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Dodgy buses returning

PANKAG KARMAKAR

seen getting quick fixes.

Eid offers business opportunities for transport owners and they would never want to miss it. But there are some unscrupulous owners who would compromise with passenger safety just to make that extra profit.

In their greed for profits, these owners of buses, minibuses and microbuses give facelifts to their vehicles and run them during the Eid rush despite not being fit for the road.

This happens every Eid and scores of people die on the roads of Bangladesh during the Eid holidays. Transport owners were seen having their old, shabby and

unfit vehicles "repaired" and painted so that they could slip through the law enforcers' eyes during the chaotic Eid rush. During a visit to workshops in Matuail and Kajla areas on Sunday, several hundred unfit and rundown buses were

There are around 200 workshops in that area and on an average two to three buses were being worked on in each of those, said owners and workers of workshops.

Workers were seen busy in mending, welding, painting and other repairs.

"We are repairing three buses whose colours have faded, windows have broken and bodies have dented. We will give the buses a facelift and these will ply ahead of Eid, said Nazir Hossain, a worker of Mitali Engineering Workshop in Bhangapress area of Kajla.

Some buses, which were involved in crashes, also get 'repaired" ahead of Eids so that they could run during the mad rush.

"This bus was plying on Dhaka-Brahmanbaria route. Its SEE PAGE 10 COL 5



Workers at a workshop in Kajla of Dhaka give an old bus a facelift on Sunday so that the unfit vehicle could carry passengers during the Eid rush. Such vehicles often get involved in fatal crashes on highways.

AMRAN HOSSAIN

Trapped by Facebook Girl rescued before

being trafficked

OUR CORRESPONDENT, A 14-year-old girl was found

in Rangpur on Tuesday, two days after she fled her home in Dhaka to be with a Pakistani boy she had met on Facebook, said police.

The law enforcers suspect that human traffickers tricked the girl, a class-IX student from Dhamrai area, into fleeing her house. She was rescued in Kamarpara area, said Sub-

inspector Monju Mia of Rangpur police (media wing). Quoting the teenager, police said she met a

Pakistani boy, one Mohammad Rafi, on Facebook last month. Later, she fell in love with him. On Sunday, she took off

with her mother's gold ornaments to go to Pakistan through India to meet the boy.

Sumon, an alleged trafficker, was helping her to enter India. He took her to SEE PAGE 10 COL 2

Six major projects get Japanese loan

Deals signed with Jica for Tk 12,819cr loan

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Japan International Cooperation Agency (Jica) has said it would provide 173.54 billion yen or Tk 12,819 crore to Bangladesh to help the country produce more electricity, enhance domestic and regional connectivity and fight disasters.

The development agency yesterday signed agreements with the government to provide the loans for six projects.

Kazi Shofiqul Azam, additional secretary of the Economic Relations Division (ERD), and Mikio Hataeda, chief representative of the Jica office in Bangladesh, signed the agreements on behalf of their respective sides.

The loan carries 0.01 percent interest rate and its repayment period is 40 years with a 10-year grace period.

The Dhaka Mass Rapid Transit (MRT) Project will get Tk 5,582 crore, and the Cross-Border Road Network Improvement Project (Bangladesh) Tk 2,120 crore. Besides, the Matarbari Ultra Super Critical Coal-Fired Power Project will

receive Tk 2,794 crore, the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Promotion Financing Project Tk 886 crore, the Disaster Risk Management Enhancement Project Tk 1,241 crore, and the Jamuna Railway Bridge Construction Project Tk 182 crore.

Jica in a statement said in recent years, Bangladesh has attracted increasing attention from overseas enterprises, including Japanese firms, due to competitive labour costs, an abundant workforce and a potential market size. "However, compared with its rapid economic growth and urbanisation, the infrastructure in Bangladesh, including the transportation network and

the power supply, is still at an early stage. "As such, the formulation of a business environment has emerged as an urgent issue," it said.

Jica said Bangladesh is also vulnerable to natural disasters such as cyclones and floods.

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EU rules out single market for Britain

Race to replace Cameron begins as Corbyn hangs on

AFP, Brussels

Britain got its first taste of a future outside the EU yesterday as Europe's leaders met without premier David Cameron and warned London it must accept EU migrants to win access to the bloc's free trade zone.

The heads of government, meeting without a British representative for the first time in 40 years, said in a statement that Britain would be treated as a "third country" with both "rights and obligations". Continued access for to the huge EU

single market of 500 million people "requires acceptance of all four freedoms, including freedom of movement," EU president Donald Tusk told a news conference. This is a blow to "Brexit" campaigners,

who promised to restrict large-scale EU migration to Britain while assuring British companies would still be able to easily sell goods and services to the continent.

German Chancellor Angela Merkel has also warned that London cannot not "cherrypick" the terms of the exit negotiations. There are also concerns that with

euroscepticism growing in many member SEE PAGE 10 COL 1

Trudeau now comic book character



BBC ONLINE

Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau has been a boxer, a nightclub bouncer, a world leader - and now, a cartoon book character.

Trudeau appears on the cover of an issue of Marvel's "Civil War II: Choosing Sides", due to be released on 31 August.

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German expert audits security at Dhaka airport

REFAYET ULLAH MIRDHA

CARGO BAN

An expert of Lufthansa yesterday launched an audit of the security measures at Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport, around three days after the German national carrier stopped carrying goods from Bangladesh on security grounds.

David Mann, a regional security expert of Lufthansa, flew in from Singapore on Tuesday and held meetings with high-ups of Biman Bangladesh Airlines and Civil Aviation Authority of Bangladesh (Caab), and users of the airport's cargo village, said sources. "It is difficult to say after

only one meeting whether the expert was satisfied with the current security measures or not. He is likely to hold further meetings," said an exporter who was present at one of the meetings. However, Biman

Managing Director AM Mosaddique Ahmed said Mann was satisfied with the current security system at the airport. "The Lufthansa expert

expressed satisfaction with the current security measures at the airport. I don't know whether he will again sit with us or not," he told SEE PAGE 10 COL 2



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25	1 July	3-42	6-53
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গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার

কমিশনারের কার্যালয়

কাস্টমস, এক্সাইজ ও ভ্যাট কমিশনারেট, ঢাকা (পশ্চিম), ঢাকা প্লট # ২ ও ৪, রোড # ১, ব্লক # এ, মিরপুর-১১, ঢাকা-১২১৬

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মূসক কমিশনারেট, ঢাকা (পশ্চিম), ঢাকা এর সদর দপ্তর; মিরপুর বিভাগ এবং মিরপুর বিভাগের অধিক্ষেত্রাধীন সার্কেলসমূহের অফিসের ঠিকানা পরিবর্তন

সর্বসাধারণের অবগতির জন্য জানানো যাচ্ছে যে, কাস্টমস, এক্সাইজ ও ভ্যাট কমিশনারেট, ঢাকা (পশ্চিম), ঢাকা-এর সদর দপ্তর; কাস্টমস, এক্সাইজ ও ভ্যাট, মিরপুর বিভাগীয় দপ্তর এবং মিরপুর বিভাগের অধিক্ষেত্রাধীন ৬ (ছয়) টি সার্কেল অফিস (কাস্টমস, এক্সাইজ ও ভ্যাট, পল্লবী সার্কেল-১, পল্লবী সার্কেল-২, কাজীপাড়া সার্কেল, কাফরুল সার্কেল, কল্যাণপুর সার্কেল ও শাহআলী সার্কেল) আগামী ১লা জুলাই, ২০১৬খ্রিঃ হতে নতুন ঠিকানায় নিমুরূপে স্থানান্তরিত হবে।

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Youths hangout out on the footbridge between New Market and Gausia Market in the capital. The busy bridge is often occupied by hawkers and youths creating a bottleneck for pedestrians.

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