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## Latif Siddique lands in jail

*Appears his old self all along to prison; offence bailable; maximum punishment one year in jail*

PARTHA PRATIM BHATTACHARJEE and WASIM BIN HABIB

Abdul Latif Siddique looked more like his usual self all along -- from his surrender to landing in jail yesterday.

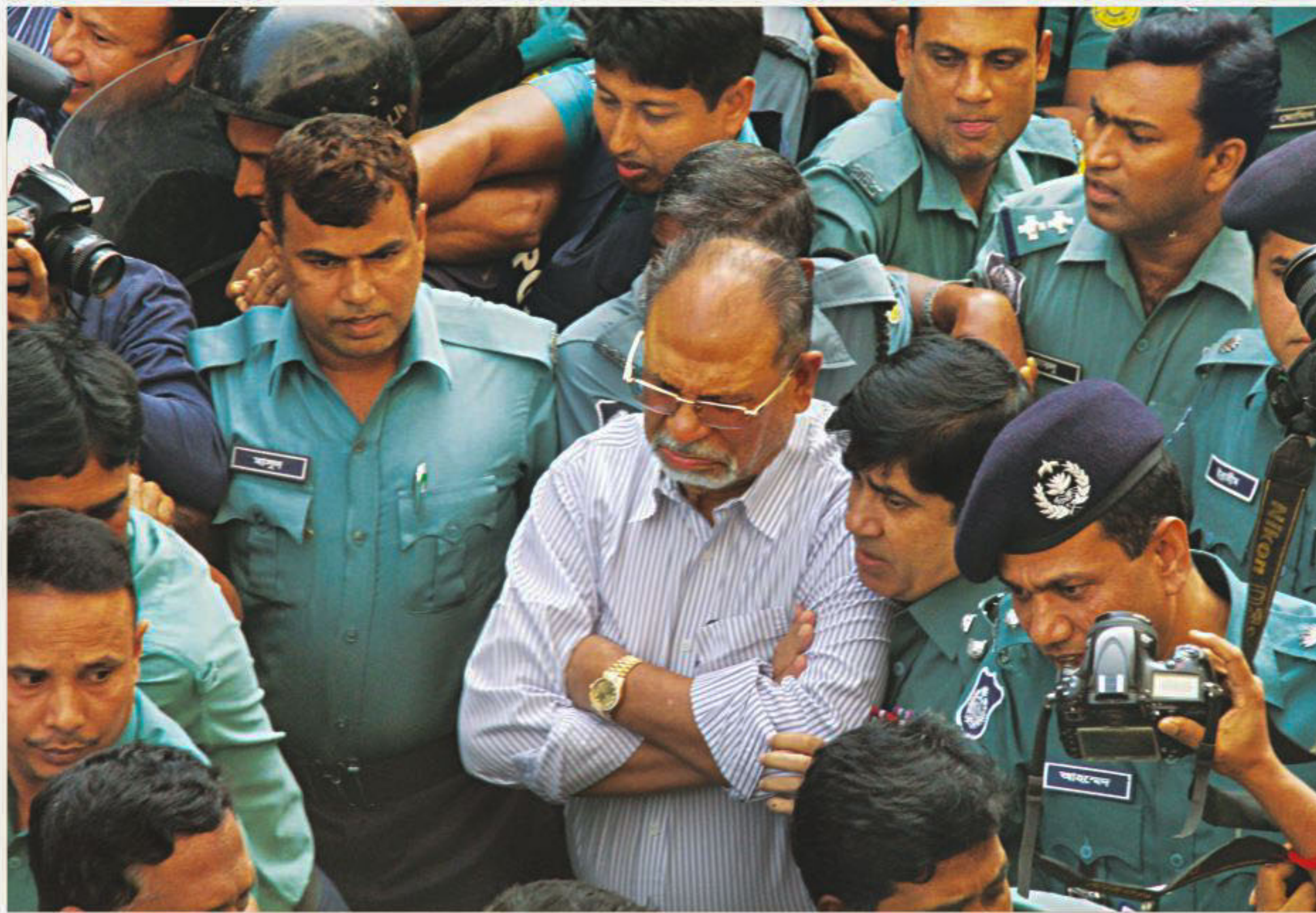
The sacked minister, who grabbed headlines for his scathing remarks on hajj and Tablighi Jamaat about two months ago, surrendered at Dhanmondi Model Police Station around 1:30pm yesterday, nearly 41 hours after he flew in from India.

As the police station didn't have warrant for his arrest, he was produced before Dhaka Chief Metropolitan Magistrate's Court that sent him to prison in a case for hurting religious sentiments.

If the 77-year-old politician is proved guilty in the case, filed by pro-BNP lawyer Abed Raza, he could be sentenced to one year's imprisonment or fine, or both. The charge brought against him is bailable.

After one and a half months' stay in India, Latif arrived at Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport on Sunday night, but was not arrested. He sneaked out of the airport dodging the media.

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Abdul Latif Siddique being escorted to a Dhaka court around 40 minutes after his surrender at Dhanmondi Police Station yesterday. The controversial former minister was sent to jail with a number of cases filed against him on charges of hurting religious sentiments.

PHOTO: AMRAN HOSSAIN

## WAR CRIMES VERDICT Convict, govt can seek SC review

ASHUTOSH SARKAR

Putting an end to all confusions, the Supreme Court has said a convicted war criminal can seek review of verdict on the appeal in 15 days since receiving the certified copy of the judgment or being informed about it.

Thus, it becomes clear that Muhammad Kamaruzzaman, whose death penalty was upheld by the SC on November 3 in a war crimes case, is allowed to move a review petition.

The prosecution can file the petition as well.

"It [review petition] can be filed within 15 days from the date of intimation to the accused about judgment of this Division or from the date of receipt of a certified copy of the judgment whichever is earlier," said the SC in the full judgement on two review petitions filed by Quader Mollah.

The full text was released yesterday after five judges of the apex court bench led by

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## Ignorance too costly

University students not aware of what constitutes sexual harassment, how to address it

TAMANNA KHAN and M A SAYEED

Tertiary level students are not aware of what kind of conduct constitutes sexual harassment, and this is one of the reasons why incidence of sexual harassment takes place in higher educational institutions and often remains under-reported.

Most male students are in the dark about a High Court ruling that defined certain kinds of conduct as sexual harassment, a teacher of the sexual harassment complaint committee of a private university told The

Daily Star.

"Even the female students do not know which incidents they should report and how," she said, wishing anonymity.

The teacher said the committee had received about four complaints in the last two and half years: three against students and one against a teacher.

"Incidence of harassment mostly takes place at the undergraduate level and none so far has been reported from the graduate level," she added.

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## Stop it now

Call for eliminating violence against women

MEHEREEN AZIZ

Kalpona Akter Parvin was 13 years old when she was forcibly married to her husband Saidul Islam, who also demanded Tk 40,000 as dowry. Kalpona's mother managed to give him Tk 15,000 but could not

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VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN 2014

120

women were sexually harassed

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OF THEM

4

were murdered due to rejection

10

committed suicide

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