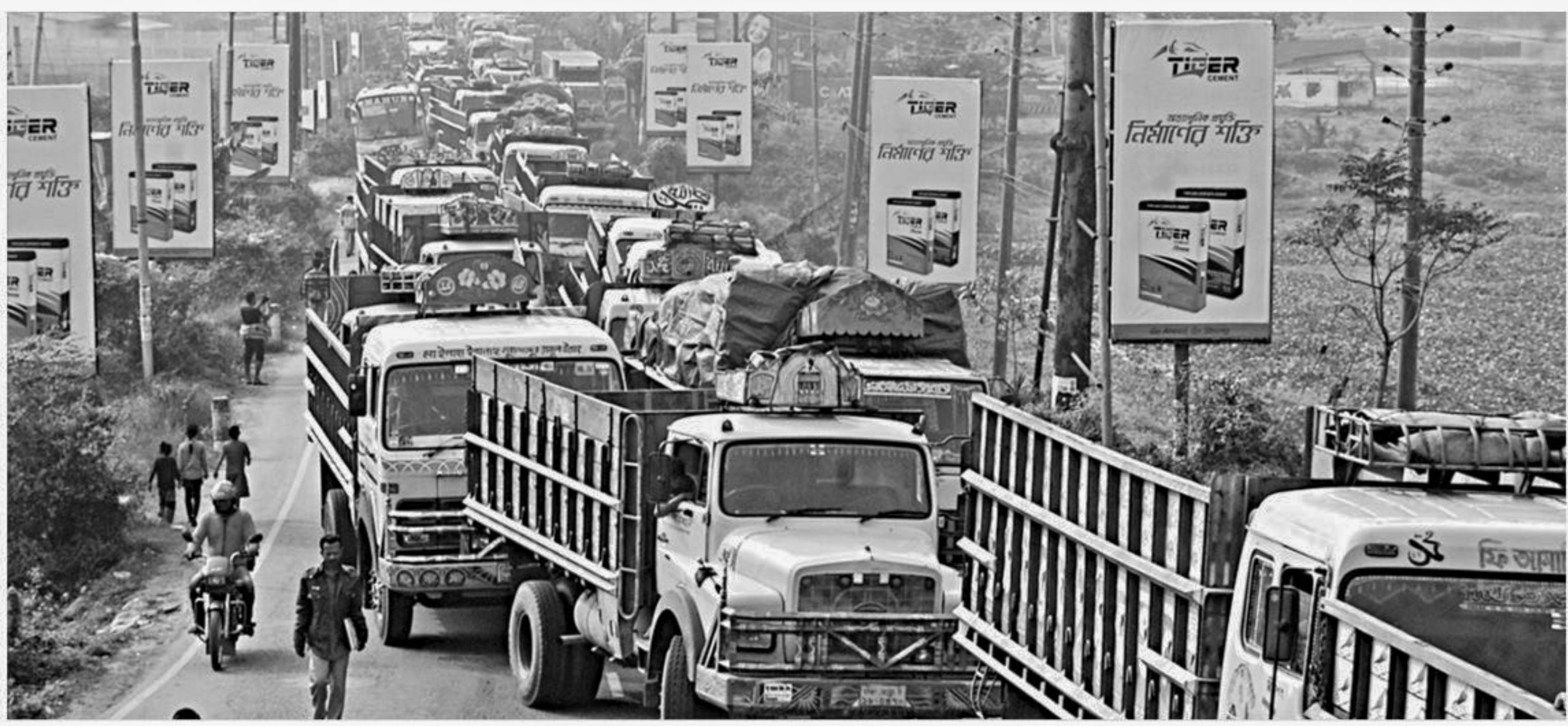


CTG MILITANT FUNDING
Two suspected lawyers get bail
 STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A Chittagong court yesterday granted bail to two lawyers, who were arrested over funding a Chittagong-based militant outfit, Shaheed Hamza Brigade, in a case filed under anti-terrorism act with Hathazari Police Station.

On August 18, Rapid Action Battalion (Rab)-7 arrested the two, Supreme Court lawyer Md Hasanuzzaman Litan and Dhaka Judge Court lawyer Mahfuz Chowdhury Bapan, in the capital's Dhamondi for depositing Tk 1.08 crore to the bank account of a key person of the outfit.

Earlier on February 19, Rab-7 arrested 12 alleged militants at a madrasa in



Owners, workers, and drivers of Sylhet district block the entrance to Sylhet city with their vehicles yesterday in protest of the alleged assault by Rab-9 on them the night before when they were "peacefully" observing a strike demanding a stop to highway robberies. The blockade, continuing till filing of the photo at 10:30pm, created a huge traffic jam although buses and other passenger vehicles were let in and out of the city. Maj Fakhru Islam, spokesperson of Rapid Action Battalion-9, however, denied the allegation of beating.

PHOTO: SHEIKH NASIR

BLOGGER RAJIB MURDER CASE

Court summons last IO

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court has summoned the last investigation officer of the blogger Ahmed Rajib Haider murder case to appear before it today to explain what he found in his investigation.

After completion of the cross-examination of DB Inspector Md mainul Haque, the second IO, Judge Syed Ahmed of the Speedy Trial Tribunal-3 passed the order on Sunday.

Court sources said DB Inspector Nibaron Chandra Barman will appear before it

today.

Earlier, the court recorded statements of 34 prosecution witnesses, including complainant of the case.

Rajib, an activist of the Shahbagh movement demanding death penalty for war criminals, was hacked to death in the capital's Pallabi area on February 15, 2013.

DB had earlier pressed charges against eight leaders and activists of the banned militant outfit Ansarullah Bangla Team.

It'll improve if 'democracy restored'

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the US team a clear message that BNP was a liberal democratic party, which believed in transfer of power only through democratic means.

Meeting sources told The Daily Star that the party elaborately discussed the country's political and human rights situation, recent killings of some foreigners, law and order, the government's "repressive" acts, militancy and terrorism, US-Bangla trade, and Bangladesh's garment sector.

BNP acting secretary general Mirza

Fakhru Islam Alamgir accompanied Khaleda in the meeting.

Meanwhile, the party yesterday said a "suffocating situation" was prevailing in the country, and a fair national election was the way to get rid of it.

BNP also vowed to "restore democracy".

"...we've lost democracy after establishing it," Fakhru told reporters after placing wreaths at the Martyred Intellectuals' Memorial in the capital.

Another BNP leader, Rizvi Ahmed, said the Awami League was "selling" the Liberation War to gain political mileage.

'ABDUCTION' OF RUET BCL LEADER

Wife seeks PM's intervention in rescue efforts

Father files case detailing incident, claims receiving two related calls including one demanding Tk 1 lakh ransom

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Rajshahi

The wife of a Bangladesh Chhatra League leader of Rajshahi University of Engineering and Technology who was allegedly abducted in the early hours of December 10 sought the prime minister's intervention yesterday in rescue efforts.

Moreover, Saifuzzaman Sohag's father filed a case with Rajpara Police Station on Sunday night detailing the incident and informing of receiving two phone calls on Saturday, including one demanding ransom, said Officer-in-Charge (OC) Mahabubur Rahman.

The information and research affairs secretary is also a final year student of mechanical engineering. Local officials of Rapid Action Battalion (Rab)-5 and police stated that they had not arrested him.

Farzana Rahman, a medical student, sought the intervention from a human chain organised by Rajshahi District Zilla Stadium Market Babsayi Samity on the road in front of Rajshahi District Sports Association in Rajshahi city in the noon.

Talking to journalists, she said to have sought the intervention as Saifuzzaman was picked up by persons impersonating members of Rab and Detective Branch of police.

In the case, Md Akkas-uz Zaman said seven people wearing jackets, five with "RAB" and two with "DB" written on their backs, had burst into their house in Rajshahi city without showing identity cards.

They went to Saifuzzaman's room on the third floor, had a look into his laptop and questioned Zaman about a female classmate of Saifuzzaman named Nabila, says the case statement as per the OC.

Without showing an arrest warrant, they took him away along with the laptop, a camera and a memory card worth around Tk 1.50 lakh and 14 bhoris (1 bhoori equals to 11.66 grammes) of gold ornaments worth Tk 5.60 lakh, it adds.

The ransom caller demanded Tk 1 lakh for his release while the other caller, claiming to be a journalist, informed that Saifuzzaman had been admitted to a Barisal hospital, says the statement.

Dissent never stifled in democracy

Sultana Kamal tells journos, human rights defenders

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Dissent is never stifled in a democratic nation, said human rights activist Sultana Kamal yesterday at a two-day long dialogue with journalists and human rights defenders.

"In a democratic nation, restriction cannot be imposed on freedom of speech because one of the main principals of democracy is to let free thinking flourish," she said adding, "a society does not remain democratic if such restrictions are imposed."

Journalists from different print and media houses and human rights defenders participated in the dialogue, "Working together for Promotion and Protection of Human Rights", at Platinum Suites Hotel in the capital's Banani.

The restrictions journalists face both at individual and organisational levels in carrying out their duties were discussed in the dialogue along with the laws that limit the right to freedom of speech.

NEWS IN brief

DPDC penalises businesses, houses for power pilferage

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Dhaka Power Distribution Company Ltd (DPDC) during a three-week taskforce drive until yesterday fined 10 businesses and individuals Tk 14 crore in penalty and dues for pilferage of electricity, said an official handout.

The businesses -- including chemical factory, rubber and plastic industries -- and six houses are located in different parts of the capital including Kamrangirchar, Demra, Shamoli, Tejgaon and Jigatola. The taskforce identified that 6.5 lakh units of electricity had been pilfered and imposed fines amounting to Tk 99 lakh. It also severed 14 power connections. The aggregated

Death anniversary

CITY DESK

Today is the sixth death anniversary of Quazi Azher Ali, a distinguished educationist, former secretary to the Bangladesh government, founder president and the first vice chancellor of Bangladesh University.



On this occasion, a visit will be paid to his grave at 10:00am and a milad and a doa mahfil will be held at Bangladesh University (15/1 Iqbal Road, Mohammadpur, Dhaka) at 12:00noon.

Under the chairmanship of Azher, Power Development Board constructed power line from Teknaf to Tetulia.

Also a social worker, Azher authored many books including Rural Development in Bangladesh, State Trading and its Impact on Economy, Smritir Pata Theke and Amar Dekha Ekushey.

Death anniversary

CITY DESK

Today is the third death anniversary of Prof Fazlul Quader Chowdhury.



Fazlul taught economics at City College, Chittagong Commerce College and Chittagong College and served as the principal of Chittagong City College, the Government Science College in Dhaka and Jagannath University College.

He authored the book "Economic Development of Bangladesh" which is being read at the degree level while its Bangla version is being read at HSC level.

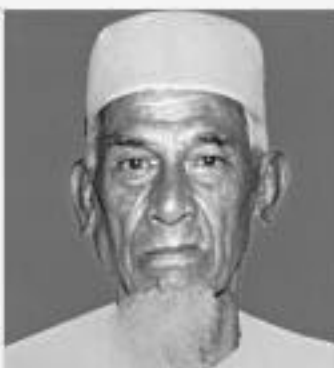
In 1995, he received the Best Teacher Award from the government.

He left behind his wife Prof Rokeya Begum, one son, two daughters and three grandchildren.

Death anniversary

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Today is the 10th death anniversary of Abdul Hakim, a businessman and a social activist of Comilla.



On the occasion, a qurankhani, a milad mahfil have been arranged at his village home in Mainamoti of Comilla and also at his son Kudrat-E-Khuda's Eskaton residence in the capital, said a press release.

His relatives, friends and well-wishers are requested to attend at the programmes.

Position Vacancy Announcement

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Bidder (s) may purchase one or more schedules from following categories:

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The interested vendor (s) must buy the original tender document from General Services Division of the Bank, during 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. from December 15, 2015 at a cost of Tk. 3,000.00 each schedule, in the form of Payment Order (non-refundable) favouring Midland Bank Limited.

Partial offer in a category will not be acceptable.

The interest bidder must approach through their letterhead pad to the undersigned for purchasing schedule/tender document. Quotations have to be submitted at the tender box kept in the MDB Head Office address as mentioned above, within January 17, 2016 before 3.00 PM, and will be opened at 3.30 PM on the same day in the presence of the bidders who may choose to attend.

Midland Bank Limited reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Vice President
 General Services Division

N'ganj transport workers

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Enayet, Faruque, Hasan, and Al Amin-- were wounded with bullets.

Police and witnesses said a plainclothes constable of Fatullah Police Station Azad and Fatullah Truck Workers Union organising secretary Aminul were going to Fatullah by a three-wheeler and locked in an altercation over seats.

At one stage, Aminul hit the policeman on the head leaving him injured. Sensing trouble, on duty traffic police detained Aminul while the vehicle reached Panchabati. Hearing the news of the arrest, fellow workers went berserk, the sources added.

ST Alamgir, general secretary of the union, said the workers took to the street following arrest of their fellow worker.

Mohibul Islam Khan, additional superintended of police, said the workers blocked the road and threw brick chips at police while police dispersed them with blank fire.

The injured persons were given treatment at local hospital.

SALE

Vehicle Sale: Hyundai Tucson 2.0 Litre GLS, 2010 model, silver colour, all auto, a/c, alloy, Panoramic sun-roof, in running condition. The vehicle can be inspected at the Australian High Commission, 184 Gulshan Avenue, Road-84, Gulshan-2, Dhaka from 20 to 22 December 2015 between 9.30am to 1.30pm. Sealed bids to be submitted by 3.30pm on or before 31 December 2015. C-693

গভীর শ্রদ্ধায় স্মরণ করি
 কাজী আজহার আলীর ৬ষ্ঠ মৃত্যুবার্ষিকী



আজ ১৫ ডিসেম্বর ২০১৫ রোজ মঙ্গলবার বাংলাদেশ ইউনিভার্সিটির প্রতিষ্ঠাতা ও প্রথম ভাইস চ্যান্সেলর এবং মোহাম্মদপুর প্রিপারেটরি স্কুল ও কলেজের প্রতিষ্ঠাতা চেয়ারম্যান মরহুম কাজী আজহার আলীর ৬ষ্ঠ মৃত্যুবার্ষিকী।

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1.	H01	-	39005	Laptop	2,00,000	13.12.2015 04.00 pm	30.12.2015 01.00 pm
2.	H02	-	39124	Modem	20,000	13.12.2015 04.00 pm	30.12.2015 12.00 noon

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