

Campaign to reduce road, river accidents launched

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An awareness campaign aimed at reducing road and river accidents during the holy Eid-ul-Azha was launched yesterday.

Sheba Bangladesh (Society of Human Endeavour of Broad Achievement for Bangladesh), a

voluntary organisation, launched the campaign at a press conference in the city.

Firstly we will set up banners at bus and launch terminals at Sadarghat, Gabtoli and Mohakhali tomorrow to create awareness among the drivers and passengers. Later we will take up steps for a coun-

try-wide training programme for the drivers," said Sheba Vice-president Mohammad Rafiqul Islam.

He said a joint workshop with Bangladesh Road Transport Authority would start from February 10 in this regard.

Sheba Executive Director Saïdur Rahman said identity card with

blood group on it would be introduced soon for quick identification and treatment of the victims of accident.

Mohammad Golam Kayes, Mohammad Mokhlesur Rahman, Mohammad Farhad Hossain and Amir Ali were present at the press conference.

Death threat to journalist Maniruzzaman

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Noted journalist and columnist Maniruzzaman received a death threat from an unknown caller at his home yesterday.

Maniruzzaman, senior assistant editor of the daily Sangbad, received the call at about 10.30am from a person who identified himself as 'Shuvro'. The man hurled abusive words at him and threatened to slaughter him.

Maniruzzaman filed a general diary (GD) with the Ramna Police Station and also informed Deputy Commissioner (South) Khan Syed Hasan of the incident.

The DC told him that police would look into it seriously.

The specific reason for issuing the death threat could not be known.

In the GD, Maniruzzaman mentioned that he has been writing columns on different issues in various newspapers, which might irk some quarters.

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