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## FAKHRUL'S CONDITION SC now asks for 'complete' medical report

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Supreme Court yesterday ordered Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University authorities to form a new board to examine BNP acting secretary general Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir's health and submit a "complete" medical report before it on July 12.

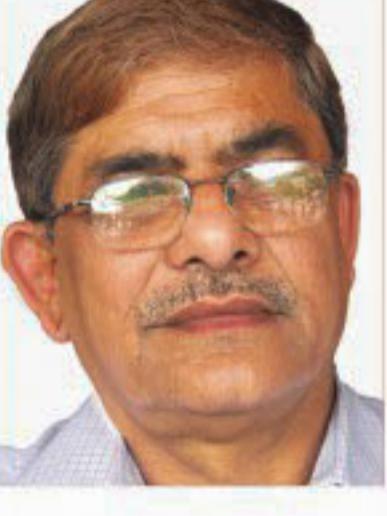
The five-member board of BSMMU will have to submit the report by 3:00pm on that day, said a four-member bench of the Appellate Division headed by Chief Justice Surendra Kumar Sinha.

The apex court also fixed July 13 for passing order on the government petitions against the High Court orders that had granted bail to Fakhrul in three vandalism and arson cases.

The SC had ordered to form the fresh medical board, as Fakhrul's lawyers raised questions over the report submitted by a three-member medical board of the BSMMU on Wednesday. The report said that Fakhrul's heart condition was stable.

Fakhrul's lawyer Khandaker Mahbub Hossain told the SC that the BNP leader had been suffering mainly from neurological problems, but the BSMMU medical board had prepared the report on his heart condition.

He prayed to the SC to order the BSMMU authorities to thoroughly examine Fakhrul's health and submit a



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## Waiting for Khaleda to join AL!

SHARIER KHAN

The ruling Awami League has found the ultimate solution to the country's political conflict-force the BNP-Jamaat apparatchiks to join the Awami League.

According to recent news reports, including The Daily Star's, thousands of BNP-Jamaat leaders have joined the ruling Awami League in the last three months just to avoid political harassment and arrests.

At this rate, one might find BNP chief Khaleda Zia

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## BAIL FOR POLITICAL VIOLENCE ACCUSED SC for considering victims' feelings

ASHUTOSH SARKAR

The High Court should consider the feelings of vandalism and arson victims in granting bail to accused, the Supreme Court said yesterday.

Vandalism and arson attacks, carried out in the country in recent months, were inhuman and unprecedented, observed the court while hearing a review petition filed by the Supreme Court Bar Association (SCBA).

The lawyers' platform sought review of the SC's guideline for the HC in granting

anticipatory bail to accused.

The five-member bench of the Appellate Division, led by Chief Justice Surendra Kumar Sinha, yesterday dismissed the review petition saying that its directives on granting anticipatory bail to accused might have been different had such subversive activities taken place before issuance of the directives.

The other members of the bench were Justice Nazmun Ara Sultana, Justice Syed Mahmud Hossain, Justice Hasan Foez

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### HUMAN TRAFFICKING US 'upgrading Malaysia' in annual report

REUTERS, Washington

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In this file photo, policemen are seen monitoring as forensic experts dig out human remains near an abandoned human-trafficking camp in a jungle close to the Thailand border in northern Malaysia on May 26.

## 95 more return from KL Malaysian authorities rescued them in sea several weeks back

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Ninety five more Bangladeshi trafficking victims who were rescued by the Malaysian authorities from the Andaman Sea in May returned home yesterday from Kuala Lumpur.

Officials of International Organisation for Migration (IOM) received them at the Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport around 5:30pm.

The IOM officials assisted them with some grants from the IOM to reach their homes.

The returnees are from Cox's Bazar, Sirajganj, Narsingdi, Narayanganj, Jessor, Jhenidah, Chuadanga and Joypurhat, Sayedul Islam, counsellor (Labour Wing) at the Bangladesh High Commission in Kuala Lumpur told The Daily Star over the phone yesterday.

With the 95, the total number of returnees from Malaysia stood at 441, he said, adding that 96 others would return to Dhaka today.

"We are sending back the rescued migrants whose nationality verifica-

tion was confirmed by our government. We will try to send back around 300 others before Eid," the counsellor added.

He said the government was bearing all the expenses regarding the repatriation of the rescued Bangladeshi from Malaysia.

A total of 715 Bangladeshi migrants were among over 1,051 trafficking victims, including Rohingyas, rescued from Langkawi island of Malaysia on May 11. The traffickers had abandoned

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## Bangladeshi killed in BSF shooting

OUR CORRESPONDENT,  
Lalmonirhat

A Bangladeshi cattle trader was shot dead by Indian Border Security Force (BSF) along Lohakuchi border in Aditmari upazila early yesterday.

The dead, Jambu Miah, 35, was the son of Sohrab Hossain in Dulali village of the upazila.

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## ENCLAVE EXCHANGE Family faces tear in tears

S DILIP ROY, Lalmonirhat

It was a depressing day for Prabhati Rani, an eight-year-old girl.

She was crying putting her arms around her grandmother, requesting her not to fill up the form to become an Indian national.

"Grandmother please don't fill up the form, please don't," Prabhati appealed. But Minoti, the 56-year grandmother, who was also in tears, could not help filling the form Thursday afternoon.

Minoti has been living in the Indian enclave Gotamari which is located in Hatibandha upazila. Her daughter Suchitra Rani was married off to Ashis Kumar Roy whose house is in Sindurna village, about seven kilometres from Gotamari. Suchitra's daughter Prabhati has been living with her grandmother since she was one year old.

"I was with my parents in the enclave, but I was married to a man living in the mainland ten years ago. Our daughter Prabhati is crying as my mother desires to

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Eight-year-old Prabhati Rani hugs her grandmother and bursts into tears as the latter filled up the form to become an Indian national during a survey at Gotamari enclave in Lalmonirhat yesterday. The woman desires to go to India but the child's family has to stay.

PHOTO:  
S DILIP ROY

## WAR HERO'S SUICIDE Ministry probes alleged insult by secretary

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Ministry of Liberation War Affairs has initiated a probe to know whether Secretary MA Hannan had insulted freedom fighter Ayub Khan, provoking the latter to commit suicide.

Ayub, 62, took poison and was found in a critical condition in a Karnaphuli Hotel room on Topkhana Road on Tuesday morning.

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## Dead Zone Scientists puzzled as Florida birds leave nests

AP, Florida

The din created by thousands of nesting birds is usually the first thing you notice about Seahorse Key, a 150-acre mangrove-covered dune off Florida's Gulf Coast.

But in May, the key fell eerily quiet all at once.

Thousands of little blue herons, roseate spoonbills, snowy egrets, pelicans and other chattering birds were gone. Nests sat empty in trees; eggs broken and scattered on the muddy ground.

"It's a dead zone now," said Vic Doig, a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service biologist. "This is where the largest bird colony on the Gulf Coast of Florida used to be."

For decades, Seahorse Key has been a protected way station for myriad bird species. It's part of the

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## SEHRI, IFTAR TIMINGS

Ramadan	July	Sehri	Iftar
22	10	6-53	
23	11	3-47	6-53
24	12	3-48	6-53



## PRAYER TIMING

JULY 10

Fazr Juma	Asr	Maghrab	Esha
3-52	12-30	5-00	6-53
4-02	1-15	5-15	6-63

SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION



## WE MOURN

Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Dhaka (MCCI) deeply mourn at the sad demise of Major General (Retd.) Amjad Khan Chowdhury, CEO of PRAN-RFL Group who breathed his last on the 8th July 2015 in USA.

Late Amjad Khan Chowdhury had long been associated with MCCI and was president for two terms 2011 and 2012.

Late Chowdhury was a true well-wisher of this Chamber. His dedicated contributions as the President of this Chamber immensely benefited us in attaining a very high standard of professional excellence. In his death, MCCI lost a very dedicated member and a leader.

We offer our sincere condolence to the members of the bereaved family and pray to Almighty for the eternal peace of the departed soul.

Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Dhaka