

## Youth stabbed to death in capital

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Miscrants killed a youth allegedly over establishing supremacy in the capital's Mohammadpur area early yesterday.

The deceased is Mohammad Tasir, 25, an office assistant of Chan Mia Housing Society, said Jamal Uddin Mir, officer-in-charge of Mohammadpur Police Station.

The victim's sister Rabeya Begum said his brother had a feud with local goon Jakir. A chase and counter chase took place between Jakir and Tasir's men on Wednesday evening.

"Yesterday Jakir and four others went to the housing area around 1:00am and stabbed my brother to death," she said.

Tasir's body bore several stabbing marks, the OC said, adding, it was sent to Dhaka Medical College for autopsy.



After remaining stuck for hours in a gridlock on Second Buriganga Bridge at Badamtoli, bus passengers on way to Gulistan from Keraniganj start heading toward their destinations on foot. The photo was taken around noon yesterday.

PHOTO: ANISUR RAHMAN

## TIB urges youth not to compromise with corruption

UNB, Dhaka

Transparency International Bangladesh (TIB) has urged the youth to come forward to build a country with good governance and accountability without compromising with corruption and irregularity.

Local chapter of the Berlin-based anti-graft agency made the call at a workshop at its conference room in the capital, marking the International Youth Day 2017.

Speaking at the event yesterday, TIB Executive Director Dr Iftekharuzzaman said youths along with other stakeholders can play a strong role towards achieving sustainable development goals (SDGs).

"I hope that youths will play an active role in achieving SDGs, particularly SDG-16," he said.

Iftekhar asked policymakers and other stakeholders to involve youths in anti-corruption movement and governance work plans and implementation of these plans to achieve the SDGs.

About 67 students of Dhaka University, who are members of TIB's YES Group, participated in the workshop.

TIB adviser Dr Sumaiya Khair, and its director (outreach and communication) Rezwana-ul-Alam, among others, spoke at the workshop.

# Thousands suffer due to sudden bus strike

STAR REPORT

### BARISAL DIVISION

Thousands of passengers suffered a lot due to a sudden indefinite bus strike in five districts of Barisal division yesterday.

Bus owners and workers under the banner of "Barisal Divisional Bus Malik-Shramik Samity Samannaya Parishad" enforced the strike in the morning, demanding arrest of those who allegedly attacked a bus owners' association leader and a stop to three-wheeler operation on highways.

Our Jhalakathi correspondent reports, due to the strike in Barisal, Jhalakathi, Barguna, Pirojpur and Patuakhali, communication among the five districts and with Dhaka were disrupted.

As the passengers did not find alternative transports, they were seen standing on roads as well as bus stations.

"I wanted to go to Barisal for a doctor's appointment, but there is no vehicle," said Rafiqul Islam, who was waiting with his sister for a bus in Rajapur area.

Similar statements came from Nazneen Aktar who was waiting for a long time at Bagri station in Rajapur.

College teachers Kartik Chandra Das and Maksuda Aktar also narrated their sufferings in the area.

On Tuesday, several drivers of three-wheelers attacked Nazrul Islam Khokon, president of Barisal Bus Owners Association, at Rupatoli Bus Stand in Barisal while he was attending a demonstration against such light vehicles, said Bahadur, secretary of Jhalakathi Bus Sramik Union Samity.

Our Barisal correspondent reports, Kawsar Hossain Shipon, secretary of Barisal-Patuakhali Bus-Minibus Workers' Association, said they would continue the strike until the demands are met.

He said they also demanded putting a stop to plying of vehicles that have no registration and fitness.

Meanwhile, Sabiha Begum, a passenger, who failed to go to her Bauphal residence in Patuakhali, said, "I did not know about such a strike."

Mohammad Monir Hossain, additional district magistrate, said to resolve the crisis, a meeting between police and district administration and bus owners was being held till 8:30pm at Barisal Circuit House.

Our Patuakhali correspondent adds, many passengers at Patuakhali Bus Stand tried in vain to go to their respective destinations as they were unaware of the strike.

## ACC sues Falu's wife over Tk 3.93cr corruption

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Anti-Corruption Commission yesterday filed a case against wife of BNP chairperson's former adviser Mohammad Ali Falu over amassing wealth worth Tk 3.93 crore beyond known source of income and giving baseless and false information in the wealth statement.

ACC Deputy Director Jahangir Alam filed the case against Mahbuba Sultana with Ramna Model Police Station.

According to the case statement, ACC issued a notice to Mahbuba for filing wealth statement on August 31, 2016. It was received by Falu on behalf of his wife.

Following the notice, Mahbuba submitted a wealth statement on October 3, 2016. In her statement, she said the amounts of her moveable and immovable properties were Tk 6,57,50,700 and Tk 3,00,31,106 respectively.

Mahbuba also mentioned that her liability was worth Tk 1,01,20,000. The accused claimed that she earned Tk 1,25,36,863 from fish and cattle farming, Tk 1,74,282 from other sources and invested Tk 2,00,00,000 in business and another Tk 66.77 lakh at Banani residence.

However, in the investigation, ACC did not find any document in support of the earning and the source of income for the investment.

"She could not show records or documents in support of total Tk 3,93,88,472 and it is apparent in the primary investigation that her known source of income is inconsistent to the sum," reads the case statement.

## NEWS IN brief

### US embassy closed on Monday

CITY DESK

The US embassy will be closed on Monday, in observance of Janmashtami, a national holiday in Bangladesh.

The closure also includes the Consular Section and the American Center with the Archer K Blood American Center Library and the EducationUSA Student Advising Center.

Emergency services for American citizens will be available by calling on 55662000.

### Girl 'kills herself' in capital

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A college girl allegedly hanged herself in her relative's house in the capital's New Market area.

Sumaiya Wardah, 20, of Jessore, -- a student of Dhaka City College -- used to stay in her uncle's house. On information, police recovered the body yesterday morning, said Atikur Rahman, officer-in-charge of New Market Police Station.

The girl left a suicide note in which she stated that nobody was responsible for her death, he added.

No one except the house help was in the house as her uncle and aunt were in India for treatment since July 30.

### Obituary

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Mohammad Mohsin Mallick, a former superintendent engineer of Public Works Department, died on Sunday night due to old-age complications at his Dhanmondi residence. He was 86, said a press release.

He left behind two sons. He was buried in Banani graveyard on Monday.

A doa mahfil and qulhwani will be held today after Maghrib prayers at his residence. All his friends, relatives and well wishers are requested to attend.



Special Branch of police organises a voluntary blood donation programme at its office in the capital yesterday ahead of national mourning day on August 15. Chief of Special Branch of police Dr Mohammad Javed Patwary joined the event as the chief guest. Sixty four members of SB donated blood during the event.

## DU no place for JCD

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unit President Johirul Islam and General Secretary Mehedi Hasan Sunny had suddenly attacked them leaving a JCD man injured.

Masud Al-Mahdi, the coordinator of the discussion, said, "We invited the university's student organisations to participate in an open discussion about Ducsu election. Each organisation was asked to send three representatives."

"JCD men entered the campus to join the discussion and were trying stage a showdown on the campus while BCL men attacked them."

"This incident proves BCL do not want Ducsu election even though they have always been saying that they want Ducsu election," he added.

However, BCL President of DU unit Abid Al Hasan said, "BCL men obstructed the JCD men as the latter were trying to make a chaos on the campus."

Asked about their absence in the discussion, he said they did not get any invitation to join the talk.

Contacted, JCD President of DU unit Al Mehedi Talukder said, "We were invited to send three representatives to a discussion on Ducsu election. As we moved on to the campus, around 30-40 activists accompanied us."

"But BCL men all of a sudden started chasing us and attacked our activists," he said.

Later, leaders and activists of Bangladesh Chhtra Union, Bangladesh Chhtra Front, Bangladesh Chhtra Federation took part in the open discussion where they demanded immediate holding of Ducsu polls.

The last Ducsu election was held on July 6, 1990. On May 27, 1998, the university authorities dissolved the Ducsu Executive Committee of 1990-91. After that no election was held till this date.

## Government changes envoys in 4 countries

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

The government has decided to bring changes at the Ambassadorial level in four important countries through transfer and fresh appointment.

In addition, the government has nominated Bangladesh Ambassador in France M Shahidul Islam as the next secretary general of the Bay of Bengal Initiatives for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC), which is due to get final approval today at the ministerial meeting of the regional body.

Dhaka is the headquarters of the seven South Asian and South East Asian countries body.

According to the foreign ministry sources, the government has decided to transfer Bangladesh High Commissioner in Australia Kazi Imtiaz Hossain as next ambassador to France.

On the other hand, Bangladesh Ambassador to Myanmar Sufiur Rahman has been transferred to Australia as the next high commissioner.

Rezina Ahmed, consul general of Bangladesh Consulate in Milan, Italy has been appointed as ambassador to Myanmar.

Shameem Ahsan, consul general of Bangladesh Consulate in New York, has been appointed as High Commissioner for Bangladesh in Mauritius.



Buses remain parked at Rupatoli station in Barisal city yesterday, following a strike in the division. The photo was taken around 11:00am.

PHOTO: STAR

### NO END TO BLOODSPILL ON ROADS

## Accidents claim 6 lives

CITY DESK

Six people were killed and two others injured in road accidents in three districts yesterday and on Wednesday.

In the capital, a garment worker was killed yesterday as he was hit by a truck while he was crossing a road in Shah Ali area.

The deceased Habibur Rahman was on his way home from work.

He was taken to Dhaka Medical College Hospital by locals after the incident occurred around 10:30pm on Wednesday. Later, doctors declared him dead around 12:15am yesterday, said Assistant Sub-Inspector Bachchu Mia of DMCH Police Outpost.

In Uttara of the capital, 14-year-old Habibur Rahman Habu died after he was run over by a bus of "VIP Poribohon" at sector-1 around midnight.

Doctors at DMCH declared him dead around 2:00am, the SI said.

In another incident, an unidentified woman, aged around 35, was killed as she was hit by a vehicle in Kaola of Airport area yesterday.

In Natore Sadar, two people were killed and two others injured in a head-on collision between a bus and a pickup-van on Natore-Rajshahi highway in Ekdala area early yesterday.

The deceased are Rajon Candra, 28, and Rezaul Islam, 17. Both of them hailed from Rajshahi.

In Dinajpur, a schoolgirl was killed as she fell on the road from an easy-bike carrying her after her scarf got tangled with a wheel in Sultanpur village under Bochaganj upazila yesterday.

The deceased Rupa Rani, 13, daughter of Raj Kumar of Uchitpur village, was a class-seven student of Kaharol Girls' School.

## Registrar has to resign

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The committee also recommended that Farhan's termination or confirmation be resolved based solely on his academic research, teaching evaluation, service to university, community service, and self-development, said a press release uploaded on the official website of the university.

The university will take due actions as per the recommendations of the committee, it reads.

Farhaan, who joined the university as a lecturer in July last year, filed a complaint with Banani Police Station, accusing registrar and two other administrative officials for assaulting him.

However, the two officials -- assistant registrar Md Mahi Uddin and senior officer at the office of co-curricular activities Javed Rasel -- resigned from their posts on August 5.

Farhaan earlier said "The university authorities issued a letter extending my contract till August 31 instead of regularising my job."

Expressing grievance at the decision, he wrote an application to the authorities.

The teacher alleged that he was asked to appear before the office July 30 and was given a termination letter instead.

"As I refused, the registrar pulled on my ID card with such force that my panjabi's pocket was torn...", Farhaan said, adding that the two other officials had assisted the registrar during the assault.

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