

2 to die for killing jewellery trader

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday sentenced two youths to death for killing a jewellery trader in old part of the city.

Judge Mohammad Rezaul Islam of the First Additional Metropolitan Sessions Judge's Court handed down the verdict on the convicts -- Sumon Saha, 25, and Satya Gopal Mondol, 26.

Though the names of the convicts were not included in the FIR (first information report), their confessional statements proved their involvement in the killing, the judge said in his verdict.

The convicts can appeal with the High Court against the judgement within seven days.

According to the prosecution, Abul Kashem Munshi, 40, of Hossainpur under Debidwar in Comilla district, was killed by a gang

of robbers at his jewellery shop at Tantibazar in Dhaka at about 10:30pm on February 4 last year. The gang also took away Tk 18,000 and gold ornaments worth about Tk 50,000.

The victim's son Md Billal Hossain filed a murder case with Kotwali police station the next day without mentioning any name of suspects.

The investigation officer pressed charges against the two convicts, who worked at nearby jewellery shops, on May 24 last year. During the investigation, they gave confessional statements to magistrates on different dates.

On hearing the verdict, a bemused Sumon wanted to know from his lawyer about his fate.

Additional Public Prosecutor Khorsheed Alam appeared for the state while Advocate Mohammad Selim defended the accused.



Awami League leader Jilur Rahman speaks at a memorial meeting organised jointly by Bangladesh MuktiJoddha Sangsad and Palestine Repatriated Freedom Fighter Council at the Central Shaheed Minar in the city yesterday.

PHOTO: STAR

Tributes paid to Yasser Arafat

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The life-long struggle of Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat will remain as a source of inspiration for freedom fighters all over the world, said the speakers at a memorial meeting yesterday.

They said Arafat died physically, but his immense contribution to the establishment of an independent Palestine can never die.

The meeting was jointly organised by Bangladesh MuktiJoddha Sangsad and Palestine Repatriated Freedom Fighter Council at the Central Shaheed Minar in the city.

Paying tributes to Yasser Arafat, Jilur Rahman, acting president of Awami League (AL), said Arafat is the name of revolutionary leader who never compromised on anti-liberation forces on the question of independence.

The four-decade struggle of Arafat would never go in vain, and the Palestinian people must get an independent Palestine state, he asserted.

"Yasser Arafat was the first international leader who extended his unconditional support for the people of Bangladesh during the liberation war," said AL presidium member Toifal Ahmed.

AL presidium member Abdur Razzaq said the people of Bangladesh would continue to support the Palestinians in their just struggle for independence.

"We have to be motivated by the spirit of Arafat to topple the anti-people government of our country," said Syeda Sajeda Chowdhury, another AL presidium member.

Bangladesh Workers Party President Rashed Khan Menon said Arafat is a source of inspiration for Bangladeshi people who are repeatedly oppressed by the anti-liberation forces.

Ziaul Kabir Dulu, chairman of Palestine Repatriated Freedom Fighter Council, said Bangladesh freedom fighters numbering seven to eight thousands went to Palestine in 1982 to fight for its independence.

ASM Abdur Rok, former vice-chancellor of Dhaka University AK Azad Chowdhury and Dhaka University Teachers' Association President AAMS Arefin Siddique also spoke.

'Gender awareness critical for quality administration'

Gender awareness of civil servants is critical for ensuring quality administration in ministries, divisions, departments and government agencies, said Dr Shirley Randell, a gender specialist of the UNDP.

The nation's development goals could only be met by involving all women, who make up 50 percent of population, as well as men in the efforts to reduce poverty and ensure sustainable development, said the UNDP official.

Dr Randell, project implementation specialist, Capacity Building for Gender Mainstreaming Project (CBGM), was speaking at the inaugural session of the 41st Senior Staff Course at Bangladesh Public Administration Training Centre

(BPATC) in Savar yesterday. Twenty-eight joint secretaries from 23 ministries and divisions, including four women, are taking part in this high level training.

Dr Matiur Rahman of BPATC told the participants that the CBGM Project would support their participation in a gender research programme as part of their course.

The theme of the course is good governance and human development.

Coaching centre teacher killed in road crash

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A female teacher of a coaching centre was killed in a road accident at Farmgate in the city yesterday morning.

Afroza Sultana Parul, 26, was crossing the road near the Farmgate police box to go to her office, FM Institute, at Indira Road at around 7:45am when a passenger bus ran over her.

Local people rushed her to Dhaka Medical College Hospital but she died on the way.

Police arrested the bus driver, Tajul Islam, and took the bus to Tejgaon Police Station.

Daughter of Abu Taleb of Lohait village in Moksdepur, Gopalganj, Parul lived with her sister at Kafur. She completed her master's degree in accounting from Eden University College last year.

BNP-backed criminal escapes arrest

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) raided the residence of a BNP-backed top criminal at Bakalia in the port city on Sunday night.

But Morshed Khan escaped the arrest by jumping into a derelict pond near his house.

Rab officials said two shots were fired at Morshed as he jumped into the pond.

They made frantic search in and around the pond whole night but could not trace him out.

A Rab official said, "We don't know what has happened to his fate after the fire."

Rab launched the raid at 7:00pm after a tip off that Morshed was present at this residence.

Breastfeeding may prevent 13pc death of children

Experts tell int'l meet

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Experts at a meeting yesterday called for exclusive breastfeeding for proper mental and physical growth of children.

They said breastfeeding for six months could prevent 13 percent death of children under five.

The three-day international meeting has been jointly organised by South Asian International Baby Food Action Network (IBFAN), Bangladesh Breastfeeding Foundation (BBF) and National Nutrition Programme (NNP) at Mohakhali in the city.

Speaking at the inaugural ses-

sion, Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr Khandaker Mosharrar Hossain said 48 percent of the children under five are underweight while 43 percent are stunted.

He said the children continue to suffer from malnutrition due to lack of exclusive breastfeeding.

The minister stressed the need for political will, public investment, awareness among health workers, and involvement of families to promote breastfeeding to achieve millennium goals in South Asia.

He also highlighted the government initiatives to reduce child malnutrition.

Dr Arun Gupta, regional coordi-

nator of IBFAN, said exclusive breastfeeding is good both for mother and child.

"It is unfortunate that we are not investing money for the children when their brain develops in first three years," he added.

IBFAN South Asia and BBF Chairman Prof MQK Talukder,

Unicef South Asia representative IJ Uhaa, and WHO representative in Bangladesh Dr George John Kombakono also spoke.

A total of 60 representatives from Afghanistan, Bhutan, Nepal, India, Maldives, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and the host Bangladesh are taking part in the meeting.

MEHERPUR AL LEADER MURDER CASE 3 outlaws get death, another life

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Kishitia

A Meherpur court yesterday sentenced three outlaws to death and another to life imprisonment for killing Awami League leader Ashraful Islam.

District and Sessions Judge Abdul Hamid handed down the verdict. The convicts with death are Atikur Rahman, 25, Khairul Islam, 30, and Barkat Ali, 28. The other convict is Bakkar Hossain. Of the four, Atikur and Khairul were tried in absentia.

All of them are members of Biplobi Communist Party (BCP). They hail from village Saharbat in Gangni upazila, Meherpur, police said.

According to the prosecution, the convicts stabbed Ashraf, president of Saharbat AL, to death on April 25 in 2002 when he was returning home

1,724 more held

UNB, Dhaka

Police arrested 1,724 more people on various charges and seized 11 firearms during their ongoing countrywide drive in the last 24 hours till 6:00am yesterday.

The law enforcers also seized a weapon and six rounds of bullet and filed cases against six people under the Arms Act, said an official handout.

Death anniversary

Today is the third death anniversary of Hasina Faruque, former teacher of Tejgaon Government Girls' School and Shaheed Anwar Girls' School, says a press release.

She was the wife of Dr ASM Humayun Faruque, former director of Mitford Hospital and Public Health Institute.

Relatives, friends, admirers and students have been requested to pray for salvation of the departed soul.

Masudur Rahman

Today is the ninth death anniversary of Masudur Rahman, former headmaster of Ghorasal Pilot High School, says a press release.

He was also the controller of the then Calcutta rationing department in 1944. Milad mahfil, Qurankhwani and discussion will be held at Ghorasal on the occasion.

NSU convocation tomorrow

UNB, Dhaka

The 8th convocation of North South University (NSU) will be held at Bangladesh-China Friendship Conference Centre tomorrow.

President Iajuddin Ahmed, who is the chancellor of NSU, will attend the convocation as chief guest and confer degrees on 375 graduates.

State Minister for Education ANM Ehsanul Hoque Milon will attend the function as special guest.



Rotary governor nominees elected

Aminuzzaman Bhuiyan and Rafiq Ahmed Siddique have been elected district governor nominees of Rotary International District 3280 Bangladesh for 2006-07 and 2007-08 respectively, says a press release.

Bhuiyan, a past president of Rotary Club of Chittagong, and Siddique, a past president of Rotary Club of Dhaka Midtown, were elected unopposed.

Both Bhuiyan and Siddique, if elected by the Rotary International Conventions, will serve as district governors for their respective terms.



Temperature may fall

UNB, Dhaka

Weather is likely to remain dry over the country in the next 12 hours till 6:00pm today, with light to moderate fog at places during early morning.

Night temperature may fall slightly over the country during the period, Met Office said.

Yesterday's highest temperature of 31.5 degrees Celsius was recorded at Rangamati and the lowest of 15.0 degrees at Srirongal.

The sun sets in the capital at 5:11pm today and rises at 6:20am tomorrow.

The highest and lowest temperature and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were:

City/Town	Temperature in Celsius		Humidity in percentage	
	Max	Min	Morning	Evening
Dhaka	28.2	18.0	65	70
Chittagong	30.4	17.4	66	64
Rajshahi	29.3	15.8	87	73
Khulna	29.2	18.0	86	76
Barisal	29.4	17.5	92	96
Sylhet	29.4	19.0	68	71
Cox's Bazar	30.4	17.5	72	75

Obituary

Mafizul Karim Parul, wife of late Mesbahuddin Ahmed, died on Sunday, says a press release.

She is survived by her son Akram Ahmed, Bir

Utam, and daughter Shamima Ahmed.

Her qukhani will be held at her home at 5/2, Block # A, Lalmaria after Ashr prayers today.

Mofazzal Hossain

Mofazzal Hossain, former station manager of Bangladesh Biman, died of brain haemorrhage at a city hospital on Sunday at the age of 65, says a press release.

He is survived by his wife, two sons and two daughters.

He was buried at Tejgaon Rahim Metal Jame Mosque graveyard yesterday.

Shawkat Hossain Masum, business editor of the Protham Alo, is his eldest son.

Md Refat Ullah

Haji Md Refat Ullah, a businessman and deaf chess player, died of a cardiac arrest in Kolkata on Sunday at the age of 50, says a press release.

A resident of Champatali Lane, Sowarighat, he is survived by his wife, two sons and two daughters.

জনতা ব্যাংক
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অর্থস্বপ্ন আদালত আইন ২০০৩-এর ১২ ধারার বিধানমতে
"সংশোধনী বিজ্ঞপ্তি"

১১/১১/০৪ তারিখে ডেইলী স্টার পত্রিকায় বঙ্গবন্ধু সম্পত্তির বিক্রয় বিজ্ঞপ্তিতে বঙ্গবন্ধু জাতীয়/গ্যারান্টি/জামিনদারের নামের তালিকায় ১নং ক্রমিকে ভুলভাবে প্রকাশিত কামার জিয়াউল ইসলাম এর স্থলে কামাল জিয়াউল ইসলাম পড়তে হবে। ১৪ নং ক্রমিকের বর্ণিত ভুলভাবে প্রকাশিত মিসেস সৈয়দা নিখাত নাজমুল, স্বামী-নাজমুল হোসেন, পিতা-রফিকুল ইসলামের পরিবর্তে মিসেস সৈয়দা নিখাত নাজমুল, স্বামী-নাজমুল হোসেন, নাজমুল হোসেন, পিতা-রফিকুল ইসলাম পড়তে হবে।

সম্পত্তির তফসিল/বিবরণ এর ৭ ও ১১ নং ক্রমিকের ভুলভাবে প্রকাশিত বর্ণিত দাগ নং যথাক্রমে ২৪৪৬, ১১০০, ১১০০, ১১০০, ১১০০, ১১০০, ১১০০, ১১০০, ২৭৪, ২৭৪, ২৪৫৫, ২৮৬৩, ২৮৫২, ২৮৫৩, ২৮৬৩, ২৮৫৪, ৪৮০, ৪৮২ এর স্থলে ২৪৪৬, ১১০০, ১১০০, ১১০০, ১১০০, ১১০০, ২৭৪, ২৭৪ ২৪৫৫ ২৮৬৩ ২৮৫২ ২৮৬৩ ২৮৫৪ ৪৮০ ৪৮২ পড়তে হবে।

শর্তাবলীর ২ নং ক্রমিকের বর্ণিত ভুলভাবে প্রকাশিত ২.৫% এর স্থলে ২.৫% পড়তে হবে।

উক্ত বিজ্ঞপ্তিতে প্রকাশিত অন্যান্য তথ্যাবলী অপরিবর্তিত থাকবে।

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Power Grid Company of Bangladesh Ltd. (PGCB) entrusted with the responsibility of operation, maintenance and development of national power grid, invites applications from Bangladeshi citizens for recruitment against the following positions on contract basis, initially for a period of 5(five) years but renewable subject to satisfactory performance. Brief job description along with qualification and experience requirement as well as entry level compensation package are detailed below against respective positions.

1. Manager (Finance) - 1 (One)
Job Description:
The Manager (Finance) shall be one of the key persons in the Finance Department. The candidate shall be systematic in work, hard working and dynamic. He/She shall be responsible to ensure submission of reports to different agencies on time, process all L/Cs of the Company, withdrawal of fund from different agencies, withdrawal of ADP fund, ensuring preparation of bills and collection thereof, maintaining record for Foreign Loan & Grants, Welfare fund and other fund created by the company, preparing statement of DSL and other financial information, preparation of company's budget and budget variance reports. He/She shall be responsible for any other jobs as may be assigned to him/her from time to time.
Qualification and Experience:
The candidates must have M.Com or equivalent degree and must be FCA/FCMA with at least 8 years experience in relevant field at any Govt./Semi Govt./Autonomous/Multinational/Large organization.
Age: Not exceeding 45 years on the date of submission of application. May be relaxed for exceptionally qualified candidate.
Compensation package (per month):
1. Basic salary : Tk. 20,000/- (Twenty thousand)
2. House rent ceiling : Maximum Tk. 8000/- (Eight thousand)
3. Medical Allowance : 1000/- (One thousand)
4. Transport : As per company rules
5. Income Tax : To be paid by the employee

2. Assistant Manager (Accounts/Audit) - 8 (Eight)
Job Description:
The Assistant Manager (Accounts/Audit) shall be one of the members in the team of Accounts /Audit department. The candidate shall be responsible for maintenance of Books of accounts and preparation of financial statements as well as performing the internal audit function.
Qualification and Experience:
The candidates must be a Chartered Accountant (CA) or a Cost and Management Accountant (CMA) with M.Com. Knowledge in computerized accounting application packages will be an added advantage. He/She must have practical experience of at least 2(two) years in any reputed private/ multinational organization or sector corporation.
Age: Not exceeding 35 years on the date of submission of application. May be relaxed for exceptionally qualified candidate.
Compensation package (per month):
1. Basic salary : Tk. 10,000/- (Ten thousand)
2. House rent ceiling : Maximum Tk. 5000/- (Five thousand)
3. Medical Allowance : Tk. 600/- (Six hundred)
4. Conveyance : Tk. 500/- (Five hundred)
5. Income Tax : To be paid by the employee

In addition to the above compensation package the company provides two festival bonus in a year, contributory provident fund, group insurance, 100% leave encashment, annual increment, gratuity etc. Canvassing in any way shall disqualify the candidate.
Applications accompanying Bio-Data, two passport size photographs, attested photocopy of all educational certificates should reach to Manager (HRM) at the above address on or before 15/12/2004.

(Mohammed Salim FCMA)
Company Secretary