

Journalists protest assault on fellows

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Protesting the assault on two journalists during the January 26 anti-Rampal hartal, over a hundred newsmen yesterday formed a human chain in the capital's Karwan Bazar.

They expressed dissatisfaction over the police authorities' "slow move" to punish its guilty members even though several of them responsible for the attack have already been identified.

Journalist leaders termed the Sagar-Runi murder case the glaring example of culture of impunity, as law enforcers failed to submit charge sheet in the case in five years.

Killing and assault on journalists are recurring due to an absence of punishment, they told the programme in front of ETV Bhaban.

Abdul Jalil Bhuyian, former secretary general of a faction of Bangladesh Federal Union of Journalists, said the attack on journalists is basically an attack on the free press. It is not accepted in a civilised and democratic country, he added.

Termed the attack shameful, Shaban Mahmud, president of Dhaka Union of Journalists, urged the home minister to bring the guilty police personnel to book and ensure security of journalists.

Elias Khan, joint secretary of Jatiya Press Club, said the persons responsible for assault on journalists on previous occasions were identified in every incident, but "justice was not delivered." "It is the main cause for recurrence of such incident," he added.

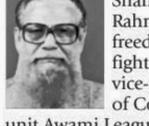
On January 26, police assaulted two journalists of ATN News while they were discharging duties during a half-day shutdown in the capital.

A three-member probe committee submitted its report on Tuesday holding eight police men responsible.

A day later, Dhaka Metropolitan Police Commissioner Asaduzzaman Mia said guilty police men would get punished as per the gravity of their offence after analysing the report.

Obituary

CITY DESK



Shafiqur Rahman; a freedom fighter, former vice-president of Comilla unit Awami League and president of Muradnagar upazila unit of the party; died at his residence in Dhaka on Monday. He was 76.

He left behind his wife, three sons and a daughter.

He was buried in his family graveyard with state honour on Tuesday.

Railway Minister Mujibul Haque attended his namaz-e-janaza.

His Qulhwani will be held in his village today.

Abul Bashar
CITY DESK

Lt Col (ret'd) Abul Bashar, a freedom fighter and a member of the Retired Armed Forces Officers Welfare Association (RAOWA), died on January 27 at Dhaka CMH. He was 67, a said press release.

His namaz-e-Janaza was held after the Juma prayers at Dhaka Cantonment Central Mosque and he was buried in Army graveyard on the same day.

All members, officers and employees of RAOWA expressed grief at the death of Abul Bashar.

Draft law criminalises negligence

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Doctors should inform patients and attendants about the side effects of prescribed medicines and complications of operation, possible costs, and duration of treatment, it says.

MOBILEAPPS ON DRUGS
A project titled "Web portal and mobile application", which will help people know about the adverse impacts of medicines, identify adulterated drugs, and detect overpricing, is now at the pilot stage, said the minister. "Using the software people will be able to file medicine-related complaints swiftly," Nasim said.

The access to information (a2i) programme under the Prime Minister's Office is assisting the project, he added.

578 NEW HIV CASES
In a reply, Nasim said 578 HIV-infected patients were detected fresh in the country

from November 1, 2015 to October 31, 2016. The new detections came through 128 government and private testing centres, he said.

Nasim noted that his ministry had taken various measures through the National AIDS/STD Control Programme to raise awareness among vulnerable people and communities.

In September 2016, he told parliament that 4,143 people were infected with HIV (human immunodeficiency virus) in the country.

Responding to a question, Nasim said mobile courts filed 2,169 cases for production or sale of adulterated and fake drugs across the country in 2016.

Besides, Tk 6.66 crore was realised as fine, while 58 accused were jailed for different terms, 37 companies sealed off, and drugs worth Tk 17 crore seized, he said.

Frauds cloning phone numbers

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union parishad in Sherpur district, is a victim of such fraudulence.

In December last year, the gang took Tk 70,000 from him through mobile banking service, after making a call with a spoofed number belonging to the upazila nirbahi officer.

The victim filed a general diary with the local police two days later when he came to know about the fact. "Still I'm surprised, how the fraudsters can duplicate a phone number," Mofazzal told The Daily Star yesterday.

The director general of the department of fisheries recently wrote to Rab headquarters seeking legal steps as some unscrupulous men have been demanding money and asking for favours from the fisheries officials by making calls cloning his phone number, Rab said.

The gang spoofed the mobile numbers of

DCs of Kushtia, Sirajganj, Nilphamari, Dinajpur and Brahmanbaria and some others, Rab said quoting the nine arrestees.

The arrestees are Ashrafur Islam alias Apel, 20, the mastermind, Mahmudul Hasan, 19, Rakibul Islam, Mohidul Islam alias Milton, 20, Abu Kawsar alias Sabu, 19, Nazmul Hasan, 19, Amanullah Aman, 28, Sagar Hossain, 26, and Billal Hosain, 21.

Rab also seized 22 mobile phones, two laptops, four computers and 53 SIM cards.

"They (fraudsters) are not only misappropriating money but also threatening people..." said Khandker Lutful. "Sometimes, these gangs try to hamper the law and order situation by sending misleading SMS," he added.

Before sending money, everyone should match voice or call back to confirm as the actual owner will get the return call, the official said.

NEWS IN brief

Photo exhibition on haor begins

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A three-day photo exhibition titled "Jol o Joner Golpo" on the lifestyle and livelihoods in haor areas in Bangladesh started yesterday at the capital's Shilpakala Academy marking World Wetlands Day.

This year's theme is "wetlands for disaster risk reduction", says a press release. State Minister for Water Resources Muhammad Nazrul Islam and BRAC Founder and Chairperson Sir Fazle Hasan Abed inaugurated the exhibition, which will remain open till tomorrow.

DMP celebrates 42nd anniversary

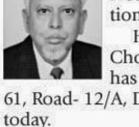
STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Dhaka Metropolitan Police authorities celebrated their 42nd founding anniversary amid festivity in the capital's Rajarbagh Police Lines yesterday.

Home Minister Asaduzzaman Khan Kamal inaugurated the programme around 3:00pm by cutting a cake preceded by a procession starting from DMP Headquarters to Rajarbagh Police Lines. DMP Commissioner Asaduzzaman Mia said various steps have been taken to digitise the services at police stations.

Obituary

STAFF CORRESPONDENT



Former deputy secretary AKM Abdur Rubof Noakhali died due to his old-age complications in England on January 27. He was 80.

He was buried in his family graveyard in Chowmuhani Chowrashtia. A doa mahfil has been arranged at his residence (House-61, Road-12/A, Dhanmondi R/A) after the Asr prayers today.

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FOR DEVELOPMENT OF LNG TERMINAL FACILITIES ON TURNKEY BASIS AT KUTUBDIA, BANGLADESH
Doc. No: REL-BDCCP-NEM-E10-P-00010

- Reliance Power Limited (which shall be deemed to include its Successors and permitted Assigns) invites Applications for Expression of Interest (EOI) to short list reputed EPC Contractors having requisite eligibility & experience in executing similar project works.
- The proposed project will be executed through a separate subsidiary of Reliance Power Limited.
- The detailed document for EOI may be obtained by interested parties themselves or through their authorized representatives on submission of a written request with mention of their e-mail address to "Mr. Smitesh Vaidya, Senior Manager at No. 19, 3rd Floor, Road 7, Block C, Niketon, Gulshan 01, Dhaka, Bangladesh", or request through an electronic mail to Ing@reliancecda.com.
- EOI document shall be issued electronically to interested parties.
- Last date for submission of Application for EOI is 19/02/2017.
- After evaluation of offers in response of EOI, Request for Proposal (RFP) would be issued to the qualified parties.

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ENERGY SPECIALIST

The World Bank Office, Dhaka, Bangladesh seeks to recruit a dynamic professional as an Energy Specialist for the World Bank's Energy & Extractive Team. This is a 3-year Term appointment.

The candidate should have a Bachelor's degree in Engineering with a Master's degree in Finance/Engineering/Economics; and a minimum of 5 years of relevant professional experience in Energy.

This is a country office position in Bangladesh subject to local recruitment under the Bangladesh compensation plan. The World Bank offers a locally competitive package.

Details (Vacancy # 170166) are available in the World Bank Careers website: www.worldbank.org/careers. All applications must be submitted through this website. The World Bank Group is committed to achieving diversity in terms of gender, nationality, culture and educational background. Individuals with disabilities are equally encouraged to apply.

Closing date is February 15, 2017.

Only short-listed candidates will be contacted for interview.

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