

NEWSIN brief

Conservation of dolphins stressed

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Dolphins have to be conserved as they control population of fish and squid and maintain the balance within ecosystems, said speakers at a workshop yesterday.

The workshop titled, "Expanding the Protected Area Systems to Incorporate Important Aquatic Ecosystems Project," was jointly organised by Bangladesh Forest Department and the United Nations Development Programme at Bangabandhu International Conference Centre in Dhaka.

Istiaque Ahmad, secretary, Ministry of Environment and Forests, was the chief guest while Kyoko Yokosuka, deputy country director UNDP Bangladesh, was a special guest at the programme chaired by Abdul Mabud, deputy chief conservator of forests, Bangladesh Forests Department.

SC to hear ACC appeal on Sunday challenging ex-judge Joynul's bail

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Supreme Court yesterday fixed Sunday for hearing an appeal filed against a High Court order that granted bail to its (SC) former judge Joynul Haq in connection with the case filed by the Anti-Corruption Commission in 2010 seeking his bank statements.

Chamber judge of the SC Appellate Division Justice Syed Mahmud Hossain set the date after hearing a brief hearing on the appeal filed by ACC challenging the order.

Justice Joynul headed the one-man judicial enquiry into the grenade attack on an Awami League rally at Dhaka's Bangabandhu Avenue on August 21, 2004. His probe report found "foreign enemy link" with the attack. The HC on July 10 this year granted an anticipatory bail to Joynul.

12 DB impersonators held in capital

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Twelve persons have been arrested while they were trying to mug a woman by impersonating detectives in the capital's Jatrabari area, said police.

Detectors also seized two pistols, six bullets, a walkie-talkie, two pairs of handcuffs, a jacket inscribed with "DB" and other materials used by law enforcers on Monday.

Employee wellbeing workshop held

CITY DESK

Leatherheds and Footwear Manufacturers and Exporters Association of Bangladesh (LFMEA) with Thought Leaders organised a workshop, "Employee Wellbeing and Corporate Counseling: Personal and Professional Development of Workforce."

Shafin Zul Khan, a mental health consultant from the United Kingdom, conducted the session held in the capital yesterday, said a press release. Thought Leaders is a programme of Ma Shabeda Begum Foundation.

SLAC to keep LRF as observer

CITY DESK

The Supreme Court Legal Aid Committee (SLAC) yesterday decided to keep the Law Reporters Forum, a body of journalists working on the law, constitution, judiciary and human rights, as an observer of its secretariat.

The decision was taken after a SLAC meeting at the chair, said Additional Registrar of the High Court Sabir Faiz. The SLAC, formed under the Legal Aid Services Act in 2000, has been working to provide legal aid to the underprivileged at the SC.



The earth dug up for sewerage work remains on a large portion of a road in the capital's Nayapaltan area, hampering movement of vehicles. The photo was taken on Sunday.

PHOTO: RASHED SHUMON

ADB approves \$526m to boost infrastructure

UNB, Dhaka

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) approved a \$526 million multilateral financing facility (MFF) to help sustain and increase infrastructure investments in Bangladesh, particularly in financing public-private partnership projects as well as renewable energy interventions.

The assistance consists of a \$500 million market-based loan to finance medium and large-scale PPP infrastructure projects, and a \$26 million concessional loan to finance small and medium-sized renewable energy and energy efficiency facilities, primarily in the rural areas of the country.

Both loans are under the Third Public-Private Infrastructure Development Facility (PPIDF3).

A \$750,000 technical assistance was also approved from the Financial Sector Development Partnership Fund to further strengthen the capacity of the infrastructure development. Comptech Limited (DCOL), a state-owned financial institution mandated by the government of Bangladesh to promote and manage PPP projects.

"Infrastructure development is an integral part of Bangladesh's rapid economic growth, but it is undeniable that in order to sustain this growth, the country would need an increased investment in infrastructure that can be filled by the private sector," Peter Marro, an ADB Principal Financial Sector Specialist, was quoted as saying yesterday.

"We hope to continue our contribution to the country's

infrastructure development through PPIDF3."

Bangladesh has recorded steady average growth of 6.3 percent between 2011 and 2015, enabling it to attain lower-middle income status in July 2015.

But real gross domestic product (GDP) growth would need to reach an average annual rate of 7.4 percent during the 7th five-year plan to move Bangladesh toward upper middle-income level, said the ADB statement.

Such targets, it said, will require a substantial increase in public and private investments from about 29 percent of GDP in 2015 to 34.4 percent by 2020.

The gap in infrastructure financing alone is estimated at between 5 percent and 6 percent of GDP or a shortfall of \$9 billion to \$10 billion a year.

KILLING OF SAVAR MAN Wife sues four cops, some locals

COURT CORRESPONDENT

The wife of a slain man yesterday filed a murder case against four policemen of Savar Police Station and some locals.

Mosammat Lima of Shyampur in Savar filed the case with a Dhaka court against them for killing her husband Ismail Hossain, a flower trader, on June 8.

They are Sub-Inspector Tariqui Islam, in-charge of Birulia Police Box under Savar Police Station, constables Babul, Mohsin and Shamim, and locals Faruque, Yusuf, Firoz, Arif, Azizul, Masum, Nizam, Cafur, Milton and Hassan Ali.

After the hearing, Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate Md Mostafizur Rahman asked the officer-in-charge (OC) of Savar Police Station to register the case as a regular case within three days.

According to the case statement, the complainant alleged that the policeman with the help of the locals killed her husband out of their revenge about 10.30 pm on June 8 and killed him without any reason.

The news of the death was published in different national dailies on June 12.

The complainant claimed that she then went to Savar Police Station to file a case against the accused but it refused to do so.

VC HOUSE VANDALISM' Start process to withdraw case in seven days

Students facing the lawsuit issue ultimatum to JU authorities

JU CORRESPONDENT

The agitated students of Jahangirnagar University yesterday issued a seven-day ultimatum to the university authorities to start a process to withdraw the case filed against students over "vandalism of the vice chancellor's residence" on May 27, following a road accident.

To raise the demand, over 300 students, including the 56, rallied at Central Shaheed Minar on the campus.

The students threatened to go for a tougher movement if their demand is not met within the stipulated time.

They also demanded reformation of the committee formed to probe into the May 27 accident.

Prof Mduseem Akhter Hossain, convener of Teachers-Students Unity Platform, said the case should be withdrawn as early as possible for a congenial atmosphere on the campus.

JU Pro-VC Prof Amir Hossain said he will immediately take necessary steps to withdraw the case.

On May 26, Nazmul Hasan Rana, 24, a student of marketing and Arifat, 24, of microbiology, were killed as a bus hit a human haulier carrying them on the Dhaka-Aricha highway in C&B bus stand area in Savar.



Shahid Matiur's father passes away

Commerce minister condoles the death

CITY DESK

Azhar Ali Mallik, father of Shahid Matiur Rahman who embraced martyrdom during the 1969 mass upsurge, died of old-age complications in a hospital in Monksura on Monday.

He was buried in Gopibagh graveyard yesterday, said a press release.

Commerce Minister Iofal Ahmed has expressed his heartfelt condolence at the death of Azhar Ali. Earlier, the minister went to see him while he was undergoing treatment.

Shahid Matiur Rahman, a student of Nabakumar Institution in Dhaka, was killed in a police firing at the final stage of the mass movement that ousted General Ayub Khan from power and paved the way for the country's independence.

Police chief condoles the death

CITY DESK

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Father files murder case

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are yet to arrest anyone but keeping an eye on the accused

"So far we have known that an Indian student was taken to a hospital with injury marks of sharp weapons and another with suffocation marks. Those of the former was declared dead."

"It would become clear how Atteef was killed and whom injured and who is/are behind the incident, as we continue our investigation."

Niraj, a roommate of the two, brought them to the hospital on Saturday early hours.

Niraj claimed that he found Winson hanging from the ceiling and blood stained body of Atteef on the floor of Winson's room. Later, he shouted for Jyotsna and then they took the two to the hospital.

However, while talking to police, Jyotsna said when she entered she saw

both Atteef and Winson were lying on the bed, said Farook. UI Haque, deputy commissioner of Chittagong Metropolitan Police (west division).

Both of them said they did not hear anything suspicious while the incident was taking place inside the flat.

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Television studio launched

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the facilities, acting Dean of Social Science faculty Prof AJM Shaful Alam Bhuiyan, also a teacher of the department, announced this at the launching function of the campus-

based TV channel, "DUTV".

UGC Chairman Prof Abdul Mannan also spoke. The department organised a talkshow at the newly introduced TV Studio after the inauguration ceremony.



Dhaka North City Corporation Mayor Annisul Huq distributes leaflets among residents as part of their awareness programme about controlling Aedes mosquitoes that transmit viral diseases like chikungunya and dengue. The photo was taken in the capital's Mohammadpur Town Hall area yesterday.

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Quader hints at cabinet

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as striking force during the election, Quader replied to a question.

About BNP's stance over the election roadmap, Quader, also the road transport and bridge minister, said BNP has lost its path.

Earlier, Quader held a meeting with Australian delegation at the Setu Bhawan and discussed different issues including development and politics.

Death Anniversary

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