

DU officers contradict report on assault of journalist

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Dhaka University Officers Association has contradicted media reports on the alleged assault of a university-based journalist by administrative staff on December 17. In a statement on Wednesday, the association said the reports were not correct.

According to the association, Bangla daily Ittefaq's university reporter Kabirul Islam Kanon, on the day of the incident, was filming different sections on the second floor of the administrative building without giving his identity.

At one point, he gave his identity and said he had the vice-chancellor's permission to do his professional duty but he could not produce any document regarding permission, said the statement.

His behavior was "impolite and suspicious", the statement said, adding, an officer took him to the registrar, who asked him to officially write for the information he needed. Later, Kanon came back to the registrar's building along with an assistant proctor.

The assistant proctor mediated between the reporter and officials, but some time later Kanon came back with a group of people and verbally abused an officer and left the scene, the association said. Meanwhile, the journalist in a written complaint said some staff assaulted him on that day when he went to the administrative building to verify allegations against the officials that they were always late to office.

Some staff suddenly attacked him while he was filming empty administrative rooms around 11:00am, according to the complaint.

Kanon, also a third-year student of mass communication and journalism, forwarded the complaint to Vice Chancellor Prof Akhtaruzzaman, demanding punishment for the "attackers".



Street vendors removing their goods from the sidewalk by the north gate of Baitul Mukarram National Mosque as Dhaka South City Corporation conducts an eviction drive in the area yesterday, inset. PHOTO: PALASH KHAN

Fog halts ferry, flight operations

STAR REPORT

Fog disrupted ferry services on Paturia-Daulatdia naval route and flight operations at Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport for the third consecutive day yesterday, causing sufferings to thousands of passengers.

The ferry service on Paturia-Daulatdia route was suspended for six hours due to dense fog, reports our Manikganj correspondent.

Manager (Commerce) of Daulatdia office of Bangladesh Inland Water Transport Corporation (BIWTC) Shafikul Islam said the authorities kept the service suspended from 1:40am to 7:40am as visibility was very low.

During the time, eight ferries carrying

at least 100 vehicles and several hundred passengers on board remained stuck in the middle of the Padma.

Besides, eight passenger vehicles also remained anchored at Paturia and Daulatdia ferry ghats for over seven hours. According to BIWTC officials, more than six hundred vehicles were stranded at the two ghats.

At Dhaka airport, all flight operations were halted for six hours for the third consecutive day.

"...we were forced to suspend flight operations due to dense fog from 3:30am to 9:30am," said SN Wahid Ur Rahman, deputy director of Station Air Traffic Control at the airport.

During the period, he said, a US-Bangla airlines flight from Singapore was diverted to Chittagong, while an Etihad

cargo aircraft was sent back to Kolkata after it failed to land around 4:00am.

The domestic flight operations were resumed at 9:30am and international flights at 10:15am, he added. Besides, departing flights of Biman, Etihad and Saudi airlines were stuck at the airport till 10:30am.

Meanwhile, passengers alleged that the airport officials did not inform them about the change of the flight schedule.

As per weather forecast, moderate to thick fog may occur over the country in next two days.

On Wednesday, flight operations were suspended for nine hours due to dense fog, resulting in the delay of at least 30 international and domestic flights.

Primary exam results Dec 30

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The results of primary and ebtdai terminal examinations will be published on December 30.

Primary and Mass Education Minister Mostafizur Rahman will hand over the results to Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina at Gono Bhavan on that day, according to a handout.

CU teacher placed on two-day remand

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A court in Chittagong yesterday placed Chittagong University (CU) teacher Anwar Hossain Chowdhury on a two-day remand in connection with the murder case of Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) central leader Diaz Irfan Chowdhury.



The court of Senior Judicial Magistrate Shiplu Kumar Day passed the order after hearing the remand prayer submitted by Criminal Investigation Department (CID), said Chittagong Court Inspector (acting) Swapan Kumar.

Earlier, Assistant Superintendent of Police (ASP) Jasim Uddin of Chittagong Criminal Investigation Department (CID) sought a five-day remand for the teacher -- assistant professor of sociology department and a former assistant proctor -- after he surrendered before a court of Chittagong in the murder case.

Anwar was earlier granted ad-interim bail for six weeks by the High Court which was non extendable, said the court sources.

The HC also instructed him to surrender before the trial court. On December 18, Anwar surrendered before the Chittagong court and sought bail. But the court sent him to jail, said the court sources.

Anwar Hossain is the first person who has been placed on remand in the case, court sources added.

Advocate Jubaida Sarwar Nipa, elder sister of Diaz, told The Daily Star: "According to the CU law, the teacher should be suspended from the university, but the university administration is yet to take any such measure against him."

"We will send a legal notice to the authority if they do not take necessary measure to suspend the arrested teacher by Sunday," she added.

Despite repeated attempts, the university Vice Chancellor Professor Ittefkar Uddin Chowdhury and Registrar Professor Kamrul Huda could not be contacted for comments.

Meanwhile, a faction of BCL formed a human chain at the Bangabandhu Chattar on the campus demanding withdrawal of the case and immediate release of former assistant proctor Anwar.

On November 20, 2016, the body of Diaz, central assistant secretary of the BCL, was found hanging from the ceiling at his room near the campus.

Diaz's mother filed the murder case on November 24 with a Chittagong court against around 20 people, including the then CU assistant proctor Anwar Hossain and the then president of BCL CU unit Mohammad Alamgir Tipu.

Police find four causes

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casualties," said Mostain.

Asked if the probe body found any negligence of police, the CMP DC said cops didn't neglect their duties. He, however, admitted that the number of policemen was inadequate.

"Law enforcers tried their best to control the situation. The causality

could have been bigger had the police charged batons on the large crowd at that time."

The CMP official said they had deployed law enforcers as per requirement of the organisers of the programme.

There were only 20 cops on duty that day.

Following the fatal accident, police asked the convention centre authorities not to operate it until further notice.

Another five-member committee of the Chittagong district administration was probing the incident.

Brother of a victim on Monday night filed an unnatural death case with Chawkbazar Police Station in this connection.

Teaching from the heart

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helping children from struggling families to excel at school.

Sharmin is one of the forty students Minara currently teaches from her home daily, in three sessions arranged for nursery to class two, classes three and four, and class five, staggered through the day.

Dadu, Auntie, Bubu, Boro Maa, Kakima -- Minara's students call her by many affectionate names. All hold this giver of education in special regard. "Dadu makes me understand my homework," says Ismail Hossain, a class-five student. "My teachers at school are happy with my performance because of Dadu."

"Auntie helps me with my schoolwork," says another student, Sharmin Sultana, the daughter of a rickshaw driver from nearby Pachultia village, whose parents are illiterate. "With her help I can prepare for class."

Class three students Sakib, Sifat, Akhter Hossain and Salma from Sitpara village are likewise pleased with the help they receive from Minara. "Dadu helps us understand both English and Maths well," one of them says.

"Spreading education is noble work," says Minara, who herself never completed secondary schooling. "I do it in that spirit. It brings satisfac-

tion." She likes best to help students who are by habit inattentive at school. Considering the economic circumstances of her students' families Minara has never thought of charging fees. "She doesn't demand fees from anyone," says one parent, rickshaw driver Saiful Islam. "Every-one pays according to their ability and there's never any dispute about it."

"Students who study with Minara do well at school," says acting head teacher of Kornarpur Government Primary School Sabina Yasmin. Her students are poor but the quality of her teaching is not. "When results are announced at our school," says assistant teacher at Kornarpur, Shamsun Nahar, "Minara is always there. She has such an interest in knowing the results of her students."

"If every area had an education enthusiast like Minara," says Sreepurupazila's primary education officer Kamrul Hasan, "it would not take long for Bangladesh to be free of illiteracy. Her noble efforts are a matter of pride for the nation."

It's quite a contribution for someone who began with a plan to achieve something modest for her community. Far from being insignificant, good school results are likely, after all, to be the greatest gift that many a parent can wish for.

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Religion for individuals

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Invitation for Tender (IFT) Winter Kits

Ref No: IFT/SCI/BDCO/FY-17/0010 Date: December 22, 2017
Save the Children International (SCI) is hereby requesting invitation for Tender (IFT) from the interested experienced bona fide organizations to supply **Winter Kits** as per required specification.

Name of Procuring Entity	: Save the Children International (SCI)
Procurement item	: Winter Kits
Procurement Method	: Open Tendering Method (National)
Working Experience	: The minimum years of experience should be 3 years for supplying similar goods. Detailed can be seen in Tender document.
Tender document price, Selling date, Time & Place	: A complete set of tender document (Hard copy) may be obtained from December 24, 2017 to December 28, 2017 between 9:00 am to 3:00 pm on working day from Save the Children Country office at House No. CWN (A) 35, Road No. 43, Gulshan-2, Dhaka-1212, Bangladesh on payment of Tk. 500 (Taka Five Hundred) only (Non-refundable) in the form of pay order/ demand draft in favor of Save the Children International issued by a scheduled bank in Bangladesh. IFT document are also available at: http://procurement.scibd.info for free download from December 22, 2017 (Please do not use whatsapp). Download copy is acceptable for tender participation.
Pre-Tender Meeting Time & Place	: December 27, 2017 at 11:00 am at Save the Children, House No. CWN (A) 35, Road No. 43, Gulshan-2, Dhaka-1212, Bangladesh (Meeting minutes will be available at http://procurement.scibd.info on November 27, 2017)
Tender Security	: Tender security as mentioned in tender document should be submitted in the form of Pay Order/Demand Draft/Bank Guarantee in favor of "Save the Children International".
Tender Document Dropping Date, Time & Place	: Sealed tender should be dropped into the Tender box 1 kept at Save the Children, House No. CWN (A) 35, Road No. 43, Gulshan-2, Dhaka-1212, Bangladesh on or before December 31, 2017 during office hour. Last date & time for submission: On or before December 31, 2017 within 2:30 pm.
Tender Opening Date, Time and Place	: The tender shall be opened on December 31, 2017 at 3:00 pm in presence of Tenderer(s) representative (if any) at Save the Children, House No. CWN (A) 35, Road No. 43, Gulshan-2, Dhaka-1212, Bangladesh.
Contact number	: Phone: 880-9859848; Fax: 880-2-58812523

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The shareholders of AB Bank Limited in an Extraordinary General Meeting held on December 21, 2017 has resolved following:

"To readjust the proposed Rights Issue of the Bank from 5:4R to 3:2R after giving effect of Stock Dividend for the year 2016 at a price of Tk.10.00 each subject to approval from the concerned Regulatory Authorities".

A record date for entitlement of the proposed rights shares to be notified later after obtaining approval from the Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission."

By order of the Board
Sd/
Mahadev Sarker Sumon FCA
Company Secretary

Dated: Dhaka
December 21, 2017

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