

DEATH OF PATIENT AT BIRDEM Family urges PM to punish 'sloppy' docs

Physicians return to work after two-day work stoppage

Family members of a man, who died at Birdem General Hospital on Sunday for alleged negligence, yesterday sought prime minister's intervention in bringing the doctors responsible to book.

Farhana Nasrinn, daughter of the deceased Sirajul Islam, 57, said Ramna Police Station refused to register a case against the doctors on Tuesday night.

"So, where shall we get justice for the killing of my father? Won't doctors be tried in this country?" she told a news conference at the capital's Jatiya Press Club.

The patient's death raised an outcry among relatives, who allegedly assaulted some doctors on Sunday night, leading to a two-day work stoppage by the physicians from Tuesday. The strike caused huge to sufferings to hundreds of patients.

"Like the prime minister, I am also an orphan. I hope she will understand my pain," said Nasrinn, who lost her mother on March 20 and father on April 13.

Officer-in-Charge of Ramna Police Station Mashiur Rahman told The Daily Star that the case of doctors' negligence was not under their purview. "Doctors have formed an inquiry committee. If it finds negligence, we can accept the case," he said.

The deceased's relatives alleged that doctors did not respond to their call at 4:00pm Sunday when Sirajul was facing breathing complications, and did not shift him to the incentive care unit (ICU). All these led to his death, they said.

Doctors denied the allegation, saying the patient had long been suffering from tubercu-

losis and diabetes. As his situation deteriorated on April 13, he was provided oxygen, they said.

"The patient suffered a massive cardiac arrest before it was time to shift him to ICU," Dr Ahmed Salam Meer of the endocrinology department told a press conference Wednesday.

He said Sunday's "assault" left three doctors of the department injured.

The doctors alleged that ABM Masud Hossain, additional superintendent of police of Dhaka district, and MA Babu, APS of former state minister Monnojan Sufian, who are cousins of Nasrinn, instigated the assault.

Nasrinn outright denied the allegation of the assault though she said they had an altercation with doctors.

Protesting the "assault", all doctors observed work stoppage on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Against the backdrop, the home ministry withdrew ASP Masud Hossain and attached him with the police headquarters on Wednesday. Following this, doctors went back to work yesterday morning, but held a human chain and procession before that, demanding punishment for the attack.

"As a symbolic protest, doctors will wear black badges and observe an hour of work abstention on Saturday," an agitating doctor told The Daily Star.

Meanwhile, Birdem authorities yesterday beefed up security for doctors. "We've formed 12 teams, each comprising six to seven security men. They will go round the hospital every two hours," said Prof Dr Nazmunahar, director general of the hospital.

Besides, she said, none without a pass would be allowed in the hospital.



Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina lays a wreath at the portrait of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman on Dhanmondi Road 32 in the capital on historic Mujibnagar Day yesterday. On this day in 1971, Bangladesh's first government was formed.

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CORRUPTION CASES

HC to decide on Khaleda's challenge Sunday

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday fixed Sunday for passing an order on the petitions filed by BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia challenging the indictment issued against her in Zia Orphanage Trust and Zia Charitable Trust corruption cases.

Before passing its ruling, the court will hear oral arguments on the petition on Sunday afternoon.

The HC bench of Justice Borhanuddin and Justice KM Kamrul Kader fixed the date after concluding yesterday's proceedings.

Earlier in the day, it heard arguments from Moudud Ahmed, Rafiqul Islam Mia and AJ Mohammad Ali who defended Khaleda, and from Attorney General Mahbubey Alam, who opposed her petitions.

The BNP chairperson on April 13 filed two separate revision petitions with the HC challenging a March 19 order by Special Judge's Court-3 framing charges against her, her son Tarique Rahman and seven others in the two cases.

The Anti-Corruption Commission in July 2009 filed the Zia Orphanage graft case against Khaleda, Tarique and four others for

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GLOBAL FORUM ON MIGRATION

Govt to lobby for proper jobs for skilled migrants

Says Foreign Secretary Shahidul Haque

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government may raise the issue of qualified migrant labourers being forced to resort to menial jobs in the upcoming "Global Forum on Migration and Development 2014" in Stockholm, said Foreign Secretary Shahidul Haque yesterday.

Speaking at a meeting at a hotel in the capital, he said, "We must ensure that doctors and engineers are

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PUNE FILM INSTITUTE Bangladeshis invited for scholarships

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Indian High Commission in Dhaka has invited applications from eligible Bangladeshi nationals for admission to the Film and Television Institute of India, Pune.

The admission will take place under the sponsorship of Indian Council for Cultural Relations, New Delhi in a one-year post graduate certificate course in screenplay writing, and a one-year post graduate certificate course in television in five specialisations, said a press release.

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2 YEARS OF DISAPPEARANCE OF ILIAS ALI BNP warns Hasina of consequences

Prayers offered, protest held in Sylhet

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

BNP acting secretary general Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir yesterday warned Sheikh Hasina of "dire consequences" if her government does not bring back missing BNP leader M Ilias Ali.

"The prime minister promised Ilias Ali's wife and children that she would take all-out measures to find Ilias. Two years on, instead of tracking him down, the ministers are giving provocative statements about this," he told a BNP discussion, "Give Back Ilias Ali", at the capital's Institution of Engineers.

Ilias, a former BNP lawmaker, along with his driver went missing from the capital on April 18, 2012. BNP claimed that government agencies picked up the two, an allegation denied by the government.

By causing the disappearance of Ilias and 63 other BNP leaders, the government has committed serious crimes against humanity, Fakhrul said.

"The government has turned the whole country into a

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The Daily Star - grameenphone IGNITE Activation programme ends in capital

11 schools participate on last day

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Activation programme of The Daily Star-Grameenphone "IGNITE", a science competition for school students, ended yesterday in the capital.

The event was held at three venues -- Scholastica School, Mastermind School, and SOS Hermann Gmeiner School and College.

Along with students of the host schools, students of Mirpur Girl's Ideal Laboratory Institute, Monipur High School and College, Shaheed Bir Uttam Anwar Girls School and College, Adamjee Cantonment Public School, Sunbeams school, Aga Khan School, Rajuk Uttara Ideal High School and DPS STS School attended the programme.

IGNITE, a joint initiative of Grameenphone and The Daily Star, was initiated to inspire students of class VI to X towards science education through different projects, competitions

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Man hit by muggers' bullet dies

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A man died at Dhaka Medical College Hospital last night, a day after he suffered injuries by a stray bullet fired by a gang of fleeing muggers in the capital's Rampura.

Selim Mia, 45, a house painter of west Rampura, was hit by the bullet when muggers opened fire after being chased by locals from a mobile phone recharge shop Wednesday, said police.

British mission closed Sunday, Monday

CITY DESK

The British High Commission in Dhaka, its office in Sylhet, and DFID Bangladesh will be closed to the public on Sunday and Monday on the occasion of Easter Sunday and Easter Monday, says a press release.

Worker dies falling from rooftop

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A worker died after falling from the roof of an under-construction building in Number-2 Gate area of Chittagong city yesterday.

Md Jahangir, 25, of Brahmanbaria, suddenly fell from the roof of the three-storey building while working, said police quoting victim's co-workers.

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- Management of references & working standards, reagents, solvents samples, perform analysis for method validation.

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- 3 to 4 years experience in related field.
- Should have knowledge on industry related compliances & guidelines.

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- 3 to 4 years experience in related field.
- Should have knowledge on industry related compliances & guidelines.

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Participants, guests and organisers at the activation programme of The Daily Star-Grameenphone "IGNITE", a science competition for school students, at SOS Hermann Gmeiner School and College in the capital yesterday.