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ADMISSION FORMS OF PUBLIC UNIVS No uniformity in prices

Absence of guidelines to blame

WASIM BIN HABIB and TUHIN SHUBHRA ADHIKARY

Public universities in the country are charging at will for admission forms in the absence of a uniform guideline.

Prices of the forms range from Tk 330 to Tk 1,000, with some universities charging different amounts for admission forms of different units, said admission seekers and their guardians.

After the HSC examinations, a good amount of money needs to be spent on preparations for university admission, and a major portion of it goes to purchase of forms. Besides, some universities raise the prices of forms almost every year, they added.

This year, around nine lakh students passed the Higher Secondary Certificate exams and a large number of them will sit for admission tests at the country's 37 public universities.

Given the stiff competition for admission at public universities, most of the students think it would be unwise to buy forms of only one or two universities as it lowers their chances of getting admitted to a public university.

Riasat Kabir, father of an admission seeker in the capital, said he has already spent Tk 20,000 for his son's admission preparations that include buying admission forms of five universities.

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Ignoring oncoming traffic, people jump over the guard rail on the central reservation of Tophkhana Road in front of the Jatiya Press Club to cross the street. There is a footbridge just a few yards away. The photo was taken recently.

PHOTO: PRABIR DAS

Raped, little girl fights for life

Accused arrested

STAR REPORT

A five-year-old was beaten and raped. Her body bore several bite and scratch marks. Her rapists also burnt parts of her body with cigarettes.

The girl is now fighting for her life at the One-stop Crisis Centre (OCC) of Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH) where she was admitted yesterday.

In the afternoon of October 18, the girl was playing near her home in Jamirhat village in Dinajpur's Parbatipur upazila. Around evening, her mother noticed that she was missing.

Worried sick, the family searched but could not find

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TOP QUOTE

"Well, @realDonaldTrump, at least I will go down as a president."

RESPONDED US PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA TO DONALD TRUMP'S TWEET THAT OBAMA WOULD GO DOWN AS THE WORST PRESIDENT OF THE US

61 killed in Pak police academy attack

118 injured; IS, Lashkar-e-Jhangvi claim responsibility for night raid on Quetta facility where 700 recruits were stationed

AFP, Quetta

Pakistan yesterday mourned the killing of at least 61 people in a brutal gun and suicide bomb assault on a police academy, the deadliest attack on a security installation in the country's history.

Three masked gunmen burst into the sprawling academy in the southwest, pretending to be soldiers as they targeted sleeping quarters home to some 700 recruits in a strike that sent terrified young men fleeing.

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Police probing 'excesses' on Rab personnel

SHARIFUL ISLAM

A committee assigned by the Police Headquarters is investigating the six incidents of "police excesses" against members of Rapid Action Battalion as alleged by the Rab director general last month.

The three-member committee, formed on October 9 with Deputy Inspector General (media and planning) AKM Shahidur Rahman as its head, has been asked to submit its report as soon as possible, said sources at the headquarters.

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BAN ON CATCHING HILSA Rajshahi raids surprise many

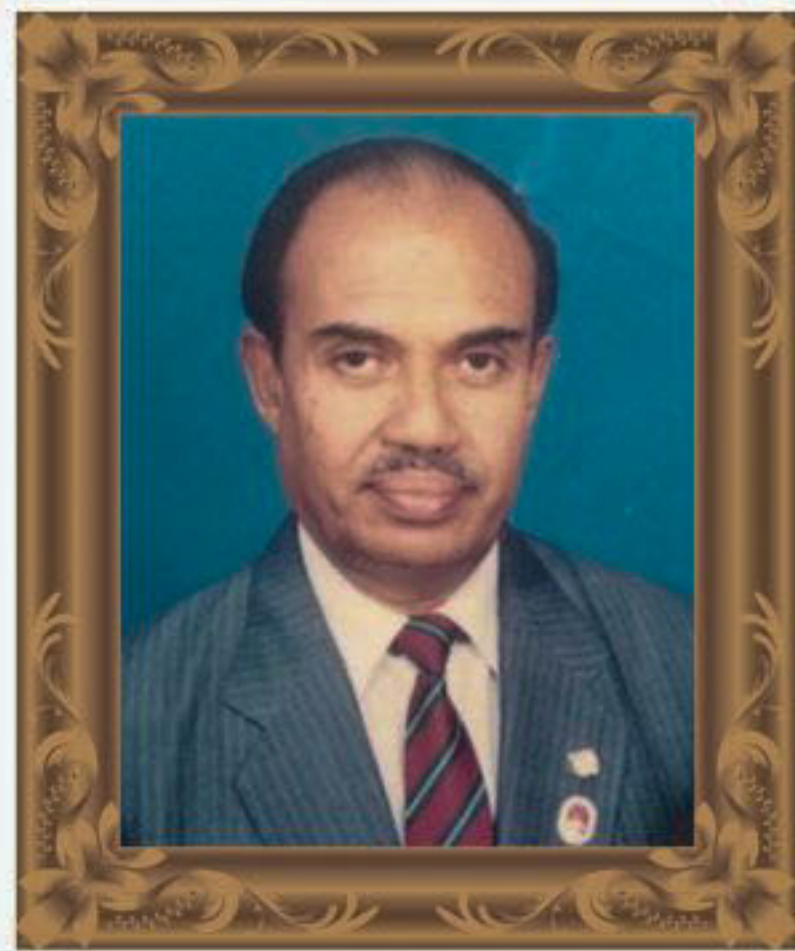
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Hilsa population in the Rajshahi region fell drastically in the early 1990s as the mouthwatering fish stopped migrating to the Padma, largely due to overfishing of brood hilsas and fall in the water level in the once-mighty river.

Later on, the fish almost disappeared from the river.

However, thanks to government conservation efforts, it started to return to the Padma last year, and to ensure that

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OBITUARY

Mr. M. Shamsur Rahman, Former Economic Minister, Beijing, China, Son of Late Aatur Rahman, passed away Sunday, October 23rd, Aged 84

He left behind his Wife and four sons.

His namaz-e-janaza will be held at Azad Masjid, Gulshan after the Asar prayers on Wednesday, October 26th

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