

Two killed in city road accidents

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Two people were killed in separate road accidents in the city on Thursday.

JC Ray Antim, 30, an employee of Sandhani Life Insurance Company, and his friend Syedur Rahman Syed were critically injured in a collision between their motor-bike and a taxi cab at Gabtali.

Later, Antim succumbed to his injuries at Dhaka Medical College and Hospital (DMCH). They were returning home at Shyamoli from Gabtoli.

In the other incident, an unidentified youth, 35, was killed when a vehicle hit him at Manda in Sabujbagh in the morning.

Death threat to judge in Khulna

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The judge of Khulna Divisional Speedy Trial Tribunal has received death threats from some chargesheeted accused in a UP chairman murder case recorded with Morrelganj thana under Bagerhat district.

When contacted, Judge Abdus Samad told this correspondent on Thursday that he had officially informed the High Court of the matter expressing his security problem in trying the case in Khulna.

The death threats came during the trial of the case, he added.

The High Court later transferred the case to Barisal Divisional Speedy Trial Tribunal.

Morrelganj UP Chairman and Awami League leader Abdur Rashid Khan was killed in November last year.

His elder brother Abdul Mannan Khan lodged a FIR with Morrelganj thana naming some 32 people as accused.

Most of the accused are supporters of BNP as mentioned in the FIR.

The hearing of the case is now being held at Barisal Speedy Trial Tribunal.



Visitors crowd around a stall with an array of seasonal fruits at the GrameenPhone Fruit Festival at the Bangladesh Shishu Academy in the city yesterday, the last day of the two-day festival.

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Dipshikha health centre opens

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Moni Singh-Farhad Memorial Trust launched a healthcare service yesterday to provide medical facilities for the general people at an affordable price.

Justice Muhammad Habibur Rahman inaugurated the Dipshikha Health Service and Diagnostic Centre at a ceremony on its premises at Topakhana Road in the city.

"Providing healthcare service to general people at cheaper rate is definitely a unique initiative of the trust in the present context," said Habibur Rahman.

He hoped that the health service

centre will set an example of serving people.

Setting up the centre is part of various pro-people activities of Moni Singh-Farhad Memorial Trust, said Trust Secretary Shekhor Dutta.

"We have taken a tough challenge to provide the best healthcare service to general people at half the rate charged by others," he added.

"Ensuring access to the healthcare service for poor people was one of the objectives of the liberation war, which is yet to be achieved," said veteran politician Barun Roy as special guest.

Trust President Saifuddin Ahmed Manik said, "Although we are providing treatment at cheaper price, the standard of the health service will be maintained."