

Blacker Shamsu shown arrested, sent to jail

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headquarters at Khalishpur.

Shamsul Alam alias Blacker Shamsu, an alleged smuggler, was sent to Khulna district jail yesterday showing him arrested under arms act, says a Rab press release.

A revolver with four bullets was recovered from his village home at Rajapur under Rupsha upazila.

The most wanted smuggler of south-western zone of the country was arrested by the Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) on Tuesday night at the Mirpur area in the capital. He was brought to Khulna on Wednesday night for interrogation in the Rab

A tailor by profession 20 years ago, Shamsu built up his fortunes through smuggling of arms, foodgrains, drugs and gold from India and Myanmar, sources said. But every time he was able to avoid legal action due to intervention and influence of his beneficiaries in the ruling party and the police department, sources added.

A godfather of terrorist Ershad Shikder, he used to sell arms to extremists. He was custodian of Ershad Shikder's arms, which are yet to be recovered, sources said.



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Bangladesh Juba Mahila League stages a demonstration at Muktangan in the city yesterday protesting Prime Minister Khaleda Zia's derogatory remarks against Awami League President Sheikh Hasina.

2 killed in road accidents

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Two people were killed and six others injured in two separate road accidents on Rangpur-Bogra highway yesterday.

One Amiran Nessa, 60, of Palashbari was killed when a trac-

tor trolley hit her from behind while she was crossing the road injuring two other pedestrians.

Meanwhile, a Bogra-bound truck knocked an unidentified pedestrian at Kalitola under Gobindaganj upazila leaving him dead on the spot and four others injured.

BCL enforces strike at CU

CU CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) Chittagong University (CU) unit enforced a strike causing suspension of classes at the university yesterday.

The BCL enforced the strike demanding punishment to ICS activists involved in the Thursday's attack on its mourning procession. It also demanded removal of the CU proctor body in presence of which the ICS activists attacked injuring two BCL leaders.

Later, at a rally in front of Sholoshahar railway station, the leaders threatened to enforce an indefinite strike on the campus from January 17 unless their demands are met.

The agitating BCL activists during the strike barred students from going to the university at the railway station in the morning. Movement of the buses carrying teachers and students to and from the campus were also disrupted during the time.

However, the scheduled examinations of all departments were held.

