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Print journalism is facing a two-pronged challenge -- one technological and the other -- a more insidious one -- ideological.

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MP LITON MURDER
Ex-MP held as suspect

Police say ex-JP MP Kader's name came from some of the arrestees

STAR REPORT

Col (ret'd) Abdul Kader Khan, a former Jatiya Party lawmaker, was arrested in Bogra yesterday for his suspected involvement in the murder of Gaibandha-1 Awami League MP Manzurul Islam Liton.



Kader Khan

The arrest was made within a day after the inspector general of police claimed that Liton's killers had been identified.

A team of Gaibandha police with the help of Bogra police arrested Kader, a doctor, at his residence/clinic in Rahmannagar area of Bogra town around 5:00pm, said police.

"During interrogation, some of the arrestees in Liton murder case told us the name of Kader. We have arrested him on suspicion of his involvement in the killing," Ashraf Alam, superintendent of police (SP) in Gaibandha, told our Bogra correspondent.

Kader was taken to Gaibandha around 11:00pm. "During primary interrogation, he gave us some information," he said without elaborating for "the sake of investigation."

Kader would be produced before a court today, he said, adding that they would brief journalists on the matter around 10:00am.

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AMAR EKUSHEY

Remembering the martyrs of 1952

Barefoot they queue at the Central Shaheed Minar. Students of schools and colleges in the capital marched to pay respect to the language martyrs yesterday, Ekushey February and International Mother Language Day.

PHOTO: RASHED SHUMON

She held her grandson's hand tight. Teardrops in her eyes, as she walked up, barefooted, and holding a red rose in another hand. The elderly woman, in her mid-eighties, her vision impaired, would come to the Central Shaheed Minar every year to pay homage to the language heroes who laid down their lives on February 21, 1952. Like her, people from all walks of life paid tributes to the language martyrs yesterday.

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Accolade for Buet teacher

Tanzima wins int'l award for privacy control solutions

STAFF CORRESPONDENT



Tanzima Hashem

Tanzima Hashem, a computer science researcher from Buet, has won the 2017 O W S D - Elsevier Foundation Award for her work in developed computational approaches to protect the privacy of people accessing location-based services.

Her new and innovative solutions allow citizens to have control over their personal and sensitive data on health, habits and whereabouts.

An associate professor at Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (Buet), Tanzima is among the five women from developing countries who have been honoured with the Elsevier Foundation Awards for Early-Career Women Scientists in the Developing World, said a press release issued by Elsevier Foundation on February 16.

The awards were presented at a ceremony at the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) Annual Meeting in Boston, USA on Saturday.

The other winners are María Fernanda Rivera Velásquez of the Universidad Nacional de Chimborazo in Ecuador, Felycia Edi Soetaredjo of the Widya Mandala Catholic University Surabaya in

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TOP QUOTE

CHIEF JUSTICE SK SINHA
TOLD JOURNALISTS AT THE CENTRAL SHAHEED MINAR AFTER PAYING HOMAGE TO THE LANGUAGE HEROES

"Though Bangla has been introduced at public offices, it has not yet been possible to implement this at courts. I'm very sorry for that."

'Abducted' pro-AL man owns that SUV

His wife identifies the vehicle pulled out of river in Gazipur's Kapasia last month

RASHIDUL HASAN and ABU BAKER SIDDIQUE AKAND

"Abducted" Khandaker Hefzur Rahman, a pro-Awami League man who got a Jatiya Party (Manju) ticket in the January 5, 2014, polls, is the owner of the luxury car recovered from a Kapasia river in Gazipur last month.

Police revealed the information Monday after Hefzur's wife Saleha Begum identified the Toyota Land Cruiser Prado sport utility vehicle at Kapasia Police Station.

The identification of the car gave Saleha some hope of finding her husband, who



was "abducted" from the capital by armed men in 2015.

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