

# THE RELIEF, THE AGONY

**21 years gone, no headway to unearth mystery of Kalpana's disappearance**  
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Twenty one years have passed since the abduction of Kalpana Chakma, but her disappearance is still unanswered.

After a judicial enquiry, three investigation reports and 39 investigation officers have so far failed to unearth the mystery of the abduction.

"It seems the investigation has been kept in the fridge. We do not want to listen to a fairytale anymore. The culprit must be identified", said Khushi Kabir, human rights activist and coordinator of Nijera Kori, at a discussion in Sagar-Runi Auditorium of Dhaka Reporter's Unity yesterday.

Hill Women's Federation (HWF) and Bangladesh Indigenous Women Network (BIWN) organised the discussion marking 21 years of disappearance of Kalpana and demanded a proper investigation and trial of the culprits.

Everybody knows who abducted Kalpana Chakma, but the report does not mention any name, said the leaders of the organisations.

Kalpana, the 23-year-old organising secretary of HWF, was abducted at gun-point from her home in early hours of June 12 in 1996. It was alleged that a group of plain-clothed men from the military and the Village Defence Party abducted her.

According to Kalpana's family and indigenous rights activists, she was

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Yesterday's rain brought much-awaited relief from a heat wave that was sweeping the country. The residents of the capital city, however, had to go through agonising hours on the roads just to get to one place from another. Traffic snarl-ups were seen in most parts as many major streets went under knee-deep water after heavy showers over the last 24 hours. *Clockwise from top left*, a rickshaw van pulled transports people in between construction scaffolding set on a sidewalk across Sonargaon Hotel in Karwan Bazar. People cross a road flooded with rainwater and sewage from an overflowing sewer system. A car breaks down in the middle of the road. Passengers get inside a building after passing through an inundated road on a rickshaw van in the same area. A section of the Karwan Bazar kitchen market. A roadside tailor continues work while sitting on a stool with his legs folded up.

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