convict, in collusion with Baby, kidnapped the girl from in front of her Nayatola residence in the city's Ramna area at about 11:00am on November

18, 1997. Later, the girl was taken to a residence at Talimabad village in Manikganj where Khokan violated her.

Ramna police rescued the

victim from Manikganj and arrested the two after four days following an abduction case filed by the victim's father Chowdhury Rasul Alam Begh.

Special Public Prosecutor Sakawat Ullah Khan appeared for the state while advocate Abdul Hye for the accused.



PHOTO: STAR  
Students of fourth year (old) took out a procession on Dhaka University Campus yesterday demanding that the honours final examinations be taken immediately. They also demanded arrest of those involved in the attack on prominent writer Humayun Azad.

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Film show

Academy Film Society will screen an American film titled 'Fearless' (1993). Venue: Society auditorium, 21/C Jigatola. Time: 6.30pm.

Road march

Muktachinta Rakkha O Aganotanrk Shakti Protirodh Humayun Azad Mancha organises a road march to protest the attack on prominent writer Humayun Azad. Venue: From Aparajeo Bangla, Dhaka University Campus. Time: 10.00am.

Inauguration

The inaugural ceremony of the Implementation of computerised UD Module with CAM-1 project, organised by Bangladesh Garment Manufacturers and Exporters Association, will be held with Advisor of the commerce ministry Barkat Ullah Bulu as chief guest. Venue: Sonargaon Hotel. Time: 11.00am.

Discussion

A discussion on 'Equal responsibility for both men and women in establishing

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Film show

Academy Film Society will screen an American film titled 'K\*19 The Widowermaker' (2002). Venue: Society auditorium, 21/C Jigatola. Time: 6.30pm.

Seminar

A seminar on the 'First community based solid waste management', organised jointly by JICA and Dhaka City Corporation, will be held. Venue: NagarBhaban. Time: 10.00am.

Discussion

Community Development Library will hold a discussion on 'International Women's Day and Bangladesh Today'. Venue: Library premises, Dhanmondi. Time: 10.30am.