

FAILURE TO STAMP OUT CORRUPTION Lawmakers make laws with loopholes

Muhith tells JS

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Finance Minister AMA Muhith in parliament yesterday expressed his frustration at loopholes in different laws for which the government cannot stamp out corruption.

"I am saying this out of sorrow that whenever we enact laws we keep loopholes in it for our own interest," lamented Muhith when responding to Jatiya Party MP Kazi Feroz Rashid Chowdhury's query on Muhith's ministry's move to punish those involved in the Hallmark loan scam, and government officials involved in corruption.

Bangladesh Bank in 2010 revealed massive irregularities in giving Tk 3,547 crore to Hallmark Group and five other companies in loans from state-run Sonali Bank, Hotel Ruposhi Bangla branch.

The money embezzled by the six entities amounts to almost 15 percent of the total estimated cost of the US\$2.9 billion Padma bridge project.

In his reply yesterday, Muhith told the parliament that, "We are involved in so much corruption that the government cannot find anyone testify against it."

"This is why only one high government official was punished for his involvement in corruption since 1947," he said.

"We all know how black money is being made in the country. Most of it [black money] comes from the land registration sector. If anyone sells a piece of land for Tk 10 crore, it is registered as Tk 25 lakh to dodge tax," said the minister.

Calling upon the MPs, the finance minister urged them to unite and take action against corruption.

"If necessary, we can reduce the tax rate to one percent. If you [MPs] agree, I will take necessary action in this regard in the next budget," Muhith said.

Azhar accused

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was still a government in power on March 24, 1971. It was not at all possible for a student to enter cantonment or hatch a conspiracy with the army," he added.

Quoting Rathish's testimony, Subhan said Deenesh was not "an ordinary person". Deenesh was a prominent physician and president of Awami Krishak League of Rangpur district.

"Does it not raise questions when a big figure like him witnessed such a cruel incident and did not take any step to bring the culprits to book," said Subhan.

Azharul was produced yesterday and the case adjourned until today.



Dr Suleman Alvi, director, Business Development, Abbott Laboratories (Pakistan) Limited, addresses a training programme organised by UniMed Limited at The Daily Star Centre in the capital yesterday. On the right is UniMed Limited Executive Director Nazmul Hossain.

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Religious extremists killed

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Refuting media reports that Faruqi, chief imam of the Supreme Court Jame Masjid, was killed following "family feuds and business related conflicts," Reza said his father had no family feud and even no business conflict with anybody.

Faruqi's son said his father was an Alem (Islamic scholar) and a believer in Sunni stream of Islam and all along his life he had spoke for the holy Quran and Sunnah.

Reza said his father was also a believer in "Shariat and Sufism", and added that various vested quarters had been threatening to kill his father for this reason. They even had threatened him in facebook to kill him.

Replying to journalists' query about the progress in the investigation into the murder,

Monirul Islam, joint commissioner of the detective branch (DB) of Dhaka Metropolitan Police, said no substantial information could be gleaned from the three suspects arrested in the case.

All four divisions of DB have been engaged in the investigation into the killing and in arresting the persons involved in it.

Meanwhile, State Minister for Home Asaduzzaman Khan yesterday told the parliament that the government would soon be able to unearth the reason behind the killing of Faruqi.

Besides, they will soon reveal the real motive behind the triple murder at the capital's Moghbazar on August 28 and their efforts is going on to ascertain the reason responsible for the death of a couple in Banani on Monday, he said.

War criminal Ghulam Azam

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On July 15 last year, the International Crimes Tribunal-1 sentenced Azam to 90 years in prison for masterminding crimes

against humanity, genocide and other wartime offences in 1971. The court said Azam deserved the gallows but he was given prison terms due to his old age.

Obituary

STAFF CORRESPONDENT



Zakia Akter, mother of AKM Shakhawat Hossain chief reporter of

Bangla daily Jaijaidin, died due to old-age complications at her Khilgaon residence in the capital yesterday. She was 80.

Wife of late Abdul Hakim, she left behind three sons, three daughters and was buried at Shahjahanpur graveyard.

Death anniversary

City Desk



Today is the 33rd death anniversary of Samsuddin Chaklader.

A Dhaka University Hockey Blue, Samsuddin also excelled in football and cricket for different clubs during the pre-liberation era.

A milad mahfil will be held at his son Maj (ret'd) Sahabuddin Chaklader's Uttara resident after Asar prayers today.

Make SC

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around the country causing hamper to the judiciary.

For instance, he said Darul Ihsan University had several branches across the country and it had four owners and four campuses in Dhaka violating the relevant law.

In his petition, Eunos said having more than one branch or campus was illegal, he told The Daily Star.

He also said students being admitted there procured illegal certificates in exchange for huge money.

The HC may hold hearing on the petition today, Eunos said.

4 'muggers'

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Corporation, a distributor of Akij Group, after opening fire on them and blasting several crude bombs on Dilu Road that injured five of the victims.

Indictment against

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Fakhrul and BNP leaders Moudud Ahmed, Mirza Abbas, Gayeshwar Chandra Roy and 15 others sought time for hearing.

The court had been set for hearing on charge framing yesterday.

According to the case statement, a group of BNP and Jamaat men vandalised and torched vehicles creating anarchy among the people, assaulted policemen and prevented them from discharging their duties in the city's Chamelibagh area on March 2 last year.

SC continues hearing

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International Crimes Tribunal-2 had sentenced Kamaruzzaman to death.

The defence lawyer told the apex court yesterday that three women, who were raped, had told the International Crimes Tribunal-2 that they did not know Kamaruzzaman before the incidents.

A four-member Appellate Division bench headed by Justice Sunrendra Kumar Sinha fixed today for resuming the hearing on the appeal.

Take steps to stop such

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staff, he said.

Runa gave birth to twin sons around 5:00am on August 20. A woman posing as an attendant of an imaginary patient offered her services to Runa as the new mother was having difficulty nursing the twins.

A CCTV clip shows the woman -- holding one of the babies in her arms -- along with the baby's grandmother at the emergency around noon on August 20.

Rab arrested two women -- Rasheda Khanom alias Parvin, and Belly Akter alias Rahima -- in this connection.

Anyone wishing to help the couple can contribute to MD Kousar Hossain Babu, a/c no. 621120041659, Al-Arafah Islami Bank Ltd, Mothbaria, Pirojpur.

Another held

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night and shot three persons-- Ranu, Billal and Munna-- dead and injured Ranu's another brother Hridoy critically.

Police are yet to arrest the prime accused, Shah Alam alias Kailla Babu, who allegedly led the gang during the killing.

DB officials said Arif is accused in extortion cases and in primary investigation, they found that he was involvement in the murders.

Their govt had no clue


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General Security, Lebanon's security agency in charge of foreigners' entry and residency, told some that they were not allowed to have children in Lebanon and given a short period of time to leave the country. In some cases, they said, they were given as little as 48 hours, it added.

The BMET says around 30,000 Bangladeshis, half of them women, are working in Lebanon.

The other countries are Sri Lanka, the Philippines, Ghana, South Sudan and Madagascar.

Expatriates' Welfare and Overseas Employment Secretary Khondaker Showkat Hossain said there was currently no labour wing in Lebanon and they had decided to open it soon.

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


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