

SUST for action against 32 for campus unrest

Authorities examine 7 probe reports of last one year

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The authorities of Shahjalal University of Science and Technology (SUST) last night decided to take action against at least 32 students, including Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) activists, for their complicity in a number of incidents creating unrest on the campus on several occasions during the last one year.

Emerging from an emergency meeting that ended at 8:15 last night, acting registrar Ishfaqul Hossain told The Daily Star that the authorities accepted the reports of seven probe bodies formed during the last one year in connection with the untoward incidents and vandalism on the campus. Of the 32 students, 15 would be expelled on different terms while the rest would be fined, he added referring to the meeting decisions.

"We are firm to take disciplinary action against the unruly students involved in the violent incidents since October 25, 2008," he said.

Vice Chancellor Prof Saleh Uddin Ahmed chaired the meeting held with senior officials, proctorial body members and heads of the probe committees.

The SUST authorities yesterday also filed a case with Kotwali Police Station without naming anybody, on charge of forcibly stopping the university's vehicles, vandalising the library building rooms and student messes during the last few days.

Earlier, the SUST authorities, at an emergency meeting on August 11, expelled 11 activists of Arif-Moloy faction for its attack on the rivals and for vandalism on the campus a few days ago.

Meanwhile, Tofayel, an activist of Arif-Moloy faction of the BCL, was admitted to

Sylhet MAG Osmani Medical College Hospital yesterday afternoon as the activists of Raju-Asad led faction of the BCL swooped on him.

BCL university unit has been divided into two factions, Arif-Moloy and Raju-Asad factions, over taking control of the campus.

Activists of Arif-Moloy faction on Wednesday enforced strike on the campus to press home its five-point demand.

The demands include withdrawal of expulsion orders on 11 of their fellows, punitive action against those who attacked the student messes on Tuesday afternoon and recovery of arms from the dormitories.

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A train engine derails at Khochabari near Lalmonirhat railway station on Lalmonirhat-Burimari route yesterday morning as criminals removed about four feet rail line.

TROOPS PULLOUT
Hartal called
in Rangamati

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The leaders of Samo Odhikar Andolan (SOA), a platform of Bangalee settlers fighting for establishing equal rights in CHT, and its student front Parbatya Bangalee Chhatra Parishad (PBCP), have jointly called for a half-day hartal in Rangamati town on Sunday protesting the ongoing troops withdrawal from the three hill districts.

The hartal call came from a rally at Longudu upazila headquarters yesterday. Addressing the rally, the SOA leaders urged the authorities concerned to stop the ongoing process of withdrawing one brigade of army troops and 35 makeshift security camps from CHT.

Robbers remove railway line

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Lalmonirhat

A train engine derailed yesterday dawn as a gang, planning robbery at a passenger train, removed about four feet railway line at Khochabari near Lalmonirhat station.

However, serious casualties were averted as the passenger train on Lalmonirhat-Burimari railway could not reach the spot due to engine failure.

"After the passenger train's engine went out of order at Namuri railway station, a train engine was sent to rescue it. On the way, the rescue engine derailed at Khochabari near Lalmonirhat station as criminals had pulled out about four feet railway line," Lalmonirhat Railway Divisional Traffic Superintendent Syed Zahurul Islam.

A gang of criminals wanted to conduct robbery in the passenger train that was coming from Burimari land port station at 4:00am but engine of the train faced power failure at Namuri station in Aditmari upazila, said Lalmonirhat GRP Officer-in-Charge Zahir Khan Pramanik.

"Had the passenger train reached the spot, many lives might be lost and the criminals would try to conduct robbery. Police is trying to trace out the gang," he said.

"Train communication on Lalmonirhat-Burimari route will be restored after completing rescue work. Lalmonirhat railway will provide police or night guards to check the railway route at night," said Lalmonirhat Railway Divisional Traffic Superintendent Syed Zahurul Islam.

2 RU BCL activists stabbed

RU CORRESPONDENT

A group of young men allegedly belonging to Islami Chhatra Shibir (ICS) stabbed two activists of Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) Rajshahi University unit on the campus on Wednesday night.

The seriously injured BCL activists are Ferdous Ali, a master's student of history department, and Abu Saleh, a third-year student of language department. They are undergoing treatment at Rajshahi Medical College Hospital (RMCH).

Police and campus sources said the youths swooped on the BCL men near university graveyard while they were returning to their dormitories at around 11:30pm. They stabbed the BCL activists in their chests and hands and left the scene.

On information, police went to the spot and sent the injured BCL men to the hospital. BCL leader Saiful Islam alleged that Shibir cadres made the attack on their activists.

Strike by bus workers

A CORRESPONDENT,
Lalmonirhat

Bus workers observed a day-long strike in Lalmonirhat yesterday protesting assault on three of their colleagues on Wednesday by BCL men in Barokhata area of Hatibandha upazila.

Lalmonirhat-Burimari road communication remained suspended during the strike. Workers said local BCL cadres assaulted Jamal, Karim and Hossain over bus fare.

However, the bus workers withdrew the strike in the evening after the district AL and administration assured them of taking action against the culprits.

Poet Sukanta still unknown to many at ancestral village

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Gopalganj

Today is poet Sukanta Bhattacharya's 83rd birth anniversary but there is no arrangement under government or private initiative to observe the day in his ancestral home at Unshia village under Kotalipara upazila of Gopalganj.

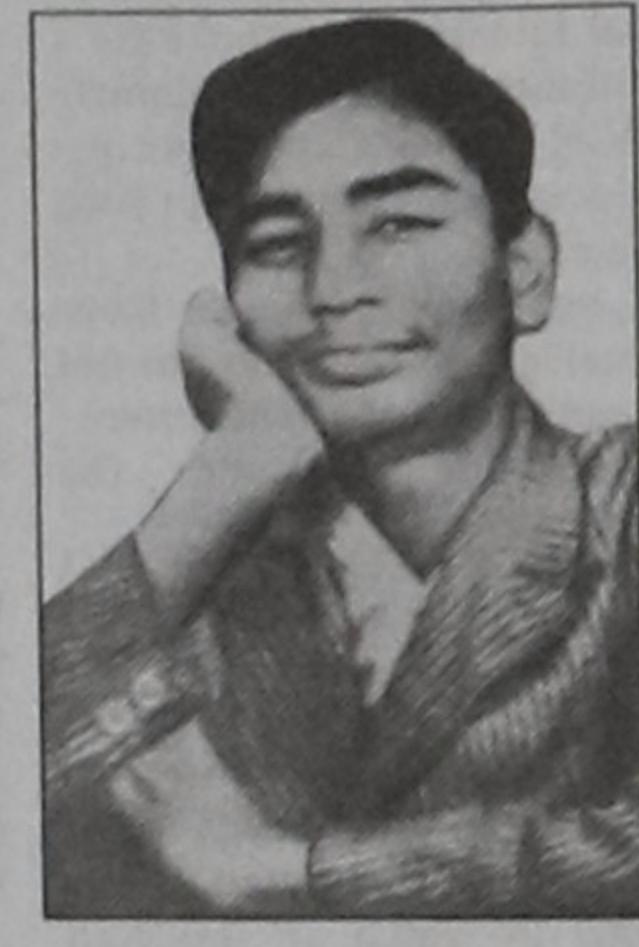
Locals are hardly aware that the poet, during his short lifespan of 21 years, made great contribution to Bangla literature through his vigorous writings for the cause of the downtrodden.

Sukanta was born on 30th Sraban in Bangla year 1333 at his maternal uncle's house at Mohima Halder Street in Kotalipara.

No member of the poet's family now live at Unshia village as they migrated to India after the 1947 partition, leaving property including dwelling house on over one acre of land.

However, the authorities have recently evicted illegal occupiers from the poet's ancestral homestead and following the government initiative to set up a library there, the district administration has selected a contractor through tender.

The structure of the house during the poet's lifetime does not exist now.



The government should take steps to observe Sukanta's birth and death anniversaries in recognition to the poet's contribution to Bangla literature, said advocate Dewlwar Hossain Sarder, executive director of local NGO Kabi Sukanta Seba Sangha, and local college teacher Gouranga Chowdhury.

Asked about observance of Sukanta's birth anniversary, Kotalipara Upazila Nirbahi Officer Mahmud Kabir said, "There is no directive from the higher authorities in this regard."

He, however, said this time the upazila administration will try to observe the day, at least on a limited scale.

Aggrieved Pabna BNP leaders form new committees

OUR CORRESPONDENT,
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Internal feud in Pabna BNP surfaced anew as aggrieved leaders yesterday formed Sadar upazila and pourasava units rejecting the existing ones formed by the district convening committee.

The committees were declared at a rally at Pabna Community Center with former president of Sadar upazila unit Abdus Samad Khan Montu in the chair.

Saiful Islam Badsha, Monwarul Islam Firoz, Ahsan Ahmed Sabir, SM Fardous Monju, Nur Mohammad Masum Boga, Mosabir Hossain Sonju, Aslam Hamid, Mosharraf Hossain were present. They all were the leaders of the previous committees of BNP Pabna district and Sadar upazila units.

The aggrieved leaders said they would form the committees of other upazila units and the district committees gradually comprising the dedicated leaders who have been dropped from the convening.

They blamed Samsur Rahman Simul Bishwas for excluding the dedicated party leaders from the district convening committee formed on June 9.

They urged BNP high command to include the dedicated leaders in the district and upazila committees to save the party from "conspirators."

Abdus Samad Khan Montu and Saiful Islam Badsha have been made conveners of BNP Pabna sadar upazila and pourasava units.

SNAPS AND SNIPPETS

Outlaw held, arms recovered

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pabna

Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) on Wednesday arrested five listed criminals including a regional leader of outlawed 'Bahini' from Dhanuaghata village under Faridpur upazila and recovered firearms and other weapons from the spot. The arrestees are outlaw Selim Reza alias Salim, 50, and Nayeb Ali, 38, Amin Uddin, 25, Saheb Ali, 19, and Sumon Ali, 18, all hailing from Faridpur and Chatmohar upazilas. Rab sources said a team of the elite force raided Dhanuaghata village where the criminals were assembling for an 'operation.' Rab arrested them from the spot and recovered a shotgun gun, four bullets and four sharp weapons. Rab said Selim is facing several criminal cases including five murders.

Fugitive held in Manikganj

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Manikganj

Rab on Wednesday night arrested Monir Hossain, a fugitive convict in the sensational Kabul murder case, from a tea stall of Garpura Bangladesh Hat under Sadar police station. Acting on a tip-off, a Rab-4 team went to the spot, caught Monir and later handed him over to police early yesterday. He was sent to the court in the morning. According to the case, local armed cadres killed Kabul Khan, a Jatiyatabadi Juba Dal leader on July 20, 1999. Later, a murder case was filed with Manikganj Sadar police station accusing 14 persons. Nine of them were charged. The Speedy Trial Tribunal Judge sentenced seven persons including Monir Hossain to death and one to life.

Poultry feed sellers agitate

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jhenidah

Members of poultry feed shop owners association of Jhenidah, Chuadanga and Meherpur districts formed a human chain in front of press club yesterday protesting raising of price of chicks by the hatchery owners. At a press conference, the poultry feed shop owners said that some hatchery owners have formed a syndicate and are selling chicks at high rate. As a result, they are incurring huge loss. They demanded immediate action against the culprits and threatened to go for tougher programme if the fisheries and livestock ministry did not resolve the problem without delay.



PHOTO: CHEVRON

Chevron Bangladesh President Steve Wilson handing over a cheque to FIVDB Executive Director Zahin Ahmed on the third year launching of Chevron's Alternative Livelihood Programme recently.

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1. Ministry/Division	Ministry of Civil Aviation & Tourism
2. Agency	Bangladesh Parjatan Corporation
3. Procuring entity name	Bangladesh Parjatan Corporation
4. Expression of interest for	Selection of Consultant Firm for Architectural & Engineering Consultancy Services.
5. Ref. No. with date	Works-18/2009 dt. 09 August 2009
6. Brief description of assignment	Consultancy services in connection with preparation of Plan & design of 300 rooms International Standard Hotel with attached exclusive beach & 18 hole Golf Course at Parjatan Holiday complex Cox's Bazar (near beach) including boundary wall, Road, parking, substation building & other related services.
7. Qualification & experiences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The applicant consultant firm must have at least 10(ten) years overall experience in consultancy services in successful planning both architectural & structural designing of projects in any govt./semi-govt./autonomous organization/reputed private bodies. The design project must have at least one International standard Hotel having 300 guest rooms & 18 hole Golf Course during last 5 (five) years including water supply, sanitary, electrification, fire fighting system and Earthquake prevention, telephone & network system, landscaping etc. The designed building project should be successfully implemented/ constructed as stated above, certificate in this regard should be furnished from at least one officer not below the rank of Executive Engineer/ Equivalent Officer. More-over certificate regarding consultancy work of Golf Course is also to be submitted. Should have sufficient numbers of well experienced design architects, structural designers, water supply and sanitary design Engineers, electrical & mechanical engineers in their pay roll. Should have up-to-date trade license, VAT registration, latest income tax clearance certificate, bank solvency certificate from schedule bank of Bangladesh. Consultant firm(s) may associate with other consulting firms to enhance their qualifications with legal documents. But it should be mentioned whether the association is in the form of a Joint venture or of association. Intended consultant firms are invited to provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services submitting their brochures, description of similar assignments, experiences in similar operating conditions, qualification and experiences among staff etc. Interested firms may obtain further information's from the above address during normal office hours.
8. Last date, time and place of submission of the EOI	30 August 2009 upto 12:00 noon in sealed envelope to Works Division, Bangladesh Parjatan Corporation, Shetu Bhaban (5th floor), New Airport Road, Banani, Dhaka-1212 clearly marked Request for Expression of Interest (EOI) for Selection of Consultant Firm for Architectural & Engineering Consultancy Services of the aforesaid works.
9. Bangladesh Parjatan Corporation reserves the right to accept any or reject any or all EOIs without assigning any reason. Consultant will be selected in accordance with the PPR 2008 and The Public Procurement Procedures issued by GOB.	

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