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Turkey extends police powers to hold people in detention, shuts over 1,000 schools

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When you are sandwiched between militancy and consumerism

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Militancy will be contained by any means, PM reaffirms

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# Terrorist in 10 months

Confessional statement shows how a salesman turned into a killing machine by militant recruiters

- 1 At the top  
**IDEOLOGICAL LEADER**
- 2 In the middle  
**'MILITARY' COMMANDER**
- 3 On the field  
**EXECUTIONER**

- Mostly field-level militants get arrested
- As per plan they use multiple pseudonyms
- Two radical groups hyperactive
- They follow al-Qaeda, IS manuals

ZAYADUL AHSAN, writes for The Daily Star

Militants arrested in recent times are mostly youths just past their adolescence. It has been found from their statements that militant outfits maintain a three-tier hierarchy -- ideological leaders at the top, so-called military commanders in the second tier and field-level militants who execute plans in

the third. Arrested militants are mostly in the third tier.

Two new radical Islamist groups that have built an extensive network in the country over the last several years follow the manuals of al-Qaeda and Islamic State (IS) in recruiting members. Bangladesh detectives do not have the exact number of

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Passengers get inside a run-down human haulier near Shapla Chatter at the capital's Motijheel on Friday. The vehicle has dents and damage almost all over its body, and the windows, wing mirror, indicator lights and headlights are broken as well. For lack of proper monitoring, plenty of such worn-out vehicles operate in the capital every day, ignoring the risk of accidents.

PHOTO: RASHED SHUMON



Suman, who had a Tk 2 lakh bounty on him, being taken to the DB office in the capital following his arrest last month.

PHOTO: FILE PHOTO

## In pain, in praise



Faraaz becomes the only non-Arab Muslim to be inducted into the Garden of the Righteous for standing up against the current spate of terrorism in the name of jihad

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

In Shakespearean tragedy, "Cowards die many times before their deaths, the valiant never taste of death but once."

Faraaz Ayaaz Hossain, the young man who sacrificed his life during the July 1 terror attack at the Holey Artisan Bakery refusing to desert his friends, is an epitome of that valiance.

Terrorists specifically targeted foreigners dining

at the upscale Gulshan café. They were looking for "infidels," taking test as to who could recite verses from the holy Quran and who couldn't. Faraaz recited from the Quran.

Faraaz, a brilliant student of Economics at Emory University in Atlanta, US, was given the choice of walking free from the café under siege. But he chose to stay on with his friends -- Abinta Kabir, a Bangladesh-born US citizen and also a student at

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TOP QUOTE

"Bangladesh is going through a war. We can't afford to lose it. We'll have to win. The country will be destroyed if we are defeated."

INFORMATION MINISTER HASANUL HAQ INU AT A DISCUSSION ON MILITANCY AT BRAC CENTRE INN IN THE CAPITAL YESTERDAY.

# Twin blasts kill 80 at Kabul Shia rally

231 wounded; IS claims responsibility

AFP, Kabul

Islamic State group jihadists yesterday claimed responsibility for twin explosions that ripped through crowds of Shia Hazaras in Kabul, killing at least 80 people and wounding 231 others in their first major attack in the Afghan capital.

The bombings, apparently aimed at sowing sectarian discord in a country well known for Shia-Sunni harmony, came as thousands of Hazaras gathered to protest

over a multi-million-dollar power line.

Charred bodies and dismembered limbs littered the scene of the attack, with ambulances struggling to reach the site as authorities had overnight blocked key intersections with stacked shipping containers to control movement of the protesters.

"As a result of the attack 80 people were martyred and 231 others were wounded," the interior ministry said in a statement.

"Based on initial information, the attack

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## 'SPREADING HATRED' DMP wants BTRC to block 30 web pages

RAFIUL ISLAM

Dhaka Metropolitan Police has written to the BTRC to block 30 web and Facebook pages for allegedly inciting militancy or running anti-religion propaganda.

According to the DMP, 27 of them spread religious extremism, promote destructive activities and sabotage while the others sponsor anti-religion ideology and atheism.

"We have identified the pages and recently written to Bangladesh

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SEE THE LIST ONLINE: <http://bit.ly/2a5R4mL>

## SHOLAKIA ATTACK

# Jamaat link found

Says home minister; man detained for 'renting out house to one attacker'

STAR REPORT

Jamaat-e-Islami's link has been found in the Sholakia attack, says Home Minister Asaduzzaman Khan.

He made the comment while talking to The Daily Star over phone on Friday.

The minister, however, refused to make further comments on the issue, saying they could come up with details on completion of investigation.

On Friday night, the Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) arrested a man at Gobindagnaj upazila in Gaibandha on charges of renting out his house to one of the suspected Sholakia attackers.

The arrestee, Anowar Hossain, 48, was the headmaster of Ebtedia section of Khalshi Dakhil madrasa in the upazila.

He told the Rab that he had no political affiliation but some locals said he was a Jamaat supporter, reports our Gaibandha correspondent.

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Garden of the Righteous, a commemorative garden, set up in the Tunisian capital Tunis in the honour of five Arab and Muslim righteous individuals, including Bangladeshi Faraaz Ayaaz Hossain. President of the City Council of Milan, Italy, Lamberto Bertolè is seen paying tribute to the memory of Faraaz.

COURTESY: ITALIAN EMBASSY, TUNISIA

## Magura miracle kid doing well

A CORRESPONDENT, Magura

First birthday of the child is special for most parents, but for Magura's Suraiya and her parents it was more than a memorable occasion.

The one-year-old toddler stunned the nation last year by miraculously surviving a bullet wound she suffered while still in her mother's womb.

Suraiya's mother Nazma Khatun was hit by a bullet during a violent clash between two factions of pro-ruling party activists in the district on July 23, 2015.

Both eight-month pregnant Nazma and the unborn baby sustained critical injuries but were saved by the doctors at Magura Sadar Hospital who conducted a two-hour caesarean operation on the injured mother.

The newborn with bullet injuries on her shoulder and right eye was immediately rushed to Dhaka Medical College Hospital. The nation followed her updates through media reports and was anxiously waiting for her survival. Finally on August 20, she returned home to her mother's lap.

A year later, there were no big celebrations at her parents' poor quarters on the occasion of her first birthday yesterday.

However, the doctors, police officials and district administration officials, who had acted promptly and efficiently to save the mother and the child, came

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