

Building tumbles, causes havoc

Scores feared dead; 4 bodies recovered; dozens trapped under rubble

SHAHEEN MOLLAH with PINAKI ROY

A five-storey building toppled onto three tinsh houses in the capital's Begunbari area last night killing at least four people and trapping 20 others.

Scores are feared dead as about 200 people resided in the three houses with 50 rooms.

Army personnel joined the rescue operation shortly after 2:00am.

At least 25 people were injured in the incident. Of them, two were in a critical condition.

Fire-fighters rescued a child and pulled

out four bodies of rubble. The dead are one-and-a-half years old Rabbi, his sister Jannat, 11, and Imon, 32, and his wife Kalpana, 20.

"At least 20 people remain missing," said Mohibul Haque, deputy commissioner of Dhaka, after visiting the spot.

Two bodies were brought to Dhaka Medical College Hospital Morgue, said staff at the morgue.

Fire-fighters could not start a full-scale rescue operation even three hours into the incident as the lanes around the building are too narrow for rescue vehicles to pass.

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PHOTO: ANISUR RAHMAN

A view of the building after it collapsed in the capital's Begunbari area last night. Inset: Locals and rescue workers trying to pull out a body trapped in debris.



Amar Desh shut

Declaration cancelled over 'publisher row'; acting editor Mahmudur arrested

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government yesterday cancelled the declaration of the Bangla daily Amar Desh citing that it has no authorised publisher.

Acting editor of the daily Mahmudur Rahman was arrested at its office in the wee hours today.

Deputy Commissioner of Dhaka Mohibul



Haque told The Daily Star, "Declaration of the newspaper has been cancelled as it has no publisher."

The DC has cancelled the declaration according to article-5 and -7 of part-III of the Printing Presses and Publications (Declaration and Registration) Act, 1973.

The DC said the previous publisher Md

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No tolerance for custodial deaths

HC warns govt; under-trial prisoner dies in Bogra

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday directed the government to put a stop to custodial deaths, saying the court will not tolerate such incidents.

An HC bench of Justice AHM Shamsuddin Chowdhury Manik, and Justice Md Delwar Hossain sounded the warning during a public interest litigation hearing in connection with the May 11 death of Md Manik Mia in custody of Chittagong police.

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CHEATING IN LIBERIA

39 back with army help

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

At least 39 Bangladeshis who have been cheated in the name of providing jobs in Liberia returned home yesterday after over two months stay in makeshift shelters provided by Bangladeshi peacekeepers there.

They arrived at Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport in

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WC ban on Ghana govt officials

REUTERS, Accra

Ghana's president has banned his ministers and other government officials from travelling to South Africa to watch the World Cup unless they have official roles at the

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PHOTO: PINAKI ROY
Musa and his son Wasi at Kathmandu Airport when his family reached Nepal yesterday morning.

Family reunites after 55 days

PINAKI ROY back from Kathmandu

Sharaban, holding his son on her lap, was the last person of the family to come out of the arrival gate. As soon as she came closer to him, she whispered to their son Wasi, "See your Baba".

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Hero comes home

Gets warm reception at airport, workplace, Gano Bhaban

EMRAN HOSSAIN

Capt Sikder Ahmed was flying a very special flight yesterday. A whole nation was waiting for the aircraft, Piaggio P 180 Avanti-II, to land safe and sound.

Sikder, chief pilot of Youngone Group Bangladesh, was excited to be in cockpit at a rare moment of history, as he was bringing Musa Ibrahim back home.

The captain would later share the experience saying, "It's really a great pleasure."

The plane touched the runway around 4:15pm. Family members relatives, colleagues, members of North Alpine Club Bangladesh and journalists have already thronged Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport, Dhaka.



PHOTO: PID
Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina greets Musa Ibrahim at her official residence last night.

Musa, the first Bangladeshi ever to top the Mount Everest, comes home completing his 55 days' expedition.

Wearing a t-shirt in national flag colours, Musa came out through the VIP arrival.

Visitors shouted, "Musa." Cameras started clicking.

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Congratulations

We are delighted that Mr. K. M. Mahmood Ur Rahman has been elected as the Chairman of Bangladesh Shipping Agents Association (BSAA). We are very proud of him and we congratulate him on his assuming this prestigious position of a very important trade organization which plays the major role of the entire Import & Export trade of the country.

Members of this organization represent all the major multinational shipping companies of the world and are also responsible for maximum facilitation of export & import of containers, bulk and oil tanker, transportation etc. of Bangladesh. The huge volume of these cargo include readymade garments, tea, jute and jute products, ceramic, leather, handy crafts and all the raw materials like fabrics, accessories, machinery and other bulk cargo contributing to our economy and foreign reserve.

Mr. Rahman has well led the Bangladesh Shipbuilders' Association and Launch Owners Association, two of the vibrant sectors in Bangladesh for over last three decades. He is still the President of both the organizations. Mr. Rahman is the Chairman of steering committee of Bangladesh Oil Tanker Owner Association. He was the former president of Bangladesh Cargo Vessel Owners Association (BCVOA) and during his tenure this association grew rapidly in all its dimensions. Mr. Rahman is also the Chairman of Birds Bangladesh Agencies Ltd. representing Mitsui O.S.K. Lines, the largest Shipping Company of the world. His company, Birds Bangladesh Agencies Ltd. has been representing many international shipping lines for last fifty years, which has given Mr. Rahman the rich experience and exposure as a leading shipping personality.

We strongly believe that under Mr. Rahman's dynamic leadership, the importance of this organization shall get its proper exposure and respect that it deserves while serving the trade.

On behalf of the officers & staff Of

Birds Bangladesh Agencies Ltd. & Highspeed Group of Companies.



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২০১০ সালের এসএসসি, দাখিল ও এসএসসি ভোকেশনাল পরীক্ষায় উত্তীর্ণ কৃতী ছাত্র-ছাত্রীদের জানাই প্রাণঢালা অভিনন্দন। উত্তীর্ণ ছাত্র-ছাত্রীদের মধ্যে যারা গোল্ডেন জিপিএ-৫ অর্জন করে সবার মুখ উজ্জ্বল করেছে ইসলামী ব্যাংক বাংলাদেশ লিমিটেড-এর পক্ষ থেকে তাদেরকে দেয়া হবে আন্তরিক সংবর্ধনা। তাদেরকে নিম্নরূপভাবে রেজিস্ট্রেশন করার জন্য অনুরোধ করা যাচ্ছে:

- গোল্ডেন জিপিএপ্রাপ্ত শিক্ষার্থীদেরকে রেজিস্ট্রেশন ফরম পূরণ করে ৭ জুন ২০১০ সোমবারের মধ্যে এক্সিকিউটিভ ভাইস প্রেসিডেন্ট, কর্পোরেট সোশ্যাল এ্যাকফার্স ডিপার্টমেন্ট (সিএসএডি), ইসলামী ব্যাংক বাংলাদেশ লিমিটেড, ৬০, দিলকুশা বা/এ (৮ম তলা), ঢাকা-১০০০ অথবা নিকটবর্তী যে কোন শাখায় জমা দিতে অনুরোধ করা যাচ্ছে। উক্ত ফরম ব্যাংকের যে কোন শাখা থেকে সংগ্রহ করা যাবে। এ ছাড়াও ব্যাংকের ওয়েব সাইট www.islamibankbd.com-এ সরাসরি রেজিস্ট্রেশন করা যাবে। অনলাইনে রেজিস্ট্রেশন করার ক্ষেত্রে কোন হার্ডকপি জমা দেয়ার প্রয়োজন নেই।
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