

RCC mulls expanding its horizon

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Rajshahi

Rajshahi City Corporation (RCC) is planning to expand its area by integrating two municipalities.

Apart from Nawhata and Katakhal municipalities, RCC plans to incorporate some portions of Horipur union in Poba upazila, said the corporation officials.

"Urban areas are expanding very fast outside the city without proper planning. Therefore, the expansion has become necessary at the earliest for a planned urbanisation," said RCC Mayor Mosaddek Hossain Bulbul.

Bulbul, also president of the city unit of BNP, said they had decided on the expansion in accordance with the government's urbanisation plans.

"We will hold seminars and symposiums for drumming support for the expansion," he told The Daily Star.

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Indigenous people living in Dhaka form a human chain in front of the Jatiya Press Club yesterday, protesting the June 2 arson attack on the houses of the ethnic minority communities in Longadu upazila of Rangamati, which forced thousands of people to flee homes.

PHOTO: STAR

A year on, no charge sheet yet



MITU MURDER

PRANABESH CHAKRABORTY, Ctg

Tomorrow is the first death anniversary of Mahmuda Khanam Mitu, wife of former superintendent of police Babul Akhter.

Mitu was stabbed and shot dead when she was walking her son to his school bus stop at GEC intersection in Chittagong city on June 5 last year. Babul filed a case against three unidentified men with Panchlaish Police Station in connection with the murder.

But the charge sheet of the murder case sees no light in the last one year.

Police could not even unearth the motive behind the sensational murder. The investigation agency is yet to know the whereabouts of Kamrul Islam Shikder alias Musa -- the key person

involved in the killing.

Detective Branch (DB) of Chittagong Metropolitan Police (CMP) is now investigating the case. Its Additional Deputy Commissioner Md Kamruzzaman, also the IO in the case, yesterday said it is difficult to say when the charge sheet will be submitted.

Claiming that there is a significant progress in the investigation process, he, however, said they are trying to wrap up the probe as soon as possible.

"Most of the accused in the case have been arrested and identities of the killers who took part in the killing mission were identified. Two accused -- Wasim and Md Anwar -- gave their confessional statements before a court under 164 and revealed that Musa hired them."

The IO said, "The motive of the case will be revealed if Musa is arrested."

Kamruzzaman said, "A bounty on

Musa was announced. Steps were also taken so that he could not leave the country."

However, Musa's family repeatedly alleged that law enforcers had picked him up on June 22 last year.

The Mitu murder case took a new turn when police picked up Babul from his in-laws' house in the capital's Banashri area on June 24 last year. After 15 hour-interrogation, he was released. On September 6, home ministry through a circular stated that on the basis of the "application" submitted by Babul, he was relieved of his job.

On February 26 this year, Babul's father-in-law Mosharrif Hossain told the media that they were suspecting that Babul might have involvement in the killing. Babul, however, in a Facebook post brushed aside the allegation.

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PDB suffers loss of Tk 7,135 cr

UNB, Dhaka

Among the 45 state-owned enterprises (SOEs), the Power Development Board (PDB) incurred the highest amount of loss, Tk 7,135 crore, in the outgoing 2016-17 fiscal year, while the total loss of the SOEs is Tk 8,630 crore.

PDB shares 84.39 percent of the total loss incurred by the 45 SOEs.

This was revealed in a budget document, "Budget-Brief of SOEs of 2016-17", published by the Monitoring Cell of the Finance Division of the Finance Ministry.

Such a document on the budgetary framework of the SOEs was published by the government for the first time.

As per the document, the PDB loss has increased by Tk 897.52 crore from the previous fiscal year, when it incurred a loss of Tk 6,237 crore.

PDB is the prime organisation responsible for power generation across the country.

About the loss, Finance Minister AMA Muhiith in the preface of the document said PDB incurred the loss "because of the supply of electricity at lower rate than the production cost, purchasing electricity from costly rental and liquid fuel-fired power plants for the sake of public interest to meet the growing demand."

The document shows the PDB earned Tk 26,421 crore in the outgoing fiscal 2016-17, while it spent a total of Tk 33,850 crore

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NEWS IN brief

2 workers killed, another injured as glass sheets fall on them

OUR CORRESPONDENT, N'ganj

Two workers were killed and another was injured as sheets of glass fell on them at Siddhirganj in Narayanganj city yesterday.

The deceased are Salahuddin, 21, and Md Sumon, 27. The injured Robin, 19, is undergoing treatment at Dhaka Medical College Hospital.

The incident occurred when the three were unloading glass sheets from a pickup-van for Sunny Thai Aluminum in Hirajheel Hira Tower area around 2:30pm, said Officer-in-Charge of Siddhirganj Police Station Abdus Sattar. Salahuddin and Sumon died on way to hospital, the OC said.

Obituary

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Benapole

Abu Taleb, president of Sarsha upazila unit of Krishak League, died of a cardiac arrest at Ibn Sina Hospital in the capital early yesterday. He was 75.

He left behind his wife, five sons and five daughters.

He was buried in his family graveyard in the upazila following his namaz-e-janaza.

Freedom fighter's family

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him to Al Wakra Hospital. He has been undergoing treatment there since then as the authorities were bearing his medical expenses.

But they recently informed that they would not carry his medical expenditure anymore, Harun added.

Soon after the incident, his family went to Qatar from Sweden. They are also facing obstacles amid financial crisis, he said.

The doctors at the hospital advised the family to take him to Sweden for further treatment. Considering his present condition, they said there is no alternative but to carry him on an air ambulance.

Harun said they also informed the Bangladesh embassy in Qatar about Shahidul's condition.

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