

## Nagorik TV, Annisul Huq Foundation start journey

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Aiming for stronger ties with its audience, private television channel Nagorik TV officially went on air yesterday.

Commerce Minister Tofail Ahmed announced the formal launch of the private channel at a programme at Bangabandhu International Conference Center (BICC) in the capital.

The minister expressed expectation that the new channel will nurture the spirit of Liberation War and highlight the development of the country.

Information Minister Hasanul Haq Inu hoped that Nagorik TV will be able to meet the demands of its audience.

The programme also honoured eminent artist Mustafa Monwar, Prof Abdullah Abu Sayeed, Prof Momtaz Uddin Ahmed, Mustafa Kamal Syed and Managing Director of Channel-i Faridur Reza Sagar.

Meanwhile, from the same podium, Managing Director of Mohammadi Group Rubana Huq announced the formation of "Annisul Huq Foundation", to honour and encourage the dynamic people for their contribution in the society.

Rubana, also wife of former DNCC Mayor Annisul Huq, recalled the memory of her husband. She later inaugurated the logo of the foundation.

Among others, State Minister for Power, Energy and Mineral Resources Nasrul Hamid, and power and energy adviser to the prime minister Toufiq-e-Elahi Chowdhury, were present.



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**BNP Secretary General Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir along with other leaders distributes leaflets among people in Nayapaltan area of the capital yesterday, seeking release of party Chairperson Khaleda Zia from jail. BNP senior joint secretary general Ruhul Kabir Rizvi launched the programme in front of the Nayapaltan headquarters, and party leaders and activists all over the country took part in it, reports UNB. On February 8, Khaleda was sent to jail after a special court sentenced her to five years' rigorous imprisonment in the Zia Orphanage Trust graft case.**

## Maintain code of conduct

### CJ asks lower court judges

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Chief Justice Syed Mahmud Hossain yesterday asked lower court judges to maintain code of conduct in and outside the courtroom so that countrymen do not lose faith on them.

"A judge is always a judge. We have to be cautious about everything -- in our behaviour and movement. We have to talk carefully," he said.

He was addressing an event arranged by the Bangladesh Judicial Service Association (BJSa) at a city hotel to felicitate him for assuming the post of chief justice.

The chief justice also asked lower court judges to follow the High Court circulars, arrange judicial conferences regularly, visit courts and enhance supervision, and ensure

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said, adding that DIG Mizan would also be charged for his "misconduct" as a government official.

DIG Mizan, now attached to the PHQ, was an additional commissioner of Dhaka Metropolitan Police (DMP) before being withdrawn on January 9.

DIG Mizan allegedly issued threats to Nesarul Haque Khokon, senior reporter of Bangla daily Jugantor; and Abdullah Tuhin, special correspondent of Jamuna Television, while he was talking to a TV presenter over the phone.

The threats came after the journalists ran reports of alleged forced marriage and torture on a woman.

Mizan allegedly picked up 25-year-old Moriam Akter Eko in front of her Panthapath house on July 15 last year and then forcibly married her, according to a statement of Moriam's mother Queen Talukdar.

In the statement, sent to different media outlets, Queen Talukdar also alleged that her daughter was also implicated in a false case and was jailed for three weeks.

DIG Mizan's name also surfaced in the media for allegedly picking up a female news presenter of a private television channel at gunpoint on December last year.

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the case asking the respondents to pay Tk 20 lakh as compensation to his parents.

As per the direction, Bangladesh Railway and Bangladesh Fire Service and Civil Defence were supposed to pay Tk 10 lakh each within 90 days, he said, adding that the respondents had not paid the money although the time period expired on January 10.

Their action of not paying the compensation is tantamount to contempt of court, he said.

Jihad fell into an unprotected well shaft while playing with other children in Shahjahanpur Railway Colony on December 26, 2014.

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## NEWSIN brief

### Hajj flights to begin July 14

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The flights, carrying Bangladeshi pilgrims to Saudi Arabia to perform hajj this year, will begin from July 14, said Religious Affairs Minister Motiur Rahman yesterday.

Speaking to the press at the Secretariat, he also said prospective hajjis will not require any police verification this year -- a process for which they used to face harassment. A total of 1,27,198 pilgrims are set to perform hajj this year from the country.

Earlier in the day, the minister inaugurated the registration process of the hajj pilgrims for 2018 under government management. The process will continue till March 11. The government has opened a hotline -- 09602666707 -- at the ministry for receiving complaints regarding hajj management and fraudulence. It will remain open for providing information about hajj.

Meanwhile, acting Religious Affairs Secretary Anisur Rahman said hajj agencies will be rewarded for good performance and punished for irregularities.

### Daylong job fair held at IUB

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A daylong job fair organised by the Office of Career Guidance and Placement (CGP) of Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB) was held Wednesday.

Rashed Chowdhury, chairman of the Board of Trustees, inaugurated the fair as the chief guest, said a press release. This year, IUB is celebrating its 25th anniversary and has organised the biggest career fair ever.

A total of 49 multinational and national companies and organisations participated in the job fair, the release said. Prof Omar Rahman, vice-chancellor; Prof Milan Pagon, pro-vice chancellor; Md Abdullah Iqbal, deputy director of CGP, spoke during the inaugural ceremony.

### US extends condolences to Bangladeshi peacekeepers

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

The US Embassy in Dhaka expressed its condolences to the families of the four Bangladeshi UN peacekeepers, who were killed in Mali on Wednesday.

In a post on its Facebook fan page, the US Embassy also wished quick recovery to those injured in the incident. "We stand with the Bangladeshi peacekeepers in our efforts to bring peace to conflict around the world. We applaud the courage and determination displayed by the people of Bangladesh in bringing protection to the vulnerable throughout the world and grieve with you for the loss of the young men...", reads the post.

### UN rights official due today

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

UN Assistant Secretary-General for Human Rights Andrew Gilmour will arrive in Dhaka today on a four-day visit to hold discussion with government, NGOs and humanitarian partners on Rohingya crisis.

He will be visiting Cox's Bazar on March 2-4, where he will see camps housing Rohingya refugees from Myanmar and speak to those who fled across the border in recent weeks. At the end of his four-day visit, Gilmour will issue a statement to the media.



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