

LAND GRABBING
TB control
centre official
sent to jail
COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday sent an administrative officer of National Tuberculosis Control & Rehabilitation Centre to jail after he surrendered in a case filed over grabbing 1.16 acres of endowment property of Sree Sree Swami Bholanandagiri Trust in Dhaka.

The court sent Ayub Ali Sarker to jail after he surrendered before it.

According to the prosecution, it was alleged that Ayub, in collusion with some land officials of Sutrapur Circle, grabbed the property by making forged documents.

Later, on July 17 of 2012, the Anti-Corruption Commission filed the case against nine people except Ayub.

But the ACC found involvement of Ayub and pressed charges against 10 people including Ayub on July 1 of 2013.



A battery-run rickshaw plying the Dhaka-Chittagong highway amid fast-moving buses and trucks. Illegal rickshaws like this and other non-motorised and slow vehicles take to the national highways with hardly any obstruction from law enforcers. Fatal accidents often take place on the roads because of these vehicles. The photo was taken from Signboard area in Siddhirganj upazila of Narayanganj yesterday.

PHOTO: PALASH KHAN

NEWS IN *brief*

IGP's complaint cell open 24 hours

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The "IGP's complaint cell" at police headquarters will now remain open for 24 hours every day, said a press release.

People will be able to file complaints against any police personnel for his or her unprofessional or unethical activities by going there in person, by sending mails, by calling on cell phone numbers 01769693535 and 01769693536 or by sending emails to complain@police.gov.bd.

Akheri Chahar Shomba today

BSS, Dhaka

The holy Akheri Chahar Shomba will be observed across the country today, marking Prophet Hazrat Mohammad's (SM) recovery from prolonged illness.

To mark the day, Islamic Foundation will organise Milad and Doa Mahfil at the Baitul Mukarram National Mosque around 5:30pm after maghrib prayers.

Ship breaking worker falls to death

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A ship breaking worker died after falling off a ship at Sitakunda in Chittagong yesterday morning.

Mohammad Mizan, 28, of Barisal sadar, died on the spot after he fell off of a ship during working at ship breaking yard of Fahim Enterprise in Kumira, said duty officer at Chittagong Medical College Hospital police outpost. The body was kept in the CMCH morgue.

Rescued lion, leopard cubs in Gazipur vet hospital

Two arrestees sent to Jessore jail

STAR REPORT

Two lion and two leopard cubs rescued from Jessore were brought to Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Safari Park in Gazipur yesterday.

The safari park's veterinary officer, Dr Nizam Uddin Chowdhury, said the lion



The two lion and leopard cubs at the veterinary hospital.

cubs, aged around two and a half months, are of African origin while the species of the leopard cubs, about one and a half months old, became almost extinct in Bangladesh.

At these ages, the cubs live on milk, the official said, adding that they might have been unfed for the last couple of days. The four cubs were kept under intensive monitoring at the veterinary hospital unit of the safari park. After recovery, they will be released in the park.

The forest department officials and law enforcers rescued the four cubs while they were being smuggled out of the country through the Benapole Land Port on Monday.

Meanwhile, two persons - Kamruzzaman Babu, and Rana Bhuiya, arrested in this connection -- were sent to jail yesterday, said police.

Earlier in the day, police filed a case with Jessore Kotwali Police Station under the Wildlife Protection Act.

[Our Gazipur and Benapole correspondents contributed to the report]

Missing girl found dead near house

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A three-and-a-half-year-old girl was found dead yesterday near her house in Chittagong city, a day after she went missing from the staircase.

Sohagi Akter Bibi Sumaiya, adopted daughter of rickshaw garage owner Md Yusuf of Bhola, was found dead some 20 yards away from her house in Karimullah Haji Colony of Kunjachaya.

"The body bore scratch marks as well as injury marks around eyes, lips, and left cheek which indicate that she was sexually abused before murder," said Assistant Commissioner (Panchlalaish) SM Mobasshar Hossain of Chittagong Metropolitan Police.

"However, it [cause of death] will be clear after autopsy," he added.

Victim's aunt Ferdous Akter said Sumaiya's grandfather Salauddin first spotted the body when he went to offer Fazr prayers. They later informed the police.

In May, Yusuf's one-and-a-half-year-old nephew died mysteriously falling into an open tank beside the same building. The family, however, did not inform police of the incident at that time.

On July 20, a two-month-old boy was stolen from the same building, said police.

ICT grants bail to Comilla man

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The International Crimes Tribunal-1 yesterday granted conditional bail to a war crimes accused from Comilla, considering his poor physical condition and age.

Muhammed Shahidullah, a former Bangalee army official, allegedly worked for the Pakistan army and committed crimes in 1971 war.

As part of the conditions, he has to stay in a relative's residence in Dhaka. The 75-year-old has to furnish a bail bond of Tk 2 lakh, hand over his passport to the tribunal, he and his family cannot speak to the media and cannot influence prosecution's potential witness, reads the order.

This is the fourth time a war crimes accused was granted bail.

Earlier, the tribunal fixed December 11 for charge hearing.

Meanwhile, the tribunal directed the superintendent of police in Sherpur to submit a report within December 10 about war crimes fugitive Mokhlesur Rahman Tara, 66, of Nakla in Sherpur.

Death anniversary of two Liberation War martyrs today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Today is the 46th death anniversary of two Liberation War martyrs, Dr Azharul Haque and Dr Humayun Kabir.

Azhar, an assistant surgeon, and Humayun, an intern physician at Dhaka Medical College Hospital, were brutally killed on this day by the Al-Badr for secretly providing treatment to wounded freedom fighters.

The Al-Badr picked up the doctors from their residences in Hatirpool and murdered them after torture. Their bodies were recovered from a ditch near Notre Dame College the next day.

On the occasion, a Qurankhwani and a doa mahfil will be held at Azimpur old graveyard in the capital after Asr prayers today, said a press release.



Azharul Haque Humayun Kabir

Reopen Lakehead school

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sneaked into the country from the UK dodging immigration police at the airport in Dhaka.

The writ petitioners in their petitions to the HC prayed that it declares the government decision of closing the school illegal as education of the school's students became uncertain and activities of the school affected due to the decision.

Innovation Design and Entrepreneurship Academy (iDEA) Project
Bangladesh Computer Council
Information and Communications Technology Division
Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
ICT Tower, Plot: E-14/X, Agargaon, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207

Expression of Interest for Selection of Mentors

1 Ministry:	Ministry of Posts, Telecommunications and IT
2 Division:	Information and Communication Technology Division
3 Agency:	Bangladesh Computer Council
4 Procuring Entity Name:	Innovation Design and Entrepreneurship Academy (iDEA) Project
5 EOI for Selection of:	Individual Consultant
6 EOI Ref No.:	56.01.0000.024.43.010.2017-270
7 Date:	14-November-2017

PARTICULAR INFORMATION

8 Project/Programme Code:	5-2805-5003
9 Project/Programme Name:	Innovation Design and Entrepreneurship Academy (iDEA) Project
10 EOI Closing Date:	17-December-2017 2:00 PM

INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

11 Name of the Position and Brief Description of Assignment:	Mentor [40 Nos] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide mentoring and/or e-mentoring to individuals and/or groups Plan and organize personal as well as startup development activities from the ground up Organize workshops/seminars/meeting/events/information session/matchmaking events on business/project/product/service design and development/strategy/documentation/fundraising/operation/due diligence/exit strategy Provide mentoring to develop leadership/soft skills/communication/presentation/pitch deck/culture/process/product-market fit Should have familiarity with innovation and startup community/culture/people/practices/processes
12 Experience, Resources and Delivery Capacity Required:	Minimum 3 years' experience as mentor, founder, c-level executive, co-founder, owner, academia, researcher, chairman or managing director. Requirements may be relaxed in case of exceptionally qualified candidates.
13 Other Details:	iDEA project is hereby requesting EOI to create a pool of qualified mentors. Mentors will be assigned from the pool as and when required basis. Interested applicants can obtain further information from the Project Office during working hours before the closing date. Interested candidates can apply by submitting the filled-in SRFA through email or sending the hard copy to the below address marking the envelope "EOI for Selection of Mentors for iDEA Project" The Standard Request for Applications (SRFA) can be found at www.bcc.gov.bd The applicants will be asked to present the original copy of all certificates/documents by the project authority.

14 Package No.	Duration	Location	Indicative Start Date	Indicative Completion Date
SD11	18 Man Months (Day/Hour basis)	ICT Tower, Agargaon, Dhaka-1207	January-2018	June -2019

PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS

14 Name of Official Inviting EOI:	Md. Ali Ahsan
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The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Project Director
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A procession is being brought out from Shahbagh intersection in the capital yesterday, marking World Diabetes Day.

Novo Nordisk observes World Diabetes Day

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Novo Nordisk, a global healthcare company, observed World Diabetes Day yesterday to make people aware about healthy lifestyle for better management of diabetes.

Novo Nordisk has launched a nationwide diabetes awareness and education campaign until June of 2018, says a press release.

As part of the campaign, the Danish pharma giant in partnership with Diabetic Association of Bangladesh (DAB) and Padma Textiles organised 150 rallies across the country.

As this year's theme is 'women and diabetes', Novo Nordisk will screen 15,000 pregnant women and train 5,000 healthcare professionals on the risk of diabetes and modern treatment options.

To control and prevent diabetes, awareness and education are the main catalysts, said AK Azad Khan, president of DAB.

Healthy mother, healthy baby

Experts tell Prothom Alo roundtable

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Adolescent pregnancy and malnutrition are the major reasons behind giving birth to premature children, said experts yesterday.

Therefore, mothers should be taken care of properly before and after pregnancy, and child marriages must be stopped, the experts added. A mother's good health is extremely important for giving birth to a healthy baby.

They also urged the families to provide premature children with proper support and care.

The experts also recommended that the mothers maintain a healthy lifestyle for controlling hypertension, diabetes and obesity, the other risk factors for preterm birth.

The recommendations were made at a roundtable organised by Bangla Daily Prothom Alo in association with Unicef Bangladesh at the newspaper's office in the capital.

"About 4,46,900 preterm babies are born in Bangladesh every year. The complexities that occur due to such births are responsible for causing 31 percent of total child deaths," said Ziaul Matin, a health manager of Unicef, citing recent studies.

The country must take a strong initiative to resist premature birth, otherwise stopping child deaths as well as achieving Sustainable Development Goals would be difficult, he said in his keynote presentation.

Laila Arjumand Banu, president of Obstetrical and Gynaecological Society of Bangladesh, said mothers should do check-ups before conception to detect whether they have diabetes or hypertension.

If they have those chronic diseases, they must be aware and follow doctors' instruction, she said. "Women in the country face discrimination from birth. If we want to prevent preterm birth, all of their nutritional needs have to be fulfilled."

Tahmina Begum, president of Bangladesh Neonatal Forum, said children who survive preterm complexities have to face various physical and mental problems afterwards. Parents should take special care of them for their physical and mental growth.

Zahid Maleque, state minister for health and family welfare, said along with preventive measures, empowerment of women is a must so that they can become more aware and take steps if they face any birth-related problems.

Abdul Quayum, associate editor of Prothom Alo; Mohammad Sharif, a director of the Directorate General of Family Planning; Abdul Mannan, a professor of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University (BSMMU), and Khaleida Islam, a director of the Directorate General of Health Services; also spoke.