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Prof Mozaffer Ahmed, a trustee of Transparency International Bangladesh, speaks at a press conference on the occasion of launching a report on 'Corruption in Bangladesh: A household survey' at the National Press Club yesterday.

## Garments employee murdered

### 1,713 more held

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A garments employee, stabbed by a gang of hoodlums at Pallabi in the city, died at Dhaka Medical College and Hospital (DMCH) in the early hours of yesterday.

Mohammad Mintu alias Shaon, 25, a supervisor of the Poster Apparel Garments, succumbed to his injuries six hours after he was admitted to hospital

with critical wounds.

Mintu's younger brother Pitar Matabbar told reporters at the DMCH that one Zakir, who borrowed Tk 42,000 from the victim two years ago, asked Mintu to come to a house at Block-D of Mirpur section-10.

But Zakir was locked into an altercation with Mintu when he went to the house at around 8:30pm on Tuesday to collect his

money. At one stage, Zakir along with his accomplices beat and stabbed him in the head, Pitar said.

Receiving information, Mintu's relatives rushed him to the DMCH where he succumbed to his injuries at 3:45am yesterday.

Pallabi police picked up Zakir and two others -- Kalam and his wife Shefali -- in this connection.

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Police arrested 1,713 more people on various charges from different parts of the country in the last 24 hours as of 6.00am yesterday.

The law enforcers also recovered four firearms, four other weapons and eight bullets and filed five cases against 11 people under the Arms Act, said a Police Headquarters press release.

