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House help's death sparks violent protest

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Angry locals ransacked a house, torched a vehicle and damaged a dozen others following a housemaid's mysterious death at Banasree in the capital yesterday.

More than a thousand locals clashed with police intermittently since 3:00pm after the law enforcers tried to disperse them.

Police fired rubber bullets and teargas shells during the clashes that turned the area into a virtual battlefield, witnesses said.

The clash stopped around 9:00pm.

Locals ransacked around a dozen vehicles on the road passing along the canal at Banasree from Rampura Bridge and burned tyres, forcing police to halt traffic on the road in the evening, they added.

It could not be learned immediately if any law enforcers or protesters suffered injuries. The six-storey building, the centre of the incident, was in the dark and the condition of its tenants could not be known immediately.

The dead, Laily Begum, 25, used to work as a part-time maid at the house of Moeen Uddin at House 14 on Road 4 in Block D, Banasree.

Moeen took Laily to Dhaka Medical College Hospital around 11:00am and said she hanged herself shutting the door of a room from inside. He added they broke through the door and rushed her to the hospital.

Laily lived in a tin-shed shanty in the area. As the news

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Students of Kalsindur School and College in Mymensingh pose for a photograph with the bicycles they received after taking part in the filming of a football match by a private TV channel. Now they don't need to walk miles to come to school every day.

PHOTO: STAR

Kalsindur girls get bicycles

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gazipur

Twenty eight girls of Kalsindur School and College in Mymensingh's Dhobaura upazila will not walk for hours through remote villages to attend classes anymore.

For taking part in the filming of a football match by a channel i crew recently, the girls asked for bikes.

To their surprise, Shykh Seraj, head of news at the private TV, handed them the bikes sponsored by Pran-RFL Group yesterday.

The girls' football team of the school won a football tournament in the district last summer. The team will participate in the Mymensingh Division Football Championship next year.

Yesmin Akhtar, a 10th grader, said she had always craved for a bike as she had to walk almost six kilometres on her way to and from school every day. Her

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Traceless for three months

Sandwip AL leader abducted from Noakhali in May

ARUN BIKASH DEY, Ctg

Though around three months have passed after the abduction of Chittagong Awami League leader Nur-Nabi Mamun from Noakhali, law enforcers are yet to trace his whereabouts.

Mamun, 33, general secretary of

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Trump-Russia probe gathering new pace

Special counsel Robert Mueller impanels grand jury for investigation

AFP, Washington

Special counsel Robert Mueller has impaneled a grand jury to investigate Russia's interference with the 2016 presidential election, The Wall Street Journal reported Thursday -- a step toward possible criminal indictments.

The newspaper, citing two unnamed sources familiar with the matter, reported that the grand jury had begun its work in the

US capital Washington "in recent weeks."

The move is a sign that the sweeping federal investigation -- which includes allegations that Trump campaign officials coordinated with Russia to tilt the election in the Republican's favour -- is gathering pace.

The establishment of a grand jury will allow Mueller -- a former FBI director -- to

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Unwanted!

Baby girl dies after father, who 'wanted a boy, sets her on fire'

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Narayanganj

A nine-month-old baby girl died of burn wounds in Narayanganj yesterday, five days after her father allegedly set her on fire out of frustration that his first child was not a boy.

The victim is Jannatul of the district's Sonargaon upazila.

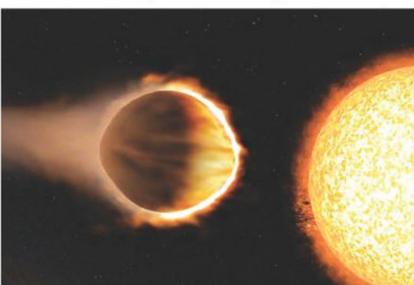
A complaint was filed with Sonargaon Police Station last evening in this regard.

Electrician Jahurul Islam, father of the victim, married Kulsum Begum last year, said Sazia Begum, Kulsum's mother.

He was enraged over the birth of the girl because he

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Exoplanet with glowing water atmosphere found



PTI, Washington

Scientists have for the first time discovered glowing water molecules in the atmosphere of a giant Jupiter-like planet located 900 light years from Earth that is hot enough to boil iron.

This is the first evidence of an exoplanet stratosphere - the layer of atmosphere where temperature increases with higher altitudes.

Previous research spanning the past decade has indicated possible evidence for stratospheres on other exoplanets.

The atmosphere WASP-121b - a gas giant exoplanet commonly referred to as a "hot Jupiter" - was observed using Nasa's Hubble Space Telescope.

"When it comes to distant exoplanets, which we can't see in the same detail as other planets here in our own solar system, we have to rely on proxy techniques to reveal their structure," said Drake Deming, a professor at University of Maryland in the US.

"The stratosphere of WASP-121b so hot it can make water vapour glow, which is the basis for our analysis," said Deming.

To study the gas giant's stratosphere, scientists

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OIC Secretary General Yousef bin Ahmad Al-Othaimen visiting Kutupalong area of Ukhia upazila in Cox's Bazar yesterday. During the visit, he talked to Rohingya refugees and listened to stories of their persecution by security forces in Myanmar.



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China holds drill for 'harmful' websites

REUTERS, Hong Kong

China held a drill on Thursday with internet service providers to practice taking down websites deemed harmful, as the country's censors tighten control ahead of a sensitive five-yearly political reshuffle set to take place later this year.

Internet data centres (IDC) and cloud companies - which host website servers - were ordered to participate in a three-hour drill to hone their "emergency response" skills, according to at least four

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