## CASE AGAINST KHALEDA Court wants probe report on bomb attack

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday once again asked detectives to submit by April 4 the probe report of a case filed against BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia

and 13 others over a crude bomb attack on the shipping minister's procession on February 16, 2015.

Metropolitan Magistrate Nurunnahar Yasmin passed the order after Inspector of the Detective Branch (DB) of police Fazlul Haque, also the investigation officer, failed to submit any probe

report by yesterday. A labour leader, Ismail Hossain Bachchu, filed the case with Gulshan Police Station on the day of the attack, accusing Khaleda as

the mastermind. Jatiyatabadi Mohila Dal General Secretary Shirin Sultana, Khaleda's Press Secretary Maruf Kamal Khan and her Special Assistant Shimul Biswas SEE PAGE 4 COL 6



Renovation work is going on to preserve the pond on Mohanagar Natyamancha premises in the capital. Dhaka South City Corporation (DSCC) has recently taken an initiative to renovate the pond and its adjoining park, as part of its plan to preserve the nearly-extinct water bodies in the city. The Daily Star ran 25 reports on Dhaka's ponds between June 22 and September 18 last year revealing how these vital organs were destroyed, occupied or threatened due to unabated encroachment, dumping of waste and sheer negligence. The photo was taken yesterday.

# **US** for fair election in Bangladesh

Says Bernicat

STAR REPORT

US Ambassador in Dhaka Marcia Bernicat yesterday said the United States looks forward to a fair election in Bangladesh.

"We [Bangladesh and the US] are both democratic countries... and the fundamental basis of democracy is that citizens have the right to choose and change the government, she told a group of journalists at EMK Center in the capital.

"When the process is truly representative and fair, then you have the basis for stability," she added.

The US ambassador was addressing the media on the occasion of "African-American History Month", which is celebrated by the US government throughout the month of February each year, reports our correspondent. Responding to a query, she said the US government has

no favourite political party in Bangladesh. It is the choice of the Bangladeshi people whomever they elect to form the government. "It's your job to choose that party." She stressed the need for peaceful demonstrations and

protests. The US envoy also said she thinks the world has not lost attention on the Rohingya issue. The US government has been working to find a resolution to the crisis.

The Trump administration has been highly vocal and critical of the atrocities on the Rohingyas, she added.

Deputy Assistant to the US President and Senior Director for South and Central Asia at the National Security Council in the White House Lisa Curtis is scheduled to arrive in Bangladesh on Friday on a three-day visit. Lisa will also visit Rohingya camps in Cox's Bazar, said Marcia.

UK FOR STRONG DEMOCRACY IN BANGLADESH

Meanwhile, at a different programme yesterday, British High Commissioner in Dhaka Alison Blake laid emphasis

on having a strong democracy. Blake said one of the things they strongly believe in is democracy with free, fair, participatory and inclusive elections, reports UNB. The High Commissioner said this is the best way forward for a future with prosperity, stability and | after studying the text of creating a society in which everyone has a stake and voice.

## Govt prolonging Khaleda's stay in jail: Fakhrul

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government is using different strategies to prevent BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia from getting bail, alleged party Secretary General Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir yesterday. Talking to reporters at

the party's Nayapaltan office in the capital, he said the government is trying to keep Khaleda away from the next election by prolonging her imprisonment

On February 8, a Dhaka court jailed Khaleda for five years in the Zia Charitable Trust graft case.

"Khaleda was supposed to get bail on the very day of the judgment. There is no reason why she did not get bail," he added.

Referring to the meeting with Gono Forum President Dr Kamal Hossain, Fakhrul said, "He compassionately heard BNP's plea and expressed dissatisfaction over the lower court verdict in such a case. "...he assured us of providing legal assistance the verdict," he added.

# Too soon to end

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**NEW BOOKS** 

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and capturing the moments with their mobile phones. "I cannot believe Anisul Hoque just signed the book bought...," said Adhara, a college student, while showing

autographs of writers Anisul Hoque and Imdadul Haq Milon

the book to her friends. She purchased "Alo Adharer Jatri' written by the author. Meanwhile, many students were seen swarming the

Suhrawardy Udyan premises as they did not want to miss the opportunity of getting their hands on new books. For them, the book fair was also a perfect place for a

"literary adda". Many of their friends also worked part-time at various stalls. Even though they were busy assisting visitors to select their old and new favourites, there was no shortage of smiles from them.

Many of the publishers also expressed satisfaction over the sale and the overall fair environment. "The sale was higher this year... even on the last day, visitors kept pouring in," said Farid Ahmed, publisher of Somoy Prokashon.

The curtain fell on the book fair at 9:00pm yesterday. The total sale at the fair was Tk 70.50 crore, said a Bangla Academy press release. It was Tk 65.40 crore last year.

## Rejoinder

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roundtables, seminars and discussions, in which all sections of civil society, irrespective of their political persuasion, have participated. The views expressed in these events organised by TDF are those of the participants. The views cannot be attributed to the organisation nor can be they used to identify it as a "pro-BNP platform" or for that matter any other political party platform, says the rejoinder. **OUR REPLY** 

We regret the error and stand corrected.

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#### **Eastern Refinery Limited** (A Subsidiary of Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation)

North Patenga, Chittagong-4204 Bangladesh

#### Invitation for International Tender ERL hereby invites offers from reputed suppliers/manufacturers for the supply of the following goods in accordance with the terms

1	Ministry/division	Ministry of Power, Energy and Mineral Resources/Energy and Mineral Resources  Division.		
2	Agency	Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation.		
3.	Purchaser name	Eastern Refinery Limited.		
4.	Purchaser district	Chittagong.		
5.	Invitation for	Goods		
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	William Company	b) On-Line Oxygen Analyzer		
	1	c) Steam Rubber Hose Pipe		
	1	d) Various Valves		
11	Tender selling period	(a) & (b) 04/03/2018 to 02/04/2018		
		(c) & (d) 04/03/2018 to 16/04/2018		
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Tk. 75,000.00 Or, USD 950.00

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When saviours labelled 'rapists'

Meanwhile, police arrested garment worker Rasel, 25, the prime accused, on January 14, two days after the girl's family informed them about the rape incident. On January 15, the victim's mother filed a case in this regard.

Rasel gave a statement to a Dhaka court under section 164 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (CrPC) where he mentioned the names of Imran and Shohag as his accom plices.

The victim said Imran and Shohag also took her to Dhaka Medical College Hospital for better treatment. But on February 11, Officer-in-Charge (OC) (intelli

gence) of Ashulia Police Station Obaidur Rahman, also investigation officer (IO) of the case, called the duo to show up at the police station. Once they showed up, police arrested them and pro

duced them before a court, said the victim. She said she also told the court that the two are innocent. "How come the are now in jail over rape allegation?" she asked. Rasel mentioned their name as he has previous enmit

with the duo, she said. Asked about the reason behind the enmity, she said, "Rasel used to stalk me on my way to an from my workplace." One day, Shohag and Imran protested it. "Even after the rape incident, the duo helped me and my family. That is the

reason Rasel mentioned their names to falsely implicate them." Lal Banu, mother of Imran, said, "My son is languishing in jail for helping someone. Even the victim said my son was

not involved in the crime." Rekha Begum, mother of Shohag, questions, "Is it my son's fault that he went to help a rape victim?"

Meanwhile, Ashaduzzaman Halim, lawyer for Imran,

said the court will sit today for hearing. "We hope the court will accept our bail petition." "If a man is harassed for helping people, people will lose

confidence in the law and no one will come to help the people in need," said the lawyer. The victim also hopes that the court will release the

Contacted, Abdul Awal, officer-in-charge of Ashulia Police Station, asked this correspondent to talk to the IO.

When asked, IO Obaidur said they were investigating the case. He added that he would not make any comment before

## The victim's mother alleged that Rasel's brother-in-law Al-

VICTIM'S FAMILY COMPLAINS OF THREAT

the investigation is completed.

Amin has been threatening them to withdraw the case. Al-Amin, who was also arrested along with Rasel, has recently come out of jail on bail.

repeated attempts over the phone.

Asked, the IO said, "I will look into the matter."

This correspondent could not talk to Al-Amin despite

#### pioneering journalist who is worth following. He said

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young newsmen will be benefited if they follow him. Citing the pressure on journalists, Prothom Alo Joint Editor Sohrab Hasan

said journalist are now

living in a culture of fear. Nagarik Oikya Convener Mahmudur Rahman Manna alleged government comes up with excuses and counter allegations when someone is abducted or goes missing.

Lawmaker Shirin Akhter added, "Abduction and murder are bad activities. speak on its favour."

# NEWS<sub>IN</sub> brief

# Hazing Freshmen: Sust expels 2, suspends 3, fines 16 students

**OUR CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet** 

The authorities of Shahjalal University of Science and Technology (Sust) yesterday expelled two of its students for hazing six freshmen on February 15.

Sust also handed down different forms of punishments to 19 other students for their involvement in the same incident. The decision was taken at a meeting of the syndicate, said Proctor Prof Jahirul Islam. The two expelled students are Hamidur Rahman

Rangan and Ashiq Ahmed Himel from civil and environmental engineering (CEE) department. Among the 21 punished students, 20 are from the

CEE department, another from political studies department. All of them are second year first semester students. Two of them, Mahmudul Hasan and Shahriar Jaman Rahi, were given two years' suspension along with a fine of Tk 10,000 each. One of their fellows, Istiaque Ahmed, was given 1 year's suspension and Tk 10,000 fine. Each of the other five were fined Tk 6,000 each, nine of them Tk 3,000 while two were given warnings only.

# 16,286 candidates pass 38th BCS preliminary test

BSS, Dhaka

Public Service Commission (PSC) yesterday published the results of the 38th Bangladesh Civil Service (BCS) preliminary test with 16,286 candidates coming out successful, said a PSC press release.

on Teletalk mobile operator service. For SMS notification of the result, a candidate will have to type "PSC38Registration number" and send it to 16222. A total of 3,46,440 candidates were eligible for the

(www.bpsc.gov.bd) or via short message service (SMS)

The results can be viewed on the PSC website

preliminary test but 2,88,899 candidates took part in the exam. The test was held on December 29 last year.

### Verdict today on Nizam Hazari's JS membership STAFF CORRESPONDENT

petition that challenged the legality of holding the office of a lawmaker by ruling Awami League leader Nizam Uddin Hazari. The bench of Justice Md Abu Zafor Siddique on

The High Court will give its verdict today on a writ

Tuesday fixed the date after concluding hearing on the petition. Earlier, five HC judges refused to hear the same petition after a two-judge bench on December 6, 2016, delivered a split verdict, said petitioner's lawyer Advocate Satya Ronjon Mondal.

Shakhawat Hossain Bhuiyan, a Jubo League leader of Feni, filed the petition as public interest litigation with the HC on June 8, 2014, praying to the court to declare Nizam disqualified for contesting the parliamentary polls and holding the office as a lawmaker because of his alleged forgery in getting an early release from jail in a criminal case in December 2005.

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# গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার

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ইজারা কোটেশন খোলার স্থান, তারিখ ও সময়

কোটেশন/সকল কোটেশন বাতিলের ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।

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