

ALLEGATION OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT AUST teacher put on 2-day remand

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Mahfuzur Rashid Ferdous, a teacher of the Ahsanullah University of Science and Technology (AUST) in the capital, was placed on a two-day remand yesterday in a case filed over sexual harassment.

Following the case filed by an AUST alumnus, Kalabagan police arrested Ferdous at his Eskaton apartment early yesterday and produced him before the court of Metropolitan Magistrate Delwar Hussain with a seven-day remand prayer.

In the remand prayer, the investigation officer of the case said the teacher tried to sexually harass his students and took obscene photos of them in order to blackmail them.

Ferdous, an associate professor of electrical engineering and the assistant proctor, was suspended by AUST after days of protests on the university campus against him.

However, his lawyer told the court that the case was fabricated as none of the victims was present there.

Meanwhile, Bangladesh Mahila Parishad (BMP), in a statement, demanded proper probe and justice in the case.

Such incidents are recurring thanks to the prevailing culture of impunity and degrading ethical values, observed BMP.



North Bengal Sugar Mill to recall its martyrs today

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North Bengal Sugar Mill of Natore will observe "Shaheed Day" today in memory of its staff who were killed during the Liberation War by the Pakistani army.

A procession at dawn will be brought out. Besides, a Qurankhwani, a milad mahfil and a discussion will be held.

On this day in 1971, the then administrator of the mill and freedom fighter Lt Md Anwarul Azim and nearly 150 of its officers and employees were killed beside a pond on the mill premises, says a press release.

Later, the bodies were thrown into the pond.

The Pakistan army took revenge on them as they participated in the war with direct command of Azim and defeated Pak army at Gopalpur Rail Station.

In recognition of the role of Azim, also a Language Movement hero, in the Liberation War, Gopalpur Railway Station was named "Azim Nagar" and the pond "Shaheed Sagar" at the direct instruction of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman in 1974.

ARRESTED MANNA His party demands proper treatment for its leader

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Nagorik Oikyo yesterday urged the government to ensure proper treatment of its convener Mahmudur Rahman Manna, who is now in jail.

Atiqur Rahman, a member of Nagorik Oikyo, said in a statement that Manna has recently been inflicted by pneumonia.

Manna has long been suffering from heart and renal diseases, said Atiqur, adding that his physical condition deteriorated owing to frequent transportation between hospital and jail, reads the statement received yesterday.

In this circumstance, proper treatment is very urgent. Detectives detained Manna from his Banani residence in the capital on February 24 last year.

The arrest was made a day after his phone conversation with BNP leader Sadeque Hossain Khoka and an anonymous person was leaked to the media.

In the conversation, Manna was heard talking to Khoka about strengthening the anti-government movement.

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Obituary

Dr. J (Jaohar Uddin) Ahmad born on 31 October 1929, Rahmatpur, Nadia, undivided India. He has been awarded scholarships starting from primary school all through to Medical College completion. During Medical College, he also learnt flying through ROTC program. He was gold medalist throughout his academic years. He was an active participant of the 1952 Bangla Language Movement; he was actually there and also helped the injured at that time. He also performed aerial distribution of leaflets for the Bangla Language movement. He is one of the founders of blood bank, now "Shandhani". He joined as an officer of Army Medical Corp. He was then deputed to Air Force where he continued his flying and got his jet fighter pilot wings. He also received additional flying training from US Air Force and also specialized in Aerospace Medicine from USAF. He was awarded honorary citizenship of the USA. He went on to provide his Flight Surgeon services along with training the pilots for Saudi Arabian Air Force. He, along with his full family, was forced into concentration camp as prisoners of war (POW) in Pakistan during the Bangladesh liberation war. He refused to take the salary from Pakistan government while remaining in POW camp with his entire family. After repatriation from Pakistan to Bangladesh, he joined Bangladesh Air Force as the Director of Medical Services. He spent two years in Libya on deputation as a Flight Surgeon. Later he retired from the Bangladesh Armed Force and joined as the Director of Rajshahi Medical College. He retired as the Director of Barisal Medical College to complete his professional career. He spent his remaining time with his family and friends. He lost his eldest son, Nasser Ahmad, in February 2008. Dr. J. Ahmad completed his journey of this world on 13 April 2016: inna-lillah-e-inna-elahe-rajueen. He was laid to rest with full military honour, as he had desired long before his passing, next to his mother and father's grave in his village - their boy has returned home. He will be missed dearly by his family and friends around the world, forever.



Slum fire devastates lives

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Prashad, who works at a diagnostics centre in Shyamoli. "We suddenly saw flames engulfing the shanties," a weary Kalpana Begum told The Daily Star while moving her belongings in two trunks to a safer place. Many others were doing the same to save as much of their properties as possible.

Several victims told the correspondent that it would be a tough task for them to return to normalcy.

The district administration has started preparing a list of the victims from the evening, saying they would provide some relief materials within a short time.

The cause of the fire could not be known immediately, said officials.

Mahmudur Rahman put

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five-day remand he was placed on on April 25 in the first phase.

In the yesterday's remand prayer, the IO said Mahmudur gave important information about the conspiracy to abduct and kill Joy. On his information, the investigation was going and it was being verified. So, he should be quizzed further. Opposing the remand plea, the defence said DB did not follow the directives of the High Court during the remand period, even though Mahmudur had been suffering from different ailments. So, their client should be granted bail.

The case was filed by DB Inspector Fazlur Rahman with Paltan Police Station in August last year. According to the case statement, Caesar's father Mohammad Ullah Mamun, vice-president of BNP's cultural wing Jasas, and some top leaders of the BNP and its allies met in the UK, the US and Bangladesh before September 2012 and conspired to abduct and kill the PM's son.

In March last year, Caesar was convicted by a US court for bribing an FBI special agent to collect information about a Bangladeshi political figure.

The US Justice Department did not name the figure, but it is believed to be Joy.

World Health Organization
Country Office for Bangladesh

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

The World Health Organization in Bangladesh invites proposals/bids from the interested and registered NGOs/Companies in Bangladesh for the following services:

- WHO Bid Reference: RFP/BAN/2016/006: Mapping of pre-service health professional education institutions in Bangladesh.
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Deadline for the submission of RFP: 14:00hrs, 19 May 2016

All interested institutes/NGOs/companies/experts can view and download the relevant RFP documents from: <http://www.searo.who.int/bangladesh/procurement/tender/en/>.

Interested bidders are requested to submit their financial and technical proposals in two separate sealed envelopes as per the instructions provided in the RFP documents to the Reception of WHO-Country Office for Bangladesh, United House, 10 Gulshan Avenue, Gulshan-1, Dhaka.



Death Anniversary

Today is the 4th death anniversary of **Dr. Khaled Shamsul Islam (Dollar)**, former Deputy Chief, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of Bangladesh.

On this occasion, Qurankhwani and Doa Mahfil will be held. His relatives, friends, colleagues and admirers are requested to pray for the salvation of his departed soul.

-Dr. Ruksana Jeba

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Media Announcement
Date- 5 May 2016

Aparajeyo-Bangladesh, a national Child Rights Organization, invites all media to the Induction of the "Improved Institutional Responses to Children in Contact/Conflict with the Law" project. The program launching for stakeholders will be held on **Saturday, 07 May 2016** at CIRDP Bhaban (Chamili House-27, Tophkana Road, Dhaka-1000). The program will start at 10:00 am and will continue till 1:30 pm.

The project is funded by the **European Union** to the amount of EURO 95,999.10 (TAKA 7,871,926). The duration of the project is 4 years (1 January 2016 to 31 December 2019). The lead agency of this project is **Aparajeyo-Bangladesh**. The consortium partner organizations are **Save the Coastal People (SCOPE)**, **Jagrata Juba Shangha (JJS)**, **Unnayan Sangha (US)**, **Bright Bangladesh Forum (BBF)**, and **Participatory Advancement Social Services (PASS)**.

The Overall objective of the Project is to provide greater protection for children in conflict with the law (CCL) through the accessing of rights and by improving institutional responses through strengthening of juvenile justice institutions. Child Welfare Desks established in 12 Police Stations in Dhaka, Chittagong, Khulna, Barisal, Kurigram, Jamalpur, Mymensingh, and Rangpur through which 4575 children will be diverted. 125 children will be provided legal support by the lawyer's panel through the Juvenile Justice system. 11 Child Welfare Committees will be established in 8 working areas to prevent 1450 children entering a violent and arbitrary formal justice system. 800 children will be referred to 2 safe shelters in Dhaka and Chittagong and will benefit from social services such as shelter, food, prevention and medical care, non formal education, vocational training, recreation, life skills education, counselling, family reunification and social rehabilitation.

The project will also develop the capacity of Lawyers, Police Officers, Magistrates, Probation Officers, Project Staff, Youth, Community Volunteers, Community Leaders, NGOs and Civil Society Organisations on national and international juvenile justice legal framework and instruments including alternatives to detention. Network and coordination will be established between Lawyers Panels and Bar Associations, National & District Task Forces Committees, Bar Council's 'Legal Aid Committee' to access legal aid funds for disadvantaged children. The action will lobby the Government of Bangladesh to establish and functionalize Child Welfare Committees at the Upazila level and Child Welfare Boards at the district levels of the country in line with the UNCRC, National Children Policy and Children Act -2013.

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