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SAMS KIBRIA MURDER

Harris among 9 new accused

Third charge sheet submitted 9 years after murder

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Harris Chowdhury, former premier Khaleda Zia's political secretary, and Sylhet Mayor Ariful Haque Chowdhury have been charged with the 2005 murder of former finance minister SAMS Kibria.

The two are among the nine named in the third charge sheet submitted by the CID to Habiganj District and Sessions Judge's Court yesterday.

The rest are district BNP General Secretary GK Gaus and Huji members Hafez Yahya, Abu Bakar Md Karim, Delwar Hossain, Sheikh Farid, Abdul Jalil and Abdus Salam.

With them, the number of charge-sheeted accused in the case has now risen to 35 from 10 in the original charge sheet.

SAMS Kibria, then an opposition lawmaker, was assassinated in a grenade attack while addressing a rally in Habiganj on January 27, 2005. The blast also killed Kibria's nephew Shah Manzur Huda, local Awami League leader Abdur Rahim and two others.

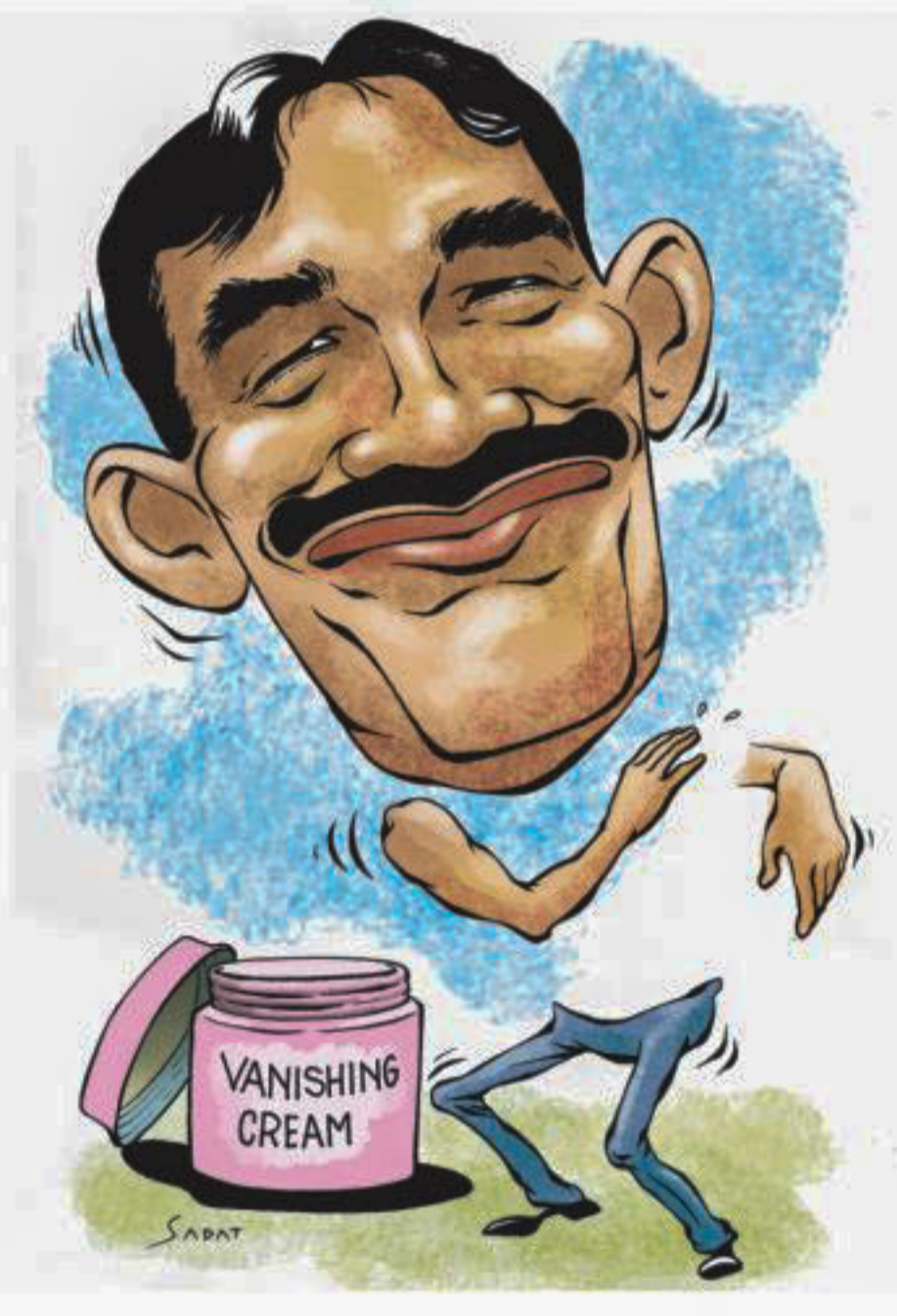
Kibria's son Dr Reza Kibria expressed his

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We don't know in what manner the investigation is going on

REZA KIBRIA



Just vanished

M ABUL KALAM AZAD

Poof and he vanished. The man who enjoyed so much power and amassed so much illegal wealth during the BNP-Jamaat rule between 2001 and 2006.

And for eight years there has been no trace of Harris Chowdhury, political secretary to then prime minister Khaleda Zia and joint secretary general of the BNP.

Neither law enforcers nor his party men have any clue where the convict is. Some speculate he is hiding in India while others believe he has left India for a third country, probably a European one.

According to multiple sources in the police and intelligence agencies, Harris fled to Karimganj of Indian Assam state soon after the military-backed government took over on January 11, 2007, after months of violence centring parliamentary elections.

"Harris has some relatives in Karimganj and hid there until Awami League returned to power in 2009," said an intelligence agency official wishing anonymity.

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DEATH, on six charges

War tribunal hands Khokon Razakar for his gruesome crimes

WAR TRIBUNAL HAS HANDLED DOWN DEATH PENALTY FOR WAR CRIMES IN 1971, SEEMS FAR OFF WALKING THE GALLOWS, AS HE REMAINS HOLED UP ABROAD.

Although a prosecutor and an investigator claimed to have seen him in Sweden last year, the government said they do not have specific information on the whereabouts of the 70-year-old BNP leader, casting a shadow on the hopes of justice seekers.

Even if his location in Sweden could be traced, it would not be easy to bring him back from the European country due to the absence of extradition treaty and the country's stance against deporting someone convicted of death, legal experts said.

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FOUND GUILTY

on 10 charges

5-20 YEARS' JAIL

on 4 charges

ACQUITTED

of 1 charge

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Testimony of torture

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Faridpur

Jibon Das had to renounce his faith to escape the atrocities of Khokon Razakar and his gang. But it was not enough for him. He later left home with his family and took refuge in India.

"I had to think about the safety of my young nieces," Jibon told this newspaper over the phone in choking voice.

He testified against Khokon in the International Crimes Tribunal-1.

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Hard to catch

Khokon Razakar now 'lives in Sweden'

TUHIN SHUBHRA ADHIKARY

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PM unwell; trip to Italy, UK cancelled

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has cancelled her scheduled trips to the UK and Italy on November 16-20 due to ailments.

"She is indisposed. She visited the Combined Military Hospital, Dhaka for a check-up today [Thursday]," a highly placed source at the Prime Minister's Office told The Daily Star.

The PM, he added, has

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অভিনন্দন!! অভিনন্দন!!!

বাংলাদেশ ব্যাংক ও এসএমই ফাউন্ডেশনের যৌথ উদ্যোগে আয়োজিত এসএমই ব্যাংকিং পুরস্কার-২০১৪ সালের বর্ষসেরা উৎপাদনশীল খাত উদ্যোক্তা বান্ধব আর্থিক প্রতিষ্ঠান হিসেবে পুরস্কার পেয়েছে ইসলামিক ফাইন্যান্স এন্ড ইনভেস্টমেন্ট লিমিটেড (আইএফআইএল)। সম্প্রতি মাননীয় অর্থমন্ত্রী আবুল মাল আবদুল মুহিত মহোদয় আইএফআইএল এর ব্যবস্থাপনা পরিচালক এম রবিউল ইসলাম এর হাতে পুরস্কার তুলে দেন। এসময় গভর্নর বাংলাদেশ ব্যাংক, শিল্প সচিব, প্রেসিডেন্ট এফবিসিসিআই, চেয়ারম্যান এসএমই ফাউন্ডেশন প্রমুখ উপস্থিত ছিলেন। এ অনন্য অর্জনের জন্য আমাদের সম্মানিত গ্রাহক, শেয়ার হোল্ডার, শুভানুধ্যায়ীসহ সকলকে আইএফআইএল পরিবারের পক্ষ থেকে আন্তরিক অভিনন্দন।

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Ex-envoys of Dhaka, Delhi meet today

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

The first India-Bangladesh High Commissioners' Summit which aims to broaden the two nation's bilateral ties further will be held in the capital today.

The summit will begin at 9:00am at Nabab Nawab Ali Chowdhury Senate Bhaban of Dhaka University.

The university's Department of International Relations and India-Bangladesh

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SME Bank of the Year & Women Entrepreneurs' Friendly Bank of the Year

Mutual Trust Bank Ltd. (MTB) rejoices along with its customers, shareholders, stakeholders, regulators, patrons and well-wishers, on receiving the **SME Bank of the Year** and **Women Entrepreneurs' Friendly Bank of the Year** Awards.

The recognition was made at the **'SME Banking Award 2014'** ceremony jointly organized by Bangladesh Bank and the SME Foundation. With this achievement, MTB becomes the first-ever best SME bank of the year for its contribution to the development of small and medium enterprises (SMEs).

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