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Bangladesh Cricket

Bangladesh cricket has again disappointed us. It is very sad when we see the entire batting line up collapse in less than 200 runs in a test match. Despite such repetition of poor performances, it seems that the management keeps on picking the same team. When the bowlers are performing well, the batsmen are performing miserably, and when the batsmen are scoring runs, the bowlers are playing badly. BCB should take immediate and proper steps so that the team as a whole performs better and puts a smile on the faces of the ardent supporters of Bangladesh Cricket.

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Rapid Action Necessary

Eve teasing is prevalent almost everywhere in our society though there are laws against it. A few days ago a girl killed herself after being a victim of this heinous crime. We have to change our attitude towards females and have to respect them as human beings, not look at them as commodities. Families can play a vital role in this regard, by teaching the male children how to treat women with respect. And the victims must realise that suicide is not the solution to it, they have to protest. In schools, colleges and offices dialogues on eve teasing should be encouraged. It must be made clear to everyone that it is a crime punishable by law. Last but not the least; the government should create public awareness to make a woman-friendly environment everywhere and to ensure punishment without procrastination.

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Depression

[Re: It's Time to Talk, September 19, 2014]. In our country, depression is often misunderstood or not understood at all. Feeling blue, grief, sadness and depression are not the same. It is a disease just like diabetes or high blood pressure and requires treatment. You cannot will yourself out of it. Doctors often prescribe medication or/and therapy. In some cases it can be genetic. We need to understand that. If not treated, it can have serious consequences.

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Deathtrap

The photo feature once again reminds us how poor the infrastructures of this country are. However, people have accepted it as their fate accompli. We do not know what the government is doing to solve these problems. An independent commission should look into how much money is allocated every year for the repair and maintenance of roads and highways and how much of it is actually spent on this purpose. But then again, where can we find people to constitute such a commission that would be neutral and transparent? All our problems are the classic chicken-and-egg problem.

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On Email

You were in, Now you are Out

In a democracy, every individual has the right to express his or her political thoughts. Chintito's article, published on September 12, was disagreeable. It was, however, encouraging and appreciable to see the Star's apology in the September 19 issue.

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