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Koji Nojima, chairman of Japan-Bangladesh Joint Committee for Commercial and Economic Cooperation, called on Awami League President Sheikh Hasina at her Sudha Sadan residence in the city yesterday.

6 killed in separate road accidents

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Six people, including a woman, were killed in separate road accidents in last two days.

Of them, four were killed in the city and two at Dhamrai near Dhaka.

A Dhaka-bound jeep dashed Rahim Uddin, 40, and Anisur Rahman Anis, 30, at about 5:00am when they were waiting to download sand from a truck at Dhulivita bus stand in Dhamrai killing Anis on the spot.

The injured Rahim Uddin was rushed to Dhamrai Health Complex where the doctors declared him dead.

A passenger bus hit Sabbir Ahmed when he was crossing a road in front of Anik Plaza, Section-12 of Mirpur at about 8:00am leaving him seriously injured. He was rushed to Dhaka Medical College and Hospital (DMCH) where the doctors declared him dead.

A truck ran over a three-wheeler van driver Md Ranga Mia, 35, near Bashundhara Gate at Badda at 4:30am. He died while being rushed to DMCH.

Hawker Golam Faruk, 46, was run over by a train at Mohakhali rail cross-

ing at 10:30am killing him on the spot.

An unidentified young woman was knocked down near Phoenix crossing at Tejgaon industrial area on Thursday at 10:30pm. Tejgaon police recovered the body in the early hours of yesterday.

All the bodies were sent to the DMCH morgue for autopsy.

POST-KATRINA RELIEF WORK

Dhaka ready to send skilled people to US

UNB, Dhaka

Bangladesh stands ready to send people experienced in natural disaster management and to provide logistic support to help in the relief and evacuation in Hurricane Katrina-hit US states of Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama.

'We're standby with necessary manpower, rescue boat, field hospital, medical and engineering teams, and workers to clean the debris of the hurricane,' Foreign Minister M Morshed Khan told UNB.

In reply to a question, he said: 'We've already informed them (US) of our readiness for assistance if they require.'

Bangladesh already donated one million US dollar for the hurricane victims, which was accepted by the US administration.

Foreign Secretary Hemayet Uddin earlier told journalists that discussions were on between Dhaka and Washington regarding the disaster management assistance as Bangladesh has got the expertise to deal with the post-cyclone and flood situations.

Hasina consoles family members of city AL leader

BDNEWS, Dhaka

Leader of the Opposition in Parliament Sheikh Hasina visited the house of Lalbagh Awami League leader late Sydur Rahman Sona Miah at Chakbazar in the city yesterday.

Hasina, also AL president, spent sometime with the family members of Sona Miah, a valiant freedom fighter, and consoled them.

AL Organising Secretary Saber Hossain Chowdhury and party leader Mostafa Jalal Mohiuddin accompanied her.



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The Bonsai Association organised an Ikebana and Bonsai Exhibition at Sheraton Hotel in the city yesterday on the occasion of Japan Trade Fair.