

SNIPPETS

Man dies in boat capsized

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pirojpur

A fisherman died as a boat capsized in the River Sandha at Alankerathi village in Nesarabad upazila of the district.

Body recovered

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

Police recovered the body of an unidentified young man, aged about 30, from Phulbari upazila in the district yesterday.

Youth held with fake notes

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Chapainawabganj

Members of Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) arrested a youth with counterfeit Bangladeshi currencies worth about Tk 46,000 from Ekborpur-Daktartola village in Shibganj upazila of the district on Sunday evening.

Lightning kills NGO worker

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Sathkira

An NGO worker was killed by lightning at Khajra union under Assasuni upazila of the district on Sunday.

Teacher dies from burn wounds

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

An assistant teacher of Freed Matrichhaya Autistic Shishu Niketan in the district town, who sustained severe burn injuries due to fire originated from a leakage of gas cylinder on June 3, died at a hospital in Dhaka on Sunday night.

2 arms peddlers arrested

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Benapole

Members of Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) arrested two alleged arms peddlers with two pistols and four magazines at Ghiba village under Benapole Port Police Station in Jessore district yesterday noon.

MURDER OF TANGAIL TAILOR NIKHIL

Killers still at large, family flees for insecurity

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Tangail

Over a month into the killing of Nikhil Joarder of Gopalpur upazila in the district, law enforcers are yet to arrest any of the killers of the tailor.

On the other hand, the family members of slain Nikhil cannot lead normal life since the murder and they have already left their houses on security ground.

Nikhil, 50, was hacked to death by unidentified assailants in front of his tailoring shop at Dubail Bazar in Gopalpur municipality area on April 31.

Hours after Nikhil's murder, terror outfit Islamic State (IS) claimed responsibility for it, said U S - b a s e d S I T E Intelligence Group, which monitors terrorist activities globally.

During a recent visit to the victim's house, this correspondent found all rooms of the house locked.

Contacted over cellphone, Nikhil's wife Aroti Rani Joarder said she left the house due to security reasons and they are now living at a relative's house in the district town.

"Police kept our houses under watch till one month after the killing and then they left," she said.

"My relatives also left their houses just after

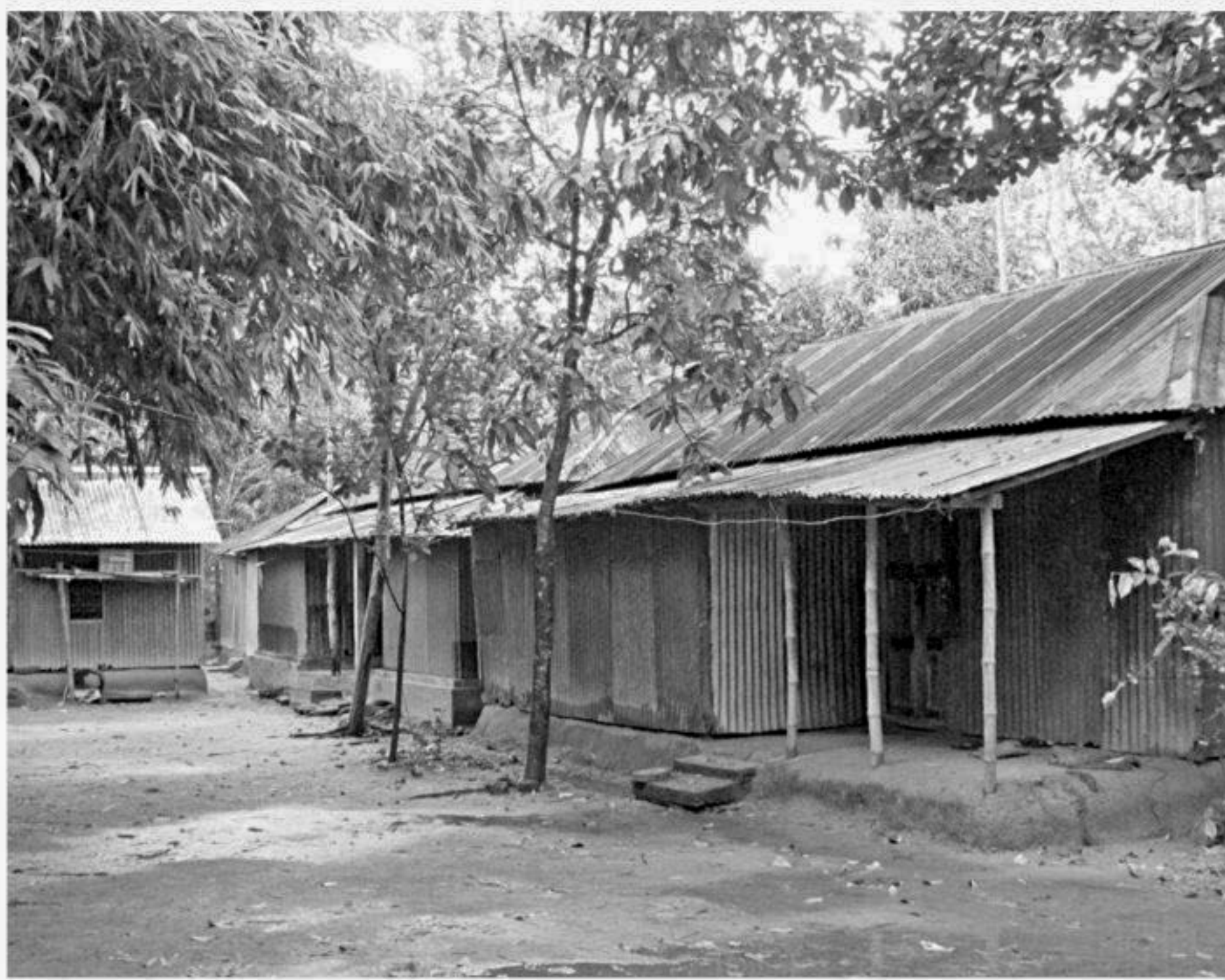


PHOTO: STAR

Over a month after the brutal killing of tailor Nikhil Joarder, his house at Dubail Bazar in Gopalpur municipality under Tangail district remains under lock and key as the family members took shelter at other places amid security concerns.

police stopped watching," Aroti said, adding that they are now living at rented houses in the municipality area.

Police are trying their best to arrest the killers of Nikhil, said Aslam Khan, additional superintendent of police.

Following the killing of Nikhil, his wife Aroti filed a murder case with Gopalpur Police Station in this regard the same day

against three unidentified assailants and their patrons.

Sub-Inspector Moksedul Alam of the police station filed another case under Arms and Explosive Substances Act in this regard the same day.

Police later detained three locals -- Rafiqul Islam Badsha, secretary of Gopalpur upazila unit of Jamaat-e-Islami, Maulana Aminul Islam, principal

of Alamnagar Madrasa in Gopalpur, and BNP activist Jhantu Miah of Birnolhara village in the upazila -- for their alleged involvement in the killing.

Of the arrestees, Aminul had filed a case against Nikhil for his alleged "derogatory comments" over Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) on May 2, 2012, according to police and locals.

Man to die for killing wife for dowry

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

A Panchagarh court yesterday sentenced a man to death for killing his wife for dowry in Atwary upazila of the district in 2012.

The convict is Nimai Chandra Barman, 31, son of Anil Chandra Barman of Baroawlia village in the upazila.

District and Sessions Judge MA Nur, also judge of Panchagarh Women And Children Repression Prevention Tribunal, handed down the verdict in a crowded courtroom in presence of the convict after examining the case records and nine witnesses. The court also fined him Tk 25,000.

The court acquitted three people, including Nimai's father, mother Roma Bala and sister Beauty Rani as the allegations brought against them could not be proved.

According to the prosecution, Nimai married Sonali Rani Shampa, 24, daughter of Karuna Kanta Roy of Sonahar village under Debiganj upazila of the district on August 13, 2008. After marriage, Nimai used to torture Shampa for dowry.

On November 12, 2012, Nimai picked up a quarrel with Shampa over the issue. At one stage, he strangled Shampa and hung her body from a mango tree beside their house to pass it off as suicide.

Victim's father filed a case with Atwary Police Station the following day, accusing six people, including Nimai, his parents and sister, on November 13.

Sub-Inspector Dilip Kumar Roy, also investigation officer Atwary Police Station, submitted the charge sheet against the accused on March 25, 2013.

Accused in 7 murder cases hurt in 'gunfight' with cops

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Benapole, Jessore

A listed criminal was injured in a 'gunfight' between his cohorts and police near Dharmatala Level Crossing in Jessore town early yesterday.

The victim, Akhtaruzzaman Diku, 32, son of Oliar Rahman of Kharki area in the town, is now undergoing treatment at Jessore Medical College Hospital under police guard.

Officer-in-Charge Elias Hossain of Jessore Kotwali

Police Station said police arrested Diku, accused in seven murder cases, on Sunday evening.

On the basis of his statement, police, taking Diku with them, raided the level crossing area to recover firearms around 2:30am.

Sensing the presence of the policemen, Diku's cohorts opened fire, prompting the law enforcers to retaliate, the OC said, adding that Diku sustained bullet wounds in his left leg while his cohorts managed to flee.



PHOTO: STAR

Stick wielding men of a group chase their opponents during yesterday's clash between two groups from Kandigaon and Suraboi villages in Habiganj Sadar upazila.

Land disputes leave 60 hurt in Habiganj, Bogra

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

At least 50 people were injured in a clash over land dispute between the people of two neighbouring villages in Habiganj Sadar upazila yesterday.

Of the injured, 20 were admitted to Sadar Upazila Health Complex and Habiganj Sadar Hospital.

Quoting local people, police said there had been a longstanding feud between one Jamal Sardar of Kandigaon village and Al-Amin of Suraboi village over the ownership of six decimals of land on the border of the two villages.

To settle the matter, followers of Jamal and Al-Amin attended an arbitration yesterday morning. As the arbitrators failed to settle the dispute, supporters of the two,

equipped with wooden sticks and bamboos, attacked each other, leaving at least 50 people from both sides injured.

On information, police went to the spot and charged batons to disperse the clashing groups.

Away in Bogra, at least 10 people were injured in a clash over land dispute between two groups of villagers at Purba Guyarhori village in Dhunat upazila of the district yesterday, reports our correspondent.

The injured were admitted to Dhunat Upazila Health Complex.

Police said there was a dispute between Jamal Sheikh and Abul Hossain of the village over the ownership of a piece of land. Following an altercation between the duo over the issue, the villagers belonging to both sides attacked each other, leaving 10 people injured.

Cop held for 'torturing' wife for dowry

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barisal

A policeman was arrested on Sunday night on charge of torturing his wife for dowry at Murasatha village under Jhalakathi Sadar upazila.

The arrestee is constable Faysal Sharif of Babuganj Police Station under Babuganj upazila of the district.

Quoting the victim, Shahe Alam, officer-in-charge (OC) of Jhalakathi Police Station, said Nupur Begum, daughter of Abdul Latif of Churaypara under Banaripara upazila of Barisal district, was married to Faysal around two years ago.

After their marriage, Faysal often tortured Nupur, demanding Tk 5 lakh as

dowry.

On June 8, Faysal beat up Nupur and locked her in a room of their house following an altercation over the issue.

Halim Khan, a neighbour of the victim, rushed to the spot and rescued Nupur with the help of locals. She was admitted to Banaripara Upazila Health Complex.

"Nupur was beaten by her husband for dowry," the OC said.

Victim's brother Sahin Khan filed a torture case, accusing Faysal, with Jhalakathi Police Station on Sunday.

Police arrested Faysal from his house the same night.

Abdus Salam, officer-in-charge of Babuganj Police Station, said Faysal had gone home without permission.

BAUFAL RAPE OF MOTHER, GIRL Arrestee gives confessional statement to court

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Patuakhali

A Patuakhali court yesterday recorded the confessional statements of the only arrestee in the case for gang rape of a Hindu woman and her daughter in Baufal upazila under Patuakhali district on Saturday night.

Md Amirul Islam, senior judicial magistrate in Patuakhali, recorded the statement under Section 164, said Md Saiful Islam, officer-in-charge (inquiry) of Baufal Police Station, also investigation officer (IO) of the case.

Accused Nur Alam, who was arrested by police from the spot of the crime, was sent to jail after the confessional statement to the court, he said.

The court also recorded statements of the two victims over the matter yesterday, the IO said, adding that their medical tests were done at Patuakhali General Hospital on Sunday afternoon.

The woman, aged around 35, and her daughter, a college student, were allegedly gang raped in a trawler on the Tentulia River in Baufal upazila under Patuakhali district on Saturday night.

They went from their Kachipara village home to Kalaiya area to visit a park on Saturday noon.

Around 4:00pm, they came out of the park and got into a hired bike to go to a relative's house at a nearby village. But the biker took them to Nindia launch ghat instead. He along with five other youths forcibly made the victims board a trawler where they were gang-raped later.

Nur Alam, also a vice president of Baufal upazila's Najirpur union ward-1 unit of Swachhshabek League, was arrested from the spot.

"We are trying our best to arrest the other alleged rapists as soon as possible," the IO said.

One killed, 7 hurt as rival AL men clash

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Natore

An Awami League activist was killed and seven others were injured in a clash between two groups of the local unit of Awami League (AL) over establishing supremacy in Berabari area under Singra upazila of the district yesterday.

The deceased was identified as Rezaul Karim, 38.

Rafiqul Islam, assistant superintendent of police (ASP), said the two rival groups--one led by Rezaul

Islam and the other by Anwar Hossain--locked in a clash at around 3:00pm, leaving eight people from both sides, including Rezaul, injured.

Rezaul was taken to the upazila health complex where he succumbed to his injuries. The rest were admitted to the health complex. Law enforcers arrested eight people in connection with the incident.

Additional police have been deployed in the area to avert further trouble, police said.



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Bangladesh Hindu-Bouddha-Christian Oikya Parishad and Puja Udjapon Parishad form a human chain at Mission Intersection in Lalmonirhat town yesterday protesting target killings at different places of the country.

Advertisement for Bangladesh Railway recruitment. It includes the railway logo, the text 'বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ে নিয়োগ বিজ্ঞপ্তি', and a list of 16 job positions with their respective details like age limits, education, and application procedures.