

2 suspects held over attempted murder of Hindu priest

UNB, Satkhira

Detectives on Sunday night arrested two youths from Dhulihar and Waria village of Satkhira Sadar in connection with the murder attempt of a Hindu priest of a local temple in Bajuadanga village.

The arrestees are Jahidur Rahman, of Dhulihar village, and Nur Bashar, of Waria village. DB arrested them from their houses.

Meanwhile, the attempted murder case has been handed over to DB police and Officer-in-Charge Enamul Haque has been made the investigation officer.

Earlier Bhobosindhu Bar, 55, a Hindu priest of a local Bhamarajpur

Radhagobindo temple was stabbed by unknown assailants early Saturday.

Critically injured, the priest was admitted to Satkhira Sadar Hospital. As his condition deteriorated, he was shifted to the National Institute of Diseases of the Chest and Hospital in Dhaka.

Ex-JCD leader arrested

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

Police in a drive arrested a former local Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) leader in connection with a case in Pathantula area of Sylhet city on Sunday evening.

The arrestee is Afsor Khan, former president of ward-8 unit of JCD.

Akhter Hossain, officer-in-charge of Jalalabad Police Station, said police arrested Afsor from the area around 9:00pm in connection with the case filed for attacking on the vehicle of former city mayor Badar Uddin Ahmed Kamran.

Mother of Concord Group's executive director (marketing) dies

CITY DESK

Mira Rani Sarker, mother of Concord Group's Executive Director (marketing) Anup Kumar Sarker, died in a road accident in Talora area of Bogra on Sunday evening. She was 60.

Concord Entertainment Co Ltd expressed deepest condolences at her tragic death, said a press release.

Death anniversary

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Today is the 21st death anniversary of Muhammad Ansar Ali, a freedom

fighter and justice of Bangladesh Supreme Court.

On this occasion, a qurankhani and a doa mahfil will be held at his village home in Naogaon and at Banani graveyard in Dhaka, says a press release.

He was the senior vice-president of Bangladesh Supreme Court Bar Association and president of the then Rangpur High Court Bar Association.

He was awarded posthumous Matrihasha Padak 2001 for his contribution to the Language Movement of 1952.



Despite the Chittagong City Corporation taking a number of initiatives to mitigate waterlogging problem, a light shower still causes waterlogging in different parts of the port city, putting commuters in peril. The photo was taken yesterday in Kaptai Rastar Matha on Arakan road in the city.

PHOTO: ANURUP KANTI DAS

Govt firm to fight all types of terrorism

Hamid addresses Bhutanese parliament; returns home

UNB, Thimphu

President Abdul Hamid yesterday said Bangladesh government is committed to fighting out all types of terrorism and violent extremism.

"I'm saddened in the wake of the unfortunate deaths of innocent people who were mercilessly killed by a group of miscreants on Friday. I would like to reiterate that we're not frightened of such cowardly act and committed to fighting against all types of terrorism and violent extremism," he said while addressing a joint session of the Bhutanese parliament.

The president returned home yesterday afternoon, wrapping up his four-day state visit to the Himalayan state at the invitation of its King Jigme Khesar Namgyel Wangchuck.

Bangladesh and Bhutan must forge stronger partnership to work for the welfare and economic development of the people of both the countries, he said.

President Hamid said the relationship

between Bangladesh and Bhutan is multi-faceted, encompassing a whole range of areas, including hydropower, water resources management, connectivity, trade and commerce, education, cultural exchange and tourism.

The governments of the two countries are working towards finalising some other bilateral agreements also, he added.

Bhutan's pioneering concept of Gross National Happiness, a unique philosophy to meet global challenges, is getting more and more acceptance, observed Hamid adding, "If we let this simple concept be our guide, I have no doubt our future generations will live in a world that would be more prosperous, secure and peaceful."

Earlier, on his arrival President Hamid was received by Speaker of the National Assembly of Bhutan Lyonpo Jigme Zangpo and Chairman of National Council Sonam Kinga.

After the speech, the president exchanged greetings with the members of Parliament of Bhutan at the parliament courtyard.



President Abdul Hamid and Bhutanese Prime Minister Lyonchhen Tsering Tobgay at Paro Airport of Bhutan yesterday when the president was returning home after wrapping up his four-day visit to the country at the invitation of its king Jigme Khesar Namgyel Wangchuck.

PHOTO: PID

Over 1.2 lakh police to ensure security during Eid vacation

BSS, Dhaka

Over 1.2 lakh out of 1.57 police personnel will be on duty to ensure security and safety during the vacation for Eid-ul-Fitr, according to a spokesman of the police headquarters.

Besides the police personnel, the Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) will also be on duty at the key installations and major areas across the country, a RAB spokesman told BSS.

Following the terrorist attack at Holey Artisan Bakery restaurant in the city's Gulshan, the law enforcers have taken the security issue very seriously, he said.

Inspector General of Police (IGP) AKM Shahidul Haque said the security measures have been tightened further in all important venues.

BNP slams AL

FROM PAGE 3 country's serious crisis. We, on behalf of our party, came here today [yesterday] to pay our tribute to those killed in the terrorist attack," he added.

On Sunday, BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia at a press conference strongly denounced the attack and called upon all, irrespective of party and opinion, for forging a national unity against terrorism without further delay.

Turing down her call, AL Joint General Secretary Mahbul Alam Hanif on Sunday said, "There can be no unity with BNP if it does not serve ties with Jamaat and regret for its previous mistakes."

Tributes paid

FROM PAGE 3 Hossain, 20, had been working there as a kitchen staff for over a year, and he had been missing since Friday.

Zakir's father Abdus Sattar, said they went to the local police station and also the office of Detective Branch (DB) of Dhaka Metropolitan Police but could not learn about his whereabouts.

Man 'kills' two of his in-laws in capital

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A woman and her granddaughter were allegedly hacked to death by a relative over a family feud in the capital's Islambagh area yesterday afternoon.

The deceased Begum, 60, and her granddaughter Borna, 20, were residents of Hajji Mosque Lane, Bachchu Mia, in-charge of Dhaka Medical College Hospital police outpost, told The Daily Star.

Begum's daughter Shima (Borna's mother) also suffered stab wounds in the incident, said Shohag, husband of slain Borna.

Maruf Hossain Sarder, deputy commissioner of Lalbagh, said police received complaints of two murders. He said police have been trying to arrest the accused person.

The incident happened over custody of children, alleged Shohag, adding, "Shumi (another daughter of Begum) died last year during childbirth. Since then, Begum has been taking care of the new born and Shumi's nine-year-old daughter."

But, Sumi's husband Jibon has been demanding custody of the children,

Shohag added.

Following the row over the children's custody, Jibon, equipped with sharp weapons, entered the house around 3:00pm and hacked them, he alleged.

However, Jibon managed to flee the scene along with his children, but after being chased by the locals he left the children, Shohag said, adding, locals rushed Borna and Shima to the DMCH where Borna died around 4:00pm.

Sohag said his mother-in-law and her mother Begum lived in a room along with Jibon's two children. Sohag and his wife Borna lived in the next one.

Shohag alleged that Jibon came to the house yesterday with some Eid gifts for the children and wanted to take them out. As Jibon was refused, he became extremely violent and at one point hacked the three women with sharp weapon, he alleged.

Shohag alleged that Jibon used to torture Shumi and after her death demanded custody of the children, which the court granted to their maternal grandmother Begum.

3 killed, 10 injured in road crashes

CITY DESK

Three people were killed and 10 others injured in road crashes in three districts yesterday and on Sunday.

In Rajshahi, two youths were killed in a road crash in Jhikra area under Charghat upazila on Sunday night, says a BSS report.

The deceased were identified as Sweet, 25, and Ali Hossain, 28.

Nibaran Chandra Barman, officer-in-charge of Charghat Police Station, said the accident occurred when a goods-laden human-hauler turned turtle and fell into a roadside ditch as its driver lost control over the vehicle.

Sweet was killed on the spot and human hauler helper Ali Hossain sustained injuries as they were trapped by the vehicle. Ali was rushed to Rajshahi Medical College Hospital where he succumbed to his injuries around midnight.

The bodies were sent to hospital morgue for

autopsy. A case was filed, the police officer added.

Our Feni correspondent reports, Fakhru Islam, 40, of Mymensingh was killed when a car hit his motorcycle in Ukilbari Darja area on Feni-Sonagazi road on his way home to spend Eid holidays with his family yesterday.

He was a senior sale representative of drug manufacturing company Alco Farma Ltd.

Our Bogra correspondent reports, a head-on collision between a mini-bus and a microbus injured at least 10 people, including three seriously, in Rohabal area on Dhaka-Rangpur highway under Shibgonj upazila in Bogra yesterday morning.

The three seriously injured -- driver of the microbus and two passengers -- were admitted to Shaheed Ziaur Rahman Medical College Hospital in Bogra town and rest were rushed to Gobindaganj Upazila Health Complex in Gaibandha.

Witnesses said that the Bogra-bound mini-bus collided head-on with the Rangpur-bound microbus as its driver drove in the wrong direction.

The accident triggered an 8km tailback on the highway for around an hour and created huge sufferings for commuters. Highway police and fire service men eased the tail back.

Contacted, Additional SP (highway-Bogra) Mohidul Islam said reckless driving might be the cause of the accident.

Bring him to court

Demands wife of Mitu murder suspect

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Cg

Claiming that police are denying picking him up on June 22, the wife of one of the suspects in the murder of Superintendent of Police Babul Akter's wife Mahmuda Khanam Mitu yesterday urged bringing him before a court.

"There are courts and laws in the country. If Musa (alias Kamrul Islam Sikdar) is found guilty, he will be punished...We will accept the verdict," his wife Panna Akter told a press conference in Chittagong Press Club.

However, the case's investigation officer, Assistant Commissioner Md Kamruzzaman of Detective Branch of police, said he has no idea about the arrest.

Three bike-riding assailants stabbed and shot Mitu dead while she was going to put her son on his school bus at GEC intersection on June 5. Police say eight people have

been arrested so far, five with specific charges, while four suspects, including Musa, are on the run. Police say suspects Anwar and Wasim confessed before a court accusing Musa of hiring seven to eight persons who carried out the killing.

"Now we want to know what really happened," said Panna. She said her brother-in-law Saidul Islam Shakur, who was picked up by along with Musa by plainclothes police from a relative's residence in Chittagong city's Bandar area, was produced before a court 10 days later.

On her allegation that Rangunia police denied recording a general diary, Officer-in-Charge Humayun Kabir said the incident occurred outside their area of jurisdiction.

Panna said Musa worked as an informant of the administration and police.

Protests pour in

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SYLHET

In Sylhet, Sommilito Natya Parishad (SNP) organised a rally on the Central Saheed Minar premises in the city, protesting the attack, reports our Sylhet correspondent.

Politicians, journalists, cultural activists and general people attended the rally presided over by Nizam Uddin Lashker, chief director of SNP Sylhet chapter.

On Friday night, 20 hostages -- nine Italians, seven Japanese, one Indian, one Bangladeshi American and two Bangladeshis -- were killed in the barbaric terrorist attack on a café in the capital's posh Gulshan area, which left 28 people dead, including 20 hostages, most of whom were foreign nationals.

Attack result of failed

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claimed responsibility for some of these crimes. The government has however constantly rejected that Islamic State has any presence in the country and has continued blaming and hounding the political opposition for any such violence on minorities and bloggers, without evidence."

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