

**JEWELLERY BURGLARY**  
More gold recovered, woman arrested

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Detectives on Friday arrested a woman and recovered over 116 more tolas of gold out of 782 stolen from a jewellery shop in the city.

Police have so far retrieved 331 tolas of gold and detained 11 people since the burglary at Dewan Jewellery of Muktiyoddha Super Market at Mirpur-1 on April 25.

The arrest of Sajeda Akter alias Suma, 20, and the recovery were made following the arrest of Suma's husband Mohammad Kalam, 28, on Wednesday from Chasara in Narayanganj.

Md Solaiman, senior assistant commissioner of the detective branch of police, said they arrested Kalam following information that he went to Narayanganj on May 18 to talk to jewellery shops at the town to arrange the sale of the gold.

Kalam asked his wife to come to Narayanganj with the gold on Friday, he said, adding, they arrested her at Sayadabad Bus Terminal in the city on her way to the district town.

The officer said Suma was carrying the gold in concealed pockets in her overalls.

During interrogation, the couple admitted to the DB that after the burglary they with the gold went to Boltala village of Kathalia upazila in Pirojpur, then Jarkarun village of Betagi upazila in Barguna and then to Tuthpara area in Khulna Sadar upazila.

Solaiman said Kalam was the ringleader of the burglar gang having members with skill in cutting walls and breaking locks.

Police said the burglars entered Dewan Jewellery on the ground floor of the market, breaking open the locks of adjacent Jyoti Cosmetics and Imitation Jewellers, as they found a hole cut through the wall between the two shops on April 25.

**Death anniversary**

STAFF CORRESPONDENT



Today is the 6th death anniversary of Achhia Khatun, says press a release.

On the occasion, a milad mahfil will be held at her residence and at the central public library in the city.

A condolence meeting and candlelight programme will be held at the Central Shaheed Minar today.

Achhia Khatun died in a launch accident in the river Meghna on this day in 2004.



PHOTO: STAR  
Sunidhi Chauhan, an Indian playback singer, performs at the fifth Texbangla-2010, a three-day biennial textile show of Bangladesh Textile Mills Association, at Bangabandhu International Conference Centre in the city yesterday.

**ROW OVER ARRESTEES IN SI MURDER**  
IGP meets police, Rab officials today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Inspector General of Police Nur Mohammad will hold a meeting with Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) and Dhaka Metropolitan Police (DMP) officials today in the wake of controversy over the accused arrested in connection with Sub-Inspector Gautam Roy killing case.

The IGP told reporters that he convened a meeting of all the police and Rab personnel dealing with the murder case at his office today to defuse the controversy.

The controversy raged after DMP commissioner at a meeting on Friday claimed that the people picked up by

Rab in connection with murder case are innocent.

One of them even was not in Dhaka on the day the murder took place, he said, adding that the arrestee went to Comilla two days before the incident as he had contracted chicken pox and returned Dhaka a day after Goutam was killed.

Responding to the commissioner's comment, Rab Director General Hassan Mahmood Khandker, however, said on Friday that it is not the right time to come up with a conclusion as a high-powered monitoring committee formed by the police headquarters is looking into the matter.

**Printing press gutted in Ctg**

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Machinery and papers worth around Tk 5 lakh were gutted in a fire at a printing press at Sirajuddowla Road in the port city of Chittagong on Friday night.

Sources in Fire Service and Civil Defence department said the fire broke out at Rahmania Printers, on the ground floor of a two-storey building, of one Maksudur Rahman at around 10.15pm and spread fast damaging machinery and papers inside it.

Two fire fighting units from Chandanpura Fire Station rushed to the spot and doused the fire after an one-hour effort.

Damages in the fire that originated from an electric short-circuit were estimated at Tk 5 lakh, said Senior Station Officer Towfiqul Islam of the Chandanpura Station.

**Implement HC orders to stop arrest on suspicion, torture in remand**  
Speakers urge govt

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Speakers at a meeting yesterday urged the government to implement court directives barring law enforcers from detaining any person on suspicion and torturing in the name of remand.

In 2003, the High Court issued a 15-point directive on the government, asking it to amend the Sections 54 and 167 of the Criminal Procedure Code (CrPC) to stop the arrest of people just on suspicion and torturing them during remand.

The government, however, has not yet taken any step to execute the directives, said advocate Idrisur Rahman, one of the lawyers who moved the Public Interest Litigation upon which the HC had issued the verdict.

He made the comment while exchanging views with members of Law Reporters' Forum on the 'Role of Journalists in Implementing High Court Verdicts/Directives in Public Interest Cases'

organised by Bangladesh Legal Aid and Services Trust (BLAST) at its office in the city.

Asked about the government's stance in this regard, Law Minister Shafiqe Ahmed, who was not in the meeting, said it would implement the directives once the Appellate Division upholds those.

He said the government is waiting for the final orders of the apex court as an appeal against the verdict is pending with it.

The minister said the present government is sincere to protect the fundamental rights of the people.

Presided over by former HC judge Justice Awlad Ali, vice-chairman of the Trustee Board of BLAST, its Executive Director Mohsin Ali Khan moderated the discussion.

Advocate Khurshid Alam Khan, Barrister Sara Hossain, Advocate Shahriar Shakir, Associate Editor of the daily Samakal Qazi Abdul Hannan and chief reporter of The New Age M Shahiduzzaman spoke at the meeting.

**SENTENCE AGAINST MK ALAMGIR**  
SC hearing likely today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Appellate Division is likely to hold hearing today on an appeal filed by the Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) against the High Court (HC) verdict that scrapped the 13-year jail sentence against Awami League lawmaker Mohiuddin Khan Alamgir in a corruption case.

ACC's lawyer Advocate Khurshid Alam Khan yesterday told The Daily Star that the appeal filed by his client has been enlisted as item No-11 for hearing on today's (Sunday) cause list of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court (SC).

The HC on July 13 last year in a verdict scrapped the jail sentence against Mohiuddin in this case filed by the ACC, adjudging the conviction against him illegal.

On November 16 last year, the ACC filed a leave to appeal petition with the SC against the HC verdict.

ACC Deputy Director Jibon Krishna Roy filed the case with Tejgaon Police Station on March 6 in 2007 accusing Mohiuddin of amassing a huge fortune through misuse of power.

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