

# Tribunal closes testimony of defence witness

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would deliver the verdict in the case against Ghulam Azam, considered by many as the symbol of war crimes during the Liberation War of Bangladesh in 1971.

This is not the first time the tribunal had to close testimony recording due to failure in producing witnesses. In the case against Jamaat Naye-e-Ameer Delawar Hossain Sayedee, the court had to close testimony recording after the defence repeatedly failed to produce its witnesses.

Sayedee's case is awaiting verdict delivery.

Among the 12 defence witnesses fixed by the tribunal for Ghulam Azam, the defence could produce only one witness, son of Ghulam Azam, who gave an extensive deposition before the tribunal.

Ghulam Azam's son Brig Gen (dismissed) Abdullahil

Aman Azmi testified for 10 days and was cross-examined for six days. He had begun testifying on November 12 last year.

In mid December last year, when his testimony recording was not complete, the defence lawyers started abstaining from the tribunal amid the "Skype controversy" and the tribunal had closed defence witness production.

It, however, let the defence produce Azmi on January 8.

The prosecution completed his cross-examination on Monday.

The tribunal gave the defence one day's break and asked it to produce its second witness on Wednesday.

Following its failure to produce any witness on Wednesday, Tribunal-1 warned the defence and said if it again failed to bring in witnesses yesterday, the court would take action.

The defence had no

witnesses yesterday and counsel Mizanul Islam sought a week's time saying that they would submit a list of new witnesses.

The chief prosecutor objected and said they had been filing similar petitions repeatedly. He prayed to the tribunal not to entertain such petitions.

The tribunal then fixed Sunday for closing arguments.

Defence counsel Tajul Islam said their witnesses were frightened and it was completely a different situation, adding that if the tribunal remained rigid on its order, the defence would be "highly prejudiced".

The defence also sought time for preparing for the arguments.

But the tribunal observed that since the prosecution would be going first, the defence would get the time to prepare anyway.

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The International Crimes Tribunal-2 yesterday extended time until February 24 for Home Minister Muhiuddin Khan Alamgir to explain his alleged comment predicting the date of verdict delivery of war crimes cases.

Mustafizur Rahman Khan, who appeared for the home minister, said the minister returned from abroad yesterday morning [Thursday] but could not give him the power of attorney and sought a few days adjournment.

The court on its own, disregarding Mustafizur Rahman Khan's plea as he was not the minister's lawyer, extended the time for the minister.

Following a defence plea, the tribunal on February 3 ordered the minister to explain within 10 days his alleged comment published in dailies the Amar Desh, Sangram and Naya Diganta.

The newspapers quoted Alamgir, at a programme organised by the Bangladesh mission in Cairo on January 31, as saying, "After the delivery of the verdict of Bachchu Razakar, the international crimes tribunal will deliver its second verdict within this week while the third one is on the [February] 14th."

The tribunal yesterday continued recording the cross-examination of Abdur Razzaque Khan, the 18th prosecution witness and investigation officer of the case against Jamaat leader M u h a m m a d Kamaruzzaman.

Defence counsel Kafil Uddin Chowdhury cross-examined Razzaque and asked questions mostly on the documents submitted by the prosecution.

When the three-member tribunal, led by Justice Obaidul Hassan, wanted to fix Sunday for further cross-examination, Kafil appealed for fixing another day.

The tribunal then said the defence counsels sought adjournment when it was hartal, and on Wednesday they sought adjournment

saying that the conducting defence counsels could not appear before the court for "security reasons" after violence at Paltan and Motijheel.

"Yesterday [Wednesday] you [defence counsels] told the tribunal after 2:00pm that the violence was still going on. But it was not at all true," said the tribunal.

While the Jamaat-Shibir men unleashing terror in the capital Wednesday morning, conducting lawyers of the accused Jamaat leaders remained absent before the two tribunals citing "security reasons", leading the courts to defer case proceedings.

The tribunal, however, adjourned the case proceeding until February 18 when Razzaque would face further cross-examination.

## Gunfight

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Police identified the dead as Mohammad Selim, 42, his brother Mohammad Zakir, and another Sajid while the arrestees are Sujon, Suruj, Hira, Hafiz, Lal Mia and Raju.

At a media briefing yesterday, Monirul Islam, joint commissioner of Detective Branch (DB) of police, said the gang was involved in the killing of DB sub-inspector Shariful Islam when he along with a police team tried to nab the gang at Gazaria in Munshiganj on February 3.

The robbers were carrying a stolen transformer on a truck to the capital on that day. As Shariful tried to board the truck, a robber hit him in the head with a rod, leaving him critically injured.

He was declared dead after being rushed to Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH).

Police arrested the truck driver, Shipon, who suffered bullet wounds during a shootout between the law enforcers and robbers on that day.

Later, DB police gleaned information from Shipon and arrested two other gang members -- Jewel and Anwar.

Following information extracted from the three, police came to know that the same gang gathered at Diabari to steal some transformers yesterday, Monirul told the briefing at DB's Minto Road office in the capital.

"As police conducted a raid in the area around 4:00am, the gang opened fire on them forcing them to fire back that left three of the gang members injured critically," he said.

They were declared dead after being rushed to DMCH, he told the journalists.

Seven bullets, several machetes and knives were recovered from the spot after the gunfight.

The DB joint commissioner also said the gang was involved in stealing transformers for a long time.

Earlier on June last year, a member of the gang was lynched while he was attempting to steal a transformer in Mymensingh's Trishal.

"During interrogation, the detained gang members said that Selim was their gang leader," Monirul said.

Police said the gang used to sell the stolen transformers to the owners of a factory in Gazipur's Konabari. The factory owners -- Kayes and Israfil -- used to purchase each transformer from Selim at Tk 70,000 to Tk 80,000.

They would sell the spare parts of the stolen transformers in open market to make hefty profits.

Efforts are on to nab Kayes and Israfil, the DB commissioner added.

## EC to cancel

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disqualified for contesting the parliamentary polls.

If the EC cancels its registration, Jamaat would still be able to do politics unless it is banned by the government.

Before the 2008 parliamentary election, registration was made mandatory for the political parties to contest polls. The Jamaat along with 38 other political parties got registered with the EC pledging to bring necessary changes to their charters in line with the RPO.

But once the poll was over, Jamaat did not act to

keep its pledge. The party's top leaders are now facing charges for committing crimes against humanity during the Liberation War in 1971.

On February 5, the International Crimes Tribunal-2 awarded life sentence to its Assistant Secretary General Abdul Quader Mollah.

Since that day, thousands of protesters led by a group of youths under the banner of "Bloggers and Online Activists Network" have been staging a sit-in in the capital's Shahbagh demanding capital punishment to war criminals.

## Blasts kill 9 in Pakistan


AFP, Peshawar

Two roadside bomb attacks in northwest Pakistan killed at least nine people yesterday, including seven members of a pro-government militia, officials said.

A roadside bomb struck a bus in the village of Hassanzoi in the tribal district of Orakzai killed seven men.

In the second attack, which happened in the same place, a van carrying civilians was hit by a blast, killing two people and wounding 10, Hasan said.

Islamabad says more than 35,000 people have been killed as a result of terrorism in the country since the 9/11 attacks on the United States.



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মোঃ গোলাম রব্বানী  
মহাপরিচালক

জিডি-৬৩০

### গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার

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### বিজ্ঞপ্তি

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মোঃ সাইফুল ইসলাম  
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### Request for Proposal (RFP) for 'Service Preparedness and Facility Assessment Survey' of the “Strengthening District Health and Key Service Delivery Systems in Bangladesh (DHSS)”

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Save the Children in Bangladesh is implementing the project under USAID funded Maternal and Child Health Integrated Program (MCHIP) titled ‘Strengthening District health and Key Service Delivery Systems in Bangladesh (DHSS)’ (Cooperative Agreement No HGS-A-00-08-00002-00). The goal of the program is to assist MOH&FW in scaling up lessons from MaMoni through evidence-based, high-impact maternal, newborn, family planning and nutrition interventions to contribute towards significant reductions in maternal and child mortality and progress toward MDG 4 and 5 in Bangladesh with the following four objectives -

- To ensure that, a conducive national environment at policy and strategic level is advocated to ensure effective implementation of evidence based MNHFPN interventions.
- To ensure that, all essential components of district, upazilla, union and ward level health systems are efficient to support MNHFPN service delivery in an integrated and sustainable manner and programs are implemented and monitored under a customized comprehensive district plan and leadership.
- To ensure that critical and life saving MNHFPN interventions are available and delivered at optimal quality of care at the community based service delivery points and from the strategically located facilities.
- To ensure that, through systems strengthening, meaningful community and local government engagement is engendered at the upazilla, union and ward levels to improve demand and supply for MNHFPN care.

Save the Children intends to hire services of an interested and capable national or international Firm/Organization for 'Service Preparedness and Facility Assessment Survey' to provide useful information on health facilities, its functions and performances in three districts i.e. Noakhali, Lakshmipur and Bhola. Experience with similar surveys and familiarity with Save the Children/USAID will be an added advantage.

**Objective of the Assignment:**

The 'Service Preparedness and Facility Assessment Survey' will be conducted with an aim to understand the supply side of health care system, at the target districts, in terms of available inputs, resource usage, training needs and throughput. Therefore, the survey will evaluate key MNHFPN services in both Public and Private Health Facilities:

- Presence of inputs (drugs and medical supplies, food, equipment)
- Functionality of equipments
- Quality of record keeping including Health Management Information System (HMIS)
- Accessibility of infrastructure and physical facilities
- Preparedness for key MNHFPN services
- Adequacy of human resources by levels, including absenteeism of health care providers
- Training needs
- Knowledge of selected providers
- Drug prescription pattern
- Medical waste management
- Patient satisfaction and their perception on quality of service.

**SCOPE OF WORK:**

The scope of work will include development and implementation of the following tasks, which should be described in the proposal:

- Develop survey instrument design with quality assurance system
- Pilot testing
- Interviewer training
- Data collection
- Data processing
- Analysis and report writing
- Presentation of draft findings
- Finalization of report, based on comments received.

Save the Children Bangladesh Country Office now requests Proposal (Technical & Financial) form interested organizations to conduct 'Service Preparedness and Facility Assessment Survey' in the three target districts.

**Eligibility:**

Interested Organizations must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services, supported by documentary evidences; for detail deliverables, eligibility and Terms of Reference (ToR) contact the URL below.

(Send mail to [ali.khan@savethechildren.org](mailto:ali.khan@savethechildren.org) to get a detailed description of deliverables, eligibility and ToR for the Proposal)

**Submission:**

Please write “Proposal for DHSS Service Preparedness and Facility Assessment Survey” on the top of the envelope which should be dropped at the reception desk before 3.00 pm of February 28, 2013 attention to the following:

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