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# College teachers' recruitment also manipulated

## PSC officials involved in syndicate, arrestee tells interrogators

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Rangpur

A syndicate involving Public Service Commission (PSC) officials manipulated the appointment process of teachers in different government colleges in 2005.

PSC administrative officer MA Rouf told interrogators during remand at Kotwali Police Station here, said police sources.

Atiqur Rahman, a relative of former PSC member Dr Mahfuzar Rahman, maintained communication with the syndicate to appoint college teachers against fake experience certifi-

ates, Rouf said.

Atiqur, of Ganjipur under Gangachara upazila of the district, had been absconding since July 08, after 167 men and women were arrested from a guesthouse at the upazila.

In 2005, PSC invited applications from teachers of government and non-government colleges for appointment in higher posts in government colleges under 10 percent special quota. PhD or MPhil degree and at least three-year teaching experience at any college were prerequisites for applying for the posts.

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# Social business hub for Asia

## Japan's Fukuoka city mayor teams up with Yunus

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Japan has established a social business hub in Asia in collaboration with Nobel laureate Muhammad Yunus, Yunus Centre said in a statement yesterday.

The hub launched in Fukuoka city on Kyushu Island, Japan, will promote social business, a concept developed by Yunus, as a means of tackling social problems across Asia.

Hiroshi Yoshida, Japan's Fukuoka city mayor, signed a joint declaration with Yunus, Susumu Ishihara, chairman of Kyushu Railway, Setuo Arikawa, president of Kyushu University, in Fukuoka on Friday.

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From left: Hiroshi Yoshida, mayor of Fukuoka City, Nobel Laureate Muhammad Yunus, Susumu Ishihara, chairman of Kyushu Railway Company, and Setuo Arikawa, president of Kyushu University, pose after signing a joint declaration to launch the Social Business Hub in Asia, in Japan on Friday.

PHOTO: YUNUS CENTRE

# Qamrul sues Alamgir for defamation

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A defamation case was filed against BNP's senior joint secretary general Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir with a Dhaka court yesterday for allegedly terming state minister for law Qamrul Islam "insane".

Metropolitan Magistrate AKM Emdadul Haque asked Fakhrul to appear before it on November 11 in the case filed by advocate Abdul Malek alias Moshirur Malek, founder and president of Bangabandhu Foundation.

The court issued the order

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# No scope to challenge cases on dispute facts

## Says SC judgement on ACC case against Mollah

ASHUTOSH SARKAR and EMRAN HOSSAIN

A copy of a recent Supreme Court judgment reveals that no-one could challenge in the High Court any case filed by the Anti-Corruption Commission on disputed facts that earlier led 540 graft cases to be stayed by the HC.

The apex court made the observations in a verdict given on April 4 upholding an HC verdict declaring legal the way ACC filed a case against Awami League lawmaker Habibur Rahman Mollah.

The full text of the verdict was released on April 13.

The Daily Star has recently obtained a copy of the judgment where some clear observations

were made regarding disposal of ACC cases in the trial courts and HC role in staying cases on trial.

From now on the disputed facts -- taking approval of all ACC commissioners for filing cases, submission of inquiry and investigation reports within 30 and 60 days, and completion of trial in 90 days since initiation -- have to be disposed of in the trial court based on evidence.

"Whether the appellant [Mollah] has disproportionate wealth, whether he has concealed his known sources of income, whether there is mis-joinder of charges and whether the trial of the appellant on facts allegedly committed prior to the promulgation of Durnity Daman

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# Youth killed by friend for ransom

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

A young man stabbed his friend to death at Kazirkhola of Surma upazila yesterday as the victim's family failed to pay the young man Tk 18 lakh in ransom.

Deceased Zamrud Hossain was a 30-year-old businessman of Kajolshah area in Sylhet.

Police arrested Shabbir Ahmed, who admitted the murder.

Kamrud Hossain, brother of the deceased, told reporters that Zamrud's friend Shabbir

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# Biman exploited by vested quarters

## Says civil aviation minister

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The civil aviation and tourism minister yesterday blamed "some powerful vested groups" in and outside Biman Bangladesh Airlines for its failure to become commercially viable.

"We are facing several challenges in making Biman into a viable concern. There are some powerful vested quarters in and outside the organisation, who have been using Biman as a milking cow," said GM Quader.

"They have exploited the national carrier and are gradually made it an inefficient organisation for the government," he added.

In addition, Biman is failing to bag regional passengers because of a shortage of aircraft, said the minister.

He was speaking at a seminar on civil aviation and tourism, organised by the Dhaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry

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# Six robbers killed in mob beating

A CORRESPONDENT, Gazipur

A mob beat six suspected robbers to death and six others injured at Enayetpur in Gazipur early Sunday.

The deceased were identified as Sukkur Ali, 40, Kamal, 25, Lutfar Rahman, 32, and Rafiq, 34, of Gazipur, Nuruddin, 30, of Noakhali and Aslam of Manikganj.

On information, patrol police put check post on the road near Mouchak area to detain a gang of 12 bandits who were fleeing after committing robberies at two houses at Gachhbari in Kaliakoir at about 4:00am.

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As part of the on-going drive to remove unfit and unregistered vehicles from city streets, a mobile court halts a minibus at Shahbagh intersection yesterday and fines its owner.

PHOTO: STAR

# Implement DAP to make Dhaka liveable

## Environmentalists demand

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government must go for implementation of Detailed Area Plan (DAP) to make the capital liveable, said noted urban planners and environmentalists yesterday at a discussion.

It is bad that a section of land businessmen is opposing the DAP and mislead the people with misinformation, said Prof Muzaffer Ahmad, president of Bangladesh Paribesh Andolon (Bapa), according to a press release.

Bapa, Bangladesh Institute of Planners (BIP), Institute of Architects Bangladesh (IAB),

Bangladesh Environmental Lawyers Association (Bela) and Centre for Urban Study jointly organised the discussion titled 'DAP: Anti-people or people's welfare initiative?' at the capital's CIRDAP auditorium.

Prof Ahmad said Dhaka has become unliveable due to grabbing of lakes and water bodies and unplanned urbanisation.

The city cannot embrace any further planning-disaster just to serve the interests of a handful, he added.

The speakers demanded eviction of the

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# IRAQ HOTEL FIRE Body couldn't be brought for lack of travel documents

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The authorities are yet to find the necessary documents to get back the body of the Bangladeshi killed in Thursday's fire at a hotel in the northern Iraqi city of Sulaimaniya.

The blaze was apparently triggered by a gas leak killing around 30 people and injuring at least 22 others. Harun Ur

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# 43 killed in Baghdad suicide bombing

BBC ONLINE

A suicide bomber has killed at least 43 people and injured 40 more southwest of Baghdad, Iraqi police said.

The attack targeted government-backed Sunni militia members lining up to be paid in the neighbourhood of Radwaniya.

The Sunni militia fighters, known as the Sahwa or Awakening Councils, were once allied with al-Qaeda, but turned against the militant group in 2006.

Among the dead were at least six soldiers and three accountants, the Associated Press news agency reported.

At least 13 soldiers were also wounded, along with four accountants.

"There were more than 85 people lined up in three lines at the main gate of the military base to receive salaries when a person approached us," a survivor, 20-year-old Tayseer Mehsen, told the Reuters news agency at Mahmudiya hospital.

"When one of the soldiers tried to stop him,

he blew himself up."

The BBC's Gabriel Gatehouse in Baghdad said the Sahwa are credited with helping to reduce the overall levels of violence in Iraq since they joined the US military and government forces in the fight against al-Qaeda.

He said that the Sahwa have been increasingly targeted by militants in recent months and have complained that their state-support is evaporating.

The Sons of Iraq, as members of the militia are also known, have recently reported cases of harassment from government troops as a political vacuum continues following inconclusive elections in March.

Sunni insurgents have sought to exploit the deadlock created by a failure of Sunni, Shia and Kurdish factions to agree on a new coalition government.

The two lists which won most seats are still bickering over who should be the next prime minister.

Both former Prime Minister Iyad Allawi and

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