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# HIGHEST SELLING 4 CEMENT for more than years



AHSANULLAH MASTER KILLING

# It reflected the criminalisation of politics: HC

ASHUTOSH SARKAR

The High Court yesterday released the full text of the verdict in the Awami League lawmaker Ahsanullah Master killing case and observed that behaviour of the killers proved how fierce and violent they were.

"The way of committing the crime, the place, and the surrounding circumstances undoubtedly indicate that they [the convicts] were sure that even if they had been identified, they would remain above the law due to the protection and patronisation of their party. This behaviour proves how fierce and violent they were. Only the seriously fierce political criminals can hold such power and use it," the HC said in the judgment.

Justice Obaidul Hassan and Justice Krishna Debnath signed the 182-page judgement.

The verdict said, "From the hellish killing that happened through an organised attack on Noagaon MA Majid School premises in Tongi, the extent of criminalisation of politics can be understood."

It said, "Each murder is inhumane which creates a wound in society, and seriously hits the sense of security of the people ... The cruel incident not only snatched the lives of the victims, it also blood-stained the society, people's consciousness and humanity. In the history of Bangladesh,

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Despite a court order to the government to prevent vehicles from plying against traffic, a police van escorts the vehicle of apparently a minister against the traffic flow at Bangla Motor intersection in the capital yesterday.

AMRAN HOSSAIN

### Pak assembly at it again

Passes resolution condemning war criminal's execution DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Despite Dhaka's strong protest at repeated interference in Bangladesh's internal affairs, Pakistan's National Assembly yesterday passed a unanimous resolution condemning the execution of war criminal and Jamaat-e-Islami leader Mir Quasem Ali.

The resolution moved by Sher Akbar Khan claimed the execution of Jamaat leaders is contrary to the tripartite agreement signed by Pakistan, India and Bangladesh in 1974.

On September 4, Bangladesh foreign ministry summoned acting high commissioner of Pakistan in Dhaka Samina Mehtab and handed over a strongly worded note verbale to the diplomat, protesting Pakistan foreign ministry's statement following the execution of Mir Quasem on September 3.

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PVT UNIVERSITIES

## SC stays HC verdict on income tax

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Supreme Court yesterday stayed for two months a part of the High Court verdict that scrapped government orders imposing 15 percent income tax on private universities and private medical, dental and engineering colleges.

It also halted for the same period the HC directive that asked the National SEE PAGE 2 COL 4

# 'Victim of conspiracy'

## React SP Babul's family members

STAR REPORT

Family members of Superintendent of Police Babul Akter yesterday said they believe Babul might have become a victim of a conspiracy. "He became a victim of conspir-

acy because he was an honest police officer," said Babul's father Wadud Mia, who lives in Magura. He said they do not believe Babul could

be involved in the killing of his wife Mahmuda Khanam Mitu, as his son was living a happy life with Mitu and their two children and that there was no reason for

Babul to kill his wife.

"If he commits the crime, he must face trial," Wadud added.

He also said he could not contact Babul since he was relieved of his job on Tuesday. Wadud further said he last

talked to his son four to five days ago. Babul has been staying at his in-laws in the capital's Meradia since his wife was killed in Chittagong in June.

Babul went out on Tuesday morning and returned home around midnight. He again left home yesterday morning and had not returned yet, said Babul's relatives.

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### DROP IN CHILD MORTALITY Bangladesh gets UN recognition

MARTIN SWAPAN PANDEY, from Colombo, Sri Lanka

Even a decade ago, child mortality rate in the WHO South-East Asia region was the highest and maternal mortality rate second highest among the six regions of the world health body.

But due to continued efforts by the governments, timely interventions and growing public awareness, the region has performed better than the global averages over the years.

Between 1990 and 2015, the region saw a 69 percent drop (the highest among the SEE PAGE 10 COL 3

## 2 couples held for 'Neo JMB links'

Rab says they were preparing to flee country

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

college student in Uttara, on August 20.

The Rapid Action Battalion yesterday claimed to have detained two couples linked to militant outfit "Neo JMB" from the capital and Narayanganj.

The detainees are Aminul Islam, 34, his wife Nahida Sultana, 30, Shariful Islam alias Sultan Mahmud Taposh, 18, and his wife Marzia Akter Sumi, 19. Commander Mufti Mahmud Khan, director at Legal and Media Wing of Rab, said Sumi had left her Pabna home for Dhaka and married Shariful, a

Her father filed a complaint with the Rab about his missing daughter, Mahmud told at a press conference at the Rab-2 headquarters.

The Rab then launched an investigation into the incident based on

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Traders who brought the cattle to this makeshift market in Shajadpur of Sirajganj have no idea of anthrax or even if the cattle had been vaccinated. The photo was taken last week.

sacrificial animals AHMED HUMAYUN KABIR

**ANTHRAX INFECTION** 

Risk low in

TOPU, from Sirajganj and PORIMOL PALMA in Dhaka

When the only cow of Delbar Pramanik became sick in early August, he was worried and sought suggestions from his neighbours. The reason for his wor-

ries was well-founded, as five cows in his village got sick and died in the previous two months. The neighbours sug-

gested slaughtering the cow and selling the meat. Delbar slaughtered the cow at Char Koizuri village in Sirajganj's Shahzadpur upazila on August 8 and sold the meat.



## Pilot flies plane to wrong country

INDEPENDENT.CO.UK

Ending up at the wrong destination is an easy enough mistake to make when you're on foot or in a car, but one AirAsia pilot has proved it can be done in a plane, too.

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গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার



### **PRAYER TIMING SEPTEMBER 8**

Fazr Zohr Asr Maghrib Esha AZAN 4-35 12-45 4-30 6-20 7-45 JAMAAT 5-10 1-15 4-45 6-25 8-15 SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION

### বাংলাদেশ রোড ট্রান্সপোর্ট অথরিটি At least 25 villagers, who РНОТО: STAR SEE PAGE 10 COL 5

পুরাতন বিমানবন্দর সড়ক এলেনবাড়ি, তেজগাঁও, ঢাকা-১২১৫

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### চুরি হয়ে যাওয়া রেট্রো-রিফ্লেক্টিভ নাম্বারপ্লেট ও আরএফআইডি ট্যাগ সংক্রান্ত বিআরটিএ'র জরুরি বিজ্ঞপ্তি

এতদ্বারা সংশ্লিষ্ট সকলের অবগতির জন্য জানানো যাচ্ছে যে, বিআরটিএ চুয়াডাঙ্গা সার্কেলের বিএমটিএফ লিঃ ভেন্ডর প্রতিষ্ঠানের স্টোর হতে গত ২৮/০২/২০১৬খ্রিঃ তারিখে ২৯৫টি মোটরসাইকেলের ডিজিটাল নাম্বারপ্লেট চুরি হয়ে যায়। এ বিষয়ে চুয়াডাঙ্গা থানায় একটি সাধারণ ডায়েরী করা হয়। সাধারণ ডায়েরী নং-২৯ তারিখঃ ০১/০৩/২০১৬খ্রিঃ। উক্ত ২৯৫টি মোটরসাইকেলের রেজিস্ট্রেশন নাম্বারের একটি তালিকা বিআরটিএ'র ওয়েবসাইট www.brta.gov.bd/lost-number-platelist.pdf তে ইতোমধ্যে প্রকাশ করা হয়েছে। বর্ণিত অবস্থার প্রেক্ষিতে উল্লিখিত রেট্রো-রিফ্লেক্টিভ নাম্বারপ্লেট ও আরএফআইডি ট্যাগ সংযুক্ত কোন মটরযান সড়ক/মহাসড়কে চলাচল করতে দেখা গেলে আইন শৃঙ্খলা বাহিনী/সংশ্লিষ্ট বিআরটিএ কর্তৃপক্ষকে অবহিত করার জন্য অনুরোধ করা হল।

> মোঃ নুরুল ইসলাম পরিচালক (ইঞ্জিনিয়ারিং) ফোনঃ ৯১১৫৫৪৪

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### Two flogged to death in Bandarban

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bandarban

Two Marma men were flogged to death on Tuesday allegedly by another in a remote area of Rowangchhari upazila in the district.

The deceased -- Ukeola Marma, 35, and Apru Mong Marma, 25 -- were identified as residents of Rigicha para under Lama upazila in the same district.

Police have been looking for Thoai Chi Mong -president of Alikkhong union anti-militancy committee in Rowangchhari -over allegations of the killings, said

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Heartiest congratulations to our Honorable Managing Director Mr. Shah S Alam

for being awarded with "National Export Trophy" Silver for the year 2012-2013, for being

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