

College student murdered

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Unknown miscreants stabbed a student of Notre Dame College to death in the city's Motijheel area yesterday noon.

Azizul Hakim, 18, a first-year student of the college, was found severely injured on the stairs of a seven-story building at Arambagh at about 1:00pm.

Nasima Khatun, a domestic help of a flat on the fourth floor of the building, told this correspondent, "I opened the door after hearing screams three to four times and saw blood on the stairs. Going downstairs, I saw him lying on the stairs of the second floor."

On information, police took him to Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH) where the on duty doctor declared him dead.

DMCH sources said he had marks of stab injuries in his chest, back and chin.

Motijheel Police Station OC Syed Selim Sazzad said, "We do have some information, but we cannot disclose them right now for the sake of proper investigation."

The victim's father Abul Kalam, owner of a rickshaw garage at Manda at Sabujbagh, said, "My son left for college at about 7:15am, but I got a call from police at noon and heard about the incident."

"He was a brilliant student who secured GPA 5 from Manda Haider Ali High School under commerce group in 2008," he said, adding, "To the best of my knowledge, he had no enemies."

Nat'l Vitamin A Plus campaign tomorrow

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

With the theme 'Eat Vitamin A, Reduce Risk of Child Mortality' the National Vitamin A Plus campaign will be held across the country tomorrow.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina will inaugurate the campaign at her residence Jamuna at 9:00am.

More than 20 million children aged between one and five years will be provided with Vitamin A capsules and 19 million children aged between two and five years will receive deworming tablets.

At a briefing at the health ministry, Prof Dr Shah Monir Hossain, director general of the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS), yesterday said, "This campaign marks another milestone towards attaining the global goal for sustainable elimination of Vitamin A deficiency by the year 2010."

CHEATING CASE Arrest warrant against Westmont chairman Tajul Islam

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday issued a warrant for arrest of Tajul Islam Farook, chairman of Westmont Power Company, who had earlier filed a Tk 3-crore extortion case against Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, in connection with a cheating case.

Ali Akkas Nurani, a consultant of the company, filed the case against Tajul Islam on charge of misappropriating one million US dollar that he had dues to the company as consultancy fee.

After the hearing, Metropolitan Magistrate Kanika Bishwas recorded the statement of complainant, took the charge into cognizance and passed the order against the accused for committing the offence.

In his complaint, Nurani mentioned that he had been working as a consultant of Westmont Power Company since 1998. He had an important role to make a formal contract between Bangladesh government and Westmont Power Company Bangladesh Limited for setting up barge-mount power centres at different places in Bangladesh.

Later, the accused had misappropriated the company and misappropriated one million US dollar. The accused had threatened to kill the complainant when he demanded his consultancy fee. Later, he went to Demra Police Station on May 25 this year for filing a case against Tajul Islam, the complainant added.

On April 9 in 2007, Tajul Islam filed an extortion case with Tejgaon Police Station against Hasina, even though he had earlier appealed to the caretaker government to withdraw the case.



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Chief of Army Staff General Moeen U Ahmed on behalf of Trust Bank Limited hands over a cheque to Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina at her office in the city yesterday to help the Aila-hit people in the coastal belt of the country.

CORRUPTION CASES

8 convicts get bail

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A High Court (HC) bench yesterday granted bails to eight convicts including three Awami League (AL) leaders, two BNP leaders in separate corruption cases.

The HC bench of Justice MA Wahab Miah and Justice Marzi-Ul Huq granted them bails upon separate appeals filed against their convictions in the trial court.

The court granted bail to former AL state minister Mofazzal Hossain Chowdhury Maya, ex-AL lawmakers Hazi Selim and AK Mohiuddin, ex-BNP state minister Ziaul Haque Zia, ex-BNP lawmaker Nadim Mostafa, ex-BNP finance minister Saifur Rahman's son Shafiqur Rahman Babu, ex-AL lawmaker Moqbul Hossain's son Masudur Rahman Masud, and ex-member of National Board of

Revenue Maksudur Rahman.

Except Nadim, the rest seven obtained bail in the cases filed by the Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) on charge of amassing illegal wealth. Nadim was granted bail in two different criminal cases in Rajshahi in which the trial court had convicted him.

They were tried, convicted and sentenced to imprisonment in absentia for different terms by the trial court.

Meanwhile, another HC bench comprising of Justice Mozammel Hossain and Justice Bazlur Rahman Sana yesterday sanctioned bail to former AL lawmaker Joinal Abedin Hazari in two different arms cases in which he was sentenced to two years imprisonment in 2002.

According to the HC decision the bail orders will continue till disposal of the appeals.

WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY TODAY

Call for global fight against climate change factors

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The World Environment Day 2009 will be observed in the country today as elsewhere around the world with massive campaigns for raising awareness of critical environmental issues, particularly climate change due to global warming.

The time-befitting theme of the day 'Your Planet Needs YOU! UNITE to Combat Climate Change' makes a clarion call for a united global fight against the factors that prompt climate change which causes natural calamities.

State Minister for Environment and Forest Mostafizur Rahman Fizar at a press conference at the PID auditorium in the city yesterday said climate change is the most pressing issue at the moment over the world.

"Climate change is not a new concern, but an ongoing process on which the question of survival of the next generations depend," he said, adding that the day aims at making people aware of the environmental hazards.

He said developed countries are responsible for global warming, but its worst sufferers are the developing countries like Bangladesh. "We're bargaining over compensation for this and a final decision may come from the next meeting of world leaders at Copenhagen."

The minister said Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina might join the Copenhagen meeting in December along with experts and Bangladesh would take a strong position

on the compensation issue.

He said the day will be observed with a two-day programme, including discussion, rally, environment fair, broadcasting special programmes on TV and radio, colourful procession, painting contests, essay writing competitions for juveniles and children and open discussion.

Meanwhile, United Nations Youth Students Association of Bangladesh (UNYSAB) and United Nations Information Centre (UNIC) organised a roundtable on 'Corporate environment responsibility' at IDB Bhaban to mark the day.

Besides, different socio-political organisations, including major political parties -- Awami League, BNP, International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), Water Aid, Bangladesh Centre for Advanced Studies (BCAS), Coalition for the Urban Poor -- have chalked out different programmes on the occasion.

In a message, President Md Zillur Rahman called on all to make a combined effort for

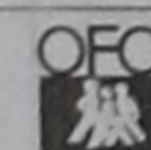
maintaining ecological balance.

"The whole world is now facing the negative impacts of climate change. We have been affected mostly due to negative impacts of the change, though Bangladesh plays no role in global climate change," he said.

In a separate message, Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina called on the countrymen to work with the people of other parts of the world for checking natural disaster "for making this earth livable for our future generations".

Leader of the Opposition in Parliament and BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia in a message called on all to be more conscious and responsible for protecting the environment.

UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon said, "The economic and financial turmoil sweeping the globe is a true wake-up call, sounding an alarm about the need to improve upon old patterns of growth and make a transition to new era of greener, cleaner development."



Old Faujians Association
OFA Dhaka Chapter Election
Term (2009-2011)

OFA Dhaka Election 2009 will be held on June 19, 2009 according to following details:

Venue : Cadet College Club Limited

Time : From 4:30pm to 8:30pm

Last Date of Enrolment member/voter : June 07, 2009

Last date of submission of nomination paper : 10, June '09 8pm.

Last date of withdrawal of the candidature : 15, June '09 5pm.

For any query e-mail to election.ofo@gmail.com or call 01552-153562.

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