other cases.

BIJOY TV CASE

HC refuses to

bail petition

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

hear Ctg mayor's

An HC bench yesterday refused to

hear a bail petition filed by detained

mayor of Chittagong City

Corporation (CCC) ABM Mohiuddin

Chowdhury in the Bijoy TV graft case

as the bench is overburdened with

Mohammad Anwarul Haque and

Justice Zubayer Rahman

Chowdhury, however, asked the

counsels for Mohiuddin to submit

the bail petition before this bench

Hari Sadhan Deb Brahman, who

moved the petition, told The Daily Star

that earlier on September 14, a vaca-

tion bench of the HC comprising

Justice Khondker Musa Khaled and

Justice Farid Ahmed refused to hear

bench comprising Justice Sharif Uddin Chaklader and Justice Md

Emdadul Haque Azad dropped the same petition from its case docket

Mohiuddin got bail in 13 cases,

The HC vacation bench of Justice

Zinat Ara and Justice Syed

Mohammad Ziaul Karim on

September 18 directed the jail author-

ities to submit the recent medical

reports of Mohiuddin to examine

those for considering his bail in this

petition yesterday (September 22), a

day before the date (September 23)

fixed by the bench of Justice Zinat Ara

and Justice Syed Mohammad Ziaul

Karim, since this bench would not sit

Commission (ACC) filed the case

with Kotwali Police Station in

The Anti-Corruption

Hari Sadhan said he moved the bail

case by September 23 to the HC.

during the vacation of this court.

out of 14, against him, adding, "If he

is granted bail in the Bijoy TV case, there will be no legal bar for his

He said on August 28, an HC

this petition for the same reason.

without showing any reason.

release from jail", he added.

Mohiuddin's counsel advocate

today (Tuesday) for hearing.

The HC bench comprising Justice

12 killed in road accidents

METRO Desk

Twelve people were killed and 14 others injured in separate road accidents in Bogra, Narayanganj, Sirajganj, Rajshahi and Bridge at Shimrail under Brahmanbaria in the last two days.

Our staff correspondent in Bogra reports: Five people were killed when a speeding passenger bus hit a three-wheeler and a rickshaw van at Mirzapur Bazar in Sherpur upazila yesterday evening.

One of the victims was identified as Abul Kalam Azad, a

Grameen Bank official. The identity of the other victims could not be known immediately.

Meanwhile, one Aghrayan Chandra Dev. 55, was run over by another bus at Adamdighi upazila in the district.

of salary.

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Speakers at a roundtable yesterday

called for creating awareness at

grassroots level about job proce-

dures and requirements to ensure

Development for Female Migrant

Workers' was organised jointly by

the Unifem (United Nations

The roundtable on 'Awareness

safe migration of female workers.

Our correspondent in Narayanganj reports: Three people were killed on the spot and four others injured when a passenger bus turned turtle near Kanchpur Siddhirganj upazila yesterday.

ers who were taking rest there. The dead were identified as Mohammad Manik, Monir Hossain and Mozammel. The injured were Sirajganj Sadar Hospital. The conrushed to a local clinic. Witnesses said the passenger stated to be critical.

All the victims were truck driv-

ning through the bypass road under the bridge. Angry drivers put up a barricade on the road and vandalised several

bus overturned when it was run-

vehicles. Our correspondent in Sirajganj reports: Two people were killed and 10 others injured in a road accident

Workers of Mega Tex Ltd stage a demonstration at Jatrabari in the city yesterday demanding payment of arrears

'Raise awareness to ensure safe

migration of female workers'

overtake the truck. The dead were identified as bus driver Jahangir, 23, and Rafiqul

around 4:30am when a bus hit a

truck from behind while trying to

on the Dhaka-Bogra highway at

Pachilia Bazaar in Sirajganj in the

early hours of yesterday.

Islam, 25. The injured were rushed to night. dition of three of the injured was

Our RU correspondent adds: A boy was killed in a road accident at Jagirpara crossing under Puthia

upazila in Rajshahi yesterday. The victim was identified as to hospital. Jamil Ali, 12, son of Jamshed Ali.

The accident took place at around 9:00am when a Rajshahibound speeding microbus flee.

knocked his bicycle.

Police sent the body to the Rajshahi Medical College Hospital The accident took place at (RMCH) for autopsy.

Our correspondent in Brahmanbaria adds: A man was killed in a road accident on Brahmanbaria-Comilla highway at Nayanpur village under Kasba upazila in the district on Sunday

The victim was identified as Tara

The accident took place when a speeding bus knocked him down while crossing the road.

Seriously injured, he succumbed to his injuries on the way

Mob seized the bus and handed over to police. But, the driver and the helper of the bus managed to



City Swechchhasebak League forms a human chain in front of Chittagong Press Club in the port city yesterday demanding permanent release of Awami League President Sheikh Hasina and release of city mayor ABM Mohiuddin Chowdhury.

Proposed health policy 2 new police stations start ignores basic issues

Speakers tell roundtable

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Health experts and rights activists at a seminar yesterday rejected the National Health Policy 2008, saying that it has ignored several fundamentalissues and that such a policy should be formulated by an elected government, not the caretaker government.

They also announced that they would formulate the draft of a 'propeople national health policy' in two months and place it before the next elected government.

Health Movement, a network of organisations working to protect health rights, organised the seminar

United Hospital, Dutch embassy sign agreement

METRO DESK

Jan GVan der Vliet, first secretary and head of administration and consular affairs of Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, Faridur Rahman Khan, managing director (MD) of the hospital, Dr Rubaiul Murshed, adviser to the MD, Dr Enayet Hossain Sheikh, chief of clinical support, Dr AHM Belal, patient counselling coordinator, and Syed Ashraf-ul-Masum,

on 'National Health Policy 2008: A critique and plan of action' at the National Press Club.

The policy is 'more like a strategy

paper', the speakers said, adding that no health rights activists were involved in the policy-making pro-It is also not clear whether the

proposed 2008 health policy is an updated policy or a new one, they Although the policy calls for health

rights of all, it gives priority to private healthcare service, they added. The experts suggested that the role of the NGOs in the health sector be

made specific in the policy. The policy has given priority to medical technology, whereas prevention of diseases and primary healthcare service should be given

priority, they added. The draft policy does not give the sector-wise coverage; it focuses only on the health ministry, said AM Zakir Hussain, health system management

The policy also does not have a

vision statement, he said.

Medical Association Prof Rashid-e-Mahboob, Dr Naila Zaman Khan of Dhaka Shishu Hospital, Dr Zafrullah Chowdhury of Gonoshasthya Kendra, Farhad Mazhar, Farida Akhter, Dr Salek Ahmed of Ubinig, Dr Mahmudur Rahman of Dhaka Community Hospital, Dr Enamul Hasib, Dr Md

Mushtaq Hossain and Dr

Mesbahuddin Ahmed also spoke. Tk5cr illegal goods seized

Members of Bangladesh Coast Guard seized illegal goods worth

around Tk 5 crore and arrested two people in different drives in last 30 days ending September 15, says a press release.

Chittagong on May 27 last year STAFF CORRESPONDENT against Mohiuddin Chowdhury, Imtiaz Hossain and CCC Chief Engineer Mokhter on charges of launching Bijoy TV without prior government permission. The charge sheet was submitted on November 22 last year in which it

was alleged that the trio drew Tk 1.78 crore from the corporation fund in four phases and used Tk 1,69,67,960 from the amount in the name of launching the private channel.

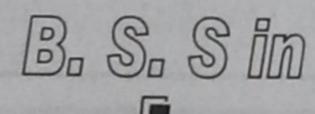
The case remains pending with the Divisional Special Judge's Court in Chittagong.

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Development Fund for Women) and Matin Chowdhury underscored the BMET (Bureau of Manpower, need for avoiding middlemen and Employment and Training) at the said, "It is our aim to enable the National Press Club in the city workers contact directly with the as part of their project titled recruiting agencies." 'Establishment of Resource Centre

"Women, who migrate for for Female Migrant Workers'. housekeeping and cleaning jobs, often become involved in unsocial Speaking as chief guest, work and become the victims of Secretary to the Ministry of sexual harassment," he added. Expatriates' Welfare and Overseas

Matin said migration must be Employment Mohammad Abdul choice-oriented and not need

He also called for coordination of all stakeholders for safe migration of BMET Director Mohammad

the awareness development of female migrant workers. According to BMET report, 4.75 lakh people from Bangladesh got

Nurul Islam presented a paper on

overseas employment from 1976 to June 2008 Of them, four percent are women whose main professions are house-

keeping, garments and nursing. The UAE, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, Jordan, Oman and Bahrain are the major countries for migration of female workers from Bangladesh, the presentation added.

Unifem National Programme Manager Naheed M Ahmed said establishing resource center for female migrants is a long process which should reach grassroots level to create awareness for female

BMET Director General and Additional Secretary Mohammad Abdul Malek said migration of female workers with the job of housemaid should be discouraged. "When a female worker is

employed to a family, it becomes difficult even for the embassy to trace and communicate with her," Malek suggested sending of

skilled and semi-skilled female workers. Dr Mohammad Nazrul Islam moderated the open discussion

session. Two female migrant workers Farzana Akter and Tohura Begum took part in the discussion and shared their experience on going

Director of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Nahida Sobhan and Bangladesh Ovibashi Mahila Sramik Association (BOMSA) Representative Sumaya also spoke on the occasion.

President, CA greet Saudi king

UNB, Dhaka

President Iajuddin Ahmed and Chief Adviser Fakhruddin Ahmed have greeted King of Saudi Arabia Abdullah Bin Abdul Aziz on the occasion of the national day of the country.

The president, in a message to the Saudi King, expressed his confidence that the bilateral ties that exist with friendship and fraternity between the two countries would flourish in their manifold dimensions in the coming years.

The CA in a separate message, said the bonds of friendship and fraternity between the two countries would continue to grow in all spheres of exchange meeting on 'Traffic concooperation to the mutual benefits of the two peoples in the days ahead.

functioning in city today UNB, Dhaka Two more police stations under

Dhaka Metropolitan Police (DMP) start functioning today.

With the new ones, Darus Salam Police Station and Kadamtol Police Station, the number of police stations under DMP will rise

Darus Salam Police Station has been set up taking some areas from Mirpur Police Station while Kadamtoli Police Station from Shyampur Police Station.

Inspector General of Police Nur Mohammad will formally inaugurate the two police stations this

Abduction of RMG worker protested

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh Mahila Parishad yesterday formed a human chain in the city protesting abduction of a garments worker by the authorities | fants. 1 of the garments factory.

Rozina, 15, a worker of Packers Garments at Mirpur, is missing since August 28.

Rozina worked in night shift at the factory on August 27. In the morning the factory authorities handed Rozina over to other people tainting her character, though her brother went to the factory to

bring her. Her mother filed a general diary in the connection. Later, she informed the matter to Mahila Parishad. Dhaka city unit of Bangladesh Mahila Parishad formed the human chain.

United Hospital Limited, Dhaka recently signed an agreement with the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to provide healthcare and treatment facilities to its staff members and their eligible depend-

Roslan Ahmed, chief executive officer of United Hospital Limited, Dhaka and Dutch Ambassador Ten Tusscher signed the agreement on behalf of their respective parties at United Hospital in the city recently.

senior marketing executive, were also present on the occasion.



Dutch Ambassador Ten Tusscher and Roslan Ahmed, chief executive officer of United Hospital Limited, Dhaka, exchange documents after signing an agreement to provide healthcare and treatment facilities to the staff members and their eligible dependants in the city recently.

TRAFFIC CONGESTION

'Impose restrictions on private car use'

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

called on the government to million, said senior journalist impose restrictions on private car use during the rush hour in the cities in order to ease traffic con-Terming the car an inefficient private cars, imposing restrictions

vate cars are mainly responsible for the traffic jam in the cities. "Two private cars occupy almost the same space on the road as a 30seater bus, but the two cars can carry not more than eight passengers," Save the Environment Movement Chairman Abu Naser

mode of transport, they said pri-

The speakers also called on the city dwellers to use bicycle or get journeys, which will help reduce traffic congestion as well as prevent air pollution. Save the Environment

Movement organised the view

Khan said.

World Car-Free Day 2008. The annual economic loss due Speakers at a meeting yesterday to traffic congestion is about \$771

Kamal Lohani, who presided over the meeting. The speakers suggested formulating a policy to control the use of

days, charging congestion fees, reducing number of private cars and encouraging students and officials to use public transport instead of private cars. The speakers also urged the government to create separate lanes for motorised and non-

motorised vehicles such as rick-

on private car usage on alternate

shaw, and pedestrians. They also called for better pubinto the habit of walking for shorter lic transport facilities and routes so that passengers can travel from one end of the city to the other end

Saifuddin Ahmed, executive director of Work for Better Bangladesh Trust, also spoke at the gestion and ways to resolve it' at meeting moderated by Maruf Imax Centre in the city to mark the Rahman of WBB Trust.

The seized goods include 600 CFT Sundari timber, 26400 metre current net, 10 bottles of liquor, and public private partnership spe steal wire rope and other materials. The arrestees were handed over to the concerned law enforcement Former president of Bangladesh agencies: ि पि (सिंदाल (ब्राप्त) लिसि(दिंड

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