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SHAMIM'S DEATH IN CUSTODY

Another probe finds cops guilty

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Narayanganj

Another police investigation has found Shamim Reza was tortured in police custody that led to his death.

The probe committee has recommended closing two police officials and transferring another, and suggested taking departmental action against Officer-in-Charge of Sonargaon Police Station Atiqur Rahman Khan for negligence and failing to discharge his duty.

The officials to be closed are Arup Tarafdar, inspector (investigation), and Paltu Ghosh, sub-inspector of Sonargaon Police Station.

The one to be transferred is Narayanganj Assistant Superintendent of Police (B circle) Uttam Prashad Bashak.

The probe committee formed by Narayanganj police, headed by SM Ashrafuzzaman, additional superintendent of Narayanganj police, submitted the report to Narayanganj Superintendent of Police Syed Nurul Islam on Tuesday.

It was primarily proved that Shamim, 26, was detained on May 14 and was kept in custody till May 20, the report said.

The cause of his death would be ascertained on receiving the autopsy report, the report added.

Earlier on May 26, a departmental probe body headed by an additional deputy inspector general suggested taking similar action against Arup, Paltu and Uttam as it found the Narayanganj boy was tortured in custody.



Shamim Reza

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A snapshot of the traffic congestion that many of the city streets experienced for hours yesterday. This photo, taken at Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, shows how heavy traffic can cripple city life.

PHOTO: AMRAN HOSSAIN

Businessmen, school educated rule the race

Show affidavits of city polls candidates to EC; wealth statements appear unbelievable

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

More than 55 percent of the mayoral and councillor candidates of the upcoming elections to four city corporations are businessmen, while a staggering 45 percent did not pass the SSC examinations.

The annual personal income of the mayoral candidates ranges from Tk 1.92 lakh to Tk 4.63 crore, but the annual familial expenditures of some candidates according to their affidavits submitted to the Election

Commission cast doubt on the facts.

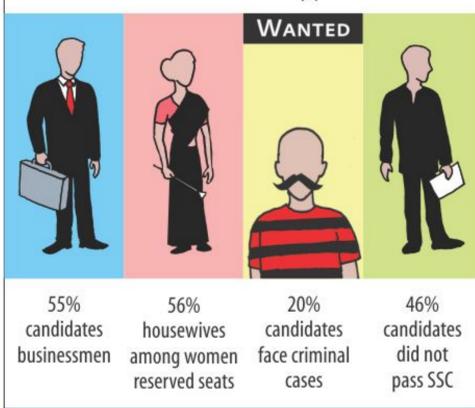
For example, immediate past mayor of Khulna City Corporation Talukder Abdul Khaleque, whose income is Tk 4.63 crore a year, declared his annual familial expenditure to be Tk 1.30 lakh.

BNP-backed mayoral candidate of Rajshahi City Corporation Mosaddek Hossain shows his familial expenses as Tk 1.35 lakh a year whereas his annual income

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Candidates at a glance

Total candidates in four city polls: 747



New virus 'threat to entire world'

WHO confirms 27 deaths

CNN ONLINE

A new SARS-like virus recently found in humans continues to spread -- with the worldwide total now at 49, the World Health Organisation said on Wednesday.

The virus is "a threat to the entire world," said the WHO's general director.

It "is not a problem that any single affected country can keep to itself or manage all by itself," Margaret Chan said Monday in her closing remarks at the 66th World Assembly in Geneva, Switzerland.

Of the 49 known infections with the MERS-CoV virus, 27 have resulted in death, the organisation said.

The latest deaths were reported in Saudi Arabia. The Saudi health ministry said that three people died from their

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CITY POLLS

Lawmen asked to stay alert

PANKAJ KARMAKAR

Against the backdrop of the current political turmoil, intelligence agencies yesterday suggested the law enforcers remain alert to any untoward incident happening during the

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PRAYER TIMING		May 31
Fajr	4-05	4-40
Juma	12-30	1-15
Asr	5-00	5-15
Maghrib	6-43	6-47
Esha	8-05	8-35

Source: Islamic Foundation



Living Fridge

An ecosystem for growing fish, plants inside living room tanks

MAIL ONLINE

Designers in Paris have developed a do-it-yourself ecosystem that lets owners grow fish and plants inside tanks in their living room.

Known as 'Local River', the plants within the tank feed off the waste

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MOJAHEED'S AL-BADR LINK

Prosecution failed to prove: Defence

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Defence counsels yesterday argued that the prosecution had failed to prove Ali Ahsan Mohammad Mojaheed's involvement with the Al-Badr force during the Liberation War.

Initiating closing arguments on law points, Mojaheed's chief counsel Abdur Razzaq said, "We are admitting that Ali Ahsan Mohammad Mojaheed was secretary and president of Islami Chhatra Sangha, but at the same time also denying his involvement with Al-Badr."

Earlier, the prosecution argued that as the chief of Chhatra Sangha, the then student wing of the Jamaat-e-Islami, Mojaheed became the chief of Al-Badr force, responsible for the planned killing of intellectuals at the fag end of the war.

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TERMINAL TENDER ROW

Indian HC clarifies

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

India yesterday said it had posted the tender notice on the website of its external affairs ministry for the feasibility study to set up a container port in Narayanganj just to facilitate an Indian company to invest in Bangladesh.

"This is now in very initial stage. At this stage, Bangladesh's foreign ministry has no role in it, because this is neither a political nor a diplomatic issue between the two countries.... It's completely a commercial issue," a spokesperson of the Indian High Commission in Dhaka told The Daily Star last night.

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শাহজাহান কবীর-এর ১৩তম মৃত্যুবার্ষিকী

আজ ৩১ মে ২০১৩ শুক্রবার বিশিষ্ট ব্যাংকার, সমাজসেবক মরহুম শাহজাহান কবীর-এর ১৩তম মৃত্যুবার্ষিকীতে আমরা তাঁকে গভীর শ্রদ্ধার সাথে স্মরণ ও তাঁর বিদেহী আত্মার মাগফেরাত কামনা করছি।

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ONLINE POLL

Do you agree with Election Commissioner Shah Nawaz that it was not necessary to deploy army in the upcoming city corporation polls in four metropolitan cities scheduled for June 15?

Yes (27%)
No (73%)

TOTAL VOTES: 233

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TODAY'S POLL

Do you think setting a maximum Tk 1 lakh in compensation for accidental death of workers is justified?

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