



Manipuri Rash festival. PHOTO: IHTISHAM KABIR

A Worthwhile Hobby

Photography started its journey when William Henry Fox Talbot in England and Nicéphore Niepce in France, independent of each other, invented a method for permanently "fixing a shadow" around 1839. Both men were keen scientists with a wide range of hobbies. From its inception, photography has attracted hobbyists who in turn have played an important role in its development.

After its invention, thanks to improvements in photographic process and mass production, photography became accessible to many. Some photographers, such as Nadar, the famous portraitist of Paris, took it up as a profession. But photography remained a hobby for others. Recent technological advances in semiconductor and software have placed digital photography within reach of just about everyone.

Thus it is estimated that today, over 2.5 billion people around the planet take pictures. While the vast majority of them use mobile phones, users of digital cameras have also increased manifold.

Most people take pictures casually only when they need to: a family function, the first child, a trip, a business or job milestone. However, those who continuously nurture an interest in photography find it a worthwhile hobby. There are several reasons for this:

Photography keeps on giving. I started photographing seriously in 1980 and over the years have reaped immense pleasure from it. It will give you decades of enjoyment if you invest time into it.

Photography is easier and cheaper than ever. No need to buy film. You can enjoy your photographs on the phone screen or on your computer. And share

them with friends at the touch of a button.

Photography releases tension. The creative side of photography is fulfilling and helps us relax and relieve stress.

Photography opens your eyes. The beauty of this world is endless, yet we hardly bother to look for it. Practicing photography forces you to seek out beauty: in people, in places, in living things.

Photography gets you exploring. In search of a photograph, the committed hobbyist will seek out places, people and events that he or she would not otherwise do. For example I have attended many festivals in Bangladesh - such as the Manipuri Rash festival - for photographic reasons and learned much about our country.

Photography helps you stay fit. Taking a picture is very much a physical act. It forces you to move around. You might walk for miles to photograph a scenery or wake up at 4am to photograph sunrise.

Photography is a lifetime hobby. Unlike sports, photography can be practiced by people of any age. For example, when he was in his eighties, the great photographer Andre Kertesz photographed only from the window of his flat and made a beautiful book of photographs.

What does it take to transition from a casual photographer to a hobbyist? It requires your commitment. It requires learning some technique and aesthetics. It requires you to organize your photographs. To improve, it requires you to seek out better photographers and learn from them. If you set aside some time every week exclusively for photography, you might find it yields an agreeable bounty.

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DMCH to examine boy with ageing condition

Another case found in 2010

A CORRESPONDENT, Magura

The four-year-old boy of Magura who looks like an 80-year-old man due to the premature ageing condition progeria, will be taken to Dhaka Medical College Hospital today for treatment and medical research, said a doctor of Magura Sadar Hospital (MSH).

Bayezid Hossain has swollen face, wrinkled skin, hollow eyes, aching joints and other old-age signs including broken teeth.

He was released from MSH on Wednesday.

Bayezid's mother Tripti Khatun and father Lablu Shikder said their son was born four years ago with the face resembling that of an 80-year-old man.

The signs of old age are getting even clearer day by day, added the parents, who took their son to different physicians to get him cured, but to no avail owing to a lack of money.

A kind-hearted person after knowing about Bayezid's physical abnormality and the parents' financial hardship has, however, given them some money for taking him to Dhaka.

He was diagnosed with progeria by a five-member medical team of MSH, which later suggested sending him to DMCH for treatment and research by specialists.

Earlier, in 2010, another boy named Tuhin, then 12, was said to have been the first progeria patient in Bangladesh on record.

The word progeria comes from the Greek progeros meaning prematurely old. It is a rare genetic condition that accelerates ageing in children and occurs in one per 8 million live births.

There is no known cure for progeria, and few people around the world could exceed 13 years of age suffering from this disease.



Bayezid (2016) Tuhin (2010)

'Suspended' Rajuk staff held for amassing Tk 1.18cr

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) yesterday arrested a "suspended" office assistant of Rajdhani Unnayan Karttripakkha (Rajuk) for amassing about Tk 1.18 crore illegally.

Salauddin Mia alias Ratan was arrested in Dhanmondi, said ACC Public Relations Officer Pranab Kumar Bhattacharya.

A case was filed against Salauddin with Ramna Police Station in January.

Pranab said though Salauddin was a lower grade officer, he became owner of huge assets including cash and land worth Tk 1.18 crore.

In April, ACC arrested a director of Rajuk in a fraud-ulence case.

Deputy Assistant Director of the commission Noor-e-Alam Shebly investigated the case.

NEWSINbrief

BSF kills Bangladeshi 'cattle smuggler' in Jhenidah

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jhenidah

Members of Indian Border Security Force (BSF) shot dead an alleged cattle smuggler of Bangladesh at Barnobaria camp area in India early yesterday.

The deceased Alam Hossain, 32, of Chuadanga entered the Indian territory after crossing the Isamati river with six to seven other cattle smugglers, said Company Commander Lt Col Tazul Islam of 58 BGB.

Seeing them, BSF men of Barnabaria camp opened fire and Alam died on the spot. Two others -- Ramjan and Salauddin -- were injured and fled with others.

CCC, dist admin anti-terror campaign starts Aug 26

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A week-long anti-militancy programme titled "Jongibad Rukhbei Tarunya, Har Manbena Bangladesh" (youths will resist militancy, Bangladesh will not give in) will begin on August 26 in the port city.

With the aim of creating public awareness against militancy, Chittagong District Administration is going to organise the programme in cooperation with Chittagong City Corporation (CCC).

Deputy Commissioner of Chittagong Mesbah Uddin disclosed it at a press conference in the city's Circuit House yesterday. The programme will include exhibition of video documentaries against militancy, anti-militancy cycle rally and leaflets distribution, and views-exchange meeting.

Panache Eid Showcase starts today

CITY DESK

A two-day exhibition "Panache Eid Showcase" will begin at the capital's Six Seasons Hotel today.

Panache Events will hold the exhibition to be participated by 40 fashion houses from Dhaka and Chittagong with a variety of summer party attires and accessories.

The exhibition will remain open from 10:00am to 9:00pm both today and tomorrow.

Panache Events will organise its second Eid-ul-Azha exhibition at the same venue on 25 and 26 August.

No space for terrorism, militancy in Bangladesh: Inu

A CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

Information Minister Hasanul Huq Inu said there is no space for terrorism and militancy in the country.

Bangladesh has a long history of communal harmony among the different religious groups and our people fought against Pakistani fundamentalists in order to establish democracy, said the minister at an anti-terrorism symposium at a hotel in Khulna yesterday.

Bangladesh Betar organised the meeting which was presided over by its Director General AKM Nesaruddin Bhuyan.

10 hurt, 15 houses vandalised in clash over football match

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Natore

At least 10 people, including a Swetchhasebak League leader, were injured and 15 houses were vandalised in a clash between two groups over playing a football match in Chandrokola village in Natore Sadar upazila on Thursday night, said police and locals.

Upazila unit Swetchhasebak League President Jamal Uddin, who tried to calm the situation, was admitted to Rajshahi Medical College Hospital.

The other injured were admitted to the RMCH and Natore Sadar Hospital.

Jubo League man shot

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Md Fazle Rabbi, officer-in-charge of Companiganj Police Station, said following a raid nine rounds of bullets and some local weapons were seized from the house of Azad, who managed to flee.

Book launching
Pathak Shamabesh, Dhaka and Niyogi Books, Delhi will hold the launching ceremony of Sheikh Mujibur Rahman: From Rebel to Founding Father, written by Syed Badrul Ahsan. Venue: Pathak Shamabesh Center, Shahbagh. Time: 4:00pm.

Discussion
Bangladesh Peace Council will hold a discussion meeting on the Hiroshima Day. Venue: Jatiya Press Club, Time: 10:30am.

Seminar
The Daily Amar Kagoj will hold a seminar on the role of community police and media in preventing militancy and terrorism. Venue: Jatiya Press Club, Time: 10:30am.



Demonstrators at a candlelight vigil organised by Indigenous Human Rights Defenders, and Indigenous Peoples Development Service in Kulaura upazila headquarters in Moulvibazar yesterday, demand proper investigation and punishment for those who allegedly tortured ethnic minority people in Lakhai Datta village of Srimangal upazila. PHOTO: MINTU DESHWARA

Lakhai Datta villagers living in constant fear

Ethnic minority raises allegations of torture, destruction of greeneries and eviction attempt

MINTU DESHWARA, back from Lakhai Datta

Nineteen rights based organisations, ethnic minority leaders and environmentalists' yesterday demanded proper investigation and punishment for those who allegedly tortured ethnic minority people and destroyed greeneries for their personal benefit in Lakhai Datta village of Srimangal upazila in Moulvibazar.

While visiting the village, the speakers said that the attacks were intentional and a ploy to evict the people of the land.

The locals alleged that they were under severe threats as Syed Tea and Land Company Ltd has been trying to expand its Julekha Nagar Tea Estate by forcibly evicting hundreds of families.

"We live in a constant fear. They harass us whenever they feel like. If we protest they file case against us. They have filed two cases against me already," said Bikrom Tanti, a resident. The octogenarian broke down in tears while talking to this correspondent.

Atit Kanda, 54, said the attack on his plantation in 2015 had left him penniless.

"For four generations, we have lived on this land," he said, adding, "The armed mob has destroyed about 4,000 to 5,000 of my pineapple trees worth Tk 90,000. I will not be able to overcome this loss. Without assistance we will die starving and this is what the tea estate people want."

Bikram Tanti, a father of five, alleged that he had refused to sell his land, "so they destroyed my lemon and pineapple trees".

Father Kiron Rozario, who has been helping the people of the area since 1997, alleged that the tea company has the support of influential people.

Around 160,000 lemon trees, 800,000 pineapple, 3,700 banana, 1,200 guava, 750 jackfruit, 1,200 betel leaf, 37,000 Naga chili, 800 betel nut, 2,000 trees, 8,000 bamboo and 400 local fruit trees were destroyed in the last one year, he alleged.

"The government has failed to provide basic human rights to the ethnic minority people," said Kishori Pada Deb Shyamal, president of Bangladesh Human Rights Commission, Moulvibazar unit.

"Their rights are being violated because some influential people do not consider them as an integral part of the society," said Bably Talang, general secretary of KUBORAZ, a rights organisation.

Sitaram Hajra, local union parishad member, sought the government's intervention to mitigate the crisis.

SQ Chy's son

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yesterday demanded unconditional release of Hummam.

"The whole country has become a big jail due to the brutal and inhuman behaviours of the incumbent government that came to power through a voter-less polls... The incident of picking up Salauddin Quader Chowdury's son Hummam Quader Chowdhury from court premises is a part of the government's vengeance against opposition people," said Fakhrul in a statement.

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৪।	দরপত্র সিডিউল জমা দেয়ার তারিখ ও সময়	৪	৩০/০৮/২০১৬ তারিখ বেলা ১২.০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত।
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৯।	জনবল সম্বাহারী কর্তৃপক্ষ কোন কারণ দর্শানো ছাড়াই দাখিলকৃত যে কোন দরপত্র গ্রহণ বা বাতিলের ক্ষমতা এবং বর্ণিত জনবল সম্বাহ প্রক্রিয়া যে কোন পর্যায়ে স্থগিত/বাতিল করার ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।		

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