

Death anniversary

STAFF CORRESPONDENT



Today is the seventh death anniversary of AKM Farid Uddin Ahmed, a freedom fighter and former deputy assistant director of Bangladesh Rifles (BDR).

On the occasion, a Qurankhwani and doa mahfil will be held at his residence at 1163/A Chowdhury Para at Khilgaon in the city, said a press release.

Cop injured in road crash dies

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A police inspector posted in Naogaon district, who was injured in a road accident in the city's Uttara on January 11, succumbed to his injuries at a city clinic yesterday.

The deceased Abdul Latif, 47, was district intelligence officer (DIO) at the District Special Branch (DSB). He was hailed from Kurigram and a resident of Sirajganj.

Uttara Police Station Officer-in-Charge Rezaul Huq said Latif died at around 12:30am at Lubana Clinic of Sector-13 in Uttara.

Sub-Inspector Abul Miah of the police station said Latif came to the capital for duty at the Biswa Jtama in Tongi recently. When he was getting down from a bus at Jasim Uddin road, another bus hit him at his leg and head from opposite direction.

Latif's brother Mohammad Shahidul Huq filed a case with Uttara Police Station in this connection yesterday, accusing the unidentified bus driver.



Fish traders occupy around two-thirds of the 12-foot-wide footpath stretching from Pan Pacific Sonargaon Hotel to Bangladesh Film Development Corporation in the city with their belongings. The photo was taken yesterday.

PHOTO: ANISUR RAHMAN

6 killed, 12 hurt in road accidents

METRO DESK

Six people were killed and 12 others injured in separate road accidents in Dhaka, Chittagong, Dinajpur, Netrakona and Gaibandha yesterday.

Staff correspondent reports: Day labourer Nuruzzaman, 29, of Rainkhola at Mirpur zoo road, was killed and six others sustained injuries as a covered van of Sunderban Currier Service collided with a human hauler 'Champion' at around 1:45pm in front of Eastern Housing at Pallabi in the capital city yesterday.

Driver and helper of the covered

van were among the injured.

The injured were rushed to local hospitals.

Staff correspondent from Chittagong reports: Two siblings were injured as a microbus hit them while they were crossing the road at Pahartali in Raozan upazila at around 3:00pm yesterday.

Safol Barua, 5, died at Chittagong Medical College Hospital where his sister Srabonti Barua, 10, was undergoing treatment.

In another accident, a young motorcyclist Rony was killed instantly when a covered van lorry

rammed his bike at Kadom Rasul in Sitakunda upazila at around 3:30pm yesterday.

In Dinajpur, Jahura Begum, 60, wife of late Shakhiat Hossain of Gaganpur village of Biral upazila, was injured critically when a shallow-run three-wheeler hit an auto-rickshaw carrying her from behind at Gaganpur village in the upazila yesterday.

She succumbed to her injuries at Dinajpur Medical College Hospital.

In Netrakona, a passenger bus knocked down Almaserna, 60, of village Bartoli in Atpara upazila, on Netrakona-Madan road at Bartoli

under Atpara upazila in the district, killing her on the spot at about 10:00am yesterday morning.

Following the accident, the angry mob damaged the bus.

In Gaibandha, Hossain Ali, 55, of village Nayapara in Palashbari upazila, was crushed under the wheels of a bus and five others were injured as the bus rammed a rickshaw-van from behind on Bogra-Rangpur highway at Thutiapukur yesterday morning.

Of the injured, Chaku Mia, the rickshaw peddler, Rukshana Khatun and Moinul Huq were taken to Palashbari Upazila Health Complex.

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Students hone skills at English Language Fair

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The day-long English Language Fair, jointly organised by The Daily Star and Robi to improve the proficiency of secondary school students in English, was held at four schools of Dinajpur and Bagerhat yesterday.

Our Dinajpur correspondent reports: Over 100 enthusiastic students of Dinajpur Government Girls' High School took part in the fair after its inauguration by the Headmistress Shekhar Bhattacharyya at the school.

The fair began with the screening of a movie, The Lion King. Afterwards, quizzes and competitions on vocabulary, moral lessons, extempore speech and role playing and writing picture descriptions were held based on the movie.

Students also entertained the audience by reciting poems, telling jokes and singing songs. Later, prizes were distributed among the winners.

Thanking The Daily Star and Robi, the school's teachers said the fair immensely helped the students enhance the art of conversation and effective communication in English.

Assistant teachers Md Abdul Bari, Shehab Zil Quamran and Md Samsul Haque were present.

Our Bagerhat correspondent adds: Over 200 students of Bagerhat Government Boys' High School, Jadunath Institute and Dasani Ideal Girls' High School took part in the fair held at the boys' school premises.

The students first viewed the movie and then took part in quizzes on vocabulary, extempore speeches and role playing. Prizes were distributed among the event winners.

English teachers Debashish Dhali, Rahim Uddin, Mahfujur Rahman and Jagadish Chandra Halder of the schools were present.

Under English in Schools programme, the fair in also being coordinated by the education ministry while Adcomm Ltd is the creative and event partner.

10 rifles recovered

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Brahmanbaria

Police yesterday recovered 10 rifles, one light machine gun and six magazines from Bhadughar village in the district.

Police said, while digging a deep trench, construction workers stumbled upon the arms and notified the police.

They said the weapons seemed have been buried there for a long time and they might belong to the liberation war period.

SP Jamil Ahmad said all the arms would be examined to determine their date of manufacture.

Muggers loot city jewellery shop

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A group of muggers snatched gold ornaments weighing around 2.5 tolas from a jewellery shop in the city's Mirpur yesterday noon.

Owners of some jewellery shops said seven youths in guise of customers arrived at Eureka Jewellers at Shah Ali Shopping Complex in Mirpur-1 at around 2:00pm and snatched the ornaments tying up the lone salesman.

Hearing cry for help from two female customers, locals chased the muggers. Later, the criminals fled the scene exploding crackers that left Sunil Ghosh, 28, a jewellery shop owner wounded. He took treatment in a hospital.

OC of Darussalam Police Station Abdul Malek claimed that the muggers could not take any ornament from the shop.

Traders said they shut down their shops following the incident.

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Seminar
Bangladesh Human Rights Foundation will arrange a seminar; Venue: Biam Foundation; Time: 9:30am.

Discussion
Muktijuddher Itihas Sangrakkhan Parishad will hold a discussion; Venue: National Museum; Time: 10:00am.

Get-together
Dhaka University (DU) Marketing Department Alumni Association will organise a get-together; Venue: Teacher-Student Centre (TSC), DU; Time: 9:30am.

Discussion
Abdus Shaheed Sangsad will hold a discussion; Venue: Jatiya Press Club; Time: 11:00am.

Sit-in
We are the 99 Percent will stage a sit-in; Venue: Teacher-Student Centre (TSC), DU; Time: 4:00pm.

Convention
Islami o Samamana 12 Dal will organise a national convention; Venue: Jatiya Press Club; Time: 9:00am.

Human chain
National Garments Workers Unity Movement will form a human chain; Venue: Jatiya Press Club; Time: 11:00am.

Seminar
Super Tech Corporation will organise a seminar; Venue: Caviar Chinese Restaurant, Malibagh Chowdhurypara; Time: 11:00am.



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