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Light to moderate rain/thunder showers with gusty wind may occur at most places over Rangpur, Khulna, Barisal, Chittgong & Sylhet divisions and at many places over Rajshahi, Dhaka & Mymensingh divisions with moderate to heavy falls at places over the country in next 24 hours till 6:00pm today, UNB said quoting the Met office. The sun sets in the capital today at 6:41pm and rises tomorrow at 5:29am. City/Town temperatures in celsius









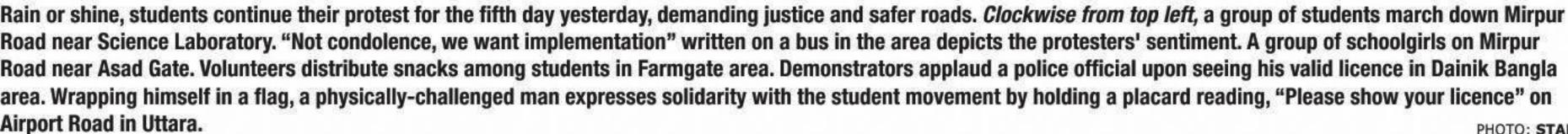


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'It contradicts constitution'

Legal notice questions Shajahan Khan's leading position in workers' federation

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A Supreme Court lawyer yesterday served a legal notice on Shipping Minister Shajahan Khan, requesting him to explain in 24 hours under what authority he has been holding the post of executive president of Bangladesh Sarak Paribahan Sramik Federation (Bangladesh Road Transport Workers Federation).

Advocate Aklas Uddin Bhuiyan sent the legal notice saying that holding the office of executive president of the federation by a minister is contradictory to the constitution.

In the legal notice, he said Shajahan Khan has been elected a member of parliament unopposed in the election held on January 5, 2014. He took oath on January 12 the same year.

As a minister he cannot hold the post of executive president, as Bangladesh Sarak Paribahan Sramik Federation is a collective bargaining agency (CBA), Aklas Uddin added.

CBA is supposed to bargain with the government about workers' facilities and take action against a worker if they SEE PAGE 4 COL 4

False news being spread about PM

Says PMO statement

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Prime Minister's Office (PMO) yesterday said "a quarter with vested interests" has been using various news portals to circulate "concocted, false and baseless news" regarding Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina. Such fabricated news is being spread to confuse the

country's citizens including the young students demonstrating for road safety, reads a press release issued yesterday by Ihsanul Karim, press secretary to the prime minister. The PMO cautioned everyone about the false and base-

less news, especially being circulated on social media, since it has been creating confusion under the prevailing situation in the country.

These children are doing what we couldn't

Says road safety crusader Ilias Kanchan

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Extending his full support to students' ongoing movement for safe roads, popular film

star of yesteryears and founder of Nirapad Sarak Chai (We Demand Safe Roads) movement Ilias Kanchan said, "We have lost our faith in the state machinery. However, since the prime minister has given assurances this time, I want to hope that

things will change for the better." "I have been pressing demands over the last 25 years so unfit vehicles, and vehicles without registration and road permits are not allowed to run on the streets; and drivers

should have proper training and licenses. But the authorities paid no heed to them," lamented the

pioneering road safety campaigner.

Students this time have put forward the same demands. "I couldn't imagine they would do what they have done: embarrass a lawmaker in public by reminding him of traffic rules, and

> having papers and driving licenses. "They are embarrassing us adults. We have failed to exercise our responsibilities. These children are doing what we couldn't do," said Ilias Kanchan, who has

stop police vehicles on roads for not

been carrying a rigorous campaign demanding safe roads since

the tragic demise of his wife, Jahanara

Kanchan, in a road crash in 1993.







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