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#### 2 army men killed in road crash

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Cox's Bazar

Two Bangladesh Army personnel were killed and two others were injured in a road accident in Chakaria upazila on Chittagong-Cox's Bazar highway yesterday evening.

Sepoys of Ramu Cantonment Shafigur Rahman Raju and Nayeem died on the spot as the army vehicle carrying them SEE PAGE 11 COL 6

# Buses ripping off city commuters

On most routes in the capital, operators are forcing passengers to pay more than govt-fixed rate

PANKAG KARMAKAR

Operators of intra-city bus services are overcharging passengers on most of the routes in the capital, defying the new fare chart set by the government.

As per the new government chart, effective from October 1, fare for per kilometre has

increased by 10 paisa. But talking to The Daily Star, passengers on a dozen of routes have complained that they are being charged much more than the government rate.

Although Bangladesh Road Transport Authority (BRTA) has launched drives against overcharging, passengers continue SEE PAGE 11 COL 5



The headmistress of Ahmadbagh Government Primary School in the capital is doing her office work sitting on a different chair yesterday. Her chair is wrapped in a black cloth, pasted with a piece of paper with the Bangla word Protibad (protest) written on it. This was part of the protests launched by headmasters and headmistresses of government primary schools as they were yet to be elevated to grade-II despite last year's government announcement.

#### Cricketer Shahadat's wife held

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Police arrested suspended national team cricketer Shahadat Hossain's wife in the capital's Malibagh area yesterday, around a month after a case was filed against the couple for torturing their domestic help. SEE PAGE 11 COL 4

## TORTURING HOUSE HELP Teachers continue pay-scale protest

World Teachers Day today

WASIM BIN HABIB

As more than a hundred countries observe the World Teachers Day today, around 4.5 lakh teachers in Bangladesh are waging movement over pay and due dignity.

The teachers -- from government primary schools to state-run universities -- have been observing work abstention and other protest programmes for around a month in protest against the eighth pay scale.

They say the new pay scale has scrapped some benefits SEE PAGE 11 COL 2



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