

# Withdraw order to drop Turjo murder case

**Khulna BNP submits memo to home minister**

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

Khulna BNP yesterday submitted a memorandum to the home minister through the deputy commissioner (DC) demanding withdrawal of the order to drop the Jubo Dal leader Omar Faruque Turjo murder case.

The ministry had earlier issued an order for dropping the charges against eleven accused in the case, all of them Jubo League cadres, on political consideration.

Deputy commissioner Jamsher Ahmed Khanader received the memorandum from president of Khulna City BNP Nazrul Islam Manju, a lawmaker from Khulna-2 (Sadar-Sonadanga) seat of parliament, in the afternoon.

All top ranking leaders of Khulna district and city BNP were present when the lawmaker submitted the memorandum.

Omar Faruque Turjo, joint secretary of Khulna City BNP was beaten to death allegedly by a group of Jubo League cadres on August 6 in 2005 at Maheshwarpasha Club under Daulatpur police station of Khulna city.

Lutfia Akhter Mita, elder sister of slain Jubo Dal leader filed a case the next day accusing 11 Jubo League cadres of murdering Turjo.

It has also been stated in the memorandum that the Ministry of Home Affairs had issued an official order last year to exempt all the 11 accused from charges and drop this sensational murder case on political consideration.

BNP leaders further said in the memorandum that the ministry issued the order to withdraw the case when it was under trial at Khulna Court of the Additional District and Sessions Judge after recording of statements of six prosecution witnesses (PWs).

The murder, committed in broad daylight, had no connection with politics but personal enmity. Despite this it was withdrawn on political consideration with strong

recommendation of lawmaker elected from Khulna-3 (Daulatpur-Khalishpur) and state minister Begum Mannujan Sufian, according to the memo.

Public prosecutor Kazi Abu Shaheen also played a role causing delay in the trial of the case, BNP leaders further stated in the memorandum.

We want justice in dealing with this murder case and a fair verdict, the BNP leaders said.

They also said in the memorandum that the present government had withdrawn 8,000 cases of different nature on political consideration. We think that withdrawal of these 8,000 cases has led to deterioration of law and order all over the country, they added.

Complainant of the Omar Faruque Turjo murder case Lutfia Akhter Mita received several death threats from the accused, they said adding, all the charged accused are now moving freely and attending political programmes of the ruling party.

The slain Jubo Dal leader was only son of freedom fighter Yakub Ali Chowdhury of Daulatpur.

Contacted over cell phone yesterday afternoon, Begum Mannujan Sufian said that all the eleven leaders and activists of Daulatpur thana unit of Jubo League were implicated in the murder case falsely and politically as BNP was then in power.

They also made several attempts to include my name also in the case as an accused but failed to do so because of my political reputation and credibility, she said.

All of them are innocent. I know them well and for this reason I recommended their petition for withdrawal of the case against them, the state minister further said.

Turjo was killed as a sequel to their intra-party feud and not by anyone of Jubo League, she added.



**NATURE'S WHIM!** Ashraf Ali holds a stem bearing 36 bottle gourds at his garden at Chhoto Harishpur village in Natore Sadar upazila. The unusual thing can happen due to excessive growth of flowers caused by abnormal presence of a certain nutrient, said Zebunnessa Begum, a teacher of zoology of Nawab Siraj-ud-Daula Government College.

PHOTO: STAR

## KHULNA HOTELS, RESTAURANTS Fresh notice on owners to serve safe water

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

Divisional office of the environment department here has again asked the owners of hotels and restaurants of the city to supply pure drinking water to customers.

A special team of the department, which launched a drive from February, detected presence of harmful coliform bacteria on several occasions in the drinking water served at hotels and restaurants in the city.

Coliform bacteria causes different intestinal and other serious diseases like typhoid, said eminent medicine specialist of Khulna Medical College Hospital (KMCH) Professor Dr Abu Bakar.

Sources said, there are over a thousand hotels and restaurants in the Khulna metropolitan city most of which do not have any system to keep drinking water safe and germ-free.

These hotels and restaurants collect drinking water mostly from deep tubewells. But none of them keep or maintain it prop-

erly, said sources at Khulna office of environment department.

The chemical test of drinking water at hotels is done every month by the environment department, the sources said.

In last February, coliform bacteria was detected in drinking water of 15 hotels in the city.

In March, the bacteria was found in the water of six more hotels.

On May 23 last, a special team of Department of Environment (DoE) again detected germs in the water of 10 more hotels of the city.

After that the DoE served fresh notices on hotel owners warning them of legal action in case of supplying bacteria mixed drinking water to customers.

It also asked the hotel and restaurant owners to take preventive measures against coliform bacteria in drinking water, said Dr Tarun Kanti Shikder, director of Khulna Divisional Office of DoE.

## 'Mass grave' found in Netrakona

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Netrakona

Human skulls, bones and teeth were recovered from a 'mass grave' at Rajpara village under Purbadhalia upazila on Sunday.

Villager Abdul Hamid located the grave while digging earth at his abandoned land at noon.

Locals said, during Pakistan time, two youths named Hemchandra

Bagchi and Hari Das Singh along with their families used to live at a house on the land, which now belongs to Abdul Hamid.

On May 1 in 1971, Pakistani occupation forces killed the two men and may have buried them there, said police, adding there may be skulls and bones of many other people at the place.

"It is a mass grave and we will take necessary step to preserve it," said the UNO adding that Netrakona Being informed by

Hamid, Purbadhalia upazila nirbahi officer (UNO) Mozammal Haque and sub-inspector of Purbadhalia police station Sahidur Rahman visited the spot.

They brought the skulls and bones to Purbadhalia police station for preservation.

"It is a mass grave and we will take necessary step to preserve it," said the UNO adding that Netrakona

deputy commissioner and International War Crimes Tribunal officials have been informed of the matter.

Liberation war researcher Ali Ahmed Ayub, also a resident of Purbadhalia, said that back in 1971, Pakistani forces along with their collaborators killed Hari Das, Hemchandra and their domestic help Roghu and torched their houses.

Police recovered the body of Haji Sheikh Sohrab Hossain, 44, from the playground of Brahmandanga Registered Primary School yesterday morning. He was elected member of Kodalia union parishad in the upazila on March 31 this year.

Delwar Hossain, chairman of the union parishad, said Sohrab went to local Chalthuri Bazar on Monday night to attend a function marking the opening of a shop at the bazar.

The reason behind the murder could not be known as of filing of this report at 5:00pm yesterday. Contacted, Officer-in-Charge (OC) of Mollahat Police Station Iqbal Hossain said they are trying to unearth the clue to the murder.

Delwar's motorbike was found half a kilometre off the spot, the OC added.

The body of the UP member was sent to Bagerhat Sadar Hospital morgue for autopsy. His brother Shiekh Abed Ali filed a murder case with Mollahat Police Station.

## Wall collapse kills mother, son in Natore

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Natore

A woman and her son were killed when a mud-wall collapsed on them at Merigaccha village in Boraigram upazila on Monday night.

Local sources said the earthen wall of Nur Mohammad's house suddenly collapsed, leaving his wife Razia Begum, 48, dead on the spot and injuring son Habibur Rahman, 30, at about 10:00 pm.

Habibur died on way to Rajshahi Medical College Hospital.

Locals said the mud-wall, which developed a crack a few days ago, fell on the mother and her son when they were in deep sleep in their house.

## Three to die, 11 get life for murders

STAR NATIONAL DESK

Three people were sentenced to death while 11 others to life term imprisonment in separate murder cases in Chandpur, Bagerhat, Munshiganj, Sylhet and Khulna districts on Monday and the day before.

A special tribunal in Chandpur on Monday sentenced two people to death in the sensational Shefali rape and murder case in 1999, reports our correspondent.

The convicts are Abul Kalam, son of Shahed Ali Matbor and Shah Alam, son of Fazlu Matbor. Both hailed from Ishanbala village under Haimchar upazila of the district.

According to the case, on July 22, 1999, the aforesaid two abducted Shefali Akter, 20, and took her to nearby Ishanbala Char, where they gangraped, killed her and later dumped the body in a bush.

In Bagerhat, a court yesterday awarded death penalty to Ilias Sheikh for killing his brother in 1999, reports our correspondent.

According to the case statement, on March 23, 1999, Ilias Sheikh, son of Asmot Ali Sheikh of Chandipur village under Morelganj upazila beat dead his younger brother Sheikh Oliur Rahman centering a previous feud over a disputed land.

However, Ilias Sheikh went into hiding soon after the incident.

Our Munshigana Correspondent adds: Dalim Mia, 33, was sentenced to life term imprisonment on Monday for killing his wife

Nurjahan, 23, for dowry in 2006.

According to the case, Dalim Mia strangled his wife and later dumped her body under sand in his house in Kundulia village under Sirajdikan upazila on November 11, 2006. In Sylhet, nine people were sentenced to life term imprisonment on Sunday for killing a man in 2005, reports UNB.

The convicts are Aftab Uddin, son of Mokaddas Ali, Dulal, son of Fazir Ali, Samruddin, son of Anwar Ali, Sarif Uddin, son of Ambor Ali of Gangapur village, Anwar Majhi, son of Firoz Ali of Lama Gangapur village, Ruhul Amin, son of Nasim Uddin, Shamsul, son of Motiar Rahman and Emdad Uddin, son of Joyen Uddin of Pitaikor village in Fenchuganj upazila and Yusuf Ali, son of Yakub Ali of Kulaura upazila in Moulvibazar district.

According to the prosecution, Anwar Majhi and his associates killed Moklesur Rahman, son of Montaj Ali of Lama Gangapur village and looted Tk 1.11 lakh when he was returning home on the night of 19 February, 2005.

A court in Khulna on Sunday convicted a man and sentenced him to life term imprisonment in absentia for killing his mother.

The court also fined Abdul Gaffar Sheikh, 35, of Fulbari village in Botiaghata upazila Tk 10,000.

According to the prosecution, Gaffar, following a family feud, attacked his mother Hazeria Begum and hit her with a sharp weapon on November 30, 2000, leaving her dead on the spot.

## নর্থ-ওয়েস্ট পাওয়ার জেনারেশন কোংলিং North-West Power Generation Co. Ltd.

(An Enterprise of Bangladesh Power Development Board)

Biddut Bhaban (13th Floor), 1, Abdul Gani Road, Dhaka-1000

### Invitation for Tender

1. Ministry/Division	Ministry of Power, Energy & Mineral Resources/Power Division.				
2. Agency	North-West Power Generation Co. Ltd. (An Enterprise of BPPDB).				
3. Procuring entity name	Project Director, Bheramara CCPP Development Project, North-West Power Generation Company Ltd.				
4. Procuring entity district	Dhaka				
5. Invitation for	Lot-A : Land Development of Low Land Area of Bheramara CCPP Development Project site at Bheramara, Kushtia. Lot-B : Land Development of Low Land Area of Bheramara CCPP Development Project site at Bheramara, Kushtia. Lot-C : Land Development of Low Land Area of Bheramara CCPP Development Project site at Bheramara, Kushtia. Lot-D : Land Development of Low Land Area of Bheramara CCPP Development Project site at Bheramara, Kushtia.				
6. Invitation Ref No. & date	Memo No-NWPGLC/PD/Bhera CCPP/2011/120, Date- 29/05/2011				
Key Information					
7. Procurement method	Open Tendering Method (OTM).				
Funding Information					
8. Budget & source of funds	Development Budget/GOB.				
Particular Information					
9. Tender name	Land Development of Low Land Area of Bheramara CCPP Development Project site.				
10. Tender last selling date, closing & opening date and time	Last selling date 29.06.2011 (Office time)	Submission on or before 30.06.2011	Closing & opening date 30.06.2011	Closing time 12.00 noon	Opening time 12.30pm
11. Name & address of the office for selling tender document, receiving & opening tender	Office of the Project Director Bheramara CCPP Development Project, NWPGLC, Biddut Bhaban (Level-14), 1, Abdul Gani Road, Dhaka-1000 (Office time)				
Information for Tenderer					
12. Eligibility of tenderer	(i) The tenderers having up-to-date trade license, TIN & VAT registration from concerned authority of Bangladesh, in case of Govt. organization such documents are not required. (ii) Experience required For Lot (A): A satisfactory completion of similar works of at least Tk 1,20,00,000.00 (Taka one crore twenty lac) under a single contract within last 5(five) years shall be required. For Lot (B): A satisfactory completion of similar works of at least Tk 90,00,00,000 (Taka ninety lac) under a single contract within last 5(five) years shall be required. For Lot (C): A satisfactory completion of similar works of at least Tk 80,00,00,000 (Taka eighty lac) under a single contract within last 5(five) years shall be required. For Lot (D): A satisfactory completion of similar works of at least Tk 90,00,00,000 (Taka ninety lac) under a single contract within last 5(five) years shall be required. According to PPR-2008 rule 50(2), if any bidder likes to bid more than one lot, the firm should have - For two lots : A satisfactory completion of similar works of at least Tk 2,00,00,00,000 (Taka two crore ) under a single contract within last 5(five) years shall be required. For three lots : A satisfactory completion of similar works of at least Tk 3,00,00,00,000 (Taka three crore ) under a single contract within last 5(five) years shall be required. For four lots : A satisfactory completion of similar works of at least Tk 4,00,00,00,000 (Taka four crore ) under a single contract within last 5(five) years shall be required. (iii) years counting backward from the date of publication of IFT in the newspaper Land Development of Low Land Area of Bheramara CCPP Development Project site at Bheramara, Kushtia.				