

# 'Ignored' BNP leaders come up as Saifur era wanes in Moulvibazar

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

With Saifur era virtually on the wane in Moulvibazar BNP, senior and dedicated party leaders sidelined by him during his tenure are coming up in the leadership, party insiders said.

A major section of senior leaders now want former lawmaker and former president of district BNP Begum Khaleda Robbany as new president of the party unit. She was president of district BNP for 11 years earlier.

Her supporters also want her as next BNP candidate from Moulvibazar-3 constituency, from where Saifur's son Naser Rahman was elected in a by-election in 2001, which was boycotted by Awami League.

Name of Muazzem Hussain Matuk, another senior leader ignored by Saifur, is also being discussed in the party as an alternative candidate in the next parliament election, party sources said.

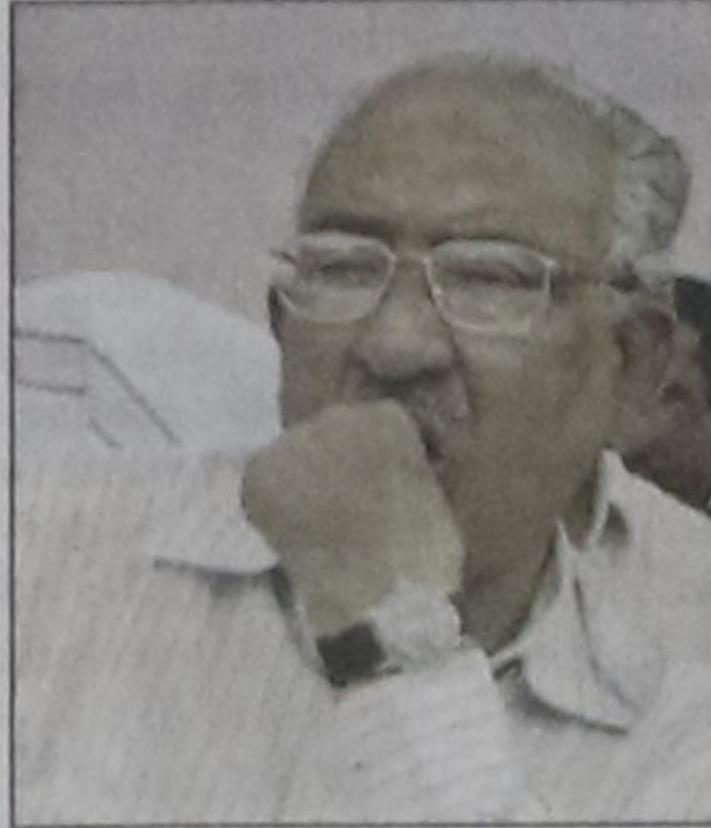
Muazzem Hussain, who was suspended from the party by Saifur's son Naser, told this correspondent that they were working to 'restore the party image' in Moulvibazar under the leadership of Begum Khaleda Robbany.

"We have started our activity to strengthen our party in Moulvibazar," Matuk said.

On Wednesday, senior BNP leaders of Moulvibazar held an informal meeting at the house of Khaleda Robbany. The meeting



Khaleda Robbany



Saifur Rahman

attended by eight of around 12 front ranking district leaders discussed organizational matters.

Some party men later told this correspondent that, among other issues, they informally discussed reorganising the district committee.

Talking to this correspondent, Khaleda Robbany admitted that party leaders and workers are contacting her from different areas of the district.

With a sense of grievance, she recalled 'hard days' of the party and said, "We organised the movement (against Ershad's dictatorship) to establish democracy. None came to see us then. None even agreed to take the post of president during that period," he said.

"After 2001 election, none talked to me to select party leadership. Rule of a family started in

responded to, even by some of his loyalists. This was beyond his imagination, some senior leaders told this correspondent.

Saifur was elected to parliament from three seats, two in Sylhet and one in his home district Moulvibazar. To give scope to his elder son Naser Rahman to go to parliament, he vacated his Moulvibazar-3 seat and nominated his son for the by-election in 2001, ignoring other competent and senior leaders, party men claimed.

Naser easily won the race as the by-election was boycotted by major political parties including Awami League.

After the election, Saifur made his son president of Moulvibazar district BNP by dropping senior leader advocate Ebadur Rahman Chaudhury. Naser Rahman thus became all in all in Moulvibazar.

His second son Shafir Rahman also became allegedly involved in corruption and is out of the country now, they said.

The BNP leaders alleged that Saifur ignored most of the senior leaders during 2001-2006.

Saifur enjoyed when, as minister, he was received by hundreds of motorbikes and other vehicles at the border point of Moulvibazar whenever he came, they said.

A number of Naser loyalists are now hiding for alleged corruption. Naser and his wife have been convicted in two cases and more corruption cases are pending against him, sources said.

4 CBA leaders, engr charge-sheeted for graft

OUR CORRESPONDENT, B'baria

Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) has submitted charge sheets against four CBA leaders of Zia Fertiliser Factory and Ashuganj upazila engineer to the Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate, in Brahmanbaria for graft and misuse of power.

The accused are CBA leaders Kazi Kujibor Rahman Farid Uddin Ahmed, Muzammel Haque Khandaker and Gasur Rahman and Ashuganj upazila engineer ABD Shahidul Haque.

## Neonatal deaths rise at RMCH

### 138 babies die in three months

ANWAR ALI, Rajshahi

As many as 238 babies and children died at Rajshahi Medical College Hospital (RMCH) in three months till March.

Of them, 30 died of low birth weight, 107 of birth Asphyxia and 101 from other diseases. They were aged up to 30 days.

Hospital records show diseases like birth Asphyxia, pre-maturity and low birth weight, malnutrition, pneumonia, neonatal tetanus, typhoid, convulsion, organo phosphorous compound poisoning,

times do not get breast feed due to malnutrition of mothers. Patients do not come to hospital until they are forced, mainly due to poverty and lack of awareness", he said.

Dr Tahmidur Rahman, another pediatrics physician at RMCH said, "RMCH is a tertiary hospital in the region. Patients usually come here at the last moment, which requires good facilities that are lacking undoubtedly".

Prof Dr A B Siddiqui, chairman of pediatric department, said there is no shortage of skilled manpower at three units of pediatric wards at ward no. 10, 24 and 27) at RMCH.

But other than a few oxygen cylinders and suction machine, none of the equipment is available at the hospital, making it difficult for doctors to cope with a heavy rush of new born babies, they said.

Besides problems of safe water and electricity, there is shortage of beds at the two pediatric wards which accommodate patients three times their capacity.

"Babies are deprived of nutrition in anti-natal stage and some-

## BSF kills one in Kurigram

A CORRESPONDENT, Kurigram

Indian Border Security Force (BSF) killed a Bangladeshi cattle trader at bordering Gayatpara village under Raumari upazila in the district on Thursday morning.

Naybur Rahman, 45, of village Natun Shaulmari under Raumari upazila, died on the spot as BSF shot him near a border pillar at Gayatpara village at about 4:30am on the day, BDR and local sources said. BSF also took away the body.

BSF sent a protest letter to BSF and requested return of the body. But BSF did not return the body as of yesterday evening.

## 117 polling centres listed in SCC

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

As part of preparatory works for Sylhet City Corporation elections expected to be held in July, election officials have sent a list of 117 polling centres to all concerned including the ward commissioners and assistant registration officers.

The draft list of 117 polling centres was earlier sent to the Election Commission, Deputy Election Commissioner, Sylhet division-Khondaker Mizanur Rahman said yesterday afternoon.

"In view of the rise in the number of voters and areas under the city corporation, we have increased the number of polling centres to 117 while there were 79 centres in the last SCC polls of 2003," he said, adding, "We will receive appeals on those, if any, till May 19 and those will be disposed off by May 25."

The number of voters on the final list stood at 2,56,000 this time against 1,82,000 in the first city corporation elections held in 2003.



Gopal Bhog variety of juicy summer fruit mango is selling at Tk 60 to 70 a kg in Rajshahi markets. The photo was taken yesterday.

## IMPROPER INVESTIGATION IN MURDER CASE

### Court acquits 3 accused, orders action against IO

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

District and Sessions Judge Court passed the order on Thursday.

Court sources said, crippled Prashanta Kumar Ghosh, 22, son of Hari Pada Ghosh of Dhandia village in Kaliganj upazila was killed by miscreants during sleep at a shallow machine room near his village home on February 7, 2002.

SI Enayet of Kaliganj police station filed the case on March 8 the same year.

SI Abdus Samad submitted charge sheet against the three on May 4, 2003. In the charge sheet, the IO said the murder was a sequel

to dispute over 10 decimals of land. The accused might have killed Prashanta but the IO failed to name witnesses.

The court said the IO submitted the charge sheet on suspicion. The court observed IO of any case cannot submit charge sheet on suspicion. But in this case the IO submitted charge sheet on suspicion which proved his negligence in duties in investigating the case.

For IO's negligence in investigation the court failed to bring the culprits to book, the judge observed while passing judgment.

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### নিয়োগ বিজ্ঞপ্তি

১। বাংলাদেশ নৌ বাহিনী কর্তৃক পরিচালিত খুলনা শিপইয়ার্ডের নিম্নলিখিত পদ সম্হেল হার্যার ভিত্তিতে জনবল নিয়োগের লক্ষ্যে উপর্যুক্ত প্রার্থীদের নিকট হিঁতে দরখাতে আহবান করা যাইতেছে:

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১।	নৌ হিপতি	১	১১০০- ১৭৬৫/-	৫ বৎসরের অভিজ্ঞতাসহ বিএসসি ইঞ্জিনিয়ারিং ইন নেটোল আর্কিটেকচার এ্যান্ড মেরিন ইঞ্জিনিয়ারিং।	৩৫ বৎসর
২।	সহকারী নৌ হিপতি	২	৬৮০০- ১৩০৯০/-	বিএসসি ইঞ্জিনিয়ারিং ইন নেটোল আর্কিটেকচার এ্যান্ড মেরিন	৩০ বৎসর
৩।	সহকারী প্রকৌশলী (যান্ত্রিক)	৩	৬৮০০- ১৩০৯০/-	মেকানিকাল-এ বিএসসি ইঞ্জিনিয়ারিং। অভিজ্ঞতা সম্পন্ন প্রার্থীকে অ্যার্থিকার দেওয়া হইবে।	৩০ বৎসর
৪।	উপ-সহকারী প্রকৌশলী (যান্ত্রিক)	৩	৫১০০- ১০৩৬০/-	৩ বৎসরের অভিজ্ঞতাসহ (মেকানিকাল) ডিপ্লোমা ইঞ্জিনিয়ারিং পাশ। অভিজ্ঞতা সম্পন্ন প্রার্থীকে অ্যার্থিকার দেওয়া হইবে।	৩০ বৎসর
৫।	উপ-সহকারী প্রকৌশলী (বিদ্যুৎ)	১	৫১০০- ১০৩৬০/-	৩ বৎসরের অভিজ্ঞতাসহ (বিদ্যুৎক্রিয়াল্য) ডিপ্লোমা ইঞ্জিনিয়ারিং পাশ। অভিজ্ঞতা সম্পন্ন প্রার্থীকে অ্যার্থিকার দেওয়া হইবে।	৩০ বৎসর
৬।	ভাস্তর সহকারী	১	৩৭০০- ৮০৬০/-	সংশ্লিষ্ট কাজে ৩ বৎসরের অভিজ্ঞতাসহ স্নাতক ডিপ্লোমা।	৩০ বৎসর
৭।	সিনিয়র ক্লার্ক কাম-কম্পিউটার অপারেটার	১	৩১০০- ৬৩৮০/-	সংশ্লিষ্ট কাজে ৩ বৎসরের অভিজ্ঞতাসহ বাস্তক ডিপ্লোমা পাশ। কম্পিউটার পরিচালনায় পারদর্শী। টাইপের গতি যথাক্রমে ইংরেজী-৩০ বাংলা-২০।	৩০ বৎসর
৮।	কম্পাউন্ডার (পাসড)	১	৩১০০- ৬৩৮০/-	৩ বৎসরের অভিজ্ঞতাসহ কম্পাউন্ডারশীপে ডিপ্লোমা।	৩০ বৎসর
৯।	জুনিয়র ড্রাফটসম্যান	১	৩০০০- ৫৯২০/-	মেরিন একাডেমী হইতে শিপবিভিং ড্রাফটসম্যানশীপ ডিপ্লোমা অথবা সরকার অনুমোদিত টেকনিকাল ট্রেইনিং সেন্টার (TTC) হইতে ড্রাফট মেকানিকাল ট্রেইনিং পাশ।	৩০ বৎসর
১০।	জুনিয়র ক্লার্ক কাম-কম্পিউটার অপারেটার	১	৩০০০- ৫৯২০/-	ন্যূনতম ইচ্যাএসসি সম্পর্ক কম্পিউটার অপারেটিং কাজের ০৩ (তিনি) বৎসরের বাস্তব অভিজ্ঞতা। টাইপের গতি যথাক্রমে ইংরেজী-৩০ বাংলা-২০।	৩০ বৎসর
১১।	গাড়ী চালক	২	৩১০০- ৬৩৮০/-	হেজী যানবাহন চালনার লাইসেন্সধারী এবং ২ বৎসরের বাস্তব অভিজ্ঞতাসহ ৮ ম প্রেসী পাশ।	৩০ বৎসর
১২।	মুয়াজ্জিন	১	২৫০০- ৪৫৯০/-	হাফেজে কোরানসহ দালিল পাশ এবং সংশ্লিষ্ট কাজে ৫ বৎসরের অভিজ্ঞতা	৩০ বৎসর
১৩।	নিরাপত্তা প্রহরী	৬	২৪০০- ৪৩১০/-	৮ ম প্রেসী পাশ।	৩০ বৎসর
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১।	কামার	১	২৪৫০- ৩৮৯০/-	ন্যূনতম ৮ ম প্রেসী পাশসহ ৩ বৎসরের বাস্তব অভিজ্ঞতা। সংশ্লিষ্ট পদে ট্রেট কোর্স পাশধারীদেরকে অ্যার্থিকার দেওয়া হইবে।	৩০ বৎসর


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