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B'baria blast: Prime suspect, 4 accomplices held

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Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) arrested the prime suspect of the case filed for explosion of a bomb at a shop in Brahmanbaria on April 13 and his four accomplices with a hand bomb body, five electronic detonators and some Islamic books in the last three

Rab are yet to be ascertained whether the arrestees, including a retired lance corporal of Bangladesh Army and the prime suspect of the case Md Shamsul Islam, 46, have connection with any militant organisation, Rab

ence at the Rab Headquarters

Other arrestees are Tajul Islam Al Mahmud alias Baba Tajul, 30, Md Mizanur Rahman, 23, Md Jamaluddin, 24, and Md Saiful Islam, 22.

The long-bearded criminals clad in punjabi looked pale when

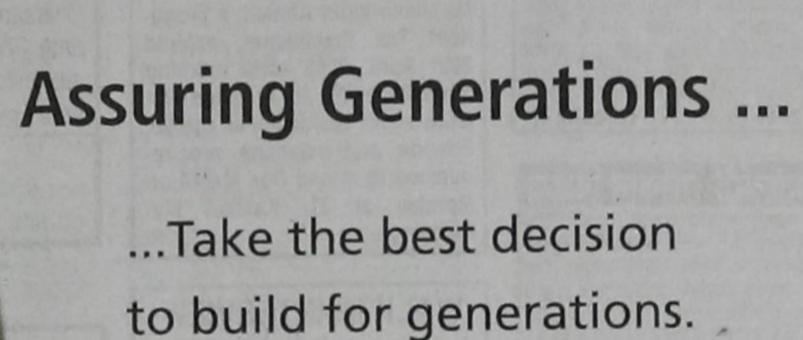
officials said at a press confer- they were produced before the forces. newsmen at the press conference.

Sources, however, said Shamsul Islam, owner of a shoe shop where a bomb went off during manufacturing, primarily admitted that he motivated the youths and taught them how to make bombs with an aim to send them to Afghanistan for fighting against anti-Islamic

Rab-9 Commanding Officer Lt

Col Md Ferdous Khan, who led a series of operations to arrest the five, said 13 bombs and four firearms recovered from a paddy field in B'baria on April 15 were possessed by the group.

Rab officials said only two to three of the group are still







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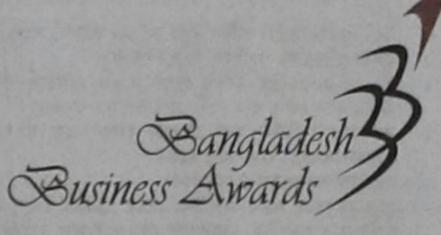


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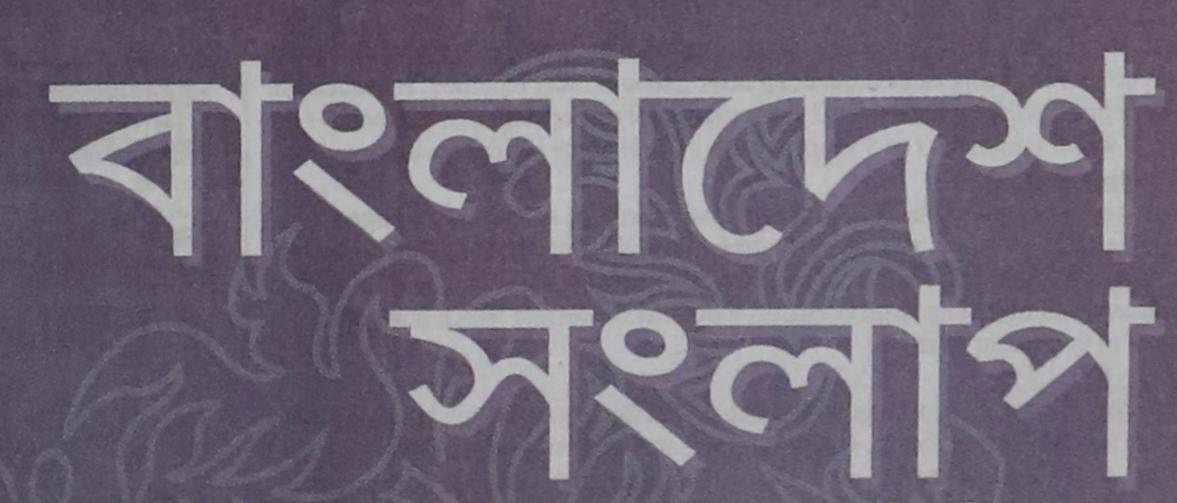


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