

MANJURUL IMAM MURDER

Squabbles in Khulna AL

Slain leader's son says he told the truth in court

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

Intra-party squabbles in Khulna Awami League have been further exposed following the recent statements of slain party leader Manjurul Imam's son and other party men in court.

Two rival factions in the party are now at loggerheads, blaming each other for 'instigating' Imam's son Abdullah Harun Rumi to 'twist the truth tactfully' during deposition before Khulna Speedy Trial Tribunal on February 25. Rumi is the eldest son of Manjurul Imam, who was president of Khulna AL.

There is no denying of the fact that deposition of prosecution witness Rumi will now expose involvement of AL leaders in the plan to murder Manjurul Imam, said Bagerhat district Awami League general secretary Kamruzzaman Tuku who is one of the eight court witnesses who submitted their deposition on the murder case. Tuku said the murder was 'obviously due to intra-party squabbles'.

Tuku submitted deposition as court witness on last March 4, saying that Manjurul Imam had often named four local AL leaders for giving him death threats. He

named the four leaders as Khulna district AL secretary and former Whip Mostafa Rashidi Shuja and his younger brother Moazzem Rashidi Doja, city AL secretary Mizanur Rahman Mizan and ward commissioner Imam Hasan Chowdhury Moina.

Incumbent president of Khulna city Awami League and former state minister Talukder Abdul Khaleque who came to Khulna Press Club yesterday also did not rule out the possibility of involvement of any party man in the murder plan.

"Yet, I point my finger at the failure of Begum Khaleda Zia's four-party alliance government to properly investigate the sensational political murder", he said.

Four-party alliance government wanted to capitalise on the murder to create a rift in Khulna Awami League. The rift has already widened following deposition of prosecution witness Rumi, said Talukder Abdul Khaleque.

"I can not say right at this moment if Rumi's deposition will adversely affect party's politics in Khulna centring city corporation election", Khaleque said.

Khulna city AL secretary

Mizanur Rahman Mizan while expressing his reaction to this correspondent blamed rival a faction of his party for 'instigating' Rumi to tell a 'concocted story' during deposition in court on February 25.

"I was never aware of the murder plan any way, nor do I believe that Manjurul Imam ever named me to any party leader for giving him death threat", said the city AL secretary.

"The damage to the party has already been done by Rumi's deposition", he said.

President of Khulna district AL Sheikh Harun-or-Rashid, when asked, said Rumi's deposition has widened the gap between leaders and activists of Khulna AL.

"However, we want to know who were the masterminds behind the murder", he said.

When asked, senior advocate of Khulna District Bar Association Mujibar Rahman said there should be further investigation into the case.

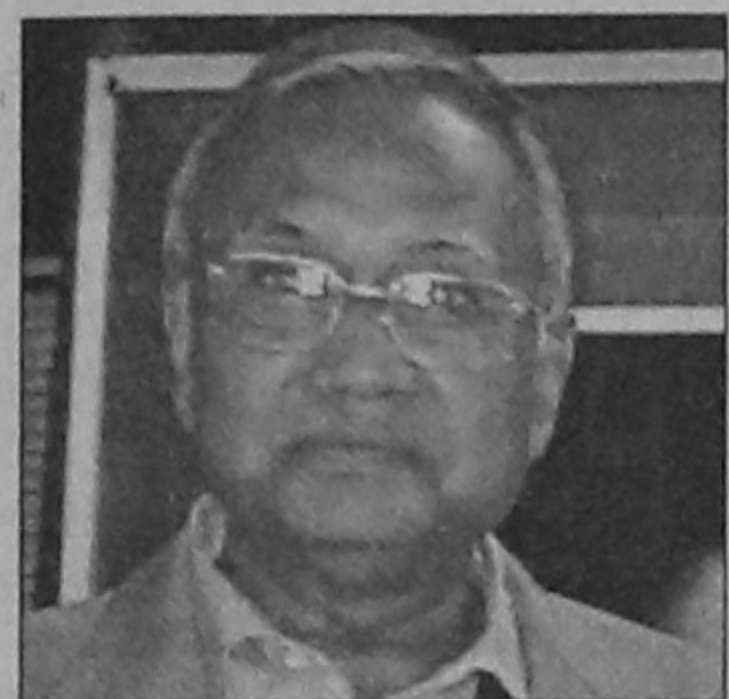
When asked yesterday, Rumi said that he told the truth in court after being confirmed that his father was killed due to intra-party squabbles in Khulna Awami League.

Two more die of Nipa virus in 2 days

A CORRESPONDENT, Faridpur

A teenaged boy and a minor girl died of Nipah virus at Faridpur Medical College Hospital in last two days, raising the number of death from the disease at the hospital to seven.

Six-year-old Bithi, daughter of Harun Bhuiyan of Bazirpur village under Udaypur union in Rajbari district died on Thursday evening while Touhid, 18, son of Moksed Ali of Mongalpur village of Goaland upazila in Rajbari district on Friday morning, sources at Faridpur Civil Surgeon's Office said.



'Bazlur Rahman a symbol of honest journalism'

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Kushtia

Journalists at a meeting Thursday evening said Bazlur Rahman was a symbol of honest journalism who never compromised in discharging his professional duties.

Society needs journalists like him, speakers as they paid tribute to the late journalist at the meeting arranged by Kushtia journalists at the office of local daily Desh Tathya, with its editor SM Halimuzzaman in the chair.

Bazlur Rahman, who was always vocal for a democratic and secular state, set up a milestone in the country through a fearless and clean journalism, they said.

He always tried to uphold truth through objective journalism and never compromised on principles, the said.

The meeting was addressed by local editors and newsmen representing national dailies and the electronic media.



Language Movement veterans (from left) Protibha Mutsuddi, Dr Halima Khatun, Nazmi-ara Rubi and Abdul Matin, flanked by Khondaker Nazimuddin, vice president of Tangail Public Library, stand in silence for one minute at the library auditorium on Thursday in honour of late Language Movement hero Sofia Khan.

Govt cannot ignore demand for trial of war criminals

Language Movement veteran Abdul Matin says in Tangail

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Tangail

Language Movement veteran Abdul Matin has said war criminals should be tried for killing people during the Liberation War.

This government arrested and tried many leaders of major parties including Awami League and BNP but Jamaat-e-Islami leaders are untouched though many of them were behind war crimes.

The caretaker government can not ignore the demand of people for trial of war criminals, he said while addressing a discussion meeting in memory of Language Movement veteran Sofia Khan. She died of old age complications on

February 14.

Language Movement veterans Dr Halima Khatun and Protibha Mutsuddi and noted columnist Monaem Sarkar also spoke at the meeting held at Tangail Public Library auditorium Thursday evening with its vice-president Khondaker Nazim Uddin in the chair.

Abdul Matin also said the government can only try the war criminals as they did the crimes against the state.

He also spoke on other issues including price hike of essentials and corruption.

Those who want to save the country will have to fight corruption and keep prices within the

buying capacity of the commonman, he said.

Among others, Language Movement veteran Nazmi-ara Rubi, Tangail district Awami League president Shamsur Rahman Khan Shajahan, former president of district BNP Hamdul Haque Khan Mohan, principals Sekandar Hayat Khan, Shamsul Huda and Begum Shamsunnahar Shanti and poets Bulbul Khan Mahub and Mahmud Kamal spoke at the meeting.

They said Sofia Khan dreamt of a prosperous and happy society, which is still far away.

The new generation will come up to build the country they said.

Four helipads built for voter listing in Khagrachhari

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Khagrachhari

The Army has completed construction of four helipads to ease voter registration at remote places in Dighinala and Panchhari upazilas in Khagrachhari hill district. Lt Col Shamsul Hoque of Dighinala Army Zone told a discussion meeting here on Thursday.

The helipads have been made at Narachhari and Saddingchhari in Dighinala and at remote Kestamonipara and Durgamonipara in Panchhari upazila.

SI closed for torturing arrestee

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

Sub-inspector (SI) Delwar Hussain of Rajnagar police station has been closed to Moulvibazar police line for torturing an arrestee.

Syed Ahsan Akter Dulon, son of Advocate Syed Ali Akter of Kadamhata village under Rajnagar upazila was arrested by police following a complaint lodged by his neighbor Shamima Sultana Tarfa over land dispute on March 4.

The SI was closed as Dulon's father Syed Ali Akter lodged a complaint with the superintendent of police (SP) of Moulvibazar alleging torture on his son.

Chandpur journo sent to jail for 'extortion'

A CORRESPONDENT, Chandpur

A journalist who was arrested here on Wednesday on charge of extortion was sent to jail after being produced before a court yesterday, court sources said.

RTV and Dainik Amader Samoy correspondent Abdul Awal Rubel, 35, was caught red-handed by police at a local restaurant while taking Tk 8,000 as illegal toll from Chhatra League leader Jafar Iqbal Munna, also a contractor. He was sent to jail on production before the Chief Judicial Magistrate's Court, court sources said.

Police said Rubel was demanding Tk 50,000 as toll from Munna for the last few days.

Sylhet BNP leader sent to jail

Osman Faces several criminal cases

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

Former vice-president of Sylhet city BNP Osman Ali was sent to jail here Thursday.

He faces several criminal cases and three for fraudulence.

Police picked him up from his house at the city's Akhalia Nehariopara on Thursday.

Locals and police said, Osman had captured the post of Motwalli (caretaker) of the Akhalia Nababi mosque long ago and retained it illegally.

Taking the advantage of the position and political blessings,

the man made an agreement (baina) with a buyer to sell some lands of the mosque for only Tk 4 crore against its market value of about Tk 25 crore. There are cases over the matter between Osman and locals.

Of Tk 4 crore, Osman grabbed Tk 1.6 crore by not depositing the money with the mosque fund, locals alleged. A case in this regard was filed on June 11 last year. Police caught him in that case Thursday.

As Osman was produced before court Thursday afternoon, he was granted bail but as there

was another case, he was sent to jail here. CID is also investigating another case against Osman.

On the other hand, Osman built a three-storied building on a plot of 156 decimal land of Roads & Highways department years ago. Rab and joint forces recovered that structure from his possession last year.

A former Rajakar and Peace Committee member during Liberation War, Osman Miah joined BNP and left it to join Jatiya Party. He again returned to BNP.

Locals allege that they could not make any effective protest against his land grabbing and other crimes due to his strong political connections for decades.

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Office of the Executive Engineer, RHD Gazipur Road Division, Gazipur

It is circulated for general information of all concerned that sealed quotation are hereby invited from reputed intending persons/firms/agencies/contractors etc. for leasing out the collection of toll from different vehicles to move along the Kapasia Bridge at 19th km of Salna-Rajendrapur-Kapasias-Motkhola Road near Kapasia Bazar under Gazipur Road Division, Gazipur for a period of 1(one) year from the date of agreement.

RHD Notice Inviting Sealed Quotation

- Quotation Notice : 02/R.D.G. of 2007-2008. "2nd Call" No.
- Name of work : Leasing out of Kapasia Bridge at 19th km of Salna-Rajendrapur-Kapasias-Motkhola Road near Kapasia Bazar under Gazipur Road Division, Gazipur for collection of tolls from different vehicles for the year 2007-2008.
- Location with name of bridge : At 19th km of Salna-Rajendrapur-Kapasias-Motkhola Road.
- Amount of security money (refundable) : 10% (ten percent) of quoted amount.
- Eligibility for quotationer : Well reputed persons/firms/ agencies having VAT registration.
- Name of offices where quotation documents will be sold : a) Office of the Divisional Commissioner, Dhaka. b) Executive Engineer (RHD), Road Division, Gazipur/Dhaka/Manikganj/Munshiganj/Narayanganj/Narsingd/Executive Engineer (RHD), Planning & Design Division, Dhaka Zone, Dhaka/Bridge Design Division-1 (East), Dhaka. c) Sub-Divisional Engineer (RHD), Road Sub-Division, Tongi/Joydebpur/Gazipur Road Sub-Division, Gazipur.
- Name of offices where quotation documents will be received : a) Office of the Divisional Commissioner, Dhaka. b) The Superintending Engineer (RHD), Dhaka Road Circle, Dhaka. c) The Executive Engineer (RHD), Road Division Gazipur.
- Last date & time for selling the quotation documents : 23-03-2008 during office hours.
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- Date, time & place of quotation opening : 25-03-2008 at 3:00pm in the office of the Executive Engineer, RHD, Gazipur.

All activity of quotation should be maintained as per "The Public Procurement Regulation-2003" of Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

Sealed quotation in departmental schedule are hereby invited from well reputed persons, firms for leasing out of Kapasia Bridge for collection of toll 1(one) year. Detail terms & conditions can be purchased from the above-mentioned offices @ Tk 3000/- (three thousand) only (non-refundable) per set.

Executive Engineer, RHD Gazipur Road Division, Gazipur Ph. # 9252275

BNP LEADER ALTAF MURDER IN SATKHIRA

Seven more accused sent to jail

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Satkhira

Seven out of 15 charge-sheeted accused in sensational murder case of Satkhira district BNP vice president ABM Altaf Hossain were sent to jail after they appeared before Satkhira Chief Judicial Magistrate's Court with bail prayer on Thursday.

Earlier, they appeared before the High Court with bail prayers and the HC directed them to appear before the lower court at Satkhira within 21 days and the time expired on February 18.

Among the seven accused are incumbent Kumira Union Parishad (UP) chairman and Tala upazila Krishak Dal president Golam Mostafa, Tala upazila Juba Dal president Hafizul Islam, former Tala upazila BNP joint secretary Rasheduzzaman Raju.

One of the charge sheeted accused, Prakash Sarkar of village Madra in Tala upazila, who was arrested soon after the incident, is now in jail while four others were released on bail, investigation sources said.

Three other charge-sheeted accused including former BNP lawmaker Habibul Islam Habib, Khalilnagar UP chairman and Tala upazila Workers Party secretary Pranab Ghosh Bablu and Tushar Kumar Pal of village Tegharia have been absconding, court sources said.

ABM Altaf Hossain, Satkhira district BNP vice president and Tala upazila BNP president, was killed along with BNP activist Habibur Rahman as criminals hurled bombs at them at Panchrasta intersection at Patkelghata Bazaar in Tala upazila on May 4 in 2004.



Devotees at the concluding day of three-day Shib Chaturdashai fair at Chandranathdham in Sitakunda in Chittagong yesterday.

Three hardened outlaws held

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Kushtia

Police arrested three top outlawed party cadres and recovered arms and ammunition in separate raids in the district on Thursday morning.

Tipped off, Kumarkhali police raided a hideout and arrested Alauddin, 36, and Farid, 32, after a gunfight at Charhabbanipur at about 6:30am, police said.

They are close accomplices of outlawed New Biplobi Communist Party (NBCP) leader Akdil who was killed in 'crossfire' with police on February 1.

10 get 14-yr RI for extracting rock near Teesta Barrage

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Nilphamari

A court here has sentenced 10 persons each to suffer 14 years rigorous imprisonment (RI) for digging deep holes to extract rocks illegally near Teesta Barrage, which posed a threat to the key point installation (KPI).

The convicts are Md Golzar Hossen, Sree Laxmichandra Roy, Abdul Latif, Delwar Hossen, Abdul Khaleque, Nawab Ali, Shahed Ali, Mojibur Rahman, Tajuddin and Bhelu Mamud, all hailing from Dimla upazila.

Additional District and Sessions Judge of Nilphamari Sharif Md Luthfur Rahman pronounced the verdict in a crowded courtroom on Thursday. Each of the convicts was fined Tk 5,000, in default, to suffer imprisonment for six months more.

They extracted illegal rocks from the ground by installing 23 boring machines at different points near to the dam.

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Office of the A I G (Telecom) Rajarbagh, Dhaka.			
REVISED TENDER NOTICE			
01. Ministry	Ministry of Home Affairs		
02. Agency	Bangladesh Police		
03. Procuring Entity Name	AIG (Telecom) on behalf of Inspector General, Bangladesh police.		
04. Invitation for	Tender	Goods	Multi-lot
05. Invitation Ref No	S-645/33-2005/2007-2008/CPS/MW/2076/Better		
06. Date	18-12-2007		
KEY INFORMATION			
07. Procurement Method	ICT (International)	Open	
FUNDING INFORMATION			
08. Budget and Source of Funds	Development Budget (Depends on Allocation of the RADP Budget)		
PARTICULAR INFORMATION			
09. Tender Package No.	MW-2		
10. Tender Package Name	MW-2		
11. Tender Publication Date	19-12-2007		
12. Tender Last Selling Date	25-03-2008		
13. Tender Closing Date and Time	27-03-2008	11.00	
14. Tender Opening Date and Time	27-03-2008	11.30	
15. Selling Tender Document	AIG (Admin), Police HQ, Dhaka. DC (HQ), DMP, Dhaka. Addl. SP (Training) Telecom, Rajarbagh, Dhaka-1217.		
-Receiving Tender Document	Police Telecom, Rajarbagh, Dhaka-1217		
-Opening Tender Document	Police Telecom, Rajarbagh, Dhaka-1217		
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER			
16. Eligibility of Tenderer	The Bidders should have valid Trade License, financially solvent, income Tax payee. The legal capacity to enter the contract, Qualified staff and equipment. Are not Blacklisted and Bankrupt etc. as mentioned in the Tender document. Others terms & conditions as per tender document.		
17. Brief Description of Goods or Works	Supply & Installation, Testing & Commissioning of Microwave Radio (Point to point & Point to multipoint) (with accessories).		
18. Tender document price & Type of Payment	=1,500.00 (One thousand Five Hundred) cash only.		
19. Type of Payment for Security Amount	The form of Bank draft/Pay Order or irrevocable Bank guarantee from any schedule Bank of Bangladesh. (Amount stated in the Tender document)		
LOT INFORMATION			
20. Lot no	Description of Goods	Location	Tender Security Amount in US\$ or BDT
21. Package NO- MW-2			
Lot-1	Supply & Installation, Testing & Commissioning of Point to point Microwave Radio (with accessories).	Zia International Air port or ICD Koriaipur Dhaka.	Lot-01-US\$-3,000.00 BDT-2,00,000.00
Lot-2	Supply & Installation, Testing & Commissioning of Point to multipoint radio (with accessories).		Lot-2 -US\$-5,800.00 Or BDT-4,00,000.00
17 Weeks.			
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS			
22. Name of Official Inviting Tender	MD. Feroz Al Mozahid Khan		
23. Designation of Official Inviting Tender	AIG Telecom, Bangladesh Police, Dhaka-1217		
24. Address of Official Inviting Tender	Police Telecom, Rajarbagh, Dhaka-1217		
25. Contact details of Official Inviting Tender	Phone-9332395 Fax-9344504 E-mail: policetelecom@galbd.net		
26. Special instructions	01) The Procuring Entity reserves the right to reject all tenders prior to acceptance. 02) Work order Depends on Allocation of the RADP Budget		