





His last work Our goodbye to Jamil

Shawkat Jamil rushed to snap shots of a drapery-shop fire that raged for nearly six hours on Elephant Road in the capital yesterday. As on every other day, the senior photojournalist of The Daily Star was busy trying to capture the prized one -- a shot that would make his news chief happy enough to give it a good display in the following day's paper.

But little did he know about the hours to follow. At 7 in the evening, when photojournalists gathered at the chief news editor's room for selection of photographs for the next day's issue, the only person missing was Jamil.

A lensman for 27 years, Jamil went beyond the usual newsroom rituals six hours back.

No longer will he have to worry about the fate of his photos. It was with a heavy heart that his colleagues

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Shawkat Jamil (in yellow shirt) at work around an hour and half before his life drew to a close.



Smoke spirals out of a drapery shop at Bata intersection on Elephant Road in the capital yesterday morning. The raging fire destroyed fabrics kept in the store.

PHOTO: SHAWKAT JAMIL HC Order on Cox's Bazar Beach

Stop construction of all structures

Allegations of plot allotment to be probed

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday directed the government to take effective steps immediately to stop construction of all kinds of structures on the Cox's Bazar sea beach till further order.

During hearing of a rule, the court ordered the cabinet secretary to set up a high-powered committee to examine whether land of the sea beach can be allo-

cated to any individual or private company on lease agreements.

The cabinet secretary will form the committee comprising the secretaries to the ministries of law, land, and environment, which will probe the allegations of allocating some plots on the beach on lease, the court ordered.

Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) chief Col (retd) Oli Ahmed, MP, who is

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War Crimes Trial 6 petitions of SQ Chy rejected

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The International Crimes
Tribunal yesterday
rejected all six petitions
submitted by BNP lawmaker Salauddin Quader
Chowdhury.

Salauddin filed the petitions, including one for an order discharging him and another for bail, on different dates in

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ROHINGYA REPATRIATION

Dhaka seeks EU support

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh yesterday sought the support of the European Union (EU) in resolving the long-standing issue of repatriation of Rohingya refugees.

At a meeting with a seven-member EU delegation led by William Hanna, EU Ambassador to Bangladesh, Food and Disaster Management Minister Abdur Razzaque urged the EU to settle the problem, by sending the Rohingyas back to their homeland in Myanmar.

In reply, the delegation informed the minister that the SEE PAGE 6 COL 5

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Do you support opposition's countrywide hartal on March 29?

ONLINE POLL

Yes (69.8%)
 No (30.2%)
 No Comments (0.0%)

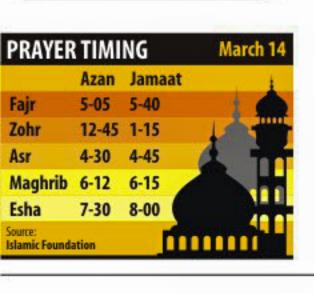
TOTAL VOTES: 731

TODAY'S POLL

Do you think the partial blackout

of 3 private TV channels on March
12 in Dhaka during Khaleda Zia's
speech at a rally is an ominous
sign for freedom of the media?
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Man killed by younger brother

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The eldest son of film actor ATM Shamsuzzaman was stabbed to death by his youngest brother in the capital's Sutrapuryesterday afternoon.

The deceased was identified as ATM Kamruzzaman Kabir, 35, also a reconditioned car trader.

Family sources said Khalequzzaman Kushal stabbed his brother Kabir in the back centring o

brother Kabir in the back centring on an alteration over money around 2:30pm. Mohammad Nazrul Islam, officer-in-charge of Sutrapur

Police Station, said they arrested Kushal from his house. Kabir's uncle Haji Solaiman told reporters that Kushal is a drug addict, and he has been suffering from mental illness. He also said that Kushal often used to demand money

from Kabir to buy drugs. As Kabir refused to give him any money this time, a brawl took place between the two. At one stage, Kushal rushed to the kitchen and came

out with a knife. Kushal then entered his eldest brother's room and stabbed Kabir indiscriminately, he added.
Kabir was rushed to Dhaka Medical College Hospital

(DMCH) where doctors declared him dead around 4:20pm, family sources said.

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Kabir

Fire ravages drapery shop

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A fire broke out in a curtain shop yesterday on the Elephant Road in the capital and left a firefighter injured.

D Hassan Brothers, the shop on the first floor of Dewan Complex, caught fire sometime in the morning. The reason was unknown.

Seeing smoke come from the building, shop owners of nearby markets called Fire Service and Civil Defence around 8:00am.

Traffic in front of the building remained suspended for nearly four hours as hundreds of people thronged the spot while the fire-fighting operation was going on.

Eight fire engines brought the flames under control around 2:15pm,

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