

# Girl takes own life to get rid of stalking

## Father of another girl stabbed

OUR CORRESPONDENT,  
Patuakhali

A madrasa girl allegedly committed suicide over stalking on Saturday noon, minutes after returning from her institution.

The deceased was identified as Shabnoor, 13, a student of class eight at Charpara Mohammadia Dakhil Madrasa in Barguna Sadar upazila.

Failing to bear the sexual harassment by a local youth anymore, Shabnoor took her life after returning home from the madrasa at about 2:00pm, family sources said.

Md Dulal Mollah, father of the girl, also local UP member, said Imran Hossain, a local youth had been stalking the girl for long.

The girl's family raised objection and told the matter to the youth's family several times but in vain.

Imran used to force the girl to talk with him on the way to madrasa which embarrassed the girl, said some classmates of Shabnoor.

Imran took part in the

Dakhil exam last year from the same madrasa but failed to succeed, they said.

Away in Patuakhali Sadar upazila, a youth stabbed the father of a schoolgirl allegedly after failing to rape her on Saturday.

Police arrested the accused -- Elias, 24, from his house at Baniakathi village under Patuakhali Sadar upazila at night.

Elias, a neighbouring youth, often stalked the girl, daughter of Faruque Bepari, 40, of Baniakathi village, also a Class VI student of UCK High School, on the way to school, police and family sources said.

At about 2:00pm on Saturday, the girl was returning home from school when Elias attempted to rape her at a lonely place.

Incidentally the girl's father Faruque was passing by the spot.

Hearing her scream, Faruque rushed in and saved his daughter. At this, a furious Elias hacked him with a sharp weapon, leaving him seriously injured.



PHOTO: STAR

This bailey bridge on the Louhajang River in Tangail town collapses under heavy pressure of a rod-laden truck (seen in the picture) at around 9:00am yesterday.

## RANSOM TRADE IN KHAGRACHHARI

# No trace of 10 abducted in last six months

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Khagrachhari

Although AL leader Jahangir and his aide were freed on Friday, there is no trace yet of at least 10 others abducted in the district in the last six months.

Guimara upazila Awami League (AL) leader Mohammad Jahangir Alam and his motorcycle driver Mohammad Harun were released allegedly by the activists of United People's Democratic Front (UPDF) after five days of abduction.

Jahangir, president of Guimara upazila unit of Awami League, and Harun were picked up from Baillachhari area under Matiranga upazila of the district when they were going to Guimara on Sunday afternoon.

They were released in Kukichhara area of Mahalchhari area of the district, police said.

Jahangir, however, declined to say whether they got freedom in exchange of money.

Frequent incidents of abduction for

ransom and political vengeance, mostly by the regional political parties, often pose threat to communal harmony in the Chittagong Hill Tracts region, locals said.

At least 10 people were abducted in different areas of the district during the last six months, police said.

In many cases, family members or relatives of abductees do not file any complaint to police, leaving the law enforcers clueless regarding rescue operation and investigation, said Joynul Abedin, additional superintendent of police in Khagrachhari.

Meanwhile, the 52 supporters of Partbatta Chattagram Jana Samhati Samity (PCJSS -- Shantu Larma faction), who were abducted from Katholi area under Longudu upazila of Rangamati district on February 16, are also yet to be released or traced.

The PCJSS leaders blamed their rival UPDF for the incident.

However, 10 others, also abducted with the 52 people, were released after a few days.

## A verdict in question

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Manikganj

Locals, teachers and students of Jalsukha-Nasharpur Government Primary School in Saturia upazila yesterday demanded immediate release of a teacher of the school, who was jailed for sexually harassing a female student.

They brought out a procession in the area at 11:00am in favour of their demand.

Addressing a gathering, vice chairman of upazila parishad Shaiful Alam Jewel rejected a mobile court verdict that sentenced Md Rafiqul Islam to six months' imprisonment for stalking saying the allegation brought against him was false.

A section of people of the area demanded Tk 50,000 from the teacher after he gave punishment to the class four girl last week, locals said.

As he refused to pay the amount, they made a false allegation of sexual harassment to upazila nirbahi officer Shahin Akter who led the court, alleged Shaiful. The court then gave the verdict on Thursday.

The chairman also threatened to go for tougher agitation if the demand was not met immediately.

# Jubo League man, college student beaten to death

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A Jubo League activist and a college student were beaten to death in Comilla yesterday and the day before.

A Jubo League activist was beaten to death by mob at Thakurpara in Comilla city early yesterday, reports our correspondent.

The deceased was identified as Dilip Chandra Biswas, 30, an activist of city unit Jubo League and son of Haradhan Chandra Biswas of Thakurpara Baganbari area.

Dilip's brother Babul Chandra Biswas alleged that Fazlul Hoque, owner of an under-construction building, along with his son and workers beat up Dilip mercilessly over previous enmity around 12:30am.

Dilip was rushed to Comilla Medical College Hospital (CMCH) in a critical condition where he died early in the morning.

In Chowddagram upazila, a college student was beaten

to death allegedly by a gang at Kulasa village on Monday night, reports UNB.

The deceased was identified as Abdul Aziz, 23, student of Feni Government College and son of Ibrahim of Sonaicha village of the upazila.

Police said, a local gang picked up Aziz at Padar Bazar and took him to Kulasa village while he was returning home from mosque after Magrib prayers at night.

The goons, equipped with lethal weapons, beat him up indiscriminately.

Local people informed police at about 8:00pm.

In a critical condition, Aziz was rushed to Chowddagram upazila health complex and later shifted him to Comilla Medical College Hospital where the on-duty doctors declared him dead.

Meanwhile, ATM Masum, Jamaat ameer of Alkora union unit, claimed that Shibir activist Aziz was killed by Chhatra League men.

# Gang opens fire on villagers, two killed

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Kushtia

Two villagers were killed and at least 10 others injured when a gang of criminals opened fire at Biharia village in Khoksa upazila on Sunday night.

The deceased were identified as Abu Taleb, 55, son of Sadek Ali and Sariful Islam, 45, son of Atahar Ali of the village.

According to police, gangsters of Bapi group, allegedly backed by Khoksa upazila chairman, demanded Tk. 2 lakh illegal toll from businessman Ramjan Sardar a month ago.

The gang threatened Ramjan of dire consequences when he refused to pay the amount.

On Sunday night, a gang of 10/12, allegedly led by Bapi, attacked the house of Ramjan. When they tried to pick up Ramjan at gunpoint, family members cried for help.

As the neighbours rushed to the spot, the fleeing gang opened fire indiscriminately, leaving two dead on the spot and at least 10 others hit by bullets.

Injured Ramjan Sardar, 45, Sariful Islam Mondol, 40 and Jibon Ali, 25, were hospitalised.

Meanwhile, police on Sunday night arrested five people in connection with the case filed for, double murder in Khoksa upazila.

According to police, a gang of 10 to 12 belonging to an outlawed party took part in the killing.

"The arrestees belong to outlawed Gono Mukti Fouz (GMF)," said Horendranath Sarkar, officer-in-charge of Khoksa police station.

Bapi, a top cadre of outlawed Gono Mukti Fouz (GMF) attacked the house of Ramjan and tried to kidnap him at gunpoint, he said.

## DOE COMES TO RESCUE OF POND

# Market construction halted

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

Construction of a market on a decades' old pond by the authorities of Bidyaganj Rani Rajbala Bahumukhi High School in Sadar upazila has stopped following an order by the Department of Environment (DoE).

A good portion of the pond was already filled up by the authorities to build 18 shop to increase earning of the school.

Locals protested the move while several reports

## Follow-up

on the issue were published in different national dailies including The Daily Star.

Md Abdul Azim, assistant director of DoE, said the school authorities were asked on Sunday to stop the construction work as the matter goes against the environment laws.

In 1946, Jibendra Kishore Acharya Chowdhury, a zamindar of Muktagacha, established the school on 3.78 acres of

land that included a huge pond. Now about 900 boys and girls read in the school.

Locals alleged that the school pond was being filled up to financially benefit a section of people, not the institution.



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## Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Vacancy Announcement

Issued on: 26 June 2013

Deadline for Application: 07 July 2013

The FAO Representation in Bangladesh is inviting applications from qualified candidates to the following vacant positions for its project "Improving Food Safety in Bangladesh (GCP/BGD/047/NET)" to be filled as soon as possible:

### 1. Finance Assistant

### 2. Office Secretary

(UN Salary scale and benefits for similar position apply)

Interested qualified candidates will find the post descriptions, the link to the Personal History Form (PH-Form) and the information on how to apply in the following web link: <http://www.fao.org/asiapacific/bangladesh>, and [www.bdjobs.com](http://www.bdjobs.com). All applicants must submit their PH-Form to: [FAOBD-Vacancies@fao.org](mailto:FAOBD-Vacancies@fao.org) only by close of business on 07 July 2013.

## Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Emergency 2007 Cyclone Recovery and Restoration Project, Bangladesh (Component A)

### Invitation for Bids for Procurement of Crops Fertilizers

Credit No. 4507 – BD, Project ID No. UTF/BGD/040/BGD, Bid Package Nos.3G37.C

The People's Republic of Bangladesh has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Emergency 2007 Cyclone Recovery and Restoration Project, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for the Procurement of Fertilizers for Crops. The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the supply of 543.18 MT of Fertilizer for Crops under Package 3G37.C to be received by FAO Representation, House No. 37, Road No. 8, Dhanmondi, Dhaka. Bidders having 3 years of experience in the supply of the tendered items are only encouraged to participate. The delivery period is 4 (four) weeks from the date of issuance of the Notification of Award.

Bidding will be conducted through the national competitive bidding procedures as specified in the World Bank's *Guidelines: Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits*, (current edition), and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the guidelines.

Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information and inspect the bidding documents from the ECRRP office of FAO Representation in Bangladesh (Hs. # 27, Rd. # 9/A, Apt. # A-1, Dhanmondi R/A, Dhaka – 1209, Telephone 8130758/104) during office hours i.e. 08:00 to 16:30 hours. A complete set of bidding documents in English may be purchased by interested bidders on the submission of a written application to the address below and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Tk. 2000. The method of payment for the tender documents will be in cash against a written receipt. All bids must be accompanied by a bid security for an amount of Tk. 400,000.00.

Bids shall be delivered to the address below by 2:00 pm. on **22 July 2013**. They will be opened immediately thereafter, in the presence of bidders' representatives, who choose to attend, at the address below. Late bids will be rejected.

### FAO Representation in Bangladesh