

TANGAIL ROAD ACCIDENT

'Reckless driving responsible'

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Tangail

Reckless driving was the reason behind Thursday's fatal road accident in Tangail, which killed nine people, including eight members of two families, said law enforcers.

"Three 'O's-- overloading, over speeding and overtaking -- were reasons behind the accident," said Sub-Inspector Jahangir Alam, in-charge of Elenga highway police outpost.

"The microbus was carrying 16 people, including its driver and helper, against its capacity of 12 people. The driver crossed the speed limit and the vehicle collided head-on with the truck while overtaking another vehicle," he said.

"The driver of the truck was also responsible as he did not move the vehicle aside before the collision although there was sufficient space," he said.

Sub-Inspector Shah Alam of Elenga Highway Police filed a case against the two drivers with Tangail Model Police Station a day after the accident, he said.

The unidentified truck driver fled from the scene after the accident while the critically injured driver of the microbus is undergoing treatment at Dhaka Medical College Hospital, he added.

Khalilur Rahman Patwari, officer-in-charge of Gorai Highway Police Station, blamed reckless driving, unfit vehicles, and unskilled drivers (often having no valid driving license) for most of the road accidents that often cause casualties.

Habibur Rahman, assistant director of Tangail office of Bangladesh Road Transport Authorities, blamed overloading, over speed and overtaking as reasons behind most of the accidents.

However, driver Mir Lutfar Rahman Lajlu, also a transport workers' leader in Tangail, blamed lack of proper road management for most of the accidents. He also termed simultaneous movement of different kinds of high and low speed vehicles on the highway as a main reason behind the accidents. Besides, lack of necessary road signs, overpasses and underpasses, setting up of markets and other structures just beside the road and lack of awareness among the passers-by and passengers are other reasons behind the accidents, he added.

A driver seeking anonymity said some vehicle owners do not arrange proper maintenance or repair of their vehicles until those fall in accident or break down on the road.

A bus owner alleged that many of the accidents occur when drivers drive vehicles after taking drugs.

"In most of the cases after accidents, the culprits escape punishment due to poor investigation and weak charge sheet submitted by the law enforcers. It is a reason behind the increasing number of road accidents," said advocate S Akbar Khan, also public prosecutor in Tangail.

In some cases, the family members of the accident victims accept it as their fate while the witnesses show unwillingness to give evidence in court, he added.

Habiganj boat capsizes death toll rises to 7

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Maulvibazar

The death toll from Habiganj boat capsizing reached to seven as two more bodies were recovered from the Khowai river of the district yesterday.

Identity of the victims could not be confirmed as the bodies were decomposed beyond recognition, said Mozammel Haque, officer-in-charge of Baniachang Police Station.

On information, police recovered the bodies from Shahpur and Radhapur areas of the river, said the OC.

Earlier on Saturday, the body of a youth was recovered from Khowai in Habiganj Sadar.

2 drug peddlers get life-term

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Chapainawabganj

A court here yesterday sentenced two drug peddlers to life-term rigorous imprisonment (RI).

The court also fined each of them Tk 20,000, in default, to suffer six months more in jail.

The convicts are Soyebur Rahman, 55, son of Dost Mohammad, and Majibur Rahman, 40, son of Sadol Ibrahim of Bag Durgapur village in Shibganj upazila of the district.

Judge Ziaur Rahman of Chapainawabganj Special Tribunal-2, also additional district and sessions judge, handed down the verdict in presence of the accused.

According to the prosecution, members of the Rapid Action Battalion (Rab)-5 arrested Soyebur and Majibur with 200 grams of heroin from the Kansat-Gopalnagar intersection in Shibganj upazila on March 2 in 2016.

Nayaek Subedar Mofazzal Hossain filed a case against them the same night with Shibganj Police Station under Narcotics Control Act.

On completion of investigation, Investigation Officer Sub-Inspector Gazi Moazzem Hossain pressed charges against them on May 30 the same year.



Most of Fenchuganj upazila town in Sylhet remains under water for long due to flooding by the Kushiara river. Inset, a house surrounded by water in Hakaluki Haor area of the upazila, showing a typical picture of some 30 villages affected by weeks-long floods.

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30 Fenchuganj villages under floodwater for three months

MINTU DESHWARA, back from Fenchuganj

At least 30 villages in Fenchuganj upazila of Sylhet have remained under floodwater for the last three months, affecting around 60 thousand people as the Kushiara river swelled following onrush of water from the upstream in Indian state of Assam.

The Barak river in Assam has swollen following continuous rain, causing the Kushiara river in Sylhet to overflow while downpour in the district worsened the situation.

The Kushiara overflowed, flooding the low-lying areas while the Sylhet-Fenchuganj road at different points has been washed away due to heavy rain.

This correspondent found 500 shops out of 700 were under water in Fenchuganj upazila town and only a few shops remained open. With floodwater not receding for one month, business has been suffering, said the local traders.

Most effected villages are Pitaitikor, Gushogram, Bagmara, Goyasi, Velcuna, Surikandi, Saikandi, Sottish, Sunapur, Uttor Islampur, Moipur and Boraout.

The business activities in important trading places like Fenchuganj Bazar area have been stalled as communication network has fallen apart.

Trader Fahim Ahmed said sale at his shop was around Tk 10 thousand to 15 thousand a day, but for the past few months that has come

down to Tk 20 a day. He said he had to pile bricks up on the floor of his shop amid water. With water all around, there is fear of snakes too.

Minhaj Uddin said his house was under knee-deep water and several layers of bricks have been set upon which he placed a bed as a makeshift platform to live in. But with two children, it is worrying that they may fall into the water any time, he said, adding that cooking is also a problem.

Fenchuganj Upazila Nirbahi Officer (UNO) Anisur Rahman said with the level of water in the Kushiara rising alarmingly, the entire upazila is flooded. The flood water was 132 cm above danger level on September 5 while it is now 132 cm above danger level at

Fenchuganj point. He said the administration is doing its level best to help the flood victims. Suffering can't be avoided in such a natural calamity, he added.

Communication between the upazila headquarters and the district has been snapped, he added.

Fenchuganj Upazila Chairman Saifullah Al Husain said around 30 villages in the upazila are under floodwater for the last three months, affecting at least 60,000 people. Besides, supply of food items and other goods has been disrupted due to the flooding of roads in the upazila, he added.



Teachers, students, officials and employees of Maulana Bhasani University of Science and Technology in Tangail form a human chain on the campus yesterday protesting brutalities on the Rohingyas in Myanmar, which has caused fleeing of hundreds of thousands of the victims to Bangladesh. The participants urged for support from across the globe for end of the persecution on the ethnic community in the neighbouring country and steps for return of the refugees from Bangladesh.

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JISHAN MURDER Accused on 2-day remand

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jamalpur

A court here yesterday granted a two-day remand for an accused in the case for the murder of schoolboy Jishan.

Senior Judicial Magistrate Wahiduzzaman gave the order, said Court Inspector Abdul Kader.

On Wednesday, police produced the accused before a court seeking a five-day remand and the court fixed the date for the hearing yesterday.

Son of Mamun Master of Kacharipara area in Jamalpur town, Nabin, 28, one of the three named accused in the case, was shown arrested on September 5 after the case was filed with Sadar Police Station the same day.

Monira Begum, mother of slain Mominul Islam Jishan of Muslebad area in the town, filed the case, accusing three named youths, including Nabin, and 10 to 12 unnamed people, said Sub-Inspector Asadul Islam.

The two other named accused are Rahi, 22, son of Md Ranju of Station Road area, and Kawsar, 24, son of Arju of Pathalia area.

Ninth grader Jishan, also the convener of the school unit of Bangladesh Chhatra League, was stabbed to death when he came out of a cinema hall on September 3.

Fake NSI man arrested

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

Members of Raid Action Battalion (Rab) arrested a man posing as a National Security Intelligence (NSI) member in Kaharol upazila of the district on Saturday night.

The arrestee is Md Abdullah Al Mahmud, 24, son of Ismail Hossain of Uttar Moheshpur village in the upazila.

Acting on a tip-off, a team of Dinajpur Rab arrested Abdullah from Garnurpur village.

They handed him over to Kaharol police yesterday.

Officer-in-Charge of Kaharol Police Station Ayub Ali said police produced Abdullah before the Additional Judicial Magistrate's Court that sent him to jail.

11-hour ride a 30 hours' ordeal

KONGKON KARMAKER, Dinajpur

An 11-hour journey from Kurigram to Dhaka is now a 30-hour ordeal.

Travelling to the capital from northern districts is getting longer than usual due to traffic congestion.

The situation was created as a number of local unfit buses ply Dhaka-Rangpur and Dhaka-Dinajpur routes to tackle the surge of Dhaka-bound passengers after Eid, said highway police.

"Usually it's a 10 to 11 hours' journey, but, it took 30 hours to reach Dhaka from Kurigram," said Golam Mostafa, officer of Chilmari Fire Station in Kurigram.

The situation is almost same for the travellers of Dinajpur, Thakurgaon, Panchagarh, Rangpur, Joypurhat and Naogaon, said counter staff of Dhaka-bound buses from the districts.

Meanwhile, the schedules of almost all day and night coaches were cancelled due to huge traffic jam yesterday, they said.

Travellers said the long congestion began from Pirganj of Rangpur, Gobindaganj and Palashbari of Gaibandha, Sirganj and Tangail. Situation is worse from Jamuna Bridge toward Dhaka, said Rafiqul Islam, a passenger from Rangpur.

Md Ripon, manager of SR Travels in Rangpur, said a bus left the district on Saturday morning and arrived in Dhaka around 12:00 noon yesterday. "We can't maintain schedule because of the terrible situation," he said.

Haidar Ali, ticket counter manager of Nabil Enterprise in Dinajpur, said such a situation has created a crisis of coaches as most coaches are stranded in tailbacks in different places.

A coach, which left Dhaka on Saturday noon, arrived in Dinajpur after 20 hours, he said.

Rabiul Islam of Rangpur purchased a ticket of SR Travels for a bus, which was scheduled to leave Rangpur for Dhaka around 8:00am yesterday.

"When I phoned the counter manager, he asked me to come around 8:00pm," he said.

Nearly 10 companies including SR Travels, Shyamoli Enterprise, Khaleque, Nabil Enterprise, Agomoni Express and Green Line operate buses between northern districts and Dhaka, and all cancelled their schedules in Dinajpur and Rangpur yesterday due to traffic congestion.

Md Munna, a bus driver of Dinajpur, blamed the bad state of the highways for the horrible situation.

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