

IUB student found 'killed'

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Police yesterday recovered the decomposed body of a private university student with stab marks from his own room in the capital's Adabor area.

Shihabul Islam Shihab, 25, a student of BBA department at Independent University Bangladesh (IUB), lived with his family at Prominent Housing Apartment in Adabor.

After getting a call from his family, police recovered Shihab's body at 2:00pm that bore some stab marks, Biplab Kumar Sarkar, deputy commissioner (DC) of Tejgaon Division, told The Daily Star.

"Shihab was a drug addict, and used to misbehave with family members. He used to stay at home all day, go out in the evening and come back late at night," the DC said.

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Students of Agragami Girls' High School and College dance at the inaugural ceremony of the 46th daylong athletics competition for school and madrasa students of Chittagong, Comilla, Brahmanbaria and Sylhet at Zila Stadium in Sylhet city yesterday, which was organised by the Directorate of Secondary and Higher Education.

PHOTO: SHEIKH NASIR

POWER, ENERGY SECTORS Bangladesh seeks IEC cooperation to attract foreign investment

UNB, Dhaka

Bangladesh has sought the cooperation of signatories to the International Energy Charter (IEC) to help promote foreign investment in the country's power and energy sectors.

The IEC is a declaration of political intent to strengthen energy sector cooperation between signatory states. At present Bangladesh enjoys observer status at the IEC.

State Minister for Power and Energy Nasrul Hamid urged for the cooperation when a delegation of the Netherlands based global body, led by its secretary general Dr Urban Rusnak, met him at Abu Dhabi on Saturday, according to a message received in Dhaka.

The IEC has been formally adopted and signed at a ministerial conference hosted by the Netherlands.

The state minister has been in Doha to attend a conference of the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) on January 14-17.

Nasrul Hamid had elaborate discussions with the IEC delegation members about the cooperation between Bangladesh and the global body.

He presented the current state of the energy sector in Bangladesh and also the potentials laying for future investment in the country.

Tomato growers get good yield, price

BSS, Rajshahi

Amidst a well harvest and even better prices, the tomato growers almost everywhere in Rajshahi region including the vast Barind Tract are happy this winter.

"We didn't face any serious problem with tomatoes this year," said Shariful Islam, a farmer of Pirijpur village in Godagari upazila, who is happy with his harvest. Some existing challenges proved minor setbacks and were successfully managed with the Department of Agriculture Extension (DAE) assistance, he said.

Officials of DAE said the cultivation has been increased by five to six times during the last 15-20 years due to introduction of high yielding and hybrid varieties of the fruit.

Dr Shakhawat Hossain, senior scientific officer of Bangladesh Agriculture Research Institute (BARI), said they developed 10 high yielding and quality varieties and modern technologies to help the growers.

BARI is implementing special programmes to promote those among the farmers through training. Developed varieties are high-yielding and more profitable than domestic ones.

"From the beginning of the season one maund of tomatoes are being sold at over Tk 3,500," said farmer Alimur Rahman. "After picking tomatoes the first two times most growers already recouped their production costs." Indeed only in the past week, the wholesale tomato price dipped to around Tk 800 per maund. However, the farmers are not frustrated by the price decline.

Nasim hopes BNP would join next national election

BSS, Dhaka

Appreciating BNP's current gesture of manifesting "patience", Awami League-led 14-party alliance spokesperson and Awami League presidium member Mohammed Nasim yesterday expressed his hope that BNP would participate in the next general elections.

"BNP is now proving their political patience. So, hopefully they will participate in the election," he told a press conference following a meeting of the alliance at AL president's political office at Dhanmondi yesterday afternoon.

Nasim, also health and family welfare minister, said all would need to prove their patience and

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Hasina rejects possibility Free wi-fi at all

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quoted Hasina as saying. UNB adds, at the meeting, Hasina directed the party advisory council members to form sector-wise units to ensure the incorporation of issues in the election manifesto.

The AL president was addressing the party leaders at her Dhanmondi office in the capital.

Listing her government's successes, Hasina also stressed the importance of informing the people about the government's good work as the vested quarters will be trying to misguide them with wrong information.

"Let people know that desired development cannot be achieved without continuation of the government," she said.

Hasina said people now can realise that the country has been able to achieve the development and prosperity as the AL-led government has been in power for the last eight years.

About the manifestos announced before the 2008 and 2014 general elections, the AL president said almost all of

the pledges have been fulfilled. In some cases, her party-led government has done more than its commitments, she added.

About the motto of her party politics, Hasina said, AL does politics to protect the interest of people and build their fate.

The premier also stressed maintaining honesty and boldness, and working with self-confidence, or else, evil forces cannot be tackled.

Referring to the Padma Bridge issue, the PM said the mega project is being constructed with own resources facing all the challenges.

On completion of the mega project, Hasina said, many countries might follow the initiative of Bangladesh as an example.

The PM said the country will see tremendous progress if AL remains in power. "BNP means killing, plundering money, terrorism and sufferings of people," she said.

The party that was born illegally cannot do any welfare and development of the country, she added.

14 lives lost on the road

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three-wheeler fell into a ditch Mohadebpur-Naogaon road after he lost his control over the vehicle at Hapania Bazar yesterday.

In Joypurhat, Belal Hossain, 34, of Udaypur village was killed and 20 people were injured as two buses collided head-on near Bash Bridge on Joypurhat-Bogra highway in Kalai upazila on Friday night.

The injured were rushed to Kalai Upazila Health Complex. Our Mymensingh correspondent reports, Habibur Rahman, 45, of Aatpara upazila was killed and his co-rider injured as a bus hit their motorcycle at Bairaura on Kendua-Netrakona road in Netrakona Sadar on Friday night.

In Kishoreganj, Ismail Hossain Tushar, 29, was killed as a truck rammed his motorcycle at Pirijpur Madhyapara on Kishoreganj-Bhairab road in Bajitpur upazila on Friday night.

Ismail, a medical representative, died on the spot.

Spring 2017 semester orientation programme of IUB held

CITY DESK

Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB) organised its Spring-2017 semester's orientation programme for the newly admitted undergraduate students on its Bashundhara campus in the capital yesterday, said a press release.

IUB Vice-Chancellor Prof M Omar Rahman welcomed the students and their parents at the event where IUB Registrar Brig Gen (ret'd) Anwarul Islam spoke highlighting the academic rules and regulations of the university.

Deans of different schools were present at the event conducted by Lima Choudhury, deputy director, Undergraduate Admissions and Financial Aid Office of IUB.

AL to accept president's

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the next national election.

An AL delegation led by party chief and Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina on January 11 placed 11-point proposal to President Abdul Hamid during talks, initiated by the president for the formation of the new EC.

The tenure of the current EC expires this month.

Regarding AL, he said, "The country is now full of leaders; we need more activists than leaders to run the party."

State Minister for Finance and Planning, also local lawmaker, MA Mannan; lawmaker Moazzem Hossain Ratan, and Samsunnahar Begum Sahana was present.

The bridge project involving Tk 126crore will connect Pagla-Jagannathpur-Aushkandi road.

Movement at appropriate

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torture and repression. "Besides, over 500 BNP men were subjected to enforced disappearance...The government has targeted to destroy BNP."

Gonosasthaya Kendra founder Zafrullah Chowdhury also spoke.

Star celebrates Staff Day

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Development; Sanjay Kumar from Admin and HR; Jahurul Islam from

Accounts and Finance and Shamim Chowdhury from Production Department.

Sustainable cities an uphill

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Munshiganj, Narsingdi and Manikganj. "Quick implementation of Dhaka's master plan is also essential."

Another urban expert, Prof Jamilur Reza Chowdhury, said Bangladesh needs to focus on ensuring sustainable transport, housing, water supply, utility services, sanitation, environment and infrastructure and building to make the cities sustainable.

"It's very difficult for a country like Bangladesh to make its urban spaces sustainable within 2030. It will take time, but the government needs to put in its all efforts to achieve the goal by the stipulated time."

Dr Sarwar Jahan, a professor of urban & regional planning at Buet, said the country is yet to adopt a national urban policy for

ensuring sustainable urbanisation.

He said a group of urban experts had made a policy titled "Bangladesh Urban Policy" in 2006 for ensuring proper and sustainable urbanisation, but the government is yet to adopt it. "I think adopting an inclusive urban policy and making laws and regulation to implement it will be the first step towards achieving the SDG 11."

He also emphasised on decentralisation to deal with the existing major city problems.

Executive Director of Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD) Prof Mustafizur Rahman said the country's majority people will live in cities and towns after 25 to 30 years. "So, the target of ensuring sustainable cities is important from the perspective of economic, social and environmental integration."

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The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) in Bangladesh is seeking applications from qualified Bangladeshi nationals for the position of **Travel Assistant** in the Executive Office (EXO).

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| 1. | Tender ID: 82097 | Supply of Window & Split type Air Cooler for Boiler Maintenance division of APSCL. | January 11, 2017 17.45 BST | January 30, 2017 15.00 BST |
| 2. | Tender ID: 82502 | Supply, Installation, testing and commissioning of Demi Water transfer line from 225 MW CCPP Demi water storage tank to 450 MW CCPP (South) Demi water tank of APSCL. | January 12, 2017 20.00 BST | February 06, 2017 15.00 BST |

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Invitation for Tender

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| 01. Ministry/Division | Ministry of Education | | |
| 02. Agency | University Grants Commission of Bangladesh (UGC)/ Shahjalal University of Science and Technology, Sylhet (SUST) | | |
| 03. Procuring Entity Name | Director of Planning & Development, SUST, Sylhet. | | |
| 04. Procuring Entity District | Sylhet | | |
| 05. Invitation for | Mentioned in identification of Packages (Sl. No: 15) | | |
| 06. Invitation Ref No & Date | Tender No. PD/PCP/46/Rev/2016-17/09, Date: 12.01.2017 | | |
| KEY INFORMATION | | | |
| 07. Procurement Method | Open Tendering Method (OTM) | | |
| FUNDING INFORMATION | | | |
| 08. Budget and Source of Funds | GOB, Revenue 2016-17 | | |
| PARTICULAR INFORMATION | | | |
| 09. Tender Last Selling Date from Bank | 03/02/2017 | 3:00 pm | |
| 10. Tender Closing Date and Time | 05/02/2017 | 11:00 am | |
| 11. Tender Opening Date and Time | 05/02/2017 | 11:15 am | |
| 12. Selling Tender Document | Sonali Bank Ltd, Shahjalal University of Science & Technology Branch, Sylhet | | |
| Receiving and Opening Tender Document | Office of the Director of Planning & Development, SUST, Sylhet | | |
| 13. Delivery Location | Department of Chemical Engineering & Polymer Science, SUST, Sylhet. | | |
| INFORMATION FOR TENDERER | | | |
| 14. Eligibility of Tenderer | Technically sound and financially solvent and minimum three years of experienced firms in the related field are eligible to participate. | | |
| 15. Tender Package No | Identification of Package(s) | Price of Tender Document (Tk.) | Tender Security Amount (Tk) |
| GR-09 | Supply of Science Equipment for the Department of Chemical Engineering & Polymer Science | 1,000/- | 63,000/- |
| Completion Time | 30 Days | | |
| PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS | | | |
| 16. Name of Official Inviting Tender | M. Akbar Hossain | | |
| 17. Designation of Official Inviting Tender | Director of Planning & Development | | |
| 18. Address of Official Inviting Tender | Shahjalal University of Science & Technology, Sylhet-3114 | | |
| 19. Contact details of Official Inviting Tender | Phone: 0821-727960 Fax: 0821-715257 E-mail: pnd@sust.edu Website: www.sust.edu | | |
| 20. 1. The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders without assigning any reason whatever. | | | |
| 2. Tender security to be given in the form of Bank Draft/ Pay Order favouring "Director of Planning & Development, SUST, Sylhet" | | | |
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Sayed 12.1.17
Director of Planning & Development