



The ruins of houses destroyed by the wildfire are seen near Fountaingrove Parkway in Santa Rosa, California. At least 40 people are confirmed dead with hundreds still missing. Officials expect the death toll to rise, and now estimate that 5,700 structures have been destroyed.

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## Shajahan

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(collective bargaining agent) leaders of Rupali Bank.

Ataur Rahman Proddhan, managing director of the bank, was not at his office at the time.

Earlier on July 19, Rupali Bank sacked three of its CBA leaders for assaulting a general manager, an assistant general manager and a deputy assistant general manager of the bank's local office on December 5 last year.

The sacked leaders are CBA President Mustak Ahmed, General Secretary Md Kabil Hossain Kazi and Md Arman Mollah.

The bank also sent an employee into forced retirement, demoted four others and transferred them outside the capital for their links with the assault.

Shajahan battled for the errant CBA leaders, saying that though they were sacked, they didn't create chaos in the bank. Rather, they went to the court and challenged the bank's decision.

"Solve the problem, and if you need, I am ready to help," he said.

The minister then left the bank without meeting any of its high-ups.

## Humiliated

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"The woman rebuked and slapped my daughter after she said she hated Shuvho," Rabiul said, adding that the woman was a local community leader.

He also said as he protested the matter, Shuvho and the other youths started beating him and tried to abduct Chadni.

Horrified, the girl ran straight into her room and locked it.

When her mother, Robina Akhter, started screaming, Shuvho, his father, his friends and Mafia Begum fled. Later, the parents somehow opened the door and discovered the girl dead, said police, quoting Rabiul.

On information, police recovered the body and sent it to Khulna Medical College Hospital for autopsy.

The next day, Rabiul filed a case against five people, including Shuvho, his parents and Mafia Begum, with Labonchara Police Station under the Women and Children Repression Prevention Act, said the OC, Shafiqul Islam.

"We've detained Mafia Begum. We're interrogating her," he said, adding, the other accused were on the run and they were trying to arrest them as well.

Rabiul said, "My little daughter was very good in her studies and secured GPA-5 in her primary school certificate exams. She dreamt that she would become a doctor someday, but all our hopes are now over."

"She took her own life to avoid her abduction and further humiliation through it... I want nothing but justice."

Several classmates of Chadni at Government Coronation Girls High School in Khulna city also said Shuvho used to tease her on her way to and from the school.

The teachers and the students of the institution formed a human chain in front of the school building yesterday, demanding immediate arrest of all the culprits.

Chadni was buried near her home on Saturday.

Her only brother studies at a private university in Dhaka and elder sister lives with her husband at another place in Khulna.

## Twin bomb attacks

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"We're mourning the loss of 5 Somali Red Crescent volunteers, also killed in this attack," tweeted the International Committee of the Red Cross.

Police and emergency workers searched the rubble of destroyed buildings on Sunday. They had recovered dozens of corpses the night before, most of which were charred beyond recognition.

Hundreds of people came to the junction in search of missing family members and police cordoned off the area for security reasons.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility, although the Islamist militant group al Shabaab, which is active in al Qaeda, stages regular attacks in the capital and other parts of

the country.

The group is waging an insurgency against the UN-backed government and its African Union allies in a bid to topple the weak administration and impose its own strict interpretation of Islam.

The militants were driven out of Mogadishu in 2011 and have been steadily losing territory since then to the combined forces of African Union peacekeepers and Somali security forces.

But al Shabaab retains the ability to mount large, complex bomb attacks. Over the past three years, the number of civilians killed by insurgent bombings has steadily climbed as al Shabaab increases the size of its bombs.

## Airwaves of change

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of Kurigram's least developed villages. The popular "Nareer Katha" programme at 4:35pm on Saturdays for example, is dedicated to women's rights and discusses issues such as domestic violence, divorce and acid violence, as well as featuring women's success stories.

Radio Chilmarī has broadcast a drama dealing with the death of an underage mother during pregnancy and another with an anti-tobacco theme. It has run documentaries on education within the marginalised Harijan sweeper community, on the life of a disabled girl, about the ongoing problem of child marriage. Its commitment to development has earned the radio station numerous national and international awards.

But rather than dwell on past achievement, from its studio in Mistripara village of Raniganj union, Radio Chilmarī's focus is the future. "Last year we upgraded our broadcast frequency from 100 to 250 watts which means we can cover a transmission range of 25 kilometres," says Shariful Islam Khan, member secretary of the station's managing committee.

The radio station also actively addresses local unemployment. "We have intern volunteers who learn scriptwriting, programme planning and pronunciation, as well as directing, recording and producing skills," says Bashir Ahmad. "Currently we have 22 interns. One of our former volunteers Krishna Kamol Barmon has recently joined a community radio station in Gaibandha as a programme producer."

## Some still

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Asked about taking action against university buses, he said they already informed the university authorities of taking action if any university bus used the wrong side of the road.

Earlier, the DMP conducted a three-day special operation against wrong-side driving, beginning on September 24. A number of vehicles, including that of a state minister, a lawmaker, several top bureaucrats and journalists, were fined during the drive.

The drive was conducted again on October 4 on Hare Road in the city when 41 more vehicles, including that of a Public Service Commission member, were fined.

According to traffic police records, police fined 116,026 vehicles in the last fiscal year for travelling against traffic.

Lutfunnahar Happy is a first-year student of Chilmarī Women's College and an up-and-coming radio jockey. "I've been working at the radio station for five years," she says. "I've seen how it's possible to build a career here. After graduation I will try to find a good job in this industry."

Of course a radio station is nothing without listeners. "I used to listen to BBC Bangla service but now I'm an avid listener of our local radio station," says Shefali Rani, 28, a social science master's student from Mandolpara village in Kurigram sadar upazila. "I like their light entertainment and women's programmes, and especially 'Voice of English'. But I wish they had an English programme for advanced learners."

"The phone-in question-answer shows and their family planning programme 'Shukhi Sangshar' should be extended," says another listener, madrasa teacher Abdur Razzak from Matial village in Ulipur upazila. "Bashir Ahmad, Lutfunnahar Happy and Jesmina Sharmin are my favourite presenters. I like their voices and style."

## Dodgy officials

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Shah Alam Chowdhury, a Rajuk zonal director, said they lacked logistic support for running the online services properly.

"We wrote to the authorities concerned, but to no avail," he said.

He, however, claimed that no one ever complained about not getting the services online. According to him, many were still not accustomed to the online services and prefer doing the work manually.

Asked what was pulling them back from going fully digital, AZ Shafiul Hannan, authorised officer of Rajuk (zone-5) also blamed it on the lack of logistic set up.

"We have requested the authorities to solve the issue time and again but all our requests are apparently falling on deaf ears," he said.

Rajuk Chief Town Planner Sirajul Islam said, "We officially wrote for computers six months ago but haven't got one yet."

Contacted, Rajuk Chairman Abdur Rahman said they were working hard to digitise the services.

Rajuk board member for development control Asmaul Hossain said they were training up manpower in this regard. "We have issued work orders for scanners and computers."

Asmaul in June had said two Rajuk zones would go digital soon, but it has not happened yet.

## Five charged

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Police on August 25 recovered an unidentified body of a woman near Tangail-Mymensingh road in Tangail's Madhupur upazila. Following an autopsy, the body was buried at the Tangail central graveyard the next day.

Seeing the news in the media, Rupa's family members went to Madhupur Police Station on August 28 and identified her from the photographs of the victim's body.

The next day, law enforcers picked up five employees of the bus at Madhupur. The arrestees during interrogation admitted their involvement in the crime, police sources said.

The Senior Judicial Magistrate's Court in Tangail on August 29 and 30 recorded their confessional statements and sent them to jail.

Following a court order, police on August 31 exhumed Rupa's body and handed it over to her family.

The victim was later buried at her village in Sirajganj's Tarash upazila.

Saiful Islam Khan, resident medical officer at Tangail General Hospital, submitted the autopsy report to the Tangail civil surgeon on September 12 mentioning that Rupa was raped before being murdered.

## Proteas prove superiority

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that, with four more international matches still to go in the tour, that even when Bangladesh play well they will just not be good enough to topple their hosts.

The result was a win for South Africa by a whopping 10 wickets with 43 balls to spare. De Kock reached an unbeaten 168, his 13th ODI ton, when he hammered Bangladesh skipper Mashrafe Bin Mortaza through square leg for midwicket for four to bring up the winning runs. Amla was unbeaten at the other end on a 110-ball 112, his 29th Test ton. It was only the second time in ODI history that a team has won by 10 wickets while chasing 250 or above, with the previous one being England's chase of 253 against Sri Lanka last year.

As it the result was not enough, Mashrafe informed after the match that Mustafizur Rahman - who twisted his ankle the day before the match and missed yesterday's match - will miss the rest of the tour, including the two T20Is at the end.

The only chance that Bangladesh created was when Taskin Ahmed dropped a caught-and-bowled chance off Amla when the batsman was on 94 and the team score was on 237 without loss. Otherwise Bangladesh's bowlers had no impact on the openers as they went about chasing down the target with minimum fuss. De Kock took the majority of the strike and reached his century at a run-a-ball and accelerated from then on, scoring his next 68 runs off just 48 balls to end with 21 boundaries and two maximums. Amla, serene as usual, reached his ton in 99 balls and finished on 110 off 112 balls with eight boundaries.

Earlier, Mushfiqur Rahim became the first Bangladesh batsman to score a century against South Africa, playing beautifully for an unbeaten 110 off 116 balls with 11 fours and two well-hit sixes. The team suffered a setback even before Mashrafe won the toss and chose to bat as star opener Tamim Iqbal was ruled out of the match as he has not fully recovered from a thigh muscle tear sustained earlier on tour. The team stuck to the captain's directive to play positive cricket, and despite missing their batting leader, Imrul Kayes and Liton Das gave the team a positive start with a 43-run opening stand that set the tone of the innings. Liton was out in the ninth over, caught at second slip off Kagiso Rabada. The catch by South Africa skipper Faf du Plessis was low enough for the umpires to check the replays, but it proved to clean.

Shakib Al Hasan came in at number three for only the second time in his career, and when he reached 17 he became the fastest player - in terms of matches - to achieve the ODI double of 5,000 runs and 200 wickets, and the fifth player ever to reach that mark. Before that, Imrul Kayes, who played well for 31, was caught down the leg side off a short delivery from Dwaine Pretorius.

A scratchy innings from Shakib ended on 29 when he edged a googly from leg-spinner Imran Tahir to first slip to leave Bangladesh on 126 for three in the 26th over. Mushfiqur, ever aware of the need for quick runs, had announced his intentions with a classy square cut for his first boundary and a down-the-wicket four off Andile

Phehlukwayo.  
A 69-run partnership with Mahmudullah Riyad, the highlight of whose innings was a down-the-track pull for six off a 140kph Rabada bouncer, formed the backbone of the innings. Before that, Mushfiqur gave notice of his sublime form by debutant Dane Paterson for an advancing six over square cover to reach his 50 off his 52nd deliver.

The partnership with Mahmudullah ended in the 29th over when he skied a pull off Pretorius to be out for a 27-ball 26.

Sabbir Rahman scored a fast 19 and just after he was dismissed by Rabad in the 46th over and during his partnership with Mushfiqur the latter reached his fifth ODI ton off his 108th ball with a nudge for two.

Debutant Mohammad Saifuddin then hit an 11-ball 16 as Bangladesh scored 76 runs in the last 10 overs for the loss of three wickets to reach 278, their highest total in South Africa. But Amla, De Kock and Bangladesh's bowlers that proved to be woefully inadequate.

## Rab arrests

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hailing from Bogra and Narsingdhi respectively, were arrested along with four other Bangladeshis in early 2016 in Singapore.

The four others are-- Rahman Mizanur, 32, the ringleader; Mamun Leakot Ali, 30; Miah Rubel, 27; and Md Jabath Kysar Haje Norul Islam Sowdagar, 31.

All were later convicted for two to five years by a Singapore Court for financing terror.

The six, according to Singapore authorities, were members of a group called Islamic State in Bangladesh (ISB), and had a plan to carry out attacks back home to topple the government.

The duo was then deported by authorities on September 26 after their jail term ended, Rab said.

Back home after serving in jail, the two arrestees were trying to revive militant activities here, Rab said.

A team of Rab-3, after a strong surveillance, arrested them at around 12:30am yesterday when they met inside an under-construction building, Emranul added.

The Rab official, however, yesterday claimed the duo were members of the banned militant outfit Jama'at ul Mujahideen Bangladesh. He said they were planning attacks on law enforcers, justices and religious leaders including pirs.

Before their arrest in Singapore, Singapore authorities arrested 27 Bangladeshi construction workers between November 16 and December 1 in 2015 for "supporting armed jihadi ideology of terrorist groups such as Islamic State (IS) and al-Qaeda".

Of them, 26 were deported to Bangladesh and local police arrested 14 of them on December 21 in 2015 after police found links with militancy.

DB officials had then said that the 26 deportees had no links to Islamic State or al-Qaeda. But among them, the 14 had links with banned local outfit ABT and its detained spiritual leader Jasim Uddin Rahmani.

## AUCTION NOTICE

### Sale of the arrested Vessel "M.V. CRYSTAL SAPPHIRE" by International Public Auction

In pursuance of the order dated-20.07.2017 & 30.07.2017. passed by hon'ble presiding Judge of the Admiralty Bench Mr. Justice A. F. M. Abdur Rahman, in the Admiralty Suit no. 62 of 2016 regarding the sale in public auction of the Vessel "M.V. CRYSTAL SAPPHIRE", now lying under arrest at the outer anchorage of Chittagong port, Chittagong it is hereby notified that the said Vessel "M.V. CRYSTAL SAPPHIRE" Shall be sold "as it is where it is" basis by public auction in close bid system by the Marshal of the Court or his substitute at his office in the High Court Division of the Bangladesh Supreme Court on 30th day of October, 2017 at 2.30 p.m.

Information regarding the said vessel is available from the office of the Registrar General & Marshal and the same may be inspected, upon prior permission, at the location. Intending local and foreign bidders may participate in the auction by submitting written proposal mentioning the proposed price in closed envelope at the office of the Marshal on the date and time mentioned above. Foreign bidders or their authorized agents may also participate in the auction, subject to fulfillment the requirements of the foreign Exchange control Regulations of Bangladesh.

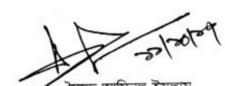
The bidder, shall be required to deposit pay Order or Bank Draft of 10% of the bid value from any scheduled bank in the name of the "Registrar General & Marshal of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh" as security money along with the bid in the closed envelop. The successful bidder may request for adjustment of his security money with his bid money, while the unsuccessful bidders will get their pay Order/Bank Draft deposited as security money returned at the convenience of the Marshal.

On acceptance of the highest bid by the Marshal (subject to confirmation by the admiralty Court) the successful bidder shall be informed. On the next 72 hours of information, successful bidder must pay 25% of the bid price to the "Registrar General & Marshal" at office time by pay Order or Bank Draft from any scheduled Bank in the name of the "Registrar General & Marshal of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh" failing which his bid will be cancelled and the security money will be forfeited. The balance 75% of the bid price shall be paid by pay Order or Bank Draft in the same name within 14(fourteen) days of confirmation of the sale by the Hon'ble Court. In case of failure to deposit the balance 75% of the bid price within the stipulated period, the security money along with 25% of the bid money deposited earlier, shall stand forfeited.

The Marshal reserves all rights to cancel the auction and the highest bid and to hold re-auction without assigning any reason.

#### Description of the Vessel in Brief

1.	NAME OF THE VESSEL	: M.V. CRYSTAL SAPPHIRE
2.	YEAR OF BUILT	: 31st DECEMBER, 1986
3.	PORT OF REGISTRY	: CHITTAGONG
4.	TYPE/CLASS OF VESSEL	: BULK CARRIER
5.	IMO NO	: 8321096
6.	CALL SIGN	: S2CF
7.	GROSS TONNAGE	: 28739MT
8.	NET TONNAGE	: 15763 MT
9.	SUMMER DRAFT	: 11.825M
10.	SUMMER FREEBOARD	: 6.010M
11.	SUMMER DEADWEIGHT	: 47311.08MT
12.	SUMMER DISPLACEMENT	: 57557.50MT
13.	NUMBER OF OLDS/HATCHES	: 5
14.	CLASSIFICATION SOCIETY	: BV
15.	L.O.A.	: 189.00M
16.	BREADTH	: 30.40M
17.	MOULDED DEPTH	: 16.40M
18.	LDT	: 10246.40MT

  
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বাংলাদেশ সুপ্রীম কোর্ট।  
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Supreme Court of Bangladesh