

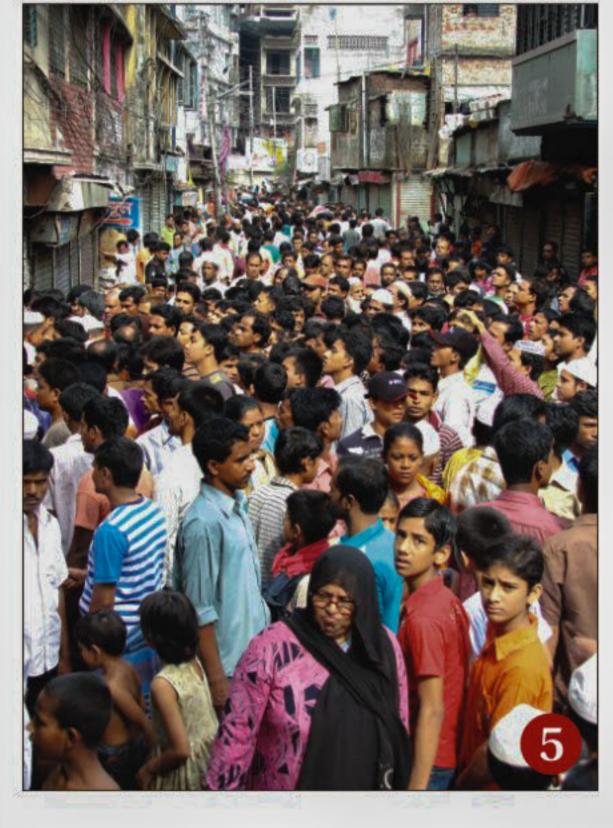
After the inferno

The blaze at Nimtoli in the city has been extinguished; now mourning fills the air, with signs of devastation all over the area. The fire that broke out on Thursday night has claimed the lives of 117 people.

1. Local people attend a namaz-e-janaza of fire victims at Hossaini Dalan yesterday. 2. Family members and relatives of a fire victim mourn. 3. Runa, the bride, lost eight members of her family and relatives in the blaze. 4. A charred motorcycle. 5. People from different areas of the city throng Nimtoli to see the devastation. 6. Wreckage of a tin-roofed house. 7. Electric transformers were burnt in the fire. 8. A gas oven which sparked off the fire. 9. The wife and the mother of a fire victim wail. 10. Wreckage of a chemical godown.

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AL leader gunned down in Jessore

A CORRESPONDENT, Jessore

Jessore on Thursday night. An Awami League leader was the accused in a sugar hoarding

Raju Ahmed, 35, also one of gunned down at Noapara in case, came under attack at বেছে নিন স্বপ্নের নীড়

জেন্ডিয় – ০৩ ঃ ৯৮৮ বর্ণফুট ব্ৰেট্টার - 08 ঃ ২০৪০ বর্গফুট (সিবেল ইউনিট) ভেটিটা – ১০ ঃ ২৩৯৫ বর্ণফুট (সিম্পেল ইউনিট) বিল্ডিং ফর ফিউচার লিঃ গণন শিরিব, (৩য় ৬ ৪র্থ জনা), ৭৬ ৩ ৭৬/১, পাছপথ, চাকা-১২১৫ | ০১৪১৪৪৯৬৬৬৫
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Noapara ferry ghat at around 11:00pm when he was returning home at Purakhali in Abhaynagar by a motorcycle from his business establishment, Sajib Trade International.

Police and locals said a gang four or five criminals shot Raju in the forehead and chest at pointblank range when he was about kills one to leave Noapara ferry ghat after crossing the River Bhairab by a ferry. He died on the spot.

The gang then exploded several bombs to create a panic and escaped the scene.

Later, the police sent the body of Raju to Jessore General Hospital for autopsy.

Police suspect that members fied as Abdul Aziz, 50.

of the Biplobi Communist Party, an extremist outfit, might have killed him to take revenge as three of their leaders were killed in crossfire with the Rapid Action Battalion (Rab).

Road crash

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One retired BDR personnel was killed as a sand laden truck hit him near Farazibari gas turbine of the district yesterday.

The deceased was identi-



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