14 held in 4 districts on charge of teasing

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Law enforcers yesterday arrested 14 youths on charge of teasing school and college girls in Pabna, Kushtia, Lalmonirhat and Thakurgaon districts.

Of them, 11 were arrested in Pabna and one each was arrested in three other districts.

Our Pabna correspondent reported that police arrested 11 youths while they were teasing school and college girls in front of different educational institutions in the town at noon.

The arrestees are Mizanur Rahman Mithu, 17, Nayem Hasan, 14, Nahid Kawser, 20, SM Sajib, 19, Monwar Hossain Dablu, 20, Sajedur Rahman, 20, Sabir Rahman, 18, Hasibur Rahman, 18, Mizanur Rahman, 19, Monirul Islam, 18, and Sultan Mahmud, 19.

Police said they picked up the 11 from in front of Pabna Government Girls School, Pabna Women's College and Ahmed Rafiq Girls School.

They hail from Komorpur, Banglavazar, Koladi, Shalgaria and Radhanagar village in Pabna Sadar upazila, and Bhathsala and Úlat villages under Sujanagar upazila of the district.

Meanwhile, teachers and students of different educational institutions of the district yesterday formed a human chain on Pabna Town Hall premise demanding punishment to the killers of Mizanur Rashid and Chanpa Rani Bhowmik.

Hundreds of protesters joined the human chain programme that continued for an hour from 11:00am. They urged the government to take measures to stop stalking and enact a stringent law to punish the stalkers.

In Kushtia, police arrested a stalker at Mothurapur in Daulatpur upazila yesterday



morning for assaulting a schoolgirl on Monday, reports our correspondent.

According to police, Shamim, 22, son of Shahidul Islam, and Sentu, 20, son of Abu Bakar of Mothurapur area, teased Kona Ara Khatun, 14, a class VII student of Mothurapur High School, while she was returning home from the school at around 3:30pm.

As Kona protested, Shamim slapped her and left the scene along with Sentu. Kona's father Bazlur Rahman of the same area filed a case against the two with Daulatpur Police Station in the evening.

Mothurapur Bazar while Shamim has been absconding since the filing of the case. Police said they are looking for main accused Shamim.

Lalmonirhat correspondent, ces. police arrested a youth in Doikhowa area under

Hatibandha upazila while he along with his accomplices were teasing a girl on her way to Doikhowa High School yesterday noon.

The arrestee is Saddam Hossain, 18, son of Delwar Hossain of Gachulka village in the upazila. Police said one Mujibur

Rahman, father of the girl, filed a complaint with Hatibandha Police Station on Monday night against Saddam for teasing his (Mujibur) daughter on her way to school at around 11:00am on Monday.

Police yesterday took position at a secret place near the school and caught Police arrested Sentu at Saddam while he and his accomplices were teasing the girl in front of the school. Saddam's accomplices, however, managed to flee.

Police said they are trying According to our to arrest Saddam's accompli-

Our Thakurgaon correspondent adds: Law enforcers yesterday arrested a stalker in front of Thakurgaon Sadar Hospital on charge of stalking a group of female students of Salondar College and physically assaulted one of them as she protested his evil acts.

The arrestee is Shohag, 22, son of Reazul Islam of Salonder village under the same upazila.

Police said Shohag teased Shima, a student of Salonder Degree College, and her classmates while they were sitting on the college ground at around 2:30pm on Monday.

As Shima protested, Shohag physically assaulted her. Fellows took Shima to Thakurgaon Sadar Hospital where she was given first aid.

Shima, daughter of Joynal Abedin of Shantinagar village in Thakurgaon Municipal area, filed a case accusing Shohag with Thakurgaon Police Station on Monday evening.

FOOD POISONING 1 dies, 8 fall sick in Ctg

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One person died and eight others fell sick after taking food at a temple in the port city on Monday.

The deceased was identified as Pulin Saha.55.

Those who fell sick due to food poisoning are Nirmol Majumder, 70, Monindra Das,75, Madhuri Das,70, Krishna Das, 40, Khokon Roy,50, Dhirendra Das,60, Dulal Shamonta, 60, and Rupom Roy, 50.

Temple sources said the devotees fell unconscious after taking lunch at Krishno temple at Chatteshwary Road under Kotwali police station on Monday afternoon. Other devotees of the temple

rushed the victims to Chittagong Medical College and Hospital (CMCH) where Pulin died at around 11:00 am yesterday. The rest were undergoing

treatment till filing of this report yesterday afternoon.

Dr Ashok Kumar Dutta, associate professor of CMCH said condition of the affected devotees was improving.

Rony refuses to confess to killing Chanpa Rani

Stalker Sushil sent to jail

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During interrogation on Monday, stalker Devashish Saha Rony did not confess to killing Chanpa Rani Bhowmik, said Mohammad Ali Khondaker, investigation officer (IO) of the murder case.

Rony said he had been proposing Hira, one of Chanpa's daughters, for the last five months to which she had never consented. Her reluctance had angered him, he said.

The investigation officer quoted Rony as saying that the killing of Chanpa Rani was an accident, not intentional, reports our correspon-

Chanpa Rani, 45, an employee of Faridpur Sugar Mill, died after Rony ran his bike over her on October 26

daughters Hira and Mukta

from harassment by stalkers. A special team of law enforcers arrested Rony at a motor garage at Arabpur in Jhenidah town at around 10:30am on October 31.

He was produced in the Cognisance court-4 in Faridpur Monday afternoon with a prayer for a 10-day remand. Senior Judicial Magistrate Mominul Hasan placed him on a three-day remand.

A Sirajganj court yesterday sent stalker Sushil Kumar Mondol to jail in connection with death of Rupali Rani of Raiganj upazila in the district, according to a correspon-

Rupali Rani, a class IX student of Simabari SR Girls' School of Bogra bordering Sirajganj, hanged herself for trying to protect her twin from a ceiling beam at around with his sister's death.

8:30am on Monday after stalker Sushil, 18, kidnapped her and kept her confined to a room of his residence in

Sirajganj. Sushil kidnapped Rani around 6:30am on her way to a coaching centre in Sirajganj. He also forcefully put vermilion on her forehead to imply that she was married to him according to Hindu custom.

Seeing Rani's body hanging from the ceiling, Sushil tried to flee, but locals caught him and handed him over to

Locals said Sushil had been harassing Rani with unwelcome advances on her way to and from school and the coaching centre over the last few months.

Rani's brother Kanak Kumar filed a case with Raiganj police in connection



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Victims of food poisoning being treated at Chittagong Medical College and Hospital yesterday. One person died and eight others fell sick after having food at a city temple on Monday.

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Man to die, another get life for killing for dowry

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A man to die while another got life for killing their wives for dowry in Narsingdi and Satkhira.

A tribunal in Narsingdi on Monday convicted a man and sentenced him to death for killing his wife in 2008, reports UNB. Convict Aynal Haque, 32, of

Shaheb Khola village in Raipura upazila, was also fined Tk 1 lakh. According to prosecution,

Aynal used to torture his wife Hlaima Akhter, 23, for Tk 1 lakh dowry.

On the fateful night of March 29, 2008 Aynal asked Halima to bring the amount from her parents which she refused. At this he became furious and set her ablaze pouring kerosene on her body leaving her dead on the spot.

Away in Satkhira, a man was sentenced to life term rigorous imprisonment on Sunday for killing his wife for dowry.

The court also fined him Tk 20,000, in default to suffer one year more rigorous imprisonment, court sources said.

Judge Sharif Uddin Azad of the additional session judge's court pronounced the verdict in presence of the accused.

Roy, 51, is son of Mohonta Roy of village Dhumghat in Shyamnagar upazila. The case in brief is that victim Chitra Rani Roy, 45,

daughter of Narayan Roy of village Moutala in Kaliganj upazila was married to Manindra about 20 years back.

Manindra used to torture Chitra for dowry as her father failed to pay the amount.

At a stage Chitra went to her father's house at Moutala failing to bear the torture.

But Manindra brought her from her father's house and after that Chitra went missing on November 22 in 2002. Locals recovered the body

of Chitra Rani from a paddy field on December 1. Later victim's brother

Biswajit Roy filed a case with Shyamnagar PS and police submitted charge sheet against the accused.

FOUR DAYS IN KUSHTIA

Two housewives killed, 2 commit 'suicide'

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Kushtia

At least two housewives were killed while two others allegedly committed suicide in the last four days in the district.

A dowry hungry man allegedly strangled his wife as Saldah village in Sadar upazila on Saturday. The victim was identified as Rima Khatun.

Ila Ali of Kabarbaria village in Mirpur upazila was married to Yairul Islam of Haripur eight years ago. The victim's family alleged that after mar-

riage they gave an amount to Yairul but he was pressing for more. Yairul demanded Tk. 40,000 and asked his wife to bring the money from her father a week ago. As Rima declined to do so Yairul tortured her.

On Friday night, Yairul strangled Rima and hung her body from the ceiling to show the incident as a case of suicide. Police sent the body to Kushtia General

Hospital for autopsy.

An unnatural death case has been filed and steps will be taken after the postmortem report, police said.

In another incident at Boroitupi village in Sadar upazila, Firoza Begum, 33, wife of Ainal Sheikh died at one stage of merciless beating on Sunday night. In the morning Ainal shouted that his wife

committed suicide.

People rushed to the spot and found Firoza with his family members went into hiding.

hanging from the ceiling of a room.

Police said Firoza's body bore marks of injured. An unnatural death case was filed with Islamic University police station. Sahida Khatun, 25, wife of Abdul Malek at

Kirtinagor village in Sadar upazila in the district

allegedly took poison following altercation with her mother-in-law Sunday noon at her house. She was taken to Kushtia General According to police, Rima, 25, daughter of Hospital where she died after sometime. In another incident Sima Khatun, 14, newly

married daughter of Sahid Ali of Char Thanapara area allegedly committed suicide at her house. She was taken to Kushtia General Hospital where doctors declared her dead. The reason behind her 'suicide' could not be known immediately.

UNB adds: A housewife was allegedly strangled by her husband at Narasinghapur in Sadar upazila of Narayanganj early Saturday. The deceased was identified as Masuda

Akhter, 19, daughter of Abdus Salam Mollah and wife of M Jony of the area. Family sources said Jony married Masuda eight months ago and since then he used to

torture her for bringing Tk 5 lakh dowry from her parents. On the fateful night, Jony picked up a quarrel over the issue and at one stage strangled Masuda. Later, he hanged the body from the

mitted suicide. The deceased's father filed a case. Jony along

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ceiling of the house to prove that she had com-



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