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# Marketers of greed reign supreme

Star finds many multilevel companies not making headlines, silently swindling fortune-seekers before vanishing abruptly

SAJJADUR RAHMAN

Shady multilevel marketing (MLM) companies are cheating people across the country by offering them double return on deposits in less than a year, high monthly returns and huge profits from product sales.

These companies rent top-class office rooms and create eye-catching websites to lure people into their traps, and then vanish after swin-

dling people out of crores of taka.

Weeks after Destiny-2000 and Unipay2u became the focus of public attention for their alleged financial fraud, there have been allegations that MLM companies FALGUNI INT and Revnexx tricked people out of several hundred crores of taka in just a year. Both companies vanished within a year of their operation.

Imran Hossain last year deposited Tk 20 lakh in several instalments with

FALGUNI INT (Falguni Trade International), which had promised to give him double returns on his deposit in just 10 months. But he found the company's office shut before his deposit could mature.

Like Imran, Farhad Hossain, Reshma Akhter and Shariful Alam were deceived by the same MLM Company.

Abdullah Masud, the founder and

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Passengers queue up at Chittagong Railway Station to return their tickets after six train services were cancelled yesterday following a train derailment in Comilla. Chittagong-Dhaka, and Chittagong-Sylhet rail communications were disrupted for around 17 hours. Story on page 20.

PHOTO: ANURUP KANTI DAS

## 5 robbers killed in mob beating

A CORRESPONDENT, Bhola

Agitated fishermen beat dead five robbers and injured two more members of a gang setting up hideouts on the remote Bhasan Char (island) yesterday for looting their hilsha catch.

Police detained the injured robbers, recovered some arms and ammunition and seized a trawler left by other

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## Girl abused in police club

Cops assault prying journalists, lawyers

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Two sub-inspectors assaulted and harassed a teenaged girl, her father and mother in the Police Club next door to the Dhaka magistrate's court yesterday. The two cops detained them and confined the 15-year-old to a separate room and sexually assaulted her.

Her ordeal did not stop there. She was assaulted again while she was talking to journalists after getting away from the club courtesy of a superior police officer's intervention.

While she was talking to journalists, police charged truncheons on her, her

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## ASSAULT ON LENS MEN

## HC orders probe, summons 3 cops

3 held over attack on bdnews staff

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday ordered a judicial probe into the police attack on Prothom Alo photojournalists and also summoned three policemen to appear before it on

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## Stay clear of cops while on duty

Tuku advises journo

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

State Minister for Home Shamsul Haque Tuku yesterday advised journalists to keep a "safe distance" from police while

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Thousands of dazzling stars have stepped into the world of beauty

*The search for the brightest 10 has begun*

Keep your eyes on Channel i on the 30th and 31st of May at 9:30 pm

## Agreement Signing Ceremony

for Salary Disbursement Services through DBBL Mobile Banking

## Noman Group's 45,000 salary payments in 1 second through DBBL Mobile Banking

**Dutch-Bangla Bank (DBBL) and Noman Group** signed an agreement on Mobile Banking Services on May 28, 2012 at the DBBL Head Office. The agreement was signed by Alhaj Md. Nurul Islam, Chairman of Noman Group of Industries Limited and Mr. K. S. Tabrez, Managing Director of Dutch-Bangla Bank on behalf of their respective organizations.

Under this agreement all 45,000 employees of the 28 industries of Noman Group will receive their monthly salaries in their DBBL Mobile Banking Accounts. After receiving their salaries in their mobile accounts the employees will be able to withdraw/deposit cash from any nearby agent, DBBL branches and ATMs, transfer money to other mobile accounts, buy goods and services from retailers and pay utility bills throughout the country and moreover banking with a bank.

Recognitions of DBBL mobile banking:



The Asian Bankers' Award



National Digital Innovation Award



Mobile Money Transfer (MMT) Award



eAsia Driving Economy Award



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