

### Water transport workers plan strike from Tuesday for wage hike

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Water transport workers are likely to go on an indefinite countrywide strike from Tuesday midnight to press home their 15-point demand including a wage hike.

The official announcement will come today, said leaders of Bangladesh Noutjan Sramik Federation. "We want the government to fix Tk 10,000 as the minimum wage for water transport workers," said the federation general secretary, Chowdhury Ashiqul Alam. The minimum wage is Tk 4,150 now, he said. "Despite repeated discussions and requests, the government is not showing enough interest to increase wage," Ashiqul Alam told The Daily Star. Other demands include ensuring security in waterways and maintaining navigability.



### Obituary

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Nazmul Hasan, former executive director of Bangladesh Bank, died of cardiac arrest in the capital's Apollo Hospital yesterday. He was 66.

He left behind his wife and two sons, says a BB press release.

He was buried at Banani graveyard after a namaz-e-janaza at the Banani Jame Masjid.

BB Governor Atiur Rahman expressed condolences to the bereaved family members.



Many of the patients are staying on the floor of the Chittagong Medical College Hospital, hoping to receive treatment, some even waiting for their turn, patiently in the corridor, inset, since the rush of patients in CMCH has increased rapidly since the doctors in Chittagong city has stopped providing all sorts of healthcare services in the private hospitals and diagnostic centres and refrained from private practices due to the two cases filed against three doctors on January 19 over negligence in treatment, where one of the patients died after a caesarean operation and a bandage was found inside the body of the other patient. The photos were taken yesterday at the cardiology ward-12 of CMCH.



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### Gayeshwar complains about fund raising in his name on Facebook

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

BNP Standing Committee Member Gayeshwar Chandra Roy yesterday said an "organised group" was creating confusion and trying to extort money from some Bangladeshi expatriates opening a Facebook account impersonating him using his national identity card.

Addressing a press briefing at BNP's Nayapaltn central office, he urged law enforcers to trace and bring to book the swindlers based on a general diary he lodged with Keraniganj Police Station. He said the frauds were now deceiving people in various ways misusing information and communication technology. "Many people, not only me, are falling victims to the organised gangs," he said.

He alleged that a Bangladeshi expatriate in Japan, Akbor Hossain, and another in the UK, Fazlur Rahman, informed him of the incident.

Gayeshwar said he has only one Facebook account which he did not regularly log on to. "I have no other Facebook ID...I hope those who have created Facebook accounts using my name will deactivate those from today. Otherwise, I will be forced to take legal action," he threatened.

### Cops rescue teenage girl from forced prostitution

Three arrested

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Police rescued a teen-age girl, forced into sex trade after criminals lured her with promise of a job, from a house in the capital's Dakkhin Khan.

Dakkhin Khan Police arrested three persons in this connection on Friday night and search for the fourth criminal was underway.

She was admitted to one-stop crisis centre at Dhaka Medical College Hospital yesterday.

The 16-year-old girl used to work in a garments factory in Badda area and was unemployed at the time of being lured.

A woman she knew took her to the sixth floor of a seven-storey building in Badda to work as a domestic help for Khalilur Rahman

Mamun and Sathi, who were masquerading as a young couple, sub-inspector Jahangir Alam of Dakkhin Khan Police station told The Daily Star.

The duo used to beat her and forcefully engaged her in sex trade.

She was forced to be with a client yesterday. Unbeknownst to him, she made a call to an official of the factory she used to work for, from his cell-phone.

The official informed the police who traced the call and raided the building. Police arrested the fake couple and a security guard of the building, said the SI. A case was filed against the three.

Dr Bilkis Begum, coordinator of one-stop crisis centre at Dhaka Medical College Hospital said a forensic test would be conducted on her today.



Members of Bangladesh Unemployed Diploma Nurses' Association continue their sit-in in front of Jatiya Press Club for the fourth day, in the capital yesterday, demanding immediate appointments on the basis of merit and eligibility. They said they would continue their protest until the demands were met.



### Invitation to apply for the MTB Management Trainee (MMT) Program

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### BR staff held for vandalising colleague's home

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A railway employee was arrested red-handed while he was vandalising the house of one of his female colleagues in Chittagong city's Jhatala on Friday night, said police.

Md Shahjahan, 35, a class IV employee of Bangladesh Railway (East Zone), along with other people vandalised furniture and other valuables and assaulted a younger brother of his colleague, who is a class III employee, said Md Nizam Uddin, officer-in-charge of Khulshi Police Station. Shahjahan's accomplices managed to flee, Nizam said.

The woman sued Shahjahan and 15 to 20 unnamed persons.

The reason behind the attack could not be ascertained immediately, said the OC, adding that they were investigating the matter.

### Stop building courthouse

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"Nowadays not only a section of people are tying to grab land in the name of the ruling party, but also the government is making attempts to take away the land of religious minorities," he said.

Supreme Court lawyer Subrata Chowdhury asked, "How could the law minister lay the foundation stone even after knowing all the facts?"

He added the district bar association even passed a resolution so that no member of the association could fight a legal battle for the church.

Subrata said they would file a complaint with Bangladesh Bar Council against the association's move.

Anisuddin Ahmed, president of the bar association, said the government filled its own land, and the association did nothing to do with it.

He said as lawyers, they were present when the law minister laid the foundation stone.

"It's not true that the bar association grabbed the land. The land is actually owned by the court itself," he said. He also denied passing any resolution barring its members to defend the church in court.

Law Minister Anisul Huq said as far as he knew the case over the land was already disposed of, and there was no dispute over the land now. "The land belongs to the government," he added.

Rozario, however, said, "What the law minister said was not correct. The case is still pending."

Meanwhile, the wall on the west side of the pond had been built by the court, said both Reverend Shanti Mondal of the Parish Community, Barisal and Barisal District Bar Association President Anisuddin.

### Port city children

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hospital, said over 60 per cent patients of the 300-bed hospital was suffering from either bronchitis or pneumonia or diarrhea.

He said a virus called "Rota virus" remains active in winter season, which causes diarrhea. "Everyone should be cautious while nursing patients and must wash hands with soap before feeding the babies," he said, adding, "If they suffer from breathing problem, the family should immediately rush them to the hospital."

### JU issues notice

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were his followers, BCL JU unit Vice-President Ariful Islam termed it an altercation, with the three accused protesting the woman's allegation that they had passed lewd comments at her.

He even went on to accuse the teacher of hurling expletives at the three accused.