

# 7 killed in road accidents

METRO DESK

Seven people were killed and 15 others injured in separate road accidents in Khulna, Brahmanbaria, Pabna, Sirajganj and Dinajpur in the last two days.

Our staff correspondent in Khulna reports: Three people were killed in a road accident in C&B Bazar area at Bagerhat on Wednesday night.

The accident occurred at about 8:30pm when a speeding truck hit a motorcycle.

The dead were identified as Harun Sardar, 32, Habibur Rahman, 30, and Lablu Sheikh.

Officer-in-charge (OC) of Bagerhat Police Station said Harun and Habib had to pay motorcyclist Lablu to take them to Bagerhat from Khulna since the private bus operators had been observing a strike from June 30 on 28 routes in Khulna, Bagerhat, Pirojpur, Jhalakati and Barisal districts.

Our correspondent in

Brahmanbaria adds: Two people were killed in a road accident on Comilla-Sylhet highway at Radhika in the district yesterday.

The dead were identified as Nehara Begum, 35, and her nephew Monib Hossain, 11.

The accident took place when a speeding bus of Diganta Paribahan knocked them down while they were crossing the highway.

They succumbed to their injuries on the way to hospital. Following the accident,

angry mob put up a barricade on the road. Later, police brought the situation under control after an hour.

Our correspondent in Pabna adds: A man was killed and five others were injured in a road accident at Haripur in Chatmohor in the district yesterday.

The dead was identified as Amirul Islam, 45.

The accident occurred at about 11:00am when a Nasiman, a local human hauler, skidded off the road as the driver lost control.

Our correspondent in Sirajganj adds: An unidentified man was killed in a road accident on the Dhaka-Bogra highway in the district's Koddarmohor area yesterday.

The accident took place at around 2:00pm when a Bogra-bound bus of Hanif Paribahan crushed the victim, aged about 35, under its wheels while he was crossing the road unmindfully.

Our correspondent in Dinajpur adds: Ten people were injured in a road accident at Ranishankoil, in Thakurgaon yesterday.

The accident took place when a crowded shallow-run three-wheeler turned turtle while trying to overtake a speeding truck.

The injured were rushed to local upazila health complex. Among them, the condition of Lal Miah, 20, Abdul Jabbar, 30, Khalilur Rahman, 40, Alam, 38, Liton, 25, and Sohrab, 25, was stated to be critical.



Kamola Chakma speaks at a press conference at Dhaka Reporters' Unity auditorium in the city yesterday with a call for an end to repression of ethnic communities and encroachment on their land at Sajek union in Rangamati. (Story on Page 16)

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Motor vehicles and rickshaws make their way through knee-deep water in Chittagong yesterday as different areas of the city became waterlogged due to torrential rain in the last three days.

## Healthcare for Farmers in Mymensingh

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

As many as 1500 patients, suffering from fever, skin diseases, cold, pneumonia and diarrhoea at Shambhuganj upazila in Mymensingh district, received free medical check-up and drugs at a health camp on June 27.

The health camp was organised by Hridoye Mati O Manush of Channel i and Japan Bangladesh Friendship Hospital on the premises of Shambhuganj UC High School as part of their series of Healthcare for Farmers.

It was the 20th Healthcare for Farmer in which a number of experts took part, said a press release.

A total of 400 patients were treated in medicine department, 500 in gynaecology, 100 in dentistry, 150 in pediatric, 200 in ENT and 150 in dermatology.

The medical experts also attended two workshops and discussed about causes and prevention of different diseases.

## US embassy closed Sunday

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The US embassy, including consular section and public affairs section with the Archer K Blood American Centre Library and student advising centre, will remain closed on Sunday on the occasion of Independence Day, a US national holiday, says a press release.

## Open embassy in Kabul

Afghan envoy requests PM

UNB, Dhaka

Afghan Ambassador in Bangladesh Ahmad Karim Nawabi yesterday requested Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina to reopen Bangladesh's embassy in Kabul which was closed down after the start of

the Afghan 'war on terror' by the US-led allied force.

He made the request to the prime minister during a meeting at Prime Minister's Office (PMO).

At the meeting they discussed various other matters of bilateral interest, including prospects for expansion of trade and business between the two Saarc member-states.

Prime Minister's Press Secretary Abul Kalam Azad briefed newsmen about the meeting.

Hasina said, "Bangladesh attaches due importance to its relations with Afghanistan."

They expressed the hope that the existing friendly relations between the two South Asian countries would further strengthen in the days to come.

As the issue of terrorism came up during the discussion, the prime minister reiterated her call for united efforts to root out terrorism from the region.

"Terrorists have no boundary and religion," she said and expressed the government's firm stand against all forms of terrorism.

Secretary of the Prime Minister's Office Mollah Waheeduzzaman and former ambassador M Ziauddin were present during the meeting.

## Accomplices snatch accused from police

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Bogra

A group of people attacked the police and snatched an accused in a murder case from them at Harikhal village in Sonatola yesterday.

Later, the police arrested eight people in this connection but failed to capture the accused, Sumon.

Sonatola Police Station Officer-in-Charge Golam Sarwar said a team of police went to the village and arrested Sumon, but his family members and others attacked the police and beat them up. Seven people, including Assistant Sub-Inspector (ASI) Mohiuddin, were injured in the incident.

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## Musfiq Mannan Choudhury awarded PhD in Electronic Commerce

Musfiq Mannan Choudhury, Assistant Professor of the Department of Management Studies of the University of Dhaka, has been conferred the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Electronic Commerce from the University of Durham, United Kingdom. His thesis title was 'A Study of the Significant factors affecting Trust in E-Commerce'. He was supervised by Dr. Christos Tsinopoulos and Professor Timothy Clark (the ex-Editor of the internationally renowned Journal of Management). His examiners were Professor Feng Li, an expert in E-Business at the Newcastle University, UK and Professor Daniel Read of the Yale University, USA.

Dr. Musfiq Mannan Choudhury is the eldest son of Professor Dr. Abdul Mannan Choudhury and Mrs. Morsheda Choudhury. He is married to Farhana Choudhury, a Lecturer of Dhaka University.

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Dr Alim Akhtar Bhuiyan, coordinator and consultant-Neurology, Apollo Hospitals Dhaka, speaks at a seminar on 'Updates on advanced patient care management in Apollo Hospitals Dhaka' at Narayanganj Club recently. The hospital organised the event.

## CQ METHOD Dakhil students to take 2 exams in 2011

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government has decided to take examinations of two subjects at Dakhil level of madrasa education under 'creative question method' in 2011.

The students will have to take the exams on Bangla and Islamic History in the newly introduced question pattern, says an official handout yesterday.

Meanwhile, examinations of all subjects in classes VI, VII and VIII of general education system will be brought under the new method in 2009 academic year.

Introduction of creative question method in phases instead of the existing questioning system is one of the steps taken by the government to bring a qualitative change in the education system, the handout reads.

Reviewing the timetable, the government has taken several decisions to implement the earlier decisions in this connection, it added.

As per the earlier announcement, the examinations of two subjects -- Bangla 1st paper and Religious Studies -- will be held under the creative question method from 2010.

The students, who are going to sit for the SSC exams in 2011, will have to take their exams on four subjects, including Bangla 1st paper and Religious Studies, under the new system.

The two subjects are geography and general science for the students of arts group, business introduction and general science for commerce students and chemistry and social science for those of science group.

National Curriculum and Textbook Board (NCTB), Directorate of Secondary and Higher Education and all secondary and higher secondary boards, madrasa board and technical education board will take necessary steps in this regard.

## IUBAT retreat tomorrow

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International University of Business Agriculture and Technology (IUBAT) will organise the 18th Academic Retreat at Bangladesh Rice Research Institute (BARRI) tomorrow, says a press release.

The retreat programme aims at improving the quality of academic delivery system through effective engagement of faculties and students will start at 10:00am.

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