

MODI'S VISIT Major streets to remain off-limits to commuters

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If you need to go to office or do any work in some part of the capital today and tomorrow, make sure you avoid the routes Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi would use.

This is because he will be visiting some places in and around the city during his two-day visit to Bangladesh. Some major roads will be off limits to commuters for a reasonable period of time to make his trips safe.

Modi is expected to arrive at Shahjalal International Airport at 10:15am today. He will go directly to the National Memorial at Savar to pay homage to the martyrs of the Liberation War.

He will head for Bangabandhu Memorial Museum in Dhanmondi before going to Sonargaon Hotel around 1:15pm. The Indian leader will go to the Prime Minister's Office around 3:30pm and return to hotel

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Lukas Bahadur, headman of Pallathal Punjee in Moulvibazar's Baralekha upazila, points to a pillar, from which the land of the Punjee might be handed over to India under the Land Boundary Agreement. The Khasi and Garo people who populate the Punjee are worried that the handover would affect their main livelihood -- betel leaf farming. The photo was taken this week.

PHOTO: MINTU DESHWARA

SUNAMGANJ Woman gang raped in hotel before husband

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A 25-year-old woman was gang-raped by about four men in Jagannathpur area of Sunamganj Thursday night, according to our Moulvibazar correspondent.

The victim's husband said they were staying at Sunlite Hotel in Jagannathpur municipality when around four men carrying sharp weapons broke into their room around 11:00pm.

He claimed the men tied him up and raped his wife repeatedly. The victim was admitted to the upazila health complex for treatment. A case was filed and police arrested the manager of the inn for his alleged involvement in the incident.

Meanwhile, residents of Baipail in Ashulia handed over to police a man for attempting to rape a mentally challenged woman Thursday night, reports our Savar correspondent.

The detained, Milon Chandra Das, 30, hails from Jamalpur. He worked as a barber near the victim's house. "Milon confessed to the crime," said police.

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