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Tailor found dead in capital

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A tailor was found dead at his workplace building near

the capital's New Market yesterday. Razu, 22, who worked in a shop at Ismail Manson building, was hacked in the neck and belly by uniden-

tified miscreants, said New Market police Subinspector Akhtaruzzaman Sarker. Mohammad Faroque, supervisor of Ismail Manson,

first noticed the body covered with scraps of fabric near a toilet on the fourth floor of the building.

The body was sent to Dhaka Medical College morgue for autopsy.

2 Gazipur cops closed for extortion

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gazipur

Two policemen of Joydevpur Police Station in Gazipur were closed Thursday night over an allegation of their involvement in extorting money from different local people at different times.

The two--Sub-inspector Anwar Hossain and Assistant Sub-inspector Zahirul Islam--were sent to Gazipur Police Lines.

Abdul Baten, superintendent of police in Gazipur, issued the order.

New private airline to fly on domestic routes next month

A new private airline will be added to the domestic air services in the country in June.

With the slogan of "fly fast, fly safe", US-BANGLA airline will fly on domestic routes.

Initially the carrier will operate, all from the capital, five flights to Chittagong, two to Jessore, one to Cox's Bazar and one to Sylhet.

US-BANGLA yesterday bought its first aircraft, DASH-8-Q400, from the Netherlands.

While briefing reporters at the airport, Air Cadre (retd) M Golam Tawhid, advisor of US-BANGL airline, said they will add another aircraft by next week.

Woman's body found in Savar OUR CORRESPONDENT, Savar

Police recovered the unidentified body of a woman, aged around 20, from a septic tank of an underconstruction building in Savar, on the outskirts of the capital, on Thursday night.

The woman, clad in a saree and with hands tied up with the end of the fabric, was killed about five days ago, said Savar police.

Locals informed police as the nearby places in Krisnapur was gripped with pungent odour.

The body was sent to Dhaka Medical College Hospital for an autopsy.

Khulna fish enclosure owner murdered

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

Miscreants hacked the owner of a fish enclosure to death at Daukona Beel in Phultala upazila of Khulna.

The deceased was Hasan Biswas, 60.

Deceased's wife, Bhanu Begum, said Hasan went to his enclosure Thursday evening and did not return.

Later, they found the body at the paddy field of a local, Altaf Sarder.

Mofizur Rahman Munshi and Moklesur Rahman, locals who were involved in the fish business with Hasan, were arrested for interrogation, said police.

Confce on informatics starts at DU

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The third "International Conference on Informatics, Electronics & Vision" began yesterday at Dhaka University.

DU Vice Chancellor Prof AAMS Arefin Siddique inaugurated the two-day conference, organised by the Centre for Natural Science and Engineering Research, in the senate building of the university, says a press release.

Rotary Int'l inks MoU with hospital

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Rotary International signed a memorandum of understanding with Bangkok Hospital on Thursday.

Under this MoU, Rotarians along with their families will receive health care services by the specialist physicians. Rotary Governor Ghulam Mustafa, Governor Nominees SAM Shawkat Hossain and Md Ayub, and Secretary Rakib Sarder were present at the signing ceremony.



Indigenous farmers thresh rice on the yard of a house in Rajshahi's Godagari upazila on Thursday. The Barind region saw high Boro yields this year.

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Musa's fourth anniversary of **Everest conquest** celebrated

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STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Musa Ibrahim, the first Bangladeshi to scale the Mount

Everest, celebrated the fourth anniversary of his conquering the mountain.

On May 23, 2010, Musa scaled the Mount Everest and brought the country unprecedented glory.

On the occasion, Everest Academy and Russian Centre of Science and Culture organised a photo exhibition at the centre displaying moments captured of Musa's feat. The exhibition will remain open from 11:00am to 5:00pm every day till May 29.

Prime Minister's International Affairs Adviser Gowher Rizvi, and Bangladesh Biman Captain Enam Talukdar also spoke.

Jubo League man shot Youth stabbed in capital

STAFF CORRESPONDENT Miscreants shot a Jubo League activist in

the capital last night. Around six criminals shot Rajibur

Rahman Rajib, 27, a Jubo League activist of Motijheel Thana Unit, in the left leg near TNT colony, said DMCH police camp in-charge Mozammel Haque. Meanwhile, at Segunbagicha, around

seven miscreants stormed into a grocery shop and asked its staff Habibur Rahman Habib, 25, the whereabouts of the owner, triggering a debate with him. At one stage, they stabbed him with a sharp weapon, said the police officer. The two were admitted to Dhaka Medical College Hospital.

7 Tahrir men held

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Police yesterday arrested seven activists of banned Islamist outfit Hizb-ut Tahrir in Chittagong city.

They are Md Wahid; Md Najmul; Mirza Mohammad Saim; Md Hasan; Shahadat Hossain; Md Russel; and Md Hossain.

Police held them while they were distributing leaflets among the people, said police. They were circulating antigovernment propaganda, police added.

Germany wants to invest in railway

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Germany intends to invest in the expansion and upgradation of Bangladesh's railway network, in-land water transportation, water treatment and waste management sectors. The European country is also highly interested in investing for a spare

parts machinery factory here for the regional market and considering producing electricity from garbage and waste. This was conveyed while a 10-member German Business Delegation

headed by Wilhelm G Clasen, member of the Board of the German Asia-Pacific Business Association (OAV) and chairman of OAV Bangladesh Committee, called on Foreign Minister AH Mahmood Ali at state guesthouse Padma yesterday, said a foreign ministry press release. The delegation is composed of representatives from different services

and sectors like textile, jute and natural fibre derivatives, water purification and solution, transport and logistics services, and secured energy supply as well as policy making and financing sectors. The team is on a five-day visit to Bangladesh. The delegation head informed that this was a fact finding mission on

Bangladesh's economy and trade. They wanted to visit Bangladesh last year, but due to the political situation, they rescheduled it, he said. The team said there was a negative campaign against Bangladesh in the

international media but this visit had revealed that the socioeconomic condition and political situation in Bangladesh were very conducive to trade, investment and development. Clasen assured that they would inform the stakeholders in Germany

including political parties, businessmen and media, that the overall situation in Bangladesh was very much favourable for trade and investment. SEE PAGE 4 COL 2

Mother of Birshreshtha Abdur Rouf passes away **OUR CORRESPONDENT, Faridpur**

Mukidunnesa, mother of Birshreshtha Munshi Abdur Rouf, passed away due to old age complications at Arpara village in Madhukhali upazila of Faridpur on Thursday night. She was 99. She left behind her two

daughters and a son. She was buried at their

family graveyard near her house following her second namaz-ejanaza at Arpara Eidgah Maidan yesterday after Juma prayers. Her first namaz-ejanaza was held at Madhukhali Central Eidgah Maidan.

Deputy Leader of the parliament Syeda Sajeda Chowdhury, Expatriates' Welfare and Overseas Employment Minister Khandker Mosharraf Hossain and lawmaker of Faridpur constituency-1 Abdur Rhman condoled the death.

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Ctg division finale held

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

The Chittagong division finale of science competition "IGNITE" was held at Ispahani Public School and College in the city yesterday.

Around 400 secondary school-level students of 24 schools of the division participated in the programme. Guardians and teachers made up the audience.

The students participated in three categories: Discover Science, for students of class VI to VIII; Imagine the Future, for class IX and X students; and Idea Flight, for all students.

Arnab Chowdhury of Cantonment English School secured the first prize in Discover Science category; Antu Dutta and Rouhit Armaan of Chittagong Government High School won the first prize in Imagine the Future category; while two teams -- Ashraf Mahmud and Ibne Nur Soumik of Bangladesh Navy School and College, and Farhana Ahmed, Sanzida Sultana and Sharah Tonima of Kapashgola City Corporation High School-- jointly became first in Idea Flight category.

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Guests and visitors at Daily Star-Bengal Arts Precinct, which was inaugurated through an exhibition of the works of painter SM Sultan, in the capital's The Daily Star Centre last evening.

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