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# RETURN FROM HAJJ Pilgrims suffer for flight delay

RASHIDUL HASAN

Mismanagement of government and private hajj operators were causing long delays and immense sufferings to hajis returning home on dedicated Biman hajj flights, according to Biman officials and hajis.

On the first day of the return hajj flights, four flights touched down at Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport in 24 hours with four to 11 hour delays. The flights carried 1,574 hajis, Motahar Hossain, general manager, central control of Biman told The Daily Star.

The first return hajj flight, carrying 419 hajis, reached Dhaka around 3:00am yesterday. It was scheduled to land at 8:40pm on Saturday, sources in the national flag carrier told The Daily Star.

The second hajj flight reached at 9:20am yesterday. It was scheduled to land at 10:00pm on Saturday, added the source. The third and fourth flights suffered four and five hours delay, said Biman sources.

A top official of Biman said irresponsibility and mismanagement of hajj officials at the Bangladesh hajj mission and hajj guides of private operators were responsible for the delays.

"Hajj officials and guides show an uncaring attitude towards bringing hajis to the airport and that caused delays ...," the official said requesting not to be named.

GM Motahar Hossain said Biman planes were at the Jeddah airport on time but couldn't fly as hajj guides and staff did not bring the hajis on time for departure.

While leaving the airport terminal in Dhaka, several hajis

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**LADDERS FOR RENT...** People get on the roofs of carriages at Jamalpur Railway Station using ladders that are rented at the station. A group of people living around the station rent the ladders for Tk 5-10 to passengers trying to board intercity trains bound for Dhaka. The authorities concerned seem to be looking the other way. The photo of Teesta Express was taken yesterday.



## Mobilise public opinion for extradition

PM urges expats about Bangabandhu killers living in US, Canada

UNB, Montreal, Canada

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has called upon the Bangladeshi expatriates in Canada and the USA to mobilise public opinion for the extradition of convicted killers of Bangabandhu from the two countries.

"I'm leaving a demand before you to write letters to public representatives of those countries where you're residing and ask why those countries would give shelter to the killers of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman," she said.

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## EXTORTION CASES AL MP's son lands in jail

A CORRESPONDENT, Satkhira

Son of a ruling Awami League lawmaker from Satkhira was sent to jail yesterday following his arrest in two extortion cases.

Detectives arrested Rashed Sarwar alias Rumon, 32, the youngest son of Refat Amin, lawmaker of a reserved seat for women, in Chourangimore of Satkhira town, said Ali Ahmed Hashmi, officer-in-charge (detectives) of Satkhira police.

He was later handed over to Satkhira Sadar Police Station and subsequently sent to jail, Hashmi said.

Julfikar Ali alias Uzzwal, former vice president of Satkhira district Jubo League,

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## AL MP intercepts mobile court team

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Cox's Bazar

*His men take away the goods seized by the court, beat up a team member*

A ruling Awami League lawmaker of Cox's Bazar allegedly led his men to take away various goods a mobile court seized yesterday from illegal occupants at Himchari, a popular tourist spot in Ramu upazila.

Shaimum Sarwar Kamal of Cox's Bazar-3 constituency and his men scolded a forest official for carrying out the drive. Some 40 to 50 of his supporters also vandalised several establishments of the forest department at Himchari and a truck used for the drive and beat up its driver, a forest official said.

The Daily Star phoned Kamal several times and also sent him an SMS for his comments, but he neither received the phone calls nor responded to the text message.

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## 'MILITANT LINKS' Juvenile court puts 14-yr-old on remand

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A juvenile court yesterday granted a three-day remand for Tahrim Kaderi alias Russell, son of militant suspect Tanvir Kaderi who killed himself during a police raid on a militant den at Azimpur on September 10.

Fourteen-year-old Tahrim was apprehended on the same day as he allegedly attacked the law enforcers during the raid

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## World's oldest fish hooks found

MIRROR ONLINE

The world's oldest fish hooks have been uncovered in a cave on a Japanese island.

Archaeologists have unearthed the 23,000-year-old hooks on Okinawa Island alongside other ancient relics.

The pair of fish hooks was carved from sea snail shells and experts believe they point to a wider use of maritime technology in the era than previously thought.

According to a scientific paper on the subject, humans will have started inhabiting the island at least 30,000 years ago. They will have had to survive on limited resources, according to the papers published by the National Academy of Sciences.

The reports adds, maritime expansion allowed humans to disperse all over the world.

The papers say: "The new evidence demonstrates a geographically wider distribution of early maritime technology that extended north to the mid-latitude areas along the western Pacific coast."

"Moving into oceanic islands after c. 50,000 years ago was a remarkable step forward in the history of worldwide expansion of modern humans."

And Okinawa Island not only boasts the oldest fish hooks in the world - the

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A long queue of vehicles on the Dhaka-Paturia highway near Paturia yesterday waiting to cross the Padma. The mighty river eroded several ferry pontoons on the other side of the river in Daulatdia disrupting ferry services.

PHOTO: PALASH KHAN

## Traffic snarled up on both sides of Padma

People suffer as Daulatdia operates with only 2 terminals as other 2 lie damaged by erosion

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JAMAAT 5-10 1-15 4-45 6-12 8-15

SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION

STAR REPORT

Sufferings of hundreds of passengers on both sides of Daulatdia-Paturia route continued yesterday as two damaged ferry terminals remained out of service.

Of the four terminals at Daulatdia of Rajbari, the two terminals were damaged due to strong currents in the river Padma. Passengers of 21 south and south-western districts were facing different problems, including shortage of food and toilet facilities at the ferry terminals.

"We have reached Daulatdia ferry ghat around 7:30am. But it took more than five hours for our bus to get a ferry," a passenger who came from Satkhira said yesterday.

He said it happened due to disruption of ferry services on Saturday.

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**আপনি জানেন কি? ২০১৬-২০১৭ করবর্ষের ব্যক্তি শ্রেণীর করদাতাদের রিটার্ন দাখিলের শেষ তারিখ ৩০ নভেম্বর।**

অর্থ আইন, ২০১৬ এর মাধ্যমে বিভিন্ন শ্রেণীর করদাতার জন্য রিটার্ন দাখিলের সর্বশেষ তারিখ নির্দেশক 'কর দিবস' (Tax Day) এর ধারণা প্রবর্তন করা হয়েছে। এখন থেকে প্রতিবছর ৩০ নভেম্বর 'কর দিবস' (Tax Day) পালিত হবে এবং এই দিনই ২০১৬-২০১৭ অর্থ বছরের আয়কর রিটার্ন দাখিলের সর্বশেষ তারিখ। এরপর আর সময় বৃদ্ধি করা হবে না। নিম্নোক্ত সকল করদাতার আয়কর রিটার্ন দাখিল করা বাধ্যতামূলকঃ

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