



## PM for strong road network

### Opens part of Moghbazar-Mouchak Flyover

UNB, Dhaka



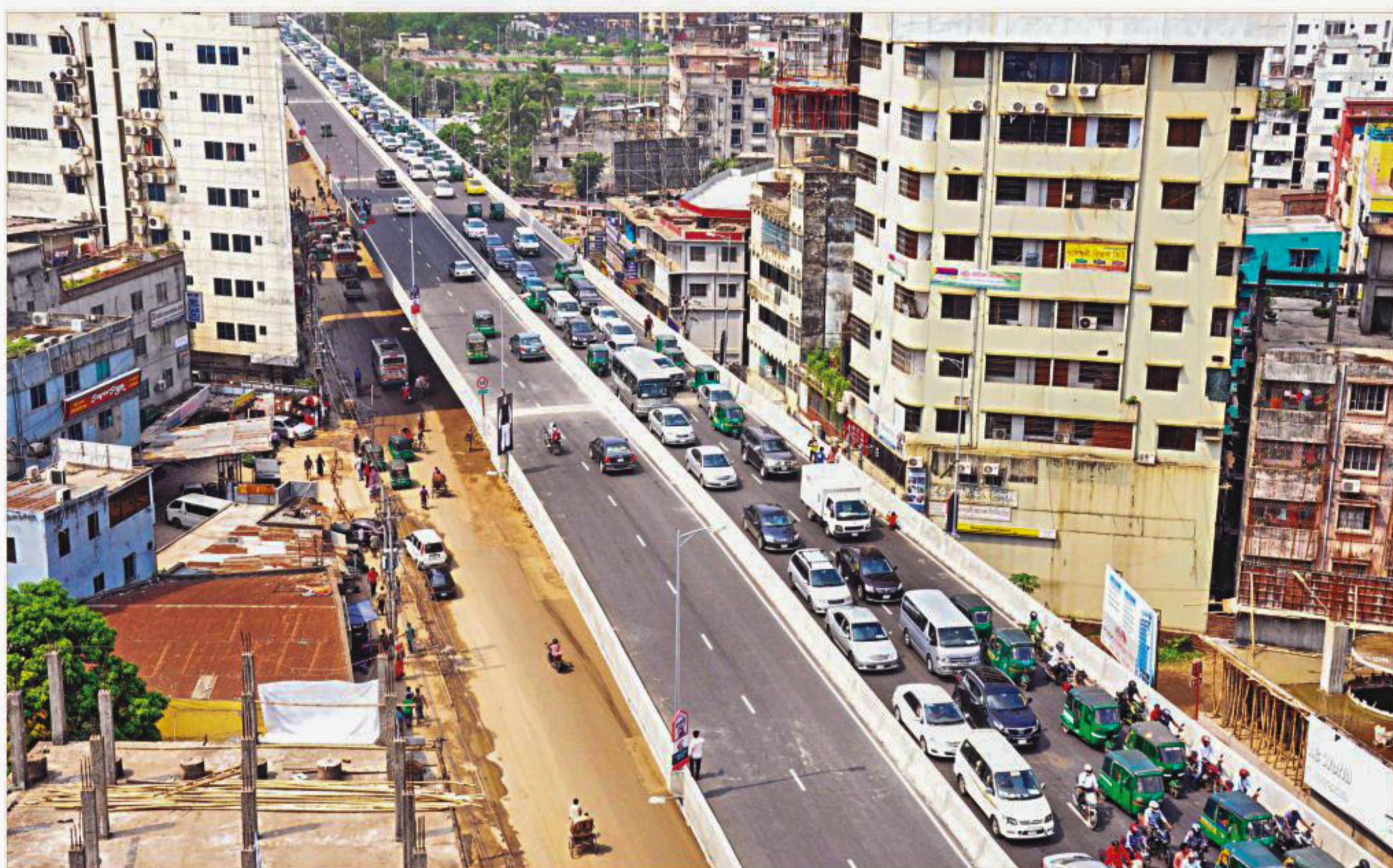
Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday said the government wants to improve the country's road network to boost its socio-economic development.

"The more the country's communication network is developed, the greater will be the changes in its socio-economic scenario," she told the inauguration programme of the Saat Rasta to Holy Family Hospital part of the Moghbazar-Mouchak Flyover at the city's Officers Club.

The PM said once the communication network is developed, the people living in remote areas would be able to take initiatives to improve their lifestyle.

The government has taken numerous programmes to develop the communication network across the country so that Bangladesh can attain a middle-income country status by 2021, Hasina mentioned.

There should be a government organisation for the communications sector, or else this sector would be dominated by private companies.



Heavy traffic flow on a side of the Saat Rasta-Holy Family Hospital section of the Moghbazar-Mouchak Flyover soon after Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina opened the stretch for public. The 2km-long four-lane elevated carriageway is expected to ease traffic in Hatirjheel, Saat Rasta, FDC, Karwanbazar and Moghbazar areas.

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## Some relief after opening

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Saat Rasta-Holy Family Hospital part of the Moghbazar-Mouchak flyover was plagued with long tailback moments after it was opened to traffic yesterday.

Hundreds of vehicles had to move at a snail's pace in the congestion that stretched about a kilometre on the 2km-long four-lane carriageway.

Snarl-ups were also found on the roads in the Bailey Road and Kakrail areas, near the Holy Family end of the flyover.

However, no traffic congestion was seen at the Saat Rasta and the FDC-Hatirjheel intersections, unlike on the previous weekdays. Usually, the commuters have to wait and wrestle in long tailbacks on both ways to pass through these intersections.

Asked about the unusual congestion on the newly opened stretch of the flyover, transport planning expert Prof Shamsul Hoque said many wanted to experience driving on the elevated carriageways out of curiosity, which could be one of the key reasons for the congestion.

Traffic flow on the flyover is expected to

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## Body exhumed, fresh autopsy done

### SP suspects rape before murder; investigators yet to identify a single suspect; protests on

STAR REPORT

Police yesterday exhumed the body of Sohagi Jahan Tonu for a fresh autopsy, with various law enforcement agencies still struggling to identify a single suspect in her murder.

"We will arrest the suspect based on specific information and evidence," said Shah Abid Hossain, superintendent of Comilla police.

"I have already told journalists that we would not concoct any story and claim credit for solving the murder case," he told reporters when

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TONU MURDER

## Roy-al England romp into final

AFP, New Delhi

Opener Jason Roy's 78 helped England sail into cricket's World Twenty20 final with a crushing seven-wicket win over New Zealand in the last four in New Delhi on Wednesday.

Chasing 154 for victory, England rode on a brisk 82-run partnership between Roy and Alex Hales to canter home in 17.1 overs after the bowlers had restricted a much-fancied New Zealand to 153 for eight.

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## UP POLLS 2016

### SECOND-PHASE VOTING TODAY

## Fear of violence high

PANKAG KARMAKAR

Another 639 unions in 47 districts go to the polls today, a week after violence in the first phase of the elections left around two dozen people dead.

Fear of violence has gripped people in the union parishes (UPs) where Awami League-nominated chairman aspirants and the party rebels are at loggerheads over establishing supremacy.

"Both the groups belong to the ruling

party and they are desperate to win. They are so desperate that they could use force and it could lead to violence," said Abdul Alim, director at Election Working Group, an alliance of 28 civil society organisations working for free and fair elections in the country.

The UP polls are being held on partisan lines for the first time.

Ahead of today's elections, 31 AL-nominated candidates have been elected

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## Fakhrul may never forget the day

### He finally becomes BNP's secretary general, lands in jail, falls sick; walks out of jail on bail

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir was made BNP secretary general yesterday, around six years after serving the party as acting secretary general.

Within half an hour of the announcement from the party around noon, he landed in jail in connection with two cases filed over street violence during the anti-government agitation in January last year.

On the way to Dhaka Central Jail, Fakhrul fell ill in a prison van. He was taken to the jail around

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## ARSON CASE Arrest warrant issued against Khaleda

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday issued arrest warrants against BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia and 27 others in connection with a case filed for an arson attack on a passenger bus in the capital's Jatrabari in January last year.

On February 25 last year, another Dhaka court issued arrest warrants against Khaleda in Zia Orphanage and Zia Charitable Trust graft cases.

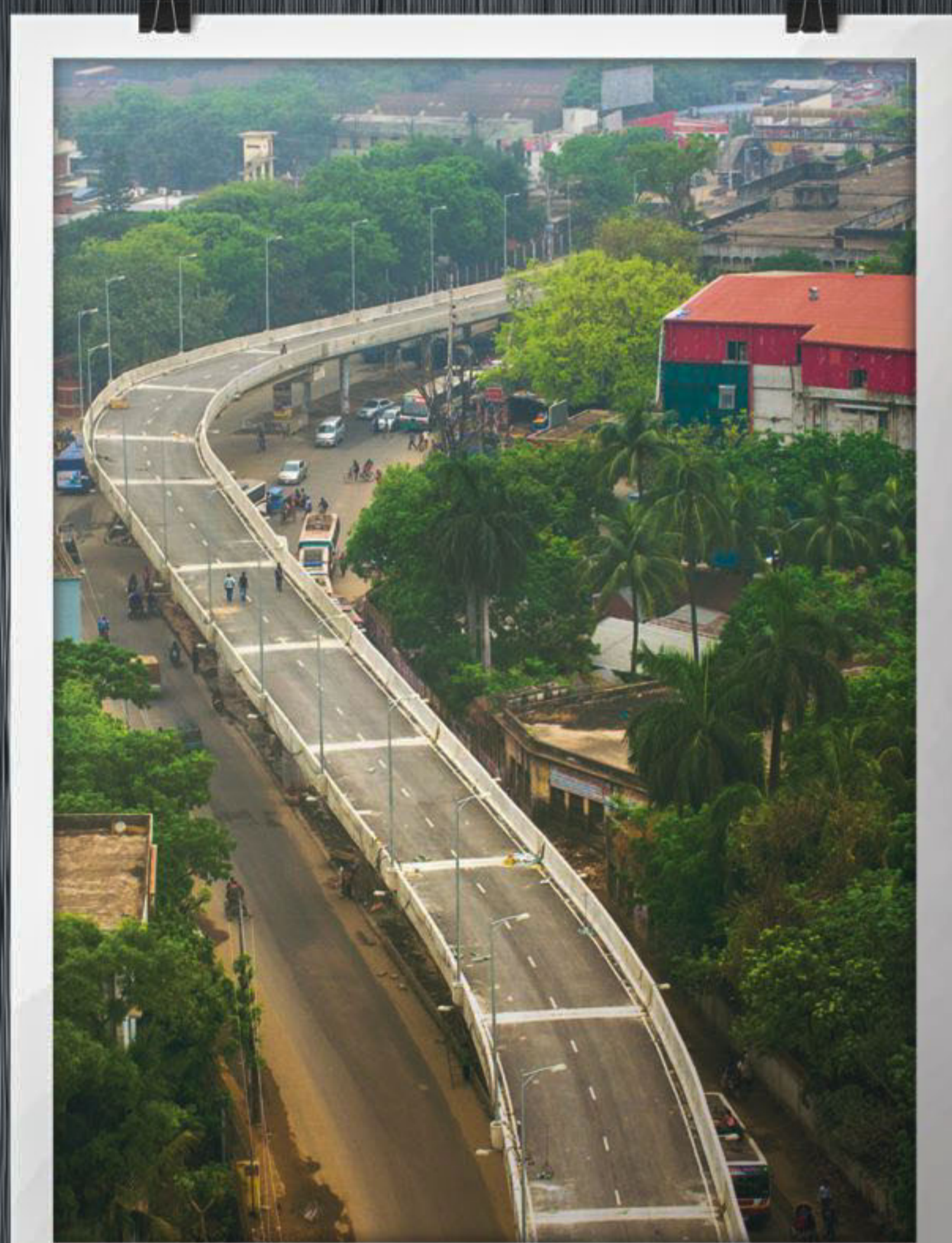
Yesterday, Judge Kamrul Hossain Mollah of the Metropolitan Sessions Judge's Court passed the order after accepting charges against 38 people, including the 28.

The order came after the

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The stretch of Moghbazar-Mouchak flyover from Holy Family Hospital to Tejgaon Shat Rasta has been completed to reduce the traffic congestion of Dhaka City. BSRM congratulates the Honorable Prime Minister and LGED for taking this monumental stride towards the completion of the flyover.



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## Col (rtd) Shafique Ullah Bir Protik expired on 31st March

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Loss of Our Liberation Hero and Dear Treasurer and Member, Board of Governors

The 8th Death Anniversary will be held on 31st March 2016 at 4:00 PM at IUBAT University Auditorium.

All his relatives, friends, colleagues and students are invited to join.

IUBAT Community and Family Members

Prof Nazmul Ahsan Kalimullah, PhD, Convener

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