

Boy picked up by BSF back home after five months

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A Bangladeshi boy has returned home after languishing in an Indian jail for five months.

Indian Immigration police handed over the boy, Bishad Roy, 9, son of Balai Chandra Roy of Jawrani village in Hatibandha upazila, to Burimari immigration police at zero point of Burimari land port Wednesday noon.

Later, Burimari Immigration police handed over the boy to his parents in presence of advocate Salma Ali, executive director of Bangladesh National Women Lawyers Association (BNWLA).

Bishad was picked up by Indian Border Security Force (BSF) from no-man's land on Jawrani border in Hatibandha upazila on November 3 in 2011. He went there to bring their three goats home.

Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) 31 Battalion immediately asked its Indian counterpart to return the boy but the Indian border guards did not respond positively. They handed over Bishad to Sitai police station of Cooch Behar district the following day. On November 5, he was sent to a jail.



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Parents of Bishad, who was in an Indian jail for five months, break down, getting their son back, in the presence of advocate Salma Ali, executive director of Bangladesh National Women Lawyers Association (BNWLA), at Bhurimari land port under Patgram upazila of Lalmonirhat district.

On an appeal made by Bishad's parents, Bangladesh National Women Lawyers Association (BNWLA) communicated with a voluntary organisation in Cooch

Behar about release of the boy.

The organisation contacted with a children's welfare committee that helped Bishad get released from jail on March 3.

Deposition dates deferred

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Three trial courts here deferred the dates for recording deposition in the cases for grenade and bomb blasts due to the absence of prosecution witnesses.

However, 10 accused, including the outlawed Huji, B chief and his accomplices were produced before the courts, sources said.

Huji, B chief Mufti Abdul Hannan, his brother Mofizur Rahman *alias* Muhibullah, Mufti Mainuddin, Delwar Hossain, Sharif Shahedul Alam Bipul, Saidul Islam, Moulana Abu Sayeed, Abdul Aziz, Moyezul Islam and Sabbir Ahmed were produced before the courts of Additional District & Sessions Judge-V Md. Nazir Ahmed, Additional District Judge-III Manzurul Haque Khan and Chief Judicial Magistrate Abu Syed Dilzar Hossain separately.

The courts set new dates for deposition as several prosecution witnesses were absent yesterday.

The deposition would now be recorded on 17 May in the case for blast at the house of Dr. Arif Ahmed, where two young men were killed. The deposition in Kodomtoli bus terminal blast case would be recorded on 15 May and deposition in the case for grenade attack on city mayor's function at Tilagarh area will take place on 27 June.

Students lock gates of PSTU, confine VC to office

OUR CORRESPONDENT,
Patuakhali

Agitated students at Patuakhali Science and Technology University (PSTU) yesterday noon locked all seven gates of the academic building and confined the vice-chancellor to his office for an hour.

Earlier, at about 10am, the students of Agriculture Department 7th (semester session 2008-09) brought out a procession on the campus and formed a human chain in front of the academic building demanding tour of Saarc states.

During the programme students and teachers of different departments and faculties were also confined to the building as all the gates were locked.

Purnendu Biswas, Proctor of PSTU along with some other teachers tried to manage the agitating students but in vain. Some teachers also tried to break the locks forcibly which angered the students further. The teachers also allegedly attacked the students, injuring seven of them.

Of the injured, Tanmoy and Bappa were admitted to PSTU health centre.

Hearing the news, furious students threw brickbats at administrative building where the VC, registrar and other officials were at work.

Later, at about 1:30pm, the

VC accepted the demand for Saarc tour. But the students continued their agitation protesting attack on the students and demanded steps against the teachers involved.

The students alleged that six

teachers 'tortured' a few students and submitted a complaint to the VC urging him to take action within 48 hours.

VC Prof. Syed Shakhawat Hussen said he had accepted the demand of students

although it would be better if the tour takes place in June.

"I will definitely take action if any teacher is found guilty of attacking students after proper investigation," the VC added.



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Prof Syed Shakhawat Hussen, vice chancellor of Patuakhali Science and Technology University (PSTU), pacifies the students who confined him to his office to press their demand for tour of Saarc states.

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Two die after taking spurious liquor

OUR CORRESPONDENT,
Pabna

Two people died while three others fell sick after drinking spurious liquor in Charpanchakola village yesterday.

The deceased are Md. Abdul Hannan, 30, son of Nojer Ali and Md. Mannan Hossain, 32, son of Mojibar Rahman of village Panchakola in Bera upazila.

Those who fell sick are undergoing treatment at Pabna Medical College Hospital.

One of the victims at hospital said, they went to remove *jatra* (opera) pandel in the village yesterday morning. Their they found a bottle of liquor inside the pandel. "We drank it out of curiosity and fell sick", he said.

Mannan died on the spot while Hannan died on the way to Pabna Medical College Hospital, he said.

Three victims are undergoing treatment at the hospital, said Dr. Mahafuzul Islam, medical officer, adding they cannot say what type of liquor it was before being tested.

Police investigating the incident, said Abdul Hye Sarker, officer in-charge of Bera police station.

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