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Tahmina Begum, 27, her face blurred to spare viewers of gory burns, fighting for life at Rangpur Medical College Hospital yesterday. She was allegedly set on fire by her mother-in-law over family feuds at Dadan village in Pirgachha upazila of Rangpur Thursday night.

PHOTO: STAR

## Mother-in-law sets fire to woman in Rangpur

The Daily Star

Victim fighting for life in hospital

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Rangpur

A woman is battling for her life at Rangpur Medical College Hospital (RMCH) after her mother-in-law allegedly set her on fire over a trifling matter in Dadan village under Pirgachha upazila in Rangpur on Thursday night.

The victim Tahmina Begum, 27, -- wife of Abdul Mannan of the village -- is a mother of two girls.

Quoting locals and victim's family members, police said Mannan locked into an altercation with his mother Alema Begum over a family issue on Thursday night. Tahmina also supported her husband and locked into that altercation with her mother-in-law.

At one stage, Alema, being furious with Tahmina, set her on fire by pouring kerosene on her body.

Hearing Tahmina's scream, neighbour rescued her and rushed her to Pirgachha Upazila Health Complex. Later, she was taken to RMCH on that night as her condition started deteriorating.

Tahmina's condition is critical as she has suffered 50 percent burn injuries, said doctors at RMCH.

Officer-in-Charge of Pirgachha Police Station Aminul Islam said Mostafa Hossain -- Tahmina's brother -- lodged a case accusing Mannan and Alema on Friday night.

Later, police arrested Mannan in RMCH on that night and have started a drive to arrest Alema, said the OC.

Mannan and his family members used to torture Tahmina for dowry since her marriage to him around 12 years ago, said the OC, quoting Tahmina's brother.

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#### BNP vows post council anti-govt movement venue to hold the party's council on

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

BNP Vice Chairman Maj (retd) Hafizuddin Ahmed yesterday said the party would take to the street after its national council next month to oust the government in the interest of the country.

"BNP will come up with a fitting reply on the street to the critics who say the party has no strength to wage a strong movement against the present government," he told a discussion, "Democracy and Independent Judiciary", at the Jatiya Press Club, organised by pro-BNP Zia Nagorik Forum.

Criticising the government for not giving permission for using any

March 19, Hafizuddin said, "We want to take to the street in the days to come to overthrow the current fascist government for the sake of the country's people and development." The country is passing a critical

time, he said.

The BNP leader alleged that the ruling party men were violating the electoral code of conduct to ensure the victory of its candidates in the upcoming Union Parishad polls, while the Election Commission was playing a biased role instead of creating a level-playing field. He also said a foreign national, arrested

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# Govt to construct international standard theatre complex

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina tells inauguration programme of Mahila Samity Complex Building

UNB, Dhaka

The government has a plan to construct an international standard theatre complex as there is no such hall in the country for producing good stage dramas, said Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday. "My pain is that there's no interna-

tional standard theatre complex having all modern facilities in Bangladesh... we want to construct one," she said.

The prime minister was speaking at the inaugural programme of newly constructed Bangladesh Mahila Samity Complex Building on the capital's Bailey Road.

Hasina said she had talked to the finance minister in this connection. "The finance minister is very much interested in it, and he said there would be no fund problem." The prime minister said she had cho-

sen a place for the theatre hall. "We can build it there," she said without mention-

ing its name. Hasina mentioned that the theatre hall could be

built at the proposed convention centre just beside the Padma River on completion of the Padma SEE PAGE 5 COL 8

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34TH BCS EXAM RESULTS

## Candidates block road in capital demanding review

DU CORRESPONDENT

The candidates of the 34th Bangladesh Civil Service (BCS) examination blocked the Shahbagh intersection in the capital for about 15 minutes yesterday, demanding a review of the final results of the exam after removing all "inconsistencies".

Their other demands are to fill 672 vacancies under the quota system, advertised in the 34th BCS exam circular, from the 34th batch of candidates instead of those from the 35th BCS exam and ensure appointment of all successful applicants intersections of the city. into non-cadre posts.

should be republished separating those

selected on the basis of merit from those selected under quota benefits.

The demonstration under the banner of "Deprived Candidates of 34th BCS" halted traffic movement for some time in the area.

Police allegedly charged batons to disperse the demonstrators and detained its coordinator Nur Islam Nur and two others.

Additional Deputy Commissioner of Ramna zone Ibrahim Khan, however, denied the use of batons and said they just requested the demonstrators to leave because it was one of the busiest traffic

Later, the protesters reassembled in front They also said the 34th BCS exam results of the National Museum and chanted slogans in favour their demands.

LIBERATION WAR

### Some dreams yet to come true

Dr Kamal Hossain says in memorial lecture at Chittagong University

CU CORRESPONDENT

The dreams of the Liberation War for building a country free from disparities and social and economic deprivations have not materialised yet, jurist Dr Kamal Hossain said yesterday. He called upon the young generation to make those

dreams come true. One of the authors of the country's constitution, Dr

Kamal made the comments and call in the first AK Khan Memorial Law Lecture on "Economic and Social Justice under the Constitution of Bangladesh", which he delivered at the Faculty of Law of Chittagong University.

The faculty and AK Khan Foundation jointly hosted the programme where CU Vice Chancellor Prof Iftekhar Uddin SEE PAGE 5 COL 4

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