



Students of Bharateshwari Homes present a colourful display at Bangabandhu Stadium in the city yesterday as part of the programmes to mark the Victory Day.

## Youth murdered

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Police recovered the body of an unidentified youth from Mohammadpur embankment in the city yesterday.

Being informed by the locals, police reached the spot in the morning and retrieved the body hidden in a gumysack.

The body bore numerous stab marks while hands and legs were tied with rope, killed elsewhere and later dumped there.

## SSKOP postpones programme

BSS, Dhaka

The Sangbadik-Sramik-Karmachari Oikya Parishad (SSKOP) yesterday postponed its today's programme as the government has decided to form a review committee for the removal of anomalies, revival of existing facilities and amendment to the 6th Wage Board Award.

The meeting held at the National Press Club said that the government has taken the decision following the demand of the members of the newspaper industry.

Chaired by SSKOP Co-convenor Mozammel Haq, the meeting expressed the hope that the government would take necessary measures to publish an amended gazette notification soon by forming the review committee.

## Road crash kills 5 in Sirajganj

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Sirajganj

At least five people were killed and 22 others injured in a road accident on the Dhaka-Bogra highway in Shahebganj area in Sirajganj early yesterday.

The dead were been identified as Shamsul Islam, 30, Fonaruddin, 32, Abdul Aziz, 40, and Harez Ali, 25, of village Chariasika. Identity of another could not be known immediately.

Police and witnesses said the accident occurred at around 4.30am when an auto-tempo popularly known as Nasimon bound for Solonga market with fish traders collided head-on with a bus coming from opposite direction, leaving Shamsul Islam and Fonaruddin dead on the spot and injuring others.

Of the injured, Abdul Aziz and Harez Ali succumbed to their injuries on the way to hospital, while another unidentified person died at Bogra Hospital.

## Happenings since 1/11 are no way out

Says AL acting secretary

UNB, Dhaka

Awami League acting general secretary Syed Ashrafur Islam yesterday said the happenings in Bangladesh since 1/11 that will never take the country towards any way out.

"We're passing days in an abnormal situation, so it's not possible to say everything. What has been happening in Bangladesh since 1/11 won't take the country to any way out," he told a discussion organised by AL marking the Victory Day at the Engineers' Institute.

He expressed doubt about the good intention and future planning of those who compare AL with BNP, and said definitely there would be a call from leaders to face these issues in January next.

"I'm doubtful about good intention and future planning of those who compare us with BNP. In January next, we'll have to face these matters. Leaders are there. Definitely there'll be calls (for that)," he said.

Presided over by acting president Zillur Rahman, the discussion was addressed also by party president.

ium members Syeda Sajeda Chowdhury, Abdur Razzak, Tofail Ahmed, Suranjit Sengupta and Motia Chowdhury, former Air Force chief Air Vice Marshal (Retd) AR.

Khandaker, poet Rafiq Azad, AL organising secretaries Akhteruzzaman and Abdur Rahman, acting Dhaka City AL president MA Aziz and general secretary Kamrul Islam.

Pointing to the party leaders,

Aziz said, "We're waiting for your call. If you call us we'll take to the streets to have the leader (Sheikh Hasina) released."

Zillur said he is not supposed to preside over the today's discussion as it is to be done by Sheikh Hasina.

He said Hasina is leading an isolated and unbearable life in prison.

"Even, permission was not given to meet her on the Victory Day," he regretted.

## Detained KCC mayor shifted to KMCH prison cell

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

The detained Mayor of Khulna City Corporation (KCC) Sheikh Tayebur Rahman was admitted to prison cell of Khulna Medical College and Hospital (KMCH) yesterday as he has been suffering from serious heart ailment, high blood pressure and arthritis.

He is now under the treatment of eminent cardiologist Dr Bidhan Chandra. The mayor was shifted to Jessore district jail on November 12.

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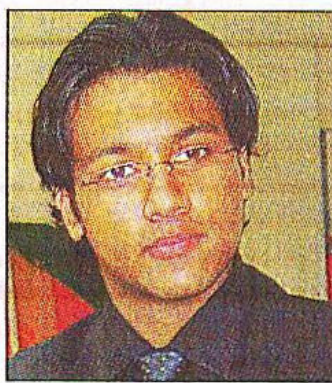
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## Mufrad Nabeel's untimely demise

Mufrad Nabeel Rahman, son of Prof Dr Anisur Rahman of Apollo Hospitals, Dhaka and Prof Dr Amena Mohsin of Dhaka University, passed away at Apollo Hospitals in the city due to an acute liver failure yesterday evening at the age of 20, says a press release.

Mufrad, grandson of former commissioner of taxes Mizanur Rahman, was a student of Scholastica School and Bangladesh Medical College.

His namaz-e-janazah will be held at a mosque at Road No 7, Dhanmondi (opposite Russian Cultural Centre) after Zohr prayers today.



## NCC Bank's 52nd Branch at Shyamoli

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Nomination Deadline January 15, 2008

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### Rules of Eligibility

The awardee should be involved in private business enterprise and must be a Bangladeshi citizen or ordinarily a resident in Bangladesh. He/she must have clean banking and tax records. There is no restriction on age or race. In case of Enterprise Award, only Bangladeshi companies will be considered with published balanced sheets. In case of Financial Institution Award, Bangladeshi and joint venture financial institutions will be considered with published balanced sheet. In case of joint venture financial institutions, a company incorporated in Bangladesh for carrying out business activities jointly by a Bangladeshi and foreign investors will be considered. The shares of the company are to be held by Bangladeshi and foreign shareholders as per the joint agreement. The Bangladeshi investor must have invested at the start-up capital of the company. Shareholding by Bangladeshi shareholder(s) as a nominee shareholder in a subsidiary company in Bangladesh of a 100% foreign owned company will not fall under this category.

### Selection Process

An independent eleven-member jury panel comprising of leading intellectuals, business persons, academicians, lawyers, financial experts and eminent personalities with high social standing, credibility and prestige including CEO's of the two sponsoring organisations shall select the winners.

## Criteria

### Business Person of the Year

The nominee will be selected for his/her leadership, financial performance, personal qualities, managerial skills and contribution to Bangladesh's development. In financial performance, the nominee must have made outstanding contribution to his/her organization. In case of a public company, he/she must have contributed to a substantial increase in the returns on shareholders' funds. In case of a private company or sole proprietorship, he/she must have contributed to an improvement in return on capital invested. Personal qualities will include integrity, entrepreneurial abilities and personal leadership. Managerial skills will depend on depth of management, adaptability, tenacity, innovation, productivity, creativity and good labour management.

### Outstanding Woman in Business

The nominee must be an entrepreneur who has proven her capability to successfully establish and run a business on her own. She must be a person of integrity and tenacity and her success should be a source of inspiration for others. She must be an example to others that women can be successful in business against all odds that they are faced with. Focus would also be given on her dynamism, innovation, determination, adaptability and depth of management.

### Enterprise of the Year

Open to small and medium-sized companies, the nominee will be based on innovation, financial performance, productivity, company management and contribution to the community. Innovation will mean success of the company either in products, services or new markets. In financial performance/productivity, the enterprise must have made outstanding growth in profit. Company management will focus on creative management style in developing harmonious relations within the organisation.

### Best Financial Institution of the Year

Open to Financial Institutions- Commercial Banks, Insurance Companies and Leasing Companies. The nomination will be based on innovation, financial performance, productivity, company management and contribution to the community. Innovation will mean the success of the institution in innovation of products, services or new markets. In financial performance or productivity the company must have an outstanding and sustainable growth in profit. The company must also have clean banking, client and tax records. In the area of management, the company must display an effective management style and have a viable organization structure. The company must have a track record of establishing and maintaining harmonious relations within the organization and set examples for the industry. The company should

have made positive contribution to Bangladesh's development and society through Corporate Social Responsibility programmes.

**Previous Winners:** 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005 & 2006

### Business Person of the Year

Samson H. Chowdhury, Chairman, Square Group, 2000  
Anisur Rahman Sinha, Chairman, Opex Group, 2001  
Syed Manzur Elahi, Chairman, Apex Group, 2002  
Mohammed Mizanur Rahman, Chairman, PHP Group, 2003  
Kazi Zahedul Hasan, Managing Director, Kazi Farms Ltd., 2004  
Fazlur Rahman, Chairman, City Group of Industries, 2005  
Md. Nasir Uddin, Managing Director, Pacific Jeans Limited, 2006

### Outstanding Woman in Business

Salina Akther, Proprietor, Aakor, 2000  
Rehana Kashem, Proprietor, Saatrong Handicrafts & Fashion, 2001  
Geeteara Safiya Choudhury, Chairman & Managing Director, Adcomm Ltd., 2002  
Monjulika Chakma, Proprietor, Bain Textiles, 2003  
Selina Quader, Proprietor, Agro Concern, 2004  
Hasina Newaz, Proprietor, Orchid Printers, 2005  
Zinet Fatema, Proprietor, Jahan Metal, 2006

### Enterprise of the Year

Concord Engineers & Construction Ltd., 2000  
Rahimafrooz (Bangladesh) Ltd., 2000  
Otohi Ltd., 2001  
Micro Electronics Ltd., 2002  
M. M. Isphani Ltd., 2003  
Incepta Pharmaceuticals Ltd., 2004  
BRB Cable Industries Ltd., 2005  
ACME Laboratories Ltd., 2006

### Best Financial Institution of the Year

Dutch-Bangla Bank Limited, 2006

The decisions of the Jury shall be final and binding and cannot be contested. Please fill the attached form and send it to:

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## The Nomination Goes to...

### Business Person of the Year 2007

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_  
Company: \_\_\_\_\_  
Why: \_\_\_\_\_

### Outstanding Woman in Business of the Year 2007

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_  
Company: \_\_\_\_\_  
Why: \_\_\_\_\_

### Enterprise of the Year 2007

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_  
Company: \_\_\_\_\_  
Why: \_\_\_\_\_

### Best Financial Institution of the Year 2007

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_  
Company: \_\_\_\_\_  
Why: \_\_\_\_\_

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Nomination Deadline January 15, 2008