

HC halts appt of SCC acting mayor

Questions its legality, demands reply in 4 weeks

STAR REPORT

The High Court imposed a status quo recently on the appointment of Sylhet City Corporation's (SCC) panel mayor-1 as acting mayor and issued a rule questioning the appointment's legality, asking the authorities concerned to reply in four weeks.

The HC bench issued the order centring a writ petition filed by the panel mayor-2 on Tuesday challenging the LGRD and cooperatives ministry's appointment of Rezaul Hasan Lodi on

January 7, Deputy Attorney

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FRUIT RIPENING Guideline issued to stop use of chemicals

UNB, Dhaka

Amid the widespread abuse of chemicals, the Ministry of Commerce has formulated a guideline to stop the use of chemicals in ripening fruits.

The guideline has been worked out in compliance with a High Court order issued last year and submitted to the court on Tuesday, said a handout yesterday.

The guideline to stop using chemicals in fruits came into effect for an interim period until the Food Safety Authority is formed under the Food Safety Act 2013, the release added.

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Bangladesh Hawkers' Federation brings out a white flag procession in front of Jatiya Press Club in the capital yesterday demanding that hawkers' trade be kept outside the purview of hartals and blockades.

PHOTO: BANGLA CHOKH

Third witness implicates Hasan in killing of 2 Kishoreganj Hindus

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A third prosecution witness yesterday corroborated two neighbouring villagers, stating how he heard of fugitive war crimes accused Syed Hasan Ali shooting dead two Hindu men, including his uncle, and Razakars snatching gold jewellery right off his mother and aunt.

Meanwhile, defence lawyers representing Mahidur Rahman and Afsar Hossain alias Chutu submitted names of their 10 witnesses, following which International Crimes Tribunal (ICT)-2 rescheduled for today recording of the first prosecution's testimony in the war crimes case.

ICT-2 also adjourned until today the first prosecution witness's cross-examination in the case against Forkan Mallik, the alleged Razakar commander of Patuakhali, after his lawyer sought time for preparations.

Mahidur and Afsar deny the three charges of mass killing, arson, looting, abduction and torture in Chapainawabganj and Forkan the five of murder and rape during the 1971 Liberation War.

"I found my mother Gowri Rani Chakraborty and aunt Milon Rani Chakraborty crying with bloody facial wounds," Badhan Chakraborty, 58, the 11th prosecution witness, stated in his deposition before ICT-1.



Hasan Ali

He stated of rushing home from Purura Bazar, situated north of his village, Chikni, in Kishoreganj's Tarail upazila, on October 8, 1971 on hearing that Razakars, auxiliary forces of the Pakistani occupation army, had attacked neighbouring Araiura village.

Badhan, then a class XI student, said he heard two gunshots on the way. "People were saying that Razakars had shot Jibon Thakur (his uncle) and Kamini Ghosh," he said.

Gowri and Milon told him that five Razakars had tied Jibon with his hands behind his back and denied releasing him even after taking Tk 300 as ransom, saying it was not possible without "their commander Hasan Ali Daroga's order", said Badhan.

He then stated of hearing that the Razakars took Jibon to Kamini's house in Araiura where Hasan shot them both dead, which Kamini's daughter-in-law Rekha Rani Ghosh and grandson Sanjeeb Sarker confirmed when he went there in the evening.

Rekha and Sanjeeb had testified earlier. State-appointed defence counsel Abdus Shukur Khan cross-examined Badhan before proceedings were adjourned till February 2. Hasan is facing six charges for crimes against humanity and genocide.

Oil tankers to undergo int'l fitness inspection

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government has made it mandatory for coastal oil tankers to undergo an annual fitness survey by the International Association of Classification Societies Ltd, an international body that oversees technical standards for construction and operation of ships.

Besides, double hulled, double bottomed and only those single hulled tankers which have been running for less than 25 years and have fitness certificates which are "satisfactory" will be allowed to carry "heavy grade oil", decided a shipping ministry meeting at its conference room yesterday chaired by the minister, says a press release.

Besides, tankers will be given two years to be modified so that those comply with international standards.

Presently, Mercantile Marine Department in Chittagong provides annual fitness certificates to oil tankers, numbering 413 in Bangladesh of which 213 are coastal ones and around two-third single hulled, the Department of Shipping's officials told The Daily Star.

3 human skeletons found

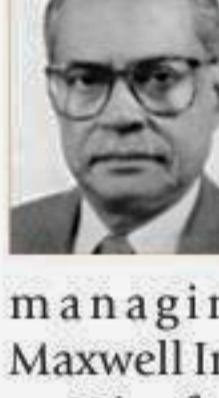
UNB, Rajshahi

Border Guard Bangladesh recovered three human skeletons from Schoolpara area in Rajshahi city's Rajpara early yesterday.

According to a BGB press release, a team of Charmajardia BGB camp in an anti-smuggling drive in the area found those in an abandoned condition.

Death anniversary

CITY DESK


Today is the 2nd death anniversary of Mukitur Rahman Bhuiyan, managing director of Maxwell International.

His family members requested all to pray for the salvation of his departed soul.

Khalid Ibrahim

CITY DESK


Today is the 27th death anniversary of Khaled Ibrahim.

On this occasion a milad mahfil will be held today at his residence in Banani after Asr prayers.

Family, friends and well-wishers are requested to pray for his departed soul.

Road crashes kill 7, injure 11

CITY DESK

Countrywide road accidents killed seven people and injured 11 others yesterday and Tuesday.

Our Tangail correspondent reports, four people died and two others were injured when a truck rammed a CNG-run auto-rickshaw carrying them on Bangabandhu Bridge East Link road in Char Bhabla area of Kalihati upazila yesterday.

The deceased were Faruk Hossain, 25, of Char Poule village, Golam Kibria, 40, of Malotipara village, Nirjan Saha, 35, of Adarvita village and Nurul Islam Kalu, 45, of Jamalpur.

Our Bogra correspondent reports, Mostafizor Rahman Dalu, 30, of Uttar Telihara died and another person was injured when a truck hit a van on Rangpur-Dhaka highway in Gokul area of Bogra sadar yesterday.

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Interested candidates should visit CIRDAP website: www.cirdap.org for details and forward application with recent CV along with attested copies of educational & work experience certificates and a passport size photograph to the **Advertiser, GPO Box 2883, Dhaka-1000** latest by **20 February 2015**.

Female candidates are encouraged to apply. Only short-listed candidates will be contacted. Any persuasion will disqualify the candidature.



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Office Assistant: Department of Business Administration

Qualifications: Graduate in any discipline with computer literacy including good typing speed both in Bengali and English. Experience in relevant field will be preferred.

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Qualifications: Diploma in EEE. Experience in relevant field will be preferred.

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Qualifications: HSC (Science). Experience in relevant field will be preferred.

Applications along with CV (format available at UAP website www.uap-bd.edu), 2 copies of passport-size photograph, copies of relevant certificates and mark sheets/transcripts should reach the undersigned (either by e-mail to jobs@uap-bd.edu or by post) by **31 January 2015**. Only shortlisted candidates will be called for interview.

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