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N'GANJ KILLING, ABDUCTION

3 Rab officials 'dismissed'

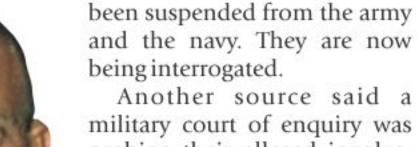
Elite force boss assures JS body of not protecting anyone found guilty

HASAN JAHID TUSHER

Three Rab officials have been dismissed from the services for their alleged involvement in the abduction and killing of seven people, including Narayanganj panel mayor Nazrul Islam, according to

They are Commanding Officer of Rab-11 Lt Col Tareque Sayeed Mohammad, Maj Arif Hossain and Lt Commander SM Masud

Officials at the Armed Forces Division told The Daily Star yesterday that they were yet to receive any order on the officers' dismissal, but confirmed that the trio have



and the navy. They are now being interrogated. Another source said a

military court of enquiry was probing their alleged involvement in the abductions and killings. If found guilty, they will face court martial.

At a weekly cabinet meeting on Monday, the prime minister firmly said the culprits would be punished no matter how influential they

might be. "The government will show zero tolerance for the culprits and this is the prime minister's firm stance," said a government source.

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Relatives of a stroke-hit patient are in tears as they sit helpless in an ambulance in front of Dhaka Medical College Hospital around 2:00pm yesterday. They were unable to enter the hospital as its gates were locked following a clash between a patient's attendants and intern doctors. PHOTO: COURTESY

THE 7-MURDER TIMELINE

Nazrul Islam and his four aides and Chandan Sarker and his driver are kidnapped separately, but around the same time from around the same place.

Nazrul's wife Selina Islam claims Nur Hossain and Mohammad Yasin are behind the abduction. She also claims some Rab-11 men picked up Nazrul and the others. April 28

Selina files an abduction case with Fatullah police. April 29

The home ministry recommends withdrawal of four law enforcers, including Rab-11 commanding officer.

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Main accused still not traced

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Lt Col Tareque

An apparently stagnant probe into the abduction and murder of Narayanganj panel mayor Nazrul Islam and six others has given rise to security concerns among the victims' family members.

With the main accused, including Nur Hossain, still at large, Nazrul's family members are getting threats over the phone from unknown people. Even the law enforcers guarding Nazrul's in-laws' house at Mijmiji in Siddhirganj overheard one such threat around 11:00am yesterday.

A policeman on duty there told The Daily Star that he had heard someone threatening Rafiqul Islam Mintu, Nazrul's brother-in-law, over the phone.

After making a statement to the police probe committee, Nazrul's widow Selina Islam told journalists yesterday that she and her family were living in fear as they were receiving

"The accused I named in my case are still at large and SEE PAGE 2 COL 1

department vandalised; journos assaulted

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Services at Dhaka Medical College Hospital remained suspended for hours yesterday following a clash between attendants of a patient and interns over the use of an elevator.

PATIENTS NOT TREATED FOR 5 HOURS

to use elevator

Mayhem over who

DMCH interns, DU students clash; emergency

Because of this, patients at the hospital were deprived of care. Those arriving from far away places with severe illness and injuries could not get services even at the emergency or casualty departments from leading to a scuffle, said doctors. 11:30am to 4:25pm.

The trouble began around 11:00am when some interns asked three attendants · of a patient to get out of the elevator -- : meant for use by doctors -- at the extended building of the hospital.

But Khandker Nuruzzaman Limon, son of the patient, Selina Begum, and his complaining against such incidents. acquaintances Shuvo and Samrat, both: Dhaka University students, reacted and asked the interns about their identities,

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Patients alone pay the price in every strike by doctors

PORIMOL PALMA

People are being deprived of their fundamental rights of · healthcare as doctors are enforcing frequent strikes over issues that could be legally dealt with.

On the other hand, relatives of patients, dying allegedly for doctors' negligence, are often taking matters in their own hands and purportedly assaulting doctors and medical professionals instead of following due procedures of

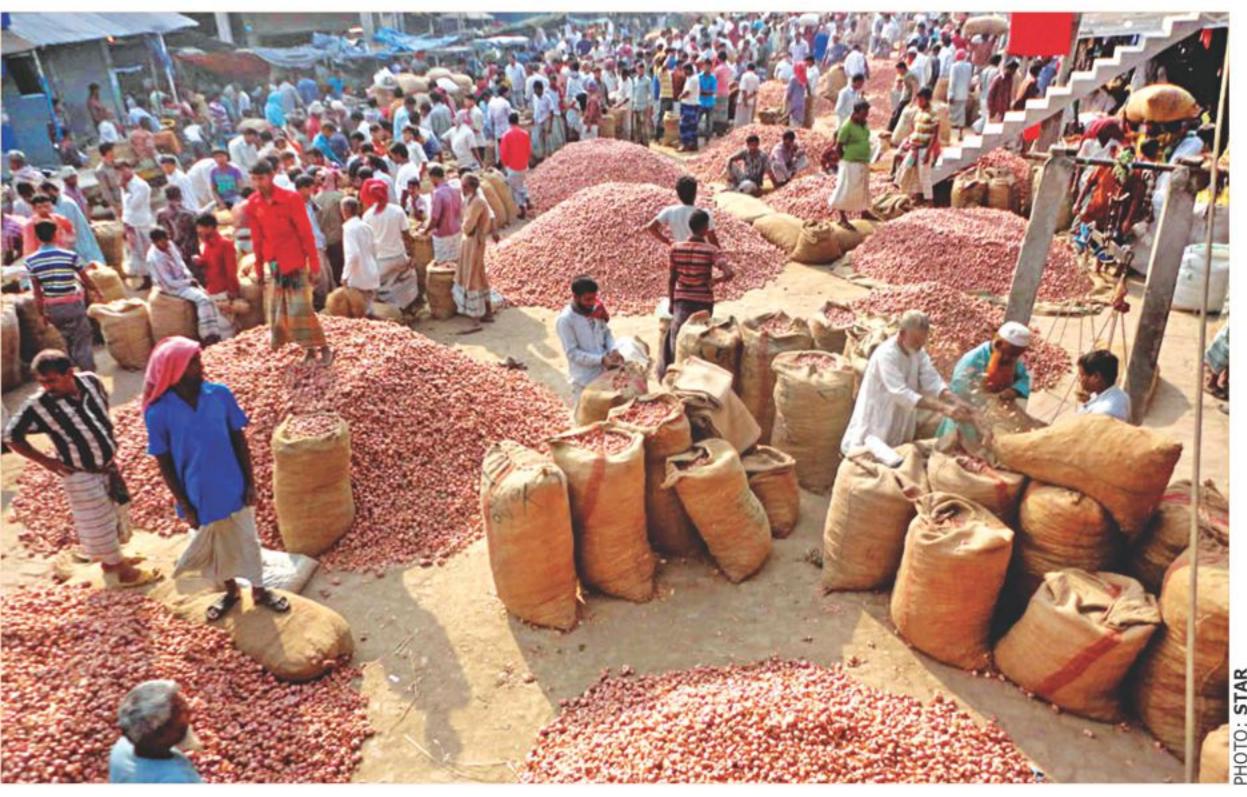
With little or no steps from the authorities to prevent moves like work abstention which puts patients' lives at stake, doctors enforced strikes over a dozen times last year alone against 50 cases of assaults by patients' relatives,

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PUNGENT ONION

An onion market at Sujanagar in Pabna is crowded with traders, but the presence of buyers is thin. Such was the scene yesterday. The prices of key spices went up by 25 percent in the capital's kitchen markets in the last one month as people have started to buy the popular vegetable in large quantities less than two months ahead of Ramadan.



GHORASHAL POWER PLANT

Capacity of 2 units to double

SHARIER KHAN

The Power Development Board (PDB) is upgrading two Russian-built old gasfired power units in Ghorashal to double their electricity generation capacity without increasing their gas consumption in a couple of years.

This half a billion dollar solution would give these plants at least 20 years of new life, while the electricity cost would be very low, said a PDB official.

According to a decision taken on the basis of a feasibility study last year, the PDB floated tenders to upgrade or "repower" the decades-old Ghorashal third unit 210 megawatt power plant last year.

Swiss Alstom and Chinese CMC won the tender late last year and signed an engineering, procurement and

construction (EPC) contract. In repowering technology, the heatbased Ghorashal unit will be turned

into a combined cycle one to produce 416 MW power.

In combined cycle technology, the heat that escapes from the basic power plant is trapped and utilised for additional power generation.

Alstom and CMC will arrange finance for this construction, which will be around \$250 million. But they are yet to manage the fund.

On Monday, the PDB closed

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