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One dies in 'gunfight' with Rab

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

An alleged criminal was killed in a gunfight with Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) yesterday evening at Pargendaria in the city's Keraniganj.

The deceased identified as Jewel alias Polti Jewel, 26, was an associate of Kala Jahangir, who was also killed in a shootout with Rab, said Rab sources.

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Protect canals of Dhaka

on ministries STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Legal notice served

Bangladesh Environmental Lawyers Association (Bela) yesterday served a legal notice on different ministries and agencies concerned to preserve

of Dhaka city. It served the notice to the mayor and secretary of Dhaka City Corporation, secretaries of environment **SEE PAGE 19 COL 3**

and protect the canals

PRAYER TIMING Azan Jamaat 5-30 6-05 12-45 1-15 4-15 4-30 Maghrib 5-43 5-47 7-15 7-45 METERED FARE OF CNG AUTO

Non-compliant drivers punished

Many autorickshaws still without meter

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh Road Transport Authority (BRTA) yesterday filed 132 cases against CNG-run autorickshaws and their drivers, and realised Tk 92,690 in fine from them for not installing or going by new fare meters.

BRTA, in association with Dhaka district administration, conducted five mobile courts at Tejgaon, Paltan, Shahbagh, Manik Miah Avenue and Ramna areas in the capital, said Tapon Kumar Sarkar, director (enforcement) of BRTA.

During the drive, the mobile courts ensured CNG drivers go by meters instead of forcing the passengers to travel on con-

tract fares, and collected seal from BRTA after tuning their meters according to new fare, Tapon added.

The mobile courts started the drive at 11:00am and continued till 4:00pm.

The drive began three days after a new rate of fare for CNG-run three-wheelers was made effective on January 16. The charge for the first two km has been increased to Tk 25 from Tk 14 and for each subsequent km Tk 7 from Tk 6. The minimum fare was raised to Tk 25 from Tk 18.

Many CNG drivers still could not reset their meters in compliance with new fare and collect seals from BRTA.

Some of them complained that the company, responsible for tuning new rate SEE PAGE 19 COL 5



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CNG auto-rickshaw drivers queue up with their meters at a workshop in the capital's Eskaton to recalibrate those for the new fare yesterday.

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India regrets Delhi pledges to Felani killing

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

India yesterday regretted the killing of a teenage Bangladeshi girl on Phulbari border in Kurigram by its Border Security Force (BSF).

"Indian side expressed their sympathies and regrets at the recent killing of a minor girl at the border," according to a joint press statement issued at

hiding in India : M ABUL KALAM AZAD

2 killers of Bangabandhu reportedly

India assured Bangladesh of making sincere efforts to capture Risaldar : Moslehuddin and Captain Abdul Mazed, SEE PAGE 19 COL 6 : condemned killers of Bangabandhu,

reportedly hiding in India.

"We have information that the killers are hiding in India. Thus we made a special request to New Delhi to trace them and hand them over to us," Home SEE PAGE 19 COL 7

NABIGANJ

40 hurt in post-poll violence

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

Post polls violence in Nabiganj municipality of Habiganj left 40 people, including eight policemen, injured yesterday evening.

Police were trying to disperse a crowd that gathered to bring out a

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Trial not fair

Col Taher's last words recalled by witness

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Seconds before he was taken to the gallows, Col Abu Taher said: "The law and the court under which I have been tried, are not fair..... Long live our countrymen."

The revelation was made by Khondker Fazlur Rahman, the then magistrate who was present at the gallows, while placing his statements before the High Court yesterday.

The HC was hearing a writ petition that challenged the martial law regulation under which the military tribunal

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GUBEE

9 'Tahrir men' held, sued

SAMSUNG

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Nine suspected members of banned militant outfit Hizb ut-Tahrir Bangladesh (HTB) including two students of Dhaka University (DU) were arrested yesterday in the capital's Dakkhinkhan and Hazaribagh areas.

Police made the arrests while conducting drives in different parts of the city and also recovered a huge **SEE PAGE 19 COL 8**





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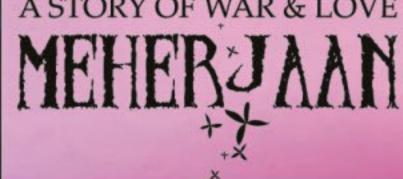
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