

THE VERDICT	GUILTY 6 charges	DEATH PENALTY 3 charges	JAIL UNTIL DEATH 2 charges	5-YEAR JAIL 1 charge	ACQUITTAL 3 charges
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DEATH for Subhan

"We fail to understand how the accused Subhan being a Bengali Muslim actively aided, abetted and facilitated the commission of such crimes with extreme cruelty against the non combatant civilians of his own locality. Did it match to humanity?" – Justice Obaidul Hassan.

TUHIN SHUBRA ADHIKARY

He was too cruel to pay heed to the cries of a helpless woman. As she begged him to spare the life of her husband, he kicked her and signalled to Pakistan army personnel to shoot her husband dead.

His hands didn't tremble even for once as he dragged people out of a mosque and killed them.

He accompanied Pak army men and helped them carry out a synchronised attack in 15

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Subhan being taken back to jail from the International Crimes Tribunal yesterday after the court sentenced him to death for committing crimes against humanity. PHOTO: STAR



PHOTO: COLLECTED

Shakib Al Hasan (R) and Mushfiqur Rahim compliment each other during their match-winning partnership against Afghanistan yesterday.

Tigers shrug off Afghan jitters

BISHWAJIT ROY from Canberra

Bangla songs and the slogan "Bangladesh, Bangladesh" shook the Manuka Oval far into the night after Bangladesh's victory over Afghanistan. Everyone was happy, not only because their expectation was fulfilled, but also for the victory was underlined by a clinical performance from the Tigers. The joy with which Mushfiqur Rahim took off the bails for the last Afghan wicket showed how much it meant to Bangladesh and the way the players, led by Mashrafe Bin Mortaza, paraded round the ground applauding the crowd was evidence enough just how relieved they were.



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The spirited Mashrafe-led team banished any thoughts of stumbling Tigers that were prevalent in the build-up to this match. A much-hyped game turned into a one-sided affair as they marched to an authoritative 105-run victory, avenging their Asia Cup defeat on the way and getting off to a flying start in the ICC World Cup.

Aside from some impressive pace, the Afghans were transcended by the Tigers in every other aspect. The build-up featured the local newspapers terming it as a high-voltage affair between two evenly-matched sides. Others demeaned Bangladesh's status as a Full Member country, but Mashrafe led

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6-hour massacre left around 400 dead

Subhan was with Pak army during attack on 15 villages

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

People of Satbaria union at Sujanagar in Pabna came under the wrath of the Pakistani army and their local collaborators as independence seekers had dominated the area during the Liberation War in 1971.

In addition to providing freedom fighters with training ground and local Awami League leaders with space to organise the war, the area also offered a safe passage for the freedom fighters and refugees to enter India.

In retaliation, around 300 Pakistani army men and local Razakars launched a synchronised attack on 15 villages of the union on May 12,



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Star will face action
PM tells JS, accuses the newspaper of 'patronising Hizb-ut Tahrir'

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday said actions would be taken against The Daily Star, the country's largest circulating English daily, for "trying to patronise banned militant organisation Hizb-ut Tahrir

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15 days in hand for review plea
Full text of SC verdict released upholding Kamaruzzaman's death penalty for war crimes

SHAKHAWAT LITON and ASHUTOSH SARKAR

Jamaat-e-Islami leader Muhammad Kamaruzzaman has 15 days to file a review petition with the Supreme Court to know the final say on its verdict that has upheld his death penalty for war crimes.

The countdown started yesterday, said Attorney General Mahbubey Alam.

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FULL TEXT OF VERDICT – SEE ONLINE



TOP QUOTE

It's a good take-off and sets the tone for the rest of the World Cup. It's the kind of victory that can provide confidence to any side for the future matches.

FORMER BANGLADESH CRICKET CAPTAIN ROQUIBUL HASAN
AFTER TIGERS' WIN AGAINST AFGHANS

AL, BNP to reply to UN chief's letters
Govt rigid on no dialogue; BNP too adamant about continuing movement until talks on polls open

STAR REPORT

The Awami League and the BNP have decided to reply to the UN secretary general's letters calling for dialogue. While the AL is to decline the suggestion for talks, the BNP would say its agitation would continue unless there was meaningful dialogue.

UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon recently wrote

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A slab of stone mentions the names of 19 martyrs at Kolar Depot in Ishwardi. It says the Pakistani army with the help of collaborators had killed them between April 12 and 19 in 1971. Abdus Subhan was sentenced to death yesterday for his role in the killings.

How brutal!
Shocked tribunal asks what type of Islamist party leaders drag people away from mosque to kill

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

War criminal Abdus Subhan had borne the identity of an Islamist party during the Liberation War.

Yet not even the house of Allah could rouse any mercy or humanity in him when he, a leader of Jamaat-e-Islami, had killed civilians having dragged them out of a mosque in Ishwardi in 1971.

"In respect of the event of killing civilians [Charge No.1] dragging them out of the Ishwardi central mosque, he and his accomplices are found to have caused their horrendous death by inflicting indiscriminate sword blows. What a brutality! It is hard to believe indeed that the accused was a man of slightest humanity and kindness," the

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Dialogue key to resolving crisis
Foreign diplomats call for compromise among political rivals for an end to violence

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A group of foreign diplomats in Dhaka yesterday called for dialogue and compromise among rival political parties to put a quick end to the ongoing violence across the country.

Marcia Stephens Bloom Bernicat, the newly appointed US ambassador to Bangladesh, said, "Like my colleagues, we have called for the cessation of violence."

"We are absolutely optimistic that Bangladesh and Bangladeshis have the resolve to solve the crisis. You have the blessing of the democratic space and you have vibrant press, civil society and active and resource-rich business

Teesta hope rises with Mamata's trip

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Mamata Banerjee, West Bengal chief minister, arrives today on a three-day visit to Dhaka generating hopes that there will be a breakthrough in the Teesta water-sharing deal and improved relations between the two neighbours.

Diplomatic sources said talks would focus particularly on the contentious Teesta water-sharing and Land Boundary Agreement, which Mamata opposed in the past.

This is her first visit to Bangladesh since taking office in 2011. She made headlines on September 7 that year by opting out at the last minute of the delegation led by the then prime minister Manmohan Singh to Dhaka because of her opposition to the water-sharing deal. As a result, the Teesta



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OBITUARY



Syed Sidratul Amin

Syed Sidratul Amin, age 33 years, only son of Syed Ruhul Amin and Mrs. Shafinaz Amin, passed away in New Delhi on 16 February 2015.

Sidrat was the nephew of late S. M. Ali founder-editor of The Daily Star and Syed Muazzem Ali, High Commissioner of Bangladesh to India. His paternal grandfather was late Syed Mustafa Ali, of Maulvibazar, Greater Sylhet; elder brother of eminent Bangla litterateur Syed Mujtaba Ali. His maternal grandfather was Shaheed Shafi Ahmed, also of Maulvibazar, Greater Sylhet.

His Qukhwani will be held at Baridhara Park Road Mosque, Road No. 9 on Friday, 20 February 2015 after Asr prayers. All relatives, friends and well-wishers are requested to attend and pray for the salvation of the departed soul.