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Limon not freed yet

HC's bail order not reached Barisal in 3 days; Home's investigator talks with questionable people; family, villagers concerned

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barisal

The government official, commissioned by the home ministry to probe the Rab firing on Limon Hossain, visited the place of occurrence and talked to a number of "witnesses" in Jhalakathi yesterday.

Limon is yet to be released from the prison ward at Barisal Sher-e-Bangla Medical College Hospital, as copies of the bail order have not yet reached the Barisal central jail even three days after the High

Court issued the directive on Thursday.

Limon's family members and villagers alleged that the investigator and Barisal Additional Divisional Commissioner Shawkat Akbar, accompanied by the upazila nirbahi officer and Rajpur police officials, only talked to Rab sources, not any witnesses to the incident.

"The officials did not talk to us. Instead, they talked to people known as Rab

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AUG 21 ATTACK Al Markajul official picked up

KAILASH SARKAR

CID personnel last night picked up Moulana Abdul Rashid, vice-chairman of non-governmental organisation Al Markajul Islami Bangladesh, from his office in the city's Shyamoli with links to the August 21 grenade attack on an Awami League rally in 2004.

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LDCs must come out of poverty

PM addresses Istanbul summit

UNB, Istanbul

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has called upon the development partners to intensify their efforts at lifting the Least Developed Countries (LDCs) out of poverty.

She also urged the LDCs to "redouble" their own efforts to accelerate growth and sustain development in the changed global conditions.

"LDCs need to graduate from their present status. The Istanbul Programme of Action must create the conditions for LDCs to get out of poverty and underdevelopment,"

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When innocent made to suffer, govt loses most

JULFIKAR ALI MANIK

NEWS ANALYSIS

Innocents falling prey to police brutality are anything but rare in this country, and the latest addition to the long list of such victims is Limon.

Still in his teens, Limon serves as a grim reminder of how a section of law enforcers operates with impunity and little regard for human rights. His sufferings bring to mind the ordeal of

Partha.

Partha was 24 when he was detained in 2004 for allegedly issuing a death threat by email to the then leader of the opposition Sheikh Hasina. He had just returned from India after completing MBA in Chennai and been looking for a job.

Why he was taken to jail remains a mystery till this day.

Like him and Limon, many innocent people end up being on the receiving end of torture by the very ones assigned by the state to protect them.

For instance, some Rab men last year tried to frame a person in

Satkira by planting firearms on him.

In 2004, when now-deceased noted intellectual Humayun Azad was attacked by militants, police officials, to everyone's surprise, had arrested, tortured and tried to implicate Dhaka University student Mohammad Abu Abbas Bhuiyan.

All these incidents raise questions what makes law enforcers

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Anisuzzaman quits as SEC member

GAZI TOWHID AHMED

The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) member Md Anisuzzaman resigned from his office yesterday.

A source at the SEC said a high official of the Banking Division under the finance ministry earlier asked Anisuzzaman and another SEC member Yasin Ali to resign. Yasin, however, has not submitted his resignation yet.

Anisuzzaman submitted his resignation letter to SEC Chairman Ziaul Haque Khondaker at about 12:00 noon. "I have resigned as per the wish of the government," Anisuzzaman told The Daily Star while explaining his decision.

"I have not received any written instruction from the government," he added.

The Ibrahim Khaled-led probe committee in its report on the stockmarket debacle mentioned names of some top SEC officials saying the scamsters succeeded in

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THREAT TO OFFICIAL Minister's nephew held, later freed

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pabna

Police last night detained a nephew of the state minister for home Shamsul Haque Tuku hours after he threatened an election officer.

Aminul Islam, the arrestee, is the son of Badiul Islam, elder brother of Tuku.

Police, however, released him around 9:30pm saying they "actually" detained him over the licence of his motorbike.

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INAUGURAL CEREMONY

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Lt. Col. (retd) Quazi Nooruzzaman Bir Uttam (1925-2011)

We, the family of Lt. Col. (retd) Quazi Nooruzzaman, Bir Uttam, Sector Commander of Sector 7 in the War of Independence, have been overwhelmed and humbled by the outpouring of love and respect that has come his way since his passing on Friday, May 6.

From his fellow freedom fighters who made the journey from all across the country, to his colleagues in the armed forces; from the political and cultural leaders and activists alongside whom he had waged many a movement, to the many who simply admired him from afar – to all of you who came to pay your last respects we express our heartfelt gratitude.

We are particularly thankful to the Bangladesh Armed Forces and the Sammilita Sanskritik Jote for providing him with a farewell that was befitting a hero.

A doa mahfil for Lt. Col. (retd) Quazi Nooruzzaman, Bir Uttam, will be held at the Old DOHS Community Centre at Road 2, DOHS Banani after asr prayers today. All his family, friends, comrades and well-wishers are humbly requested to attend.

Professor Sultana Zaman
 Naila, Lubna, Badal, Sufi
 Anusheh, Almer, Kushan, Aneire