



A fisherman calls it a day and heads back home at twilight. With water receding, fishing has become a regular pastime for the locals in different parts of Sylhet. The photo was taken in Chanpur area of Fenchuganj upazila on Sunday.

PHOTO: SHEIKH NASIR

Awareness about reckless driving must for road safety

Prothom Alo-Brac-Nirapad Sarak Chai-CRP roundtable told

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Providing adequate training to drivers and making them aware of reckless driving, illegal overtaking and crossing speed limit are crucial to reduce the number of road accidents, said experts at a roundtable in the capital yesterday.

They also stressed the need for ensuring punishment for the traffic rule violators, improving the conditions of roads and highways and reducing load from those by promoting other means of transportation such as the railways and waterways.

The daily Prothom Alo organised the roundtable titled "Demand for effective initiative to prevent road accident" in association with Brac, Nirapad Sarak Chai and Centre for the Rehabilitation of the Paralyzed (CRP) at the newspaper's office.

The speakers made several recommendations including proper working hours for transport workers

RECOMMENDATIONS
Sufficient driving school
Enforcement of overtaking, speed limit rules
Ensuring punishment
Maintaining standard of highway
Proper work hour for transport workers
Constructing road dividers
Recruiting adequate highway police
Enough resting place for drivers
Building mass awareness on traffic rules
Banning unfit vehicles from highway

and creating mass awareness to minimise such accidents.

They demanded that all the stakeholders, including government organisations and associations of transport owners and workers, must work together.

Addressing the event, Dr Moazzem Hossain, director of

Accident Research Institute at Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (Buet), said sufficient training school for the drivers is a must.

He also emphasised enforcing fine for violating rules on highways, and ensuring emergency aid for the accident victims to reduce the growing number of casualties.

Ayubur Rahman Khan, former chairman of Bangladesh Road Transport Authority, stressed transport owners' role in preventing road accidents, and transparency in issuing driving licence.

Chittagong University Professor Dhali Al Mamun, who survived a road crash in 2011, termed most of the accidents murders as mismanagement and corruption play a role behind it.

Effective measures must be taken to curb deaths on roads, said the professor.

Dilu Rokiba, whose daughter was killed in a recent road accident, said, "There is no remedy to help me

overcome the shock. How many deaths would I have to see?"

Acknowledging the allegations against drivers, Khandaker Enayetullah, secretary general of Bangladesh Sarak Paribahan Samity, said they took various initiatives in this regard.

He also demanded punishment for the people who are responsible for poor quality of roads.

Stressing awareness among drivers, Nirapad Sarak Chai Chairman Ilias Kanchan said the number of deaths caused by road crashes can be reduced if motorbike riders use helmets.

Prothom Alo Editor Matiur Rahman and its Associate Editor Abdul Quayum, Highway Police Deputy Inspector General Atiqul Islam, CRP Founder Valerie Ann Taylor, Brac Director Ahmed Nazmul Hossain, BRIA Director Mahub-E-Rabani, and TraumaLink Director of Operations Esha Chowdhury also spoke among others.

ACC summons Labaid Group chief over graft

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) has summoned the managing director (MD) of Labaid Group for interrogation over several allegations including siphoning off money abroad, charging patients high fees and dodging tax.

In a letter issued yesterday, the ACC asked Dr AM Shamim, to be present at its headquarter at 9:00am on Thursday and submit all necessary documents of loans granted to Labaid Group and its MD.

Pointing out the allegations in brief, the letter signed by ACC's Deputy Director Shamsul Alam, said Labaid Group and its managing director took loans showing fake documents and mortgaging same machinery to different banks.

Using various ways, the Group transferred money to its other organisations. Shamim "bought multi-storied apartments in Singapore and Malaysia with illegal money", it added.

The ACC appointed its Deputy Assistant Director Md Saidduzzaman for interrogation.

Meanwhile on October 9, the ACC summoned the owners of Apan Jewelers -- Dildar Ahmed Selim and his brothers Gulzar Ahmed and Azad Ahmed -- to ACC headquarter between 10:00am and 2:00pm tomorrow for interrogation over the allegation of illegally amassing wealth beyond the known income sources.

Reasat shown arrested

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A youth was shown arrested by Rab yesterday in a terrorism case a day after he had gone missing from the capital's Tejgaon area.

Reasat Elahi Chowdhury, 28, was an active member of Sarowar-Tamim group of JMB, claimed Lt Col Emranul Hasan, commanding officer of Rab-3 after disclosing his arrest.

The Rab official further claimed that Reasat was a close associate of alleged militant leader Imam Mehedi Hasan, who was arrested in the city's Banani area on September 21.

Rab showed him arrested in the case field with Banani Police Station under the Anti-Terrorism Act.

The militant leader Imam Mehedi disclosed his name during interrogation, said the Rab commanding officer. "We were looking for him and picked him up on Sunday morning."

Meanwhile, a Dhaka court yesterday placed Reasat on three-day remand after he had been produced before it.

The family, however, did not believe his connection with militancy.

On Sunday, several unidentified men whisked the youth off from near Tejgaon Police Station around 9:00am.

His mother Syeda Hosne Jahan, a resident of Tejgunipara, filed a general diary (GD) with Tejgaon Police Station.



Siddiquir finally attends exams Oct 24

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Siddiquir Rahman has lost his eyesight in police action while demanding the announcement of dates for examinations under Dhaka University and finally, from October 24, he will be able to attend his third-year final exams.

A student of political science at Titumir College in Dhaka, Siddiquir will however have to be accompanied by Sadia Arefin Mumu, a second-year philosophy student at the same college, who will assist him as a scribe.

Siddiquir yesterday said to The Daily Star, "It's great news that I'll take the exam for which I lost my eyes. Nevertheless, I wished to continue my studies. Now it's happening."

DU Exam Controller Bahalul Haque Chowdhury confirmed the acceptance of Siddiquir's application regarding attending the exams with a scribe.

On July 20, Siddiquir was injured when a policeman lobbed a teargas canister directly at him during a demonstration of students of seven Dhaka University-affiliated colleges in the capital to press home their seven-point demands that included announcement of honours-level exam dates.

The government sent Siddiquir to India for treatment on July 27. Doctors tried in vain to restore his eyesight. The government on September 13 employed him Essential Drug Company Limited as a telephone operator.



Students of political science department of Government BM College, Barisal, form a human chain in front of the campus yesterday, demanding exemplary punishment for a stalker who stabbed a freshman student of the college on Saturday night. The stalker, Alal Sardar, stabbed her for refusing his love proposal, said police.

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e-Tender is invited in the National e-GP System Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) for the procurement of the following packages:

Tender ID No.	Package No.	Name of works
127318	CIB-Man-W-29	Construction of 315m long PSC Girder Bridge over the River Chandahar at Ch. 200m on Maniknagar GC-Itavara R&H via Anando Bazar Road under Singair Upazila District: Manikganj [Road ID: 356822012]

This is an online Tender, where only e-Tenders will be accepted in the National e-GP Portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted. To submit e-Tender, registration in the National e-GP System Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) is required.

The fees for downloading the e-Tender documents from the National e-GP System Portal have to be deposited online through any registered bank's branches up to 4:00pm on 21-11-2017. Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP System Portal and from e-GP help desk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd).

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Road crashes kill 4

CITY DESK

Four people were killed and two others injured in road accidents in the country yesterday and Sunday.

Our Dinajpur correspondent reports, a rickshaw-van passenger was killed while another injured when a truck hit the vehicle on Dinajpur-Panchagarh highway at Baniyapara village in Birampur upazila yesterday.

The deceased was Mominul Islam, 43, of village Sundarpur. The injured is Gopal Chandra Roy of Suzalpur village.

Another rickshaw-van passenger was killed while the van-puller injured when a microbus hit the vehicle from behind on Dhaka-Khulna highway at Shalinabox village in Mukusdpur upazila of Gopalganj on Sunday evening, reports our Faridpur correspondent.

The deceased was Sohid Sheikh, 60, of Shalinabox. The injured was sent to Faridpur Medical College Hospital.

Our Benapole correspondent adds, former vice president of Bangladesh Chhatra League Dr Afil Uddin College unit, Shohag Hossain, 32, of Tengrail village, died when a Dhaka-bound bus of Sundarbans Express hit a CNG-run auto rickshaw carrying him on Jessore-Satkhira highway at Kuchimora in Sarsa upazila of Jessore on Sunday night.

Our Brahmanbaria correspondent adds, a CNG-run auto-rickshaw driver, Abed Ali, 38, of Shahbazpur village in Sarail upazila, was killed as an oncoming truck rammed his vehicle in Birpasha area of Brahmanbaria on Sunday night.

Police seized the truck but its driver and his helper fled the scene.

Death anniversary of Samad

CITY DESK

Today is the 12th death anniversary of MA Samad, founder of Bangladesh General Insurance Company Ltd.

After his retirement as managing director of Jiban Bima Corporation, he established the BGIC, says a press release.

He was also the founder director of Bangladesh Insurance Academy and former chairman of Bangladesh Insurance Association.

MA Samad wrote two books -- one on life insurance and another on general insurance. MA Samad was born at Kulaura in Moulvibazar on January 1, 1923.



Death anniversary of Dastgir

CITY DESK

The ninth death anniversary of Maj Gen Quazi Golam Dastgir, KAAO, psc, a former ambassador, will be held after the Asr prayers at his Dhanmondi residence in the capital today.

Relatives, friends and well-wishers are requested to attend the programme, says a press release.

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Quotation Invitation for Lease of Toll Collection of RHD Boga Ferryghat

Sl. No.	Particulars	Remarks
01	Lease quotation No.	PRD/BF/02/2017-2018 (1st Call).
02	Name of work	Lease for Toll Collection of Boga Ferryghat at 14 th km of Lebukhali-Bauphal-Golachipa-Amragacha Road, Patuakhali Road Division.
03	Time limit for lease	02 (two) years 06 (six) months or 910 days from date of work order.
04	Price of lease quotation schedule	Tk. 5,000.00 (Taka five thousand only).
05	Earnest money	10% (ten percent) of quoted price within Bank Draft/Pay Order.
06	Last selling date & time of lease quotation	28.10.2017 up to 5.00pm.
07	Date & time of receiving lease quotation in seal condition	29.10.2017 up to 12.30pm.
08	Eligibility to lease quotation	All contractors enlisted VAT & Tax Certificate & economically solvent private company or person.
09	Offices of selling lease quotation	(a) Office of the Divisional Commissioner, Barisal. (b) Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Patuakhali. (c) Office of the Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Patuakhali. (d) Office of the Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Barguna. (e) Office of the Sub-Divisional Engineer, RHD, Patuakhali/Kuakata Road Sub-Division/1st Line Workshop Sub-Division, Patuakhali.
10	Offices of receiving lease quotation in seal condition	(a) Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Patuakhali. (b) Office of the Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Patuakhali.
11	Place, date & time of opening lease quotation	Place: Office of the Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Patuakhali. Date: 29.10.2017 Time: At 3.00pm.

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