

## Report on Ilias Ali's whereabouts creates confusion

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

A recent newspaper report stating that missing BNP leader Ilias Ali is alive and detained in an Indian jail has been the talk of the town across Sylhet in the last two days.

Most people trashed the news as groundless, while others said certain quarters were out to create confusion by spreading rumours.

The people in Sylhet city and the district also referred to the earlier rumour that some people had received "missed calls from Ilias Ali's cellphone".

Two weeks ago, a Dhaka-based daily ran a report saying that Ilias, 48, who went missing from the capital on April 18 last year, is alive and behind the bars in India.

The news went viral after Ilias Ali's brother and Jatiyatabadi

Swechhasebak Dal leader Askir Ali referred to the report in a London-based talk show of Channel 4 Tuesday. It was rumoured that Askir himself gave that information about Ilias.

Talking to The Daily Star yesterday, Ilias Ali's wife Tahsina Rushdi, now in their village house in Biswanath upazila, Sylhet, said she did not have any information of this sort.

She said she could not reach Askir but talked to Rafique Helali, another guest in the talk show.

Helali told her that Askir only made mention of the report and that it was Askir's comment that Ilias was alive, said Tahsina.

The Daily Star repeatedly tried to contact Askir, now in London, by phone to no avail.

## DoE clearance for Rampal power plants protested

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bagerhat

Two organisations yesterday protested the Department of Environment's clearance for setting up two coal-based thermal power plants in Rampal upazila near the Sundarbans.

Save the Sundarban Foundation, and Bagerhat Development Society organised a press conference at Bagerhat Press Club in this regard.

The speakers said those who were supposed to protect the Sundarbans, had permitted the power plants.

Demanding an immediate halt to the move, they said they were not against any development but not at the cost of the Sundarbans, the world's largest mangrove forest.

They also threatened to launch a tougher movement if their demand is not met.

Several writ petitions were filed with the High Court seeking a stop to the move.

Meanwhile, National Committee to Protect Oil, Gas, Mineral Resources, Power and Ports has announced a long march from Dhaka for September 24 which is expected to reach Rampal on September 28.

In 2009, Bangladesh and India signed a deal to set up the two power plants in Shapmari and Katakhal, nine kilometres away from the Sundarbans.

A total of 1,834 acres of land has already been acquired for the power plants with a capacity of 1,320 megawatt of electricity. The project got Environmental Impact Assessment from the DoE recently and is expected to be inaugurated the next month.



Rickshaws occupy both sides of Green Road in the capital and the adjacent footpaths, narrowing down both and creating problems for pedestrians and drivers. The road and footpaths are used as rickshaw garages allegedly by local goons for business. The photo was taken yesterday.

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## Khaleda to address mass rally in capital on Aug 19

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia is set to address a mass rally in the capital on August 19 where she may give directives to party leaders and activists against the backdrop of the latest political scenario and about the next general polls.

"She is scheduled to address the founding anniversary meeting of Jatiyatabadi Swechhasebak Dal at Suhrawardi Udyan," Shimul Biswas, personal assistant of the BNP chief, told The Daily Star yesterday.

The opposition leader last spoke at a mass rally at the capital's Shapla Chattar on May 4 where she issued a 48-hour ultimatum to the government for restoration of the caretaker government system.

After Hefajat-e Islam's May 5 mayhem at Shapla Chattar, the government imposed an unofficial ban on rallies in the capital. And later in May when Khaleda was to address a party rally, she was denied permission to hold it in front of BNP's central office at Nayapaltan or at Paltan Maidan.

## Body needed to reveal conspiracies behind Bangabandhu's murder

Discussion told

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A commission needs to be formed to reveal the political facts and conspiracies behind the assassination of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, said speakers yesterday at a discussion to observe National Mourning Day.

It is the nation's responsibility to tell the public what really happened when Sheikh Mujibur Rahman was murdered, they said at the discussion arranged by factions of Bangladesh Federal Union of Journalists and Dhaka Union of Journalists in the capital's Jatiya Press Club.

To uphold Bangabandhu's spirit, people

need to practice two of his core ideas-- secularism and democracy-- based on which he dreamt of building the nation, they said.

While the speakers emphasised Bangabandhu's leadership during the Liberation War and his role as a president of a newly built nation, they criticised his successors for failing to uphold his ideologies.

Vice Chancellor of Dhaka University Prof AAMS Arefin Siddique, Information Minister Hasanul Haque Inu, Executive Editor of The Daily Star Syed Badrul Ahsan, Editor-in-Chief of Boishakhi Television Monjurul Ahsan Bulbul and Media Adviser to the prime minister Iqbal Sobhan Chowdhury, among others, spoke.

## Bangladeshi-born student stabbed to death in UK

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A gifted Bangladeshi-born pupil who was tipped to study medicine at Oxford or Cambridge was stabbed to death as he tried to protect a friend from a masked gang in East London on Monday night.

Ajmol Alom collapsed yards from his home after a teenage gangster plunged a knife into his leg in an unprovoked attack.

The 16-year-old, who is expected to get a string of A\*s in his GCSEs results due next week, was chatting with friends when the six-strong gang approached and stabbed one of Ajmol's friends through the cheek, reports Mail Online.

When Ajmol tried to intervene, he was stabbed twice in his thigh on the housing estate in Poplar, East London, where he lived with his father Jahangier Alom, who runs an Indian restaurant, his mother Rohima Khaun, two younger brothers and a sister.

His best friend Najmol Chowdhury, 16, said Ajmol did not have any enemies.

## ALCWC sits on Sunday

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Awami League Central Working Committee (ALCWC) sits at Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina's Gono Bhaban residence at 5:00pm on Sunday to discuss the country's latest political situation and organisational matters.

A meeting of the AL Advisory Council will also be held at the Gono Bhaban at 5:00pm on Saturday.

AL President Sheikh Hasina will chair both the meetings.

## Obituary

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Rangpur

Momena Chhalek, 85, wife of late Shah Md Chhalek and mother-in-law of former lawmaker GM Siraj, died of a cardiac arrest at her residence in Senpara area of Rangpur city yesterday morning.

She left behind a daughter and son, and a host of relatives to mourn her death.

Momena will be buried at Nurpur graveyard in the city today following a namaz-e-ajanaza at Tentultala Jame Mosque after Zohr prayers.

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