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 A look back at the life and works of Uttam Kumar on his death anniversary
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'ISIS A BIGGER THREAT'
 It has become a bigger terror threat to US than al-Qaeda, says FBI chief
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Abductors on the prowl

Rights bodies find law enforcers' link to many incidents; law enforcers blame criminals in guise of police in most cases

SHARIFUL ISLAM
 "During the raid, they [the kidnapers] identified themselves as detectives," said Mizanur Rahman, one witness.
 They all had walkie-talkies in their hands, pistols in their holsters and handcuffs hanging from their waists. So to the onlookers, the raiders looked like genuine law enforcers, except that they were not.
 The next day, real detectives arrested three of the abductors and recovered Tk 50,000 of the 20.5 lakh they had snatched from the victims, one of them a money exchanger.
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Rail accidents in Bangladesh, 2008-2015

753 dead in railway accidents

Year	Deaths
2008	78
2009	68
2010	100
2011	108
2012	150
2013	130
2014	94
2015	25

- 13% of 1,550 level crossings are manned round the clock.
- 87% of the level crossings do not have gate-men all the time.
- 122 Reported vehicle collisions on railway tracks.
- 1900+ people injured in railway-related accidents.

Types of collisions

Train-Bus	23%
Train-Truck	20%
Train-Three wheelers	20%
Train-Motorcycles	11%
Train-Private cars	10%
Train-Train	9%
Others	7%

50% of total accident victims (dead) are jaywalkers on rail-tracks.
 10% of total victims (dead) are:
 • Roof-riders
 • Passengers trying to board/get off the trains

The Daily Star reports 2008-present. Done by Star Research Team

TOP QUOTE

"SSF members have to be careful so that my security measures create no distance between me and the people."

PRIME MINISTER SHEIKH HASINA AT A SPECIAL SECURITY FORCE (SSF) ASSEMBLY AT HER OFFICE

SA close in on Tigers' lead

NAIMUL KARIM from Chittagong
 Right before the players left the field for the last time yesterday Mushfiqur Rahim called up Jubair Hossain and had a quick word with him near the wicket. By the looks of it, he was seemingly showing the leg-spinner the rough areas on the pitch; trying to map the zones where the youngster could perhaps get a bit more assistance from.
 The minute-long act was nothing out of the ordinary. However, in a way, it depicted a sense of frustration. That the visitors left the Zahur Ahmed Chowdhury Stadium for the day without losing a wicket, 61 for no loss, and just 17 runs behind would have definitely irritated him.
 After all, it isn't a very common scenario for Bangladesh to take lead after their first innings. In fact, the 78-run lead attained by the hosts -- after getting bowled out for 326 in 116.1 overs -- is their highest ever while batting second in a Test match.
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Death lurks on railroads

FAARIA TASIN
 It was a morning a few years ago.
 Like every day, Sabbir Hossain was going to his coaching classes at a nearby place.
 With headphones plugged into both the ears, he was casually walking on the railway tracks, being completely unaware of the danger ahead.
 Probably, he was listening to one of his favourite songs.
 And suddenly, there was a train at speed right behind him.
 People there started to shout to draw his attention in vain.
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Deadly day on highways

24 killed across the country as train rams 3-wheeler, buses plunge into ditches, vehicles collide

STAR REPORT
 Road accidents continue to kill across the country in the after Eid return rush in what could only be described as tragedies on the roads with safety taking the back seat over profit and speed.
 At least 24 people were killed and scores more were injured in road accidents in six districts yesterday, the worst in the last seven days. The roads are now crammed with vehicles carrying returning Eid holidaymakers.
 In the three days of Eid holidays, 36

No one left to mourn for them

M ABUL KALAM AZAD
 Shah Alam and his wife Piyara Begum were sad when they left Board Bazar for Narsingdi sadar two days before Eid. Just a couple of months back, they had lost their youngest kid to pneumonia and the loss still hung heavy on their minds. Yet, they tried to relieve the pains meeting with their parents, relatives and friends during the Eid holidays.
 While returning to Board Bazar in Tongi yesterday, they might not have been as sad. They had two kids -- five-year-old Yasin and seven-year-old Sadia -- on
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The bus that fell into a roadside ditch in Tangail killing eight people. PHOTO: STAR



Young Litton Das played with a lot of maturity and his maiden half-century guided Bangladesh to a first innings lead on the third day of the first Test against South Africa in Chittagong yesterday. PHOTO: ANURUP KANTI DAS

Brutality at its worst

AKRAM HOSEN
 His body lies on the bank of a river with his legs still in the water; barely moving.
 A man bends forward to check if he is alive. Another pokes the body with a stick.
 "Is he responding?" asks the first man.
 "Yes," comes the reply.
 The first man then kicks the body, already stripped to only what seems like his undergarment and a vest, and kicks again until the skinny body rolls into the river.
 Already drained out of energy, he gasps for breath; faintly.
 The torturers then pull him ashore again with a rope that is tied to his left wrist.
 Now two men press burning cigarettes on his face to see if he is still alive while another hits him with a stick.
 "Water... water!" the boy groans weakly.
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In the line of duty

Cop sacrifices life
OUR CORRESPONDENT, Cox's Bazar
 Md Parvez Hosen, a 28-year-old constable of tourist police, was a rare soul. Policing tourist spots was rather a calling for him than a mere professional duty.
 He knew how dangerous it was to confront a machete-equipped mugger when one was off duty. Yet he grabbed hold of a fleeing thug and got embroiled in a scuffle
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Parvez Hosen

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