



A team of DB police has seized these counterfeit notes and fake currency-making materials during a drive on Monday night. Inset, the six arrested by the detectives. PHOTO: STAR

## Six fake note makers held

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worth around Tk 4 crore with the materials," Sheikh Nazmul Alam, deputy commissioner (west) of DB police, said yesterday.

Acting on a tip-off, a DB team conducted the raid at a house in Monipur area around 8:45pm on Monday, arrested the six and seized the materials, Nazmul told a press briefing at the DMP media centre.

The arrestees are Shafiqul Islam alias Shamim, ringleader of the gang, Shohagh Adhikary, Shumon Ahmed, Baezid Uddin, Siddiqur Rahman and Jesmin Akhter.

All of them were arrested earlier for their involvement in making and circulating counterfeit notes. Having been freed on bail, they again got involved in such activities, detectives said.

Nazmul also told reporters that printing and circulation of fake notes take place in three phases.

One group prepares and supplies the papers while another group prints the counterfeit notes. The third group circulates them in the market.

The production cost of Tk one lakh fake notes ranges between Tk 3,000 and Tk 3,500.

The DB official said the fraudsters

sell the spurious notes to wholesale buyers for Tk 10,000 to Tk 15,000. The wholesalers then sell those to retailers across the country for Tk 15,000 to Tk 25,000.

The retailers circulate the notes in the markets when buying goods.

"The gang also counterfeited Indian rupees and other foreign currencies on the basis of market demand," he said, adding that they often changed their locations to operate secretly and avert arrest.

With this arrest, at least 47 people involved in the crime were arrested in last one year.

## 738 Bangladeshis rescued

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State Minister for Home Asaduzzaman Khan Kamal told the House that human trafficking through the coastal areas of Teknaf and Saint Martin's island were first spotted by Bangladesh Coast Guard in 2011.

"Bangladesh Coast Guard has so far detained 1,736 nationals from the sea since 2011 while they were attempting to migrate abroad illegally," he informed parliament.

The coast guards have intensified their vigil on the sea territory of Bangladesh following the rise in trafficking incidents, he added.

**RAB DETAINS 16**  
The Rapid Action Battalion last night rounded up 16 people, including the owner of a recruitment agency, from the city's Malibagh over human trafficking.

Detainee Mohammad Akhtar is the owner of Golam Rabbani International Recruiting Agency.

Acting on a tip off, a team of Rab-3 conducted a drive at his firm at Malibagh Chowdhurypara around 5:40pm and arrested the 16, said Maj Kamran Kabir, deputy director of Rab-3.

Law enforcers also seized 2,160 passports and a computer during the drive.

The recruiter had long been sending male and female workers abroad illegally. The agency's licence expired six months ago, said Kamran.

## Hasan Ali gets death penalty

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the first such order in the war crimes trials in Bangladesh.

The court, however, said the government will decide the mode of execution.

The tribunal found Hasan guilty of another act of genocide committed at Borgaon in Tarail on the night of September 27. Hasan and his accomplices cordoned off a boat on which a group of Hindus from Netrakona were going to India. They dragged the Hindu people onto their boat in Markan Bill and took them to Balongka road in Tarail.

Hasan shot three men dead and his fellow Razakars killed five other men and took away ornaments and cash from the female members of the group.

The three-member tribunal led by Justice M Enayetur Rahim, with Justice Jahangir Hossain and Justice Anwarul Haque as members, sentenced him to death for the crimes.

"All the crimes mentioned in the said two charges [charges 3 and 4] relating to genocide and crimes against humanity were massive human rights violations committed during the War of Liberation in 1971," said the court.

The fierceness of the crimes were "extremely detrimental to basic humanness" and it deserved to be evaluated as "crimes of serious gravity" intending to demean the human civilisation.

"...no punishment other than death will be equal to the said horrendous crimes for which the accused has been found guilty beyond reasonable doubt in the above mentioned two charges," added the court.

Hasan was found guilty on five of the six charges brought against him.

He got death sentence on two charges and jail until death on three other charges.

The court awarded him imprisonment for life till natural death for killing of Tofazzal at Konabhawal village; abduction and murder of Kamini Kumar Ghosh and Jibon Chakravarty at Araiura village; and killing of Rashid Ali Bepari and torching of 100 houses at Sachail village.

He was acquitted of torching and looting of seven houses of Hasan Ahmed and Sadot Ali of Sachail Purbapara village.

The court said the accused expressed no repentance for his conduct at any stage. Rather, he has been absconding to avoid the trial.

The convicted fugitive can be executed after his arrest or surrender, said the tribunal, directing the secretary of home ministry and the inspector general of police to arrest him, and if necessary, with help of the Interpol.

Six war criminals including Hasan were convicted through trial in absentia.

Hasan went into hiding in June 2013 when an investigation started against him. Also known as Hachhen Ali, he was born in Machhihata village of Brahmanbaria on August 18, 1947.

Before pronouncing the verdict yesterday, Justice M Enayetur Rahim said law enforcers were designated to ensure the arrest of the accused.

"But today we are going to deliver verdict in absence of the accused. This is frustrating for the tribunal." If present during the trial, he could have defended himself, said Justice Rahim.

Somendra Chandra Paul, who testified on the killing of his father Upendra Chandra Paul of Palpara and 11 others in this case, said he and his neighbours are happy over the verdict.

"We'll be happier, if the razakar is caught and hanged," he said.

While the prosecution expressed satisfaction over the verdict, state-appointed defence counsel Abdus

Shukur Khan said his client did not get justice as he was not involved in those atrocities.

**RARE ORDER FOR EXECUTION**  
The tribunal said there is no specific provision relating to the mode of execution of death sentence in the International Crimes (Tribunals) Act-1973.

According to the section 368 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (CrPC), when any person is sentenced to death, he/she will be hanged, the tribunal said.

But section 34A of the Special Powers Act-1974 says when a person is sentenced to death under the act, the sentence may be executed by hanging or by shooting, it said.

"So, it appears that in our jurisdiction a death sentence may be executed either by hanging the accused by the neck or by shooting him, till he is dead," it added.

Attorney General Mahbubey Alam said: "It's a rare decision."

The ICT Act is "totally a different law" and the tribunal might have attempted to give a message about the grievous nature of the crimes the accused committed by mentioning the alternative, he said.

Alam said the trial court in the Bangabandhu murder case gave a similar order but it was not upheld by the Supreme Court, and the killers of the Bangabandhu were hanged.

**Pay more**  
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from Tk 500.

For flying to other countries, travellers would have to pay Tk 1,500 instead of Tk 1,000 as excise tax on tickets, said the SRO.

Officials at the state-owned Biman Bangladesh Airlines and private airlines have already started charging passengers the extra money, said sources.

## Modi better salesman

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political strategy to take on the NDA government at the Centre for its attitude towards Congress-ruled and other non-BJP states.

"There are systematic attempts being made to dismantle the edifice of welfare state built up over the decades by successive Congress governments," she said.

"This is a new philosophy which abdicates the essential role of the central government," she said.

Sonia Gandhi pointed out that seven out of the eleven states under special category were Congress ruled.

"There is unprecedented centralisation of power and authority," she said.

The Congress president said the deliberate by-passing of parliament is a threat to civil society and warning to the judiciary.

Congress is in power in nine Indian states: Kerala, Assam, Karnataka, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya,

Mizoram and Manipur, with the first two scheduled to go to polls next year.

Meanwhile, Pakistan yesterday described as "unfortunate" the remarks made by Narendra Modi in Bangladesh where he had accused it of creating "nuisance" and constantly troubling India by promoting terrorism.

The "characterization of bilateral relations by the Indian prime minister as 'nuisance' is unfortunate," Pakistan foreign office spokesperson Qazi Khalilullah said.

He said that Pakistan believes in peaceful co-existence and maintaining good neighbourly relations with India.

"Pakistan constantly disturbs India which creates nuisance. Their acts promote terrorism and such incidents keep recurring," Modi had said on Sunday in his address to Dhaka University during his Bangladesh trip.

Recalling that 90,000 Pakistani prisoners of war were in India's captivity during the 1971 Bangladesh

Liberation War, Modi had said, "if we had a diabolic mindset, we don't know then what decision we would have taken."

Khalilullah said that Modi's statements "only confirmed Pakistan's stance on India's negative role against a sovereign neighbouring state."

"It was regrettable that the Indian politicians not only indulge in actions that are in violation of the UN's Charter but also take pride in recalling their interference in the internal affairs of other states," he said.

The spokesperson reiterated that the people of Pakistan and Bangladesh are bound not only by the strong bonds of religious affinity but also by the history of their struggle for independence against colonial rule.

"Indian attempts to sow seeds of discord between the two brotherly nations of Pakistan and Bangladesh will not succeed," he stressed.

## Militants facing

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According to detectives, militants used to collect funds from different sources, including "well-wishers" -- those who believe in similar ideology. Funds also came from outside the country, they claimed.

An official of Dhaka Metropolitan Police yesterday said they would send official letter to the Bangladesh Bank authorities, requesting them to augment security system in banks across the country.

Detectives said the banned militant outfits that formed a new group called "Bangladesh Jihadi Group" were planning bank heists to raise fund for the group.

DB came to know about the jihadi group following arrests of four Huji men in October last year.

Detectives said during primary quizzing, the arrestees confessed that they were planning to loot a bank in the area. They also had plans to rob a bank in Dinajpur.

Some of the detainees said they consider money and valuables kept in banks are "war spoils", a DB official, who is involved in the investigation, told The Daily Star.

The official further said the arrestees believe that most of the banks in the country do not operate in accordance with the principles of Islamic Shariah and, hence, looting those is not a religious offence.

DB officials said Mawlana Nurullah Kashemi, who was also detained in the city's Shutrapur on Sunday, along with some Huji operatives met detained Huji leader Mawlana Abdur Rauf in a jail to chalk out the bank loot plan.

Investigators, however, did not specify when the meeting took place. Neither did they disclose the name of the prison.

During their meeting, Kashemi and others received direction from Rauf about the bank robbery. Rauf also asked them to carry on with other organisational activities, DB officials said, quoting the arrestees.

Abdur Rauf is a top Huji leader and also a charge-sheeted accused in a case filed for the August 21 grenade attack on an Awami League rally.

On April 21 this year, suspected members of Ansarullah Bangla Team carried out a gruesome bank heist at the Kathgora branch of Bangladesh Commerce Bank Limited. The robbery that left at least nine people dead was conducted to raise fund, detectives claimed.

Detectives arrested the alleged mastermind behind the bank heist Mahfuzul Islam Shamim alias Sumon on May 31. They claimed Shamim was one of the leaders of the ABT.

## All eyes on Fatullah

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India's dream of making a winning start in Kohli's new era. When Bangladesh last played India in January 2010, there were players like Sachin Tendulkar, Rahul Dravid, Virender Sehwag and Mahendra Singh Dhoni, so the Tigers' lack of experience was apparent. However, with only three Indian players remaining from that team, the Tigers, rather Mushfiqur, Tamim Iqbal and Shakib Al Hasan have played more Tests than most of the current Indian players, barring Harbhajan Singh and Ishant Sharma.

Yet the tune in the Bangladesh camp is that a draw will be considered as good as a win, as the Tigers are yet to ensure a strong footing on the longest-version of the game since they were elevated to the highest level in 2000. The expectations are high as the hosts are now in good shape following their impressive performances in the World Cup, which they followed with a historic success against Pakistan in the last home series; with a whitewash in the limited-overs series and a drawn Test match.

The performance in the second Test against Pakistan however, served to remind the fact that Bangladesh still have a long way to go to establish themselves as a good Test unit, similar to their ODI team, and the one-off Test against India presents an opportunity for the team to show the world that they are on their way to achieving the goal in Test cricket also.

And undoubtedly the Tigers' batsmen should step under the scorching heat to push the Indian team in the lone Test, when the reality for the Tigers is that their bowling is the weak-link and Shakib Al Hasan will be looking to provide the respite with some breakthroughs when they face a young but very strong batting line-up on a placid surface.

Leg-spinner Jubair Hossain, the blue-eyed boy of coach Chandika Hathurusingha, has a very good chance of returning to action -- after making his debut against Zimbabwe in November last year -- to add variety to the bowling attack in place of Shuvagata Hom, while the team think-tank was also wondering whether it would be good to rest pacer Rubel Hossain, in order to get him fresh for the ODIs, and go with only one pacer in Mohammad Shahid. Whatever the bowling combination is, it will be a hard job for them under difficult conditions.

Mushfiqur was not at his best against Pakistan in the Test series, but

the best Bangladeshi batsman can turn things around, especially since he is most likely to be relieved from the hard job behind the wicket, as uncapped Litton Das is all set to stand behind the stumps in the Test. The absence of injured Mahmudullah Riyad also allowed a chance for the little man to be promoted up the batting order, which has been a long-cherished desire from cricket pundits in the country.

Test matches are always an opportunity for the Tigers and it's time to make most of it, especially when the opponents are India.

## Gang leader killed in 'gunfight'

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Noakhali  
An alleged leader of a criminal gang was killed and two of his aides were critically injured in a "gunfight" with police in Laxmipur Sadar upazila on Monday night.

The dead, Jasim Uddin, 29, was the son of Shahidullah of Dakkhin Maguri village under the same upazila.

According to police, Jasim stood accused in at least 30 criminal cases for crimes including murder, abduction and extortion.

The injured -- "Belgium" Sumon and Delwar Hossain -- were being treated at Laxmipur Sadar Hospital under police custody.

## Use toilet

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and away from open areas and public walls, which often reek of urine.

AMC health officer Bhavikk Joshi said the offer would be trialled at 67 public facilities across Ahmedabad, the main city in western Gujarat state, where officers will give a coin to each user.

"Once successful the project will be implemented in all the 300 public toilets in Ahmedabad," Joshi told AFP on Monday.

The move is the latest effort to motivate people to use toilets after India's government announced a cleanliness drive last year championed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Many people in India consider toilets unhygienic and prefer to squat in the open, believing it more sanitary to defecate far from home.

AMC standing committee chairman Pravin Patel said repeat offenders would be "identified and encouraged to use the coin-paying toilets."

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