

COMMUTING DEATH SENTENCE OF OISHEE HC full verdict reveals 5 reasons

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The High Court yesterday released full text of its verdict in the sensational case over the killing of police officer Mahfuzur Rahman and his wife Swapna Rahman in 2013.

In the full verdict, the HC gave five reasons for commuting the death sentence of Oishee Rahman, daughter of the victims, to life imprisonment.

The 78-page full text of the verdict has been signed by Justice Jahangir Hossain Selim and Justice Md Jahangir Hossain.

On August 16, 2013, the bodies of Mahfuzur -- an inspector of Special Branch of police -- and his wife Swapna were recovered from their Chamelibagh house in the capital.

A Dhaka court on November 12 in 2015 sentenced Oishee to death for killing her parents. She later challenged the verdict at the HC.

With the full text of the verdict released, Oishee can now move an appeal before the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court (SC) against the HC verdict.

Earlier on June 5, delivering the verdict in the death reference and the appeal filed by Oishee, the HC commuted her death penalty to life imprisonment, considering five "extenuating circumstances" including her mental condition and age at the time of killing her parents.

In the full judgment, the HC said, "Condemned prisoner [Oishee] committed double murder without any apparent motive and was suffering from mental derailment or some sort of mental disorder and also suffering from ovarian cyst and bronchial asthma; Her paternal grandmother and maternal uncle had a history of psychiatric disorders according to exhibit-15; She was around 19 [nineteen] year old at the relevant time... She has no such significant history of prior criminal activity [criminal cases] and She had willingly surrendered to the police station soon after two days of the occurrence".

The HC, however, did not specify how long she would have to serve in jail.

In the above facts and circumstances of the case, we are of the view that ends of justice will be met if accused Oishee Rahman is sentenced to one of imprisonment for life instead

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Students of Madan Mohan College in Sylhet visit a photo exhibition of The Daily Star-Standard Chartered Celebrating Life district tour on the college premises yesterday. Celebrating Life is a contest for photography, lyrics, and films.

FLEECING TK 94 CRORE HC asks MP Shawkat to pay back Tk 25cr

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday directed Jaitya Party lawmaker Shawkat Chowdhury to return Tk 25 crore to Bangladesh Commerce Bank Ltd (BCBL) within 50 days or face cancellation of his bail in cases over misappropriation of Tk 94 crore as loan from the bank.

Shawkat, in collusion with several other accused, had allegedly taken Tk 94 crore loan from one of its branches.

The bench of Justice M Enayetur Rahim and Justice Shahidul Karim issued the verdict after hearing a suomoto (voluntary) rule issued earlier over the legality of bail order by the lower court, said Barrister M Sarwar Hossain, the lawyer for Bangladesh Commerce Bank Ltd.

On May 8 and 10 last year, the Anti-Corruption Commission filed two cases with Bangshal Police Station against Shawkat Chowdhury, lawmaker from Nilphamari-4; Md Asaduzzaman, the then managing director of BCBL; Habibul Gani, the then manager of BCBL Bangshal branch; and six others.

Technical training

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Sheeba Hafiza, executive director of Ain O Salish Kendra (ASK), stressed the need for addressing human rights and gender-sensitive issues through creating awareness at workplaces.

Welcoming the initiative, Brig Gen (retd) Shahedul Anam Khan, associate editor of The Daily Star, said providing skills training is a "dynamic and continuous process". The newspaper will play its due role in turning the country's population into a skillful manpower, he said.

Prof Manzoor Ahmed of Brac University; Derek George, deputy director, Cooperation, SDC; Anirban Bhowmik, country director, Swisscontact; Salauddin Kasem Khan, managing director, AK Khan and Company; Prof Masuda M Chowdhury, vice president, National Association of Small Cottage Industries of Bangladesh; and Atiqul Islam, president, Center of Excellence for Bangladesh Apparel Industry, among others, spoke at the roundtable.

Pick non-political election observers

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organisations through the EC's
Electoral Training Institute; the organisations
will subsequently train up their
respective observers.

Jatiya Nirbachan Parjabeckhan
Parliament Chairman Nazmul Ahsan
Kalmullah said, "We have placed specific
proposal for arrangement of training of
trainers (ToT) particularly for the chiefs of
the election monitoring organisations
through EC's electoral training institute."

"It will be good if the commission
informs us what can be done or cannot be
done during election monitoring," he added.

Director of the Election Working
Group (EWG) Dr Abdul Alim said the
observers suggested announcing a
national voter day and conducting the

campaign for data collection of possible
voters on certain days every year.

They also recommended introducing
Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs)
instead of ballot paper after use of the
EVMs on a pilot basis, said the director
of EWG.

"We urged the EC to take action
against those election monitoring
organisations having affiliation with
political parties," he said.

Fair Election Monitoring Alliance
(FEMA) President Munira Khan said
they have never appointed any person
affiliated with politics as observer.
"During the appointment, we take
written declaration that s/he has no
political affiliation," she added.

She said they asked the CEC to reduce

the age restriction for being an election
observer to 20 years from the existing 25.
"If we can appoint more active persons as
observers, it will be more fruitful."

The EC on July 31 last started its elec-
toral talks with different stakeholders,
including political parties to seek opinions
over the Commission's preparation for the
next parliamentary elections.

As part of the dialogue, the EC held
talks with civil society members on July
31, media persons on August 16 and 17,
and 40 registered political parties from
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with women leaders on Monday and
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