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# CANADA PARLIAMENT ATTACK Shooter was on terror watch list PM Harper says Canada will not be intimidated

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Canada's prime minister vowed the country would "not be intimidated" after a reported Muslim convert stormed parliament and killed a soldier, the nation's second 'terrorist' attack in days.

The gunman, whose name was on a terror watch list, attempted to force his way into Canada's parliament Wednesday before the assembly's sergeant-at-arms shot him dead.

The attack -- the second this week targeting Canadian military personnel -- came as Canadian jets were to join the US-led bombing campaign against Islamist militants in Iraq.

"Canada will never be intimidated," Premier Stephen Harper told the nation in a televised address after the shootings on Wednesday.

"In fact, this will lead us to strengthen our resolve and redouble our efforts and those of national security agencies to take all necessary steps to identify and counter threats and keep Canada safe," he said.

The spectacular security breach came two days after an alleged Islamist ran over two soldiers in Quebec, killing one of them, in what officials branded a terrorist attack.



Michael Zehaf-Bibeau



A worker is drying rawhides at a tannery in the capital's Hazaribagh to make those ready for export. These were collected during Eid-ul-Azha. The photo has been taken recently.

PHOTO: ANISUR RAHMAN

# Exploited, abused Says HRW report on migrant workers from Asia

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Migrant domestic workers from Bangladesh and many other Asian and African countries are "beaten, exploited, and trapped in forced labour situations" in the United Arab Emirates (UAE), said a report of Human Rights Watch yesterday.

"Labour-sending countries also do not fully protect the workers against deceptive recruitment practices or provide adequate assistance to abused nationals abroad," it states.

The 79-page report titled "I Already Bought You": Abuse and Exploitation of Female Migrant Domestic Workers in the United Arab Emirates" documents how the UAE's visa sponsorship system, known as kafala, and the lack of labour law protections leave migrant domestic workers exposed to abuse.

"The UAE's sponsorship

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# Almost all secondary schools on track

Finds govt survey on schools' performance

WASIM BIN HABIB

Amid criticism over abysmal results in the Dhaka University admission tests, a nationwide assessment survey report has drawn a rosy picture of secondary education with findings that nearly half of the secondary schools are performing well.

Of the 18,425 institutions surveyed, 1,020 are listed as top-performing, 9,098 as

1,020	Top performers
9,098	Performing well
7,319	Performance moderate
957	Performing poorly
31	Non-performing

well-performing and 7,319 as moderate-performing in the report.

However, such a picture was not reflected in the recently concluded entrance tests at Dhaka University. The DU test results rather brought into question students' success rates in the public examinations.

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# 3 policemen sued for extortion

COURT CORRESPONDENT

Three policemen were sued yesterday for allegedly extorting Tk 3.5 lakh from a businessman at Bangshal in the capital.

The accused are sub-inspector Mohammad Murshed and two constables, Mohammad Moazzem and Pradip of Bangshal Police Station.

Mohammad Makbul Hossain, owner of Quality

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# SI ANWAR'S BID TO BRAND ALAM A CRIMINAL Misleading facts in case statement

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Sub-Inspector Anwar Hossain, arrested over shooting car driver Shah Alam, has provided misleading information in the case he filed against the victim.

Anwar was arrested after Alam's brother Golam Mostafa filed a case with Sher-e-Bangla Nagar police on Wednesday afternoon. He was placed on a two-day remand following a Dhaka court order yesterday.

Alam, shot in both legs and shown arrested in an arms case, is now undergoing treatment at National Institute of Traumatology & Orthopaedic Rehabilitation (Nitor).

The High Court yesterday ordered the government to bear his treatment expenses.

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# NBR commissioner suspended over graft charges

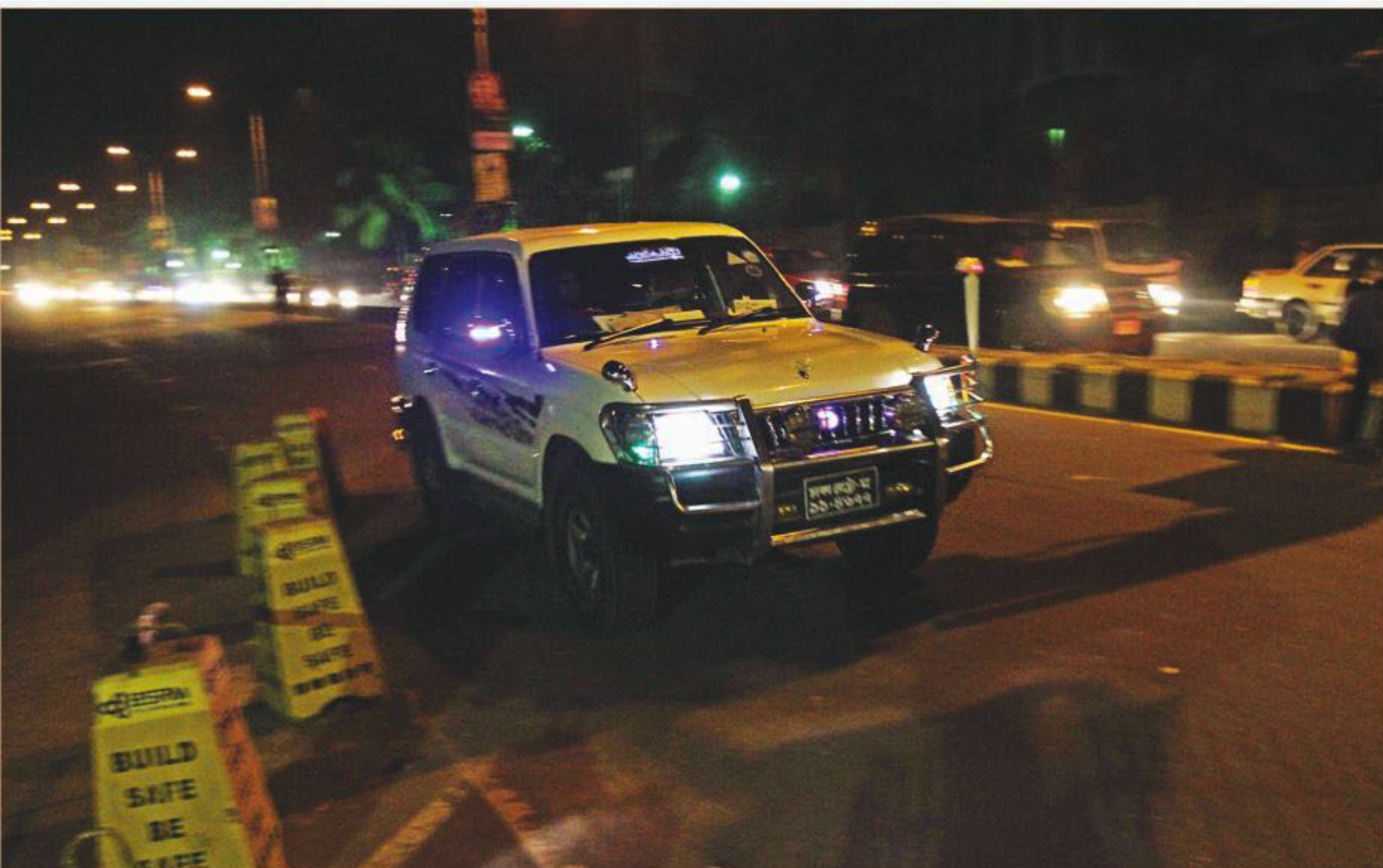
STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government has suspended M Hafizur Rahman, a commissioner of the National Board of Revenue, yesterday on corruption charges, a senior official said.

The decision was taken after a preliminary probe into the allegations against him found proof of his involvement in corruption, the official from the Internal Resources Division said.

Rahman was serving as commissioner of the Customs Bond Commissionerate Dhaka before going abroad on study leave. His leave period has expired but

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A car driver takes the wrong side of the street in front of Ruposhi Bangla Hotel in the capital yesterday evening, even after the High Court's directive on the government to ensure that such practices be stopped.

PHOTO: SK ENAMUL HAQ

# Yet another arrest order for Latif

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Another arrest warrant for former minister Abdul Latif Siddique was issued yesterday by a Chittagong court in four cases filed for hurting Muslims' religious sentiments.

Chief Metropolitan Magistrate (CMM) Moshir Rahman Chowdhury passed the order as Latif did not appear before the court yesterday as per its previous order, said Additional Public Prosecutor advocate Abid Hossain.

On October 1, advocates

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# End impunity of influentials

HC asks govt over vehicles on wrong side

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday directed the government to ensure the enforcement of traffic rules so that vehicles of influential people do not get to take the wrong side of streets with impunity.

The suo moto rule came on the very day The Daily Star published a report headlined "Influentials on the wrong side" with a photograph of a minister's motorcade travelling against traffic near Ruposhi Bangla hotel.

Pointing out that influential quarters tamper with and violate traffic regulations in Dhaka city with impunity, an HC bench


said, "All citizens are equal before law and are entitled to equal protection of law. No one should escape the toils of the law with impunity, however highly placed he may be."

The court also sought explanation from the government in four weeks as to why it should not be directed to enforce traffic laws strictly to prevent influentials and highly-placed people from using the wrong sides of the streets of Dhaka.

The bench of Justice Moyeenul Islam Chowdhury and Justice Md Ashrafur Kamal made home secretary, inspector general of police, commissioner of Dhaka

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Do you agree with HRW that Bangladesh government should order an independent investigation and prosecute the Rab members responsible for shooting and maiming Limon Hossain?

Yes

4-50

(93%)

No

1-15

(07%)

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Juma 12-30	1-15
Asr 4-00	4-15
Maghrib 5-36	5-39
Esha 7-15	7-45

Source: Islamic Foundation

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