

Caretaker shot dead in capital

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Being a victim of a family feud, a caretaker of its house was shot dead in the capital's Khilgaon area on Thursday night.

The deceased was Khairul Islam, 23, a caretaker of Abdul Awal's house in the area.

Palash Chandra Dey, sub-inspector at Khilgaon Police Station, said a good number of relatives and guests took part in a birthday party at Abdul Awal's house at 10:30pm.

Two brother-in-laws of Abdul Awal engaged into a quarrel over family property at the programme. At one stage, Mohammad Suhrawardy, a brother-in-law of Awal, opened fire on his brother. But a bullet 'mistakenly' hit Khairul's chest, said Palash.

Khairul rushed to Dhaka Medical College Hospital where doctors declared him dead, he added.

Kabibar Rahman, a brother of the deceased, filed a murder case with Khilgaon Police Station in this connection yesterday.

The SI Palash said they were trying to arrest Suhrawardy adding that Suhrawardy kept the arms without obtaining licence.

JU admission tests from Oct 13

JU CORRESPONDENT

The admission tests for the first year honours courses in 2012-13 academic sessions at Jahangirnagar University (JU) will begin from October 13.

JU source said admission seekers can apply for the admission test by sending SMS from any prepaid number of mobile phone operator Teletalk between September 11 and October 3.

The process for sending SMS is "JU>first three character of HSC board>HSC roll>year of HSC>first three character of SSC board> SSC roll>year of SSC>desired unit keyword>keyword of quota (if have) and send to 16222".

Candidates will have to pay Tk 400 for applying for the faculties of social science, mathematical and physical science, biological science, and business studies.

While, they have to pay Tk 300 for taking tests in the faculties of law, IBA-JU and institute of information technology.

To take admission tests in each sub-unit of arts and humanities faculty, students have to pay Tk 200.

Students, who have passed the secondary or equivalent examinations in 2009, will also get the opportunity to sit in the tests.

Relevant papers and directives can be downloaded from www.juniv.edu/admission/.

Obituary

STAFF CORRESPONDENT



Retired superintendent of police ATM Tarek died of heart attack in

New York yesterday. He was 64.

He joined the police service in 1969.

His first namaz-e-janaza was held at a mosque in Bongs area in New York.

Tarek left behind his wife, two daughters and one son.

He will be buried at his residence in Srimangal under Moulvibazar district after arrival of his body from New York, said a press release.

Nani Gopal Saha

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Entrepreneur Nani Gopal Saha passed away due to cardiac arrest at his residence in Ghat Farhadbeg of Chittagong on Thursday. He was 83.

His body was cremated at Sankar Math of Sitakunda yesterday.

He left behind his wife, three daughters and three sons.

Saha was the chairman and managing director of NG Saha Steel Industries (Pvt) Limited, NGS Cement Industries Limited and NGS Steel Industries Limited.

Chittagong City Corporation (CCC) Mayor Mohammad Manjur Alam, former CCC mayor ABM Mohiuddin Chowdhury, Chittagong Development Authority Chairman Abdus Salam and Chittagong Chamber of Commerce and Industry President Morshed Murad Ibrahim expressed deep condolence at Saha's demise.



Bangladesh Garments Sramik Oikya Parishad forms a human chain in front of Jatiya Press Club in the capital yesterday demanding removal of the provisions, which go against the interests of the workers, from The Bangladesh Labour Act, 2006.

PHOTO: STAR

BCSIR kits will detect ethephon in mangoes

BSS, Dhaka

The scientists at Bangladesh Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (BCSIR) have developed two test kits to detect use of harmful chemical ethephon for ripening mangoes.

"The test kits will be marketed soon," said BCSIR Chairman Prof Dr Ahmed Ismail.

After formal examination, the two kits would be manufactured under a pilot project as soon as possible, he added.

He said law enforcers and others concerned are using formalin test kits of BCSIR to detect the presence of the chemical in fish.

The BCSIR chief said laboratory tests found that formalin is used as a preservative in most fish in the markets. It can be detected easily by using a formalin kit.

In the same way, the new kit can be used

to detect the presence of ethephon in mangoes, he said.

He added that in many cases carbide is being used to ripen mangoes quickly. Many buyers can detect the use of carbide as it changes the colour of mangoes. But the use of ethephon keeps a mango looking good.

Therefore, though it is more harmful, detection of ethephon is difficult for people, Prof Ismail said.

Prof Dr Ajoy Kumar Das of Applied Physics and Applied Chemistry Department of Dhaka University said ethephon is a poisonous chemical.

It damages human stomach and can make the liver ineffective, he said adding that the use of chemical in mango must be stopped immediately.

Two bodies recovered

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bodies of two people found floating in two water bodies in Gazipura area of Tongi and Kamrangirchar on the outskirts of the capital yesterday.

In Gazipura, Riaz Mahmood Asif, 14, drowned when he went to take bath in a canal near Gutia primary school around 12:00pm.

Fire service sources said a team of divers from Dhaka rushed to the spot and recovered the body.

In Kamrangirchar, body of Dulua Mia, 65, was found floating in a water body near the Kamrangirchar sluice gate area.

Quoting the victim's family members, Habibur Rahman, sub-inspector at Kamrangirchar Police Station, said Dulua went missing since Thursday morning.

Dulua was mentally ill, claimed his family members. Police recovered the body and sent it to Sir Salimullah Medical College for an autopsy.

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Case filed against 8 CVASU teachers, 150 students

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A case was filed against eight teachers and 150 unidentified students of Chittagong Veterinary and Animal Sciences University (CVASU) in Chittagong on Wednesday for allegedly vandalising the office of Department of Livestock Services (DLS) and assaulting its officials.

The teachers are Proctor Dr Gautam Debanath, Dr Alamgir Hossain, Dr Lutfor Rahman, Dr Gautam Baidya Das, Dr Suchandan, Dr Shuvagata Das, Ehsanul Hoque and Emran Hossain.

DLS, Chittagong Deputy Director Shankha Kumar Chakrabarty said, "Our officials went to take measurements of a piece of land, adjacent to the university's academic building and allocated for the department, on Wednesday morning when they were attacked."

"The attackers obstructed the officials and vandalised windows of our office, around 150 yards from the academic building," he said.

The piece of land would be used to construct a building which would house a "Field Disease Investigation Laboratory" under a World Bank-funded project, he said.

CVASU Vice-Chancellor Prof Mahfuzul Bari said before 2006, CVASU was known as Chittagong Government Veterinary College and the college and its properties were under DLS.

Once it became a university in 2006, it came under the Ministry of Education along with its properties. However, DLS was still to hand over the deed of the piece of land, he said.

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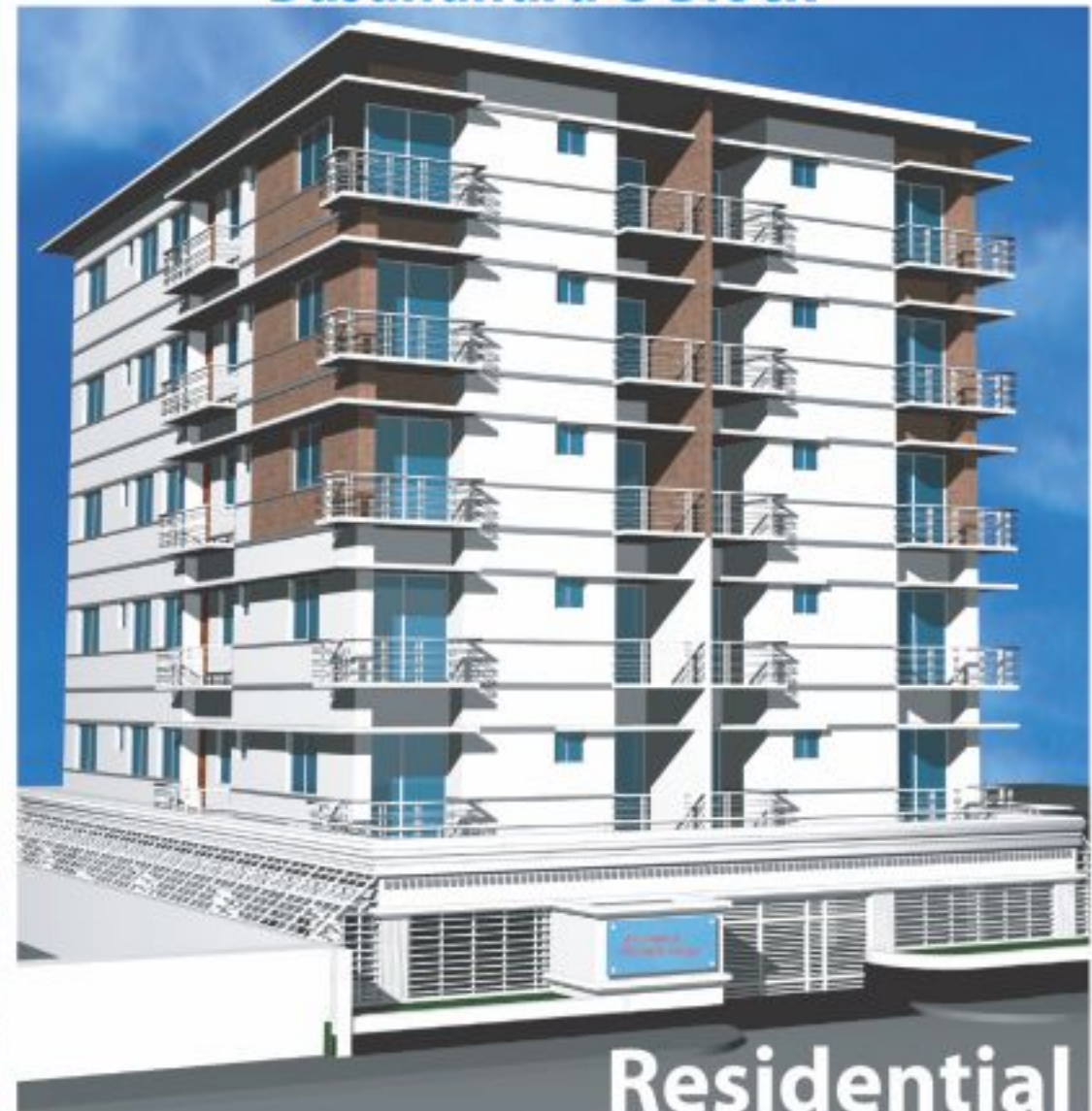
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