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## Grabbers filling up yet another city wetland

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Just beside the Martyred Intellectuals' Monument at Rayerbazar in the capital, local brick and sand traders are filling up a canal known as "Hikkar Khal."

Filling up of this canal and wetland along the Dhaka Flood Protection Embankment may cause waterlogging in Mohammadpur, Basila, Rayerbazar and Dhamondi areas in rainy season, locals say.

While visiting the area last Thursday, this correspondent found a local guy named Mohammad Alamgir supervising the land filling work at Hikkar Khal. When asked, Alamgir claimed that he is the owner of the land.

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