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DESTINY SCAM

14 plundered Tk 1,448cr

Finds probe; anti-graft body arrests top official

SAJJADUR RAHMAN

Fourteen Destiny Group officials, including its chairman Rafiqul Amin, were involved in a Tk 1,448-crore scam in the multilevel company's cooperative wing, Destiny Multipurpose Cooperative Society Ltd.

Of the sum, Rafiqul Amin misappropriated nearly Tk 130 crore, a government investigation has found. The group's former vice-president Gofranul Haque embezzled about Tk 128 crore and ex-treasure Akbar Hossain Sumon Tk 119 crore.

Nine other officials of the controversial cooperative firm, including its former general secretary Zakir Hossain, each pocketed Tk 118.8 crore, according to the inquiry carried out by the Department of Cooperatives (DoC).

Syedur Rahman, a director of Destiny Group, has been blamed in the report over misappropriating Tk 2.15 crore while DMSCL Executive Director MA Muhith has been accused of misappropriating Tk 87 lakh.

The DoC submitted its probe report to the local government and cooperatives ministry on Monday.

"The persons identified in the report have to give the money back to the Destiny Multipurpose Cooperative Society Ltd. Or else, they will face cases leading to their imprisonment for three years each or being fined or both," said Amiya Kumar Chattapadhay, additional registrar and head of the DoC probe committee.

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COPS OR CRIMINALS?



A group of policemen yesterday assault a defenceless youth, one of those who gathered at Nandan Kanan in Chittagong yesterday to demonstrate against the recently announced government policy of medical college admission based only on SSC and HSC results. Story on page 3.

PRABIR DAS

ROAD CRASH

Mayhem over DU student's death

Protesters smash vehicles, set fire to police box

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka University student was killed in a road crash in the capital's Shahbagh yesterday, sparking violent protests from fellow students that left at least 60 vehicles damaged.

The dead, Towhid Zaman, was a second-year student at international relaKarimganj upazila of Kishoreganj.

He was hit by a bus of Rajdhani Paribahan when he and another DU student were crossing the Shahbagh intersection around 4:30pm, witnesses said.

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SONALI BOARD RECAST

Muhith at odds with central bank

SOHEL PARVEZ

Bangladesh Bank's request to the finance ministry to recast the board of state-owned Sonali Bank following tions department, and hailed from the Tk3,832-crore loan scam has sparked off a debate.

> "This is not Bangladesh Bank's duty," said Finance Minister AMA Muhith when asked by reporters on the central bank's recommendation for restructuring of the Sonali Bank board.

> The comment came after a workshop on publicprivate partnership in higher education at the headquarters of University Grants Commission.

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Yunus blamed: Mashiur Stays Put

Claims his centre about WB loan cancellation

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Yunus Centre, which promotes the work of Prof Muhammad Yunus, yesterday said the Nobel laureate is being blamed for the World Bank's fund cancellation to turn people's attention away from

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to shift focus WB sits to fix

Padma fate

REIAUL KARIM BYRON

· A meeting on the issue of revival of the World Bank loan : for Padma bridge project was scheduled to be held at the bank's Washington headquarters last night, according to finance ministry sources.

The management-level meeting was to review the steps in this regard so far taken by Dhaka, and related developments.

The meeting was also to discuss reviving the loan even if the WB condition of resignation of the prime minister's

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NEWS ANALYSIS IMMUNITY OF MPS

New HC verdict sparks debate

SHAKHAWAT LITON

সম্মানিত গ্রাহকবৃন্দ,

A latest High Court verdict has opened a window for debate over the privileges of parliament and its members.

The HC on Monday observed, "... The limit of privileges depends upon the interpretation of article 78, which is in the exclusive domain of the Supreme Court."

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Rab source' summoned

Int'l rights watchdog says abuse of Limon 'adds gross insult to already grievous injury'

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Barisal

A Jhalakathi court yesterday asked "Rab informant" Ibrahim Hawlader to appear before it on September 26 for attacking Limon Hossain and his family and threatening them with death.

Senior Judicial Magistrate

Shahidul Islam issued the order after Rajapur police yesterday gave him a report against Ibrahim and his associates



and sought the summons.

On the afternoon of August 20, Eid day, Limon and his family members came under attack led by Ibrahim on Saturia-Idurbari road in Rajapur upazila, Jhalakathi.

The police report came following a GD Limon's mother Henoara Begum had filed with Rajapur police station hours after the incident.

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The Chittagong Bureau of The Daily Star moves to new office



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উৎসে আয়কর প্রযোজ্য হবে। প্রসংগত উল্লেখ্য যে, যে সকল ব্যক্তির/প্রতিষ্ঠানের টি.আই.এন (TIN) নেই তাদের সঞ্চয়ী ব্যাংক হিসাবে অর্থ বছরের যে কোন সময়ে মোট স্থিতির পরিমাণ ১ লক্ষ টাকার বেশী না হলে উক্ত ব্যাংক হিসাবের সুদ/মুনাফার উপর ১০% হারেই আয়কর কর্তন প্রযোজ্য হবে।

প্রিয় গ্রাহক, আপনাদের স্বার্থরক্ষা সর্বদাই আমাদের নিকট সবসময় অগ্রাধিকার পেয়ে থাকে। অতএব অতিরিক্ত ৫% হারে উৎসে আয়কর থেকে অব্যাহতি পাওয়ার জন্য আপনার হালনাগাদ টি.আই.এন (TIN) সনদের কপি পূবালী ব্যাংক লিমিটেড-এর সংশ্লিষ্ট শাখায় (যে শাখায় আপনার হিসাব খোলা হয়েছে) জমা দেয়ার জন্য অনুরোধ করা যাচ্ছে।

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MUTINY 2009 665 BDR men jailed

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A special court sentenced 665 jawans of the 44 Rifle Battalion of erstwhile Bangladesh Rifles (BDR) to rigorous imprisonment ranging from four months to seven years in the 2009 BDR mutiny case yesterday.

A total 113 jawans were sentenced to maximum punishment under the BDR Act, 1972.

This is the highest number sentenced in any single case related to the mutiny.

Seventy-four people SEE PAGE 7 COL 3