



BB CYBER HEIST

Philipino willing to return \$14.3m

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Kim Wong, the Filipino casino operator dubbed the "missing link" in the cyber heist of \$81 million in Bangladesh Bank reserves, said he is willing to return up to \$14.3 million he received from two Chinese nationals linked to the stolen funds.



Kim Wong

"I had nothing to do with the actual opening of accounts," Wong said at the hearing before the Senate Blue Ribbon Committee. "I had nothing to do with the falsification of bank documents so the money could get in, and I don't know where the \$81 million came from."

Following the heist, the millions stolen from the Bangladesh central bank's American accounts on February 5 were immediately sent via electronic transfer to the Philippine bank.

The dollar accounts where the stolen funds landed were reportedly opened by two men, Sua Hua Gao from Beijing and a Macau associate identified as Ding Zhize, in Manila's RCBC nine months before the theft.

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PHOTO: SHEIKH NASIR

Farmers in Sylhet Sadar and Dakshin Surma upazilas have had a bumper yield of pumpkin this season. They bring their produce to Kazir Bazar in the city via the Surma to sell. The photo was taken near the Keane Bridge yesterday.

England put faith in Root

Face New Zealand in first semifinal today

AFF, New Delhi

England hope in-form batsman Joe Root and "home advantage can make the difference against undefeated New Zealand in the first World Twenty20 semifinal on Wednesday.

Eoin Morgan's team will be playing their third match in a row in New Delhi, but for the nomadic Black Caps it will be their fifth different venue in five tournament matches.

"We have become quite settled in Delhi," Morgan said at a pre-match press conference on Tuesday.

"We have got fantastic support, a fantastic following and actually we have grown used to the pitch a lot more than probably the first

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Who to blame for 'lapses' in first autopsy?

Tonu's father asks

EMRAN HOSSAIN, from Comilla

The necessity for exhuming the body of Sohagi Jahan Tonu for a fresh autopsy has raised questions over the investigators' sincerity in probing the murder.

"I want to know who should be held responsible for the lapses in the first autopsy," Tonu's father Yaar Hossain told The Daily Star yesterday.

The first autopsy on the

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Protests rage through country, students fume

Case transferred to CID; police suspect strangulation; army wants quick probe, trial of culprits: ISPR

STAR REPORT

The case over the Tonu murder, which had touched off huge protests throughout the country, was transferred to the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) yesterday.

Comilla Superintendent of Police Shah Abid Hossain said they had received an official letter from the police headquarters over transferring the case to

the CID.

Handover of the case to the CID from Comilla Detective Branch (DB) of police might take a day or two, he added.

The DB, which got the charge of the investigation on Friday, was at the stage of analysing evidence and sending it to lab for forensic test, according to the SP.

On transferring the case from local police

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TONU MURDER

Trouble over hacker ad

Furious education minister orders legal action against coaching centre

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

An English coaching centre has landed in trouble for publishing an advertisement that allegedly inspired people to become hackers.

The education ministry is going to take punitive actions against S@ifur's after it circulated an "objectionable advertisement

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Biman board reconstituted

Gets new chairman, 12 directors

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government yesterday reconstituted the board of Biman Bangladesh Airlines making Air Marshal (ret'd) Muhammad Enamul Bari chairman for the year 2016.

Enamul Bari replaced Air Marshal (ret'd) Jamal Uddin Ahmed who had been at the Biman cockpit despite speculations over the last seven years that he would be removed soon. Biman had been in the red in six of the seven years he was at the helm.

Enamul Bari was a director of the Biman board whilst serving the Air Force.

Twelve others were also made directors of the board. The board was earlier an 11-member body.

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TOP QUOTE

"No matter how powerful they are, the killers of Tonu won't be spared."

STATE MINISTER FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN AFFAIRS
MEHER AFROZ CHUMKI
AT A PROGRAMME IN THE CAPITAL

Inauguration of Moghbazar–Mouchak Flyover

Another Milestone Towards Traffic Congestion Free Dhaka



Principal Cement in Moghbazar-Mouchak Flyover Project

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