

Shot by BSF, 9th grader



Russell, who was shot by the BSF in the face, on the verge of losing his eyesight.

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Russell's brother Rubel Mia, who sat the HSC examination form a local college this year, said his brother had 40 pellet injury marks on the face, including two in his right eye and one in the left.
When shot with rubber bullets from PAG (pump action gun), Russell was 20 yards inside Bangladesh territory, said Lt Col Golam Morshed, Commanding Officer 15 BGB Battalion.
Contacted last night, Ramakant Gupta, first secretary (consular) of the Indian High Commission in Dhaka, said, "I am not aware of the incident."
After being shot, Russell tried to swim ashore, but he soon fainted, relatives said.
Two local youths, who were nearby, pulled him out of the water and took him to Fulbari Upazila Health

money.
Golam Morshed, the BGB commander, said they held a company commander and battalion commander-level meetings with the BSF.
"We protested the incident both verbally and in writing," he told The Daily Star yesterday.
In the company commander-level meeting, the BSF regretted the incident. But in the battalion commander-level meeting, they said the BSF fired as they had information that the boy and several others who went there were smugglers, he said.
Replying to a query, Morshed said their primary investigation suggested that Russell was innocent and had no involvement in smuggling.
Meanwhile, rights body Ain o Salish Kendra wrote to the national human rights commission of India on May 13 about the shooting.
Yesterday, the ASK sent a letter to the Indian High Commission in Dhaka, demanding punishment of those involved in the shooting and also compensation for Russell.
"Through the Indian High Commission we also sent a letter to the chief justice of the Kolkata High Court," said an ASK official.
Kriti Roy, chief of Indian rights body Bangla Manab Adhikar Suraksha Mancha, said they sought all the papers related to the incident from the ASK.
Upon getting those, they will file a petition with the Kolkata High Court, seeking punishment of the attackers and proper compensation for the boy, Roy added.

Najib likely

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revolution at the ballot box.
The election dramatically reversed Anwar's fortunes, from prisoner to presumptive successor to 92-year-old Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad.
It also imperilled Najib, who Anwar said now faces an "arduous" legal battle -- without the protection of high office.
Accused of overseeing the plundering of state fund 1MDB, Najib's position has looked increasingly precarious. Police carried out extensive searches of his home overnight.
Anwar predicted that Najib would likely take up the spot he had just vacated in prison. "He will certainly be charged," he said.
Anwar, 70, declined to say how he thought Najib's case would play out, as it depended on "how he can defend himself in court".
But Anwar added: "It will be very difficult for him to escape (going to) prison."
Najib and 1MDB deny any wrongdoing.
Mahathir, who came out of retirement to lead the revolt against Najib, has signalled he will hand power to Anwar within two years.
The younger man's return to politics has been the subject of much speculation and he confirmed he would be seeking to return as an MP soon -- but would not seek a position on the front benches just yet.
"I am not intending to join the cabinet," he said he had told Mahathir.
Anwar and Mahathir, who previously led Malaysia as premier from 1981-2003, have a stormy relationship that has dominated Malaysian politics for decades.
Anwar enjoyed a meteoric rise in the now-outdated Barisan Nasional and was heir-apparent to the premiership until he fell out with Mahathir in the 1990s and was sacked.

Another mad race

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College, lost his right hand after it got stuck between two speeding buses trying to overtake each other in the capital's Bangla Motor area.
He succumbed to his injuries at the Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH) on April 16.
Describing yesterday's incident, a witness named Rasel Mahmud, who was on another motorcycle several yards behind the bus, said a Manjil Paribahan bus and the victim's motorcycle were moving on the flyover next to each other.
"Suddenly, a bus of Sraban Paribahan sped by my motorcycle and tried to overtake the Manjil Paribahan bus. Both bus drivers then began speeding. Suddenly, I saw the motorcyclist ahead of me fall on the road, and the Shraban Paribahan bus running him over," he said.
Rasel could not tell for sure which bus first knocked Nazim down.
However, Azizur Rahman, officer-in-charge of Jatrabari Police Station, said the bus of Manjil Paribahan hit Nazim's motorcycle first and then the Sraban Paribahan bus ran him over.
Police seized both the buses and detained Manjil Paribahan's helper Kamal and Sraban Paribahan's driver Ohidul, he said.
Rasel, along with some others, took Nazim to DMCH where doctors declared him dead. Rasel's brother Nayeem chased down the Sraban Paribahan bus in Gulistan and handed over its driver to police.
Hailing from Bhola's Lalmohan, Nazim had been living with his wife Sabrina Yeasmin Irin in Shyampur area. Their first daughter, Nusrat Jahan Moon, was born eight years ago. The couple named their new born daughter Israt Jahan Noor.
"He was very happy after their second daughter was born, as they were hoping for another child for quite some time. Our entire family was

overjoyed," Nazim's father-in-law, Arif Hossain, told The Daily Star.
"Now, we can only see a bleak future. How will his family run? What will happen to his children?" he asked.
He said his daughter Irin's condition, who was still receiving treatment at the hospital after the caesarean, deteriorated soon after she heard the news.
"I don't know what to do now. How can I console my daughter and granddaughters?" asked Arif, who was taking the body to the village home for burial.
Quoting a passenger of one of the buses, he said the drivers began racing from Shanir Akhra area despite repeated warnings from the passengers.
"How could such drivers get a licence? How many people will die due to this unhealthy competition?" he asked, demanding that the government bring the people involved in such acts to book.
The victim's uncle Jamal Uddin told reporters at DMCH that the government should take immediate steps to stop reckless driving and provide training before issuing licences in order to stop such deaths on the roads.
In a meeting on Tuesday, senior police officials and leaders of transport owners and workers' unions pointed out the unhealthy competition among drivers to pick passengers, reckless driving, overloading and overtaking as the main reasons behind such accidents.
Organised by Dhaka Sarak Paribahan Malik Shramik Oikya Parishad and Traffic Division of Dhaka Metropolitan Police (DMP), they requested drivers to refrain from such practices.
Due to the reduction of trips caused by severe traffic congestion in the city, bus owners often rent out their vehicles to the drivers who indulge in reckless driving just to maximise profit by making as many trips as possible, leaders of transport owners and workers said.

Orders on Khaleda's bail pleas

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conducting the case filed for "undermining" the national flag.
After Khaleda was convicted and sent to jail on February 8 in the Zia Orphanage Trust corruption case, she was shown arrested in seven other cases, including undermining "the national flag and celebrating 'fake' birthday and four arson ones, filed in Dhaka, Comilla, Khulna and Narail.
Besides the undermining "the national flag and celebrating 'fake' birthday cases, there was no development of her getting bail in five other cases as of yesterday.
In another development, lawyers for the BNP chief yesterday submitted four petitions with four Dhaka courts seeking withdrawal of production warrants issued earlier against Khaleda in Gatco, Niko, Barapukuria coal mine and Zia Charitable Trust graft cases.
Of them, production warrant of the Niko graft case was withdrawn, while judges of Gatco and Barapukuria coal mine graft cases will pass orders subject to submission of Khaleda's SC bail order in Zia Orphanage Trust corruption case.
And judge of the Zia Charitable Trust corruption case fixed June 4 for passing an order on the petition filed for withdrawal of the production warrant, said Sanaullah Miah, lawyer for the BNP chief.
So, Khaleda cannot walk out of prison right now even after winning a hard-fought legal battle for bail in the Zia Orphanage Trust corruption case at the SC on Wednesday, as she didn't get bail in seven other cases in which she was shown arrested.
NIKO CASE
On December 9, 2007, the Anti-Corruption Commission filed the graft case with Tejgaon Police Station, accusing Khaleda and 10 others of abusing power to award a gas exploration and extraction deal to Canadian company Niko during her tenure as the prime minister.
GATCO CASE
On September 2, 2007, the ACC filed the corruption case with Tejgaon Police Station against Khaleda, her youngest son late Arafat Rahman Koko, executed Jamaat-e-Islami ameer and former industries minister Motiur Rahman Nizami and 10 others.

instructed the party leaders and activists to continue the peaceful movement for her release.
Khaleda is seriously ill and she cannot move normally, the lawyer said, adding that she felt that if she was treated at United Hospital, she would get well.
She also conveyed Ramadan greetings in advance to the people and her party leaders and activists, Masud said.
Three other lawyers who met Khaleda from 4:00pm to 5:15pm were Khandaker Mahbub Hossain, AJ Mohammad Ali and Sanaullah Miah.
Florida set
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drone will be combating the country's pest problem have yet to be revealed.
Authorities already use helicopters and small aircraft to monitor and treat problem areas.
"We potentially could be using it more for surveillance and in more isolated areas for treatment missions," Eric Jackson, a public information officer at the Lee County Mosquito Control District in southwestern Florida told CNBC.
"Our district relies heavily on aerial operations," he said.
The county has a lot of mangrove habitat which is ideal breeding ground for mosquitoes.
"We're trying to be as innovative as we can and as efficient as we can. And if this can be used safely, we're open to anything," Jackson said.
Commissioners are meeting later this month to discuss the next steps.
Florida is one of ten sites included in a the Federal Aviation Administration's Unmanned Aircraft Systems Integration Pilot Program which aims to harness drone technology.
"We've been doing this for 60 years with aircraft dealing with mosquito issues, so I'm thinking that might have played a part (in our selection)," Jackson said.
Other states have requested to use drone technology for other purposes - for example north Dakota wants to use them for monitoring crops and oil pipelines and authorities in Tennessee are using them for package deliveries.

2 killed

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that yaba, Phensidyle and firearms were recovered from the spot.
Identities of the deceased could not be known immediately.
As of filing of this report at 12:30am today, the bodies were at the spot, while Rab personnel were continuing their raid.

Banking

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the July 15 final, with Brazil and Spain the next most likely teams to succeed, with a 19.8 percent and 16.1 percent chance respectively.
"Germany and Brazil are set for an easy start, while Spain will have to hit the ground running if they are to beat Portugal, the current European champions, in their opening game," said Michael Bolliger, head of emerging market asset allocation in a report that used econometric forecasting tools.
"From there, the going will get tougher for Spain and Brazil, who will possibly face Argentina and England, respectively, in the quarterfinals," Bolliger said.
Host country Russia, meanwhile, is likely to make it to the round of 16 before losing to either Spain or Portugal.
As for Iceland and Panama: 0.2 percent and 0.0 percent respectively.
The predictions by the world's biggest wealth manager were based on a statistical model using the results from the previous five tournaments and controlling for factors such as team strength and success in the qualification phase.
UBS said that England, France, Belgium and Argentina could still provide some surprises in the World Cup.
"Argentina's fate will strongly depend on the form of their star players in our view, which is an element of uncertainty and hard to capture with our quantitative model," Bolliger said.
France should be able to advance to the semifinal but could face Brazil, another top team, after the possible elimination of Portugal. England, just like Belgium, has a balanced team but would have to get past Brazil to reach the semifinal, he added.

Run news on good jobs

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brighten the country's image and inform people properly about their facilities. "How can we take the country forward if there is no inspiration for the people?"
"Many people think that the media can't be run without writing against the government... this is a sick mentality," Hasina said.
She called upon the journalists to properly bring into the limelight the government's development initiatives.
"This should be done as we don't want to remain dependent on others. We want to live with dignity, holding our heads high as we are a victorious nation."
About the Bangabandhu-1 satellite, the premier said Bangladesh has been able to send a modern satellite into orbit as the 57th country which has brightened its image.
Criticising BNP for making "unguarded remarks" about the satellite, she urged people to think how those parties, "who didn't have minimum common sense" about the benefits of a satellite, could develop the country.
Hasina said although BNP talks about democracy and free, fair and neutral polls, Ziaur Rahman, founder of the party, had "started rigging votes" in the country. "After capturing power illegally, he had presented curfew democracy, not public democracy."
Referring to the February 15, 1996 parliamentary election, Magura by-election and Dhaka-10 by-polls held during the BNP rule, she said those who played games with elections were now giving lectures on democracy and raising questions about elections.
The PM said Awami League does politics for the people and it established their voting rights. "Some 6,000 local government elections were held in the country during the tenure of the incumbent government. But no one could raise any question concerning a single election because

we didn't interfere in those. It is the right of the people. If people vote for us, we will stay in power."
Without mentioning names, Hasina said she does not read or allow two newspapers in her residence Gono Bhaban.
Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman had been involved in journalism for some time during his student life, she said. "So you can consider me as a member of your family."
About her government's initiatives on the development of media, she said the AL government gave approval to 44 private television channels after assuming power in 2009. Of them, around 35 were in operation now.
The AL government also formulated Bangladesh Journalist Welfare Trust Act, 2014, to help journalists. She urged the media house owners and businessmen to donate to the welfare trust fund.
Mentioning that her government already announced the 9th wage board for journalists, she said she wanted that it would become effective soon.
The premier said the government was formulating a policy and law to prevent cybercrimes. Journalists were unnecessarily worried about the law, she said, adding that the AL government never harassed journalists although criticism against her government continued.
She blasted a section of people for saying that there was no freedom of press in the country. "If there is no freedom of press, how can they say it on television talk shows and write in newspapers?"
Hasina also inaugurated the biennial council of the BFUJ.
Information Minister Hasanul Haq Inu, Prime Minister's Information Adviser Iqbal Sobhan Chowdhury and State Minister for Information Tarana Halim also spoke at the programme, chaired by BFUJ President Monjurul Ahsan Bulbul.

'Ballistic blocks' shoot from Hawaii volcano

REUTERS, Volcano
"Ballistic blocks" the size of microwave ovens shot from Hawaii's Kilauea volcano on Wednesday in what may be the start of explosive eruptions that could spew huge ash plumes and hurl smaller rocks for miles (km), the US Geological Survey said.
Such eruptions, last seen nearly a century ago, have been a looming threat since Kilauea, one of the world's most active volcanoes, erupted nearly two weeks ago.
Explosions in Kilauea's crater sparked an aviation red alert due to risks the ash plume could blow into aircraft routes and damage jet engines.

Dhaka remained silent

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commitment to human rights by giving full consideration to the recommendations from other countries and accepting those that would significantly improve its compliance with international human rights standards, it said.
"Bangladesh needs to stop ignoring and start addressing serious human rights violations, such as when its security forces engage in enforced disappearances, killings, torture, and arbitrary arrests, many of them politically motivated," said Brad Adams, HRW Asia director.
"The Bangladesh government should use the Universal Periodic Review at the UN Human Rights Council as a time for reflection, not self-congratulation."
The Daily Star tried to contact Anisul for comments but failed.
The statement said a number of member countries rightly praised the government's willingness to open the Bangladesh border and provide aid to hundreds of thousands of Rohingya fleeing atrocities by the Myanmar military.
"The Bangladesh delegation spoke at length about the progress on handling the influx of the Rohingya refugees but responded with silence and denial to questions and recommendations by several countries, including concerns about extrajudicial killings,

enforced disappearances, and attacks on human rights defenders," it said.
HRW and other groups have reported for many years about human rights concerns in Bangladesh, and many of these concerns were simply not addressed adequately by Bangladesh in the hearing, the statement said.
In one example, the government pledged during the previous periodic review in 2013 to thoroughly and impartially investigate and prosecute all allegations of human rights violations, in particular by the security forces.
But it has ignored and denied reports of violations since then, including about violence by security forces during the 2014 elections and against people who protested the conduct of the elections, the HRW said.
The government delegation claimed that it is taking action against those responsible for abuse, but there is little evidence or transparency on this, it said.
HRW claimed it has also documented several cases in which members of the political opposition have been forcibly disappeared or secretly detained without charge.
The government has also failed to keep a commitment to end child marriage.
In February 2017, the government approved a law with a new exception that allows girls under 18 to marry under special circumstances, with no minimum age stipulated, added the HRW statement.

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