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# 172 aspirants face cases

34 accused of murder, says Shujan report on DNCC, DSCC candidates' records

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A total of 172 mayor and councillor aspirants in two Dhaka city corporations are facing lawsuits, including 34 for murder.

Among the 464 councillor hopefuls in Dhaka South City Corporation (DNCC), 96 are accused in cases.

In Dhaka South City Corporation (DSCC), 72 councillor candidates out of the total of 356 are facing cases, said a report by Shushashoner Janney Nagorik (Shujan).

The civil society organisation published the report through a press conference at Dhaka Reporters Unity yesterday.

Only one out of the 16 mayor hopefuls in North is facing a murder charge. In South, three mayor aspirants out of 20 are accused in cases, according to the report.

It found that around 67.20 and 71.28 percent contestants in DNCC and DSCC are businessmen. Nine mayor hopefuls in DNCC are from the business community while the DSCC has 14 businessmen running for mayor.

**EDUCATION**  
In DNCC, 59.40 percent mayor and councillor aspirants are educated up to Secondary School Certificate (SSC) level or less, while the figure is 66.73 percent in DSCC.



The Mro performing one of their traditional dances at Sakhoy Para in Bandarban yesterday during their four-day Sankran festival. They have the festivities to mark the end of a year and the start of a new one.

PHOTO: SANJOY BARUA

# Sirajganj Shibir man killed in 'shootout'

Body of another found in Rajshahi

STAR REPORT

A detained Shibir activist was killed in a "shootout" between police and his cohorts in Sirajganj while the bullet-riddled body of another activist was recovered in Rajshahi yesterday.

The deceased were identified as Anisur Rahman Anis, 20, of Goyhatta village in Ullapara upazila of Sirajganj, and Shahidul Islam, 24, of Bharalipara in Rajshahi city.

Habibul Islam OC of Sirajganj Sadar Police Station, said police detained Anis from Dhanbandhi in Sirajganj Sadar around 9:00pm Sunday in connection with hurling crude bombs at the police station.

Anis was a student of Moulana Bhasani Degree

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# Confusion over withdrawal of blockade

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Confusion was created last night over whether the BNP-led alliance withdrew its nationwide indefinite blockade from today or not after a senior party leader talked to media on the issue.

Talking to The Daily Star, BNP National Standing Committee Member Jamir Uddin Sircar said he did not say anything to reporters about the blockade after coming out of BNP chief's Gulshan residence.

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# Militants planned to launch new outfit

Rab arrests 4 with arms, ammunition; one of them 'arms supplier'

ARUN BIKASH DEY, Ctg

Militants have chosen Chittagong as a safe haven for training to launch a new outfit and fight against what they say is a "worldwide oppression against the Muslims".

Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) came to learn about the outfit following the arrest of three members of the outfit during an overnight drive yesterday.

They also arrested a key person who reportedly supplies weapons for the trainings.

Rab learnt that the outfit's armed wing is called Shaheed Hamja Brigade, which is divided into three groups -- Green, Blue and White. Each group consists of seven men. The outfit also formed a media wing, claimed Rab officials.

Acting on a tip-off, a team of Rab-7 conducted several drives in Kotwali,

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# AL to 'embarrass' Khaleda

Plans to highlight recent violence, killing in city polls campaign

PARITHA PRATIM BHATTACHARJEE

In efforts to portray the opposition camp in a negative light, the ruling Awami League plans to highlight in its city elections campaign the recent violence and killing during the BNP-led alliance's street agitation.

While AL-supported mayor and councillor candidates would gain political mileage from this, it would also work as a counter to BNP chief Khaleda Zia's electioneering for her party contenders, AL insiders said.

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# French 'Spiderman' scales skyscraper



AGENCIES

A French climber has scaled one of Dubai's tallest skyscrapers, relying on just chalk and sticky tape on his fingertips to help him up the 75-storey high Cayan Tower in the emirate's glitzy marina area.

Alain Robert, 52, completed climbing the 1,007-foot (307 metre) high structure in just 70 minutes on Sunday. He had no harness and got little space for his feet on the ledges of the tower, which twists as it ascends, reports AP.

Robert, who is often described as "The French Spiderman," is no stranger to scaling tall buildings.

In 2011, he climbed the world's tallest tower in Dubai. Using a rope and harness to comply with

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# Pak cricket team in city

SPORTS REPORTER

Pakistan cricket team, led by new ODI skipper Azhar Ali, arrived in Dhaka yesterday amidst tight security to play a full series against Bangladesh.

The visitors will start their campaign with a one-day warm-up game against a BCB XI tomorrow at the Fatullah Cricket Stadium.

The three-match ODI series will kick off on April 17 at the Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium in

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A truck and a microbus in flames at Sholashahar of Chittagong yesterday after alleged activists of Jamaat-e-Islami torched the vehicles. The party had called a daylong hartal to protest the execution of war criminal Kamaruzzaman.

PHOTO: STAR

# Petrol bomb back again

Trucker suffers burns

STAR REPORT

A trucker sustained burn injuries when miscreants hurled petrol bomb at his parked vehicle in Daudkandi upazila of Comilla early yesterday.

The arson attack was carried out around 3:00am, barely three hours before the beginning of Jamaat-e-Islami-sponsored daylong hartal.

Reaz Uddin, 39, suffered 14 percent burns. He is undergoing treatment at the burn unit of Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH).

The trucker was heading towards Chittagong after loading maize in Rangpur. He stopped the vehicle on the Dhaka-Chittagong

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# TK 1CR EMBEZZLEMENT

# 7 ex-officials of Oriental Bank jailed

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday sentenced seven former officials of defunct Oriental Bank to 10 years' rigorous imprisonment each for embezzling Tk 1 crore in the name of disbursement.

The seven officials of the bank, presently known as ICB Islamic Bank Ltd, were also fined Tk 1.90 crore.

The court asked the authorities concerned to realise the fine from the convicts after their surrender or arrest and deposit the money to the state treasury.

Judge Hosne Ara Begum of the Special Judge Court-3 pronounced the verdict in their absentia. The punishment of the fugitives will become effective from the day of their arrest or surrender.

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