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Corruption highest in law enforcement

Finds TIB survey on graft in service-oriented sectors

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Law enforcement agencies were the most corrupt among 18 departments and sectors in providing services to households last year, says a survey report of Transparency International Bangladesh (TIB).

Passport offices and Bangladesh Road Transport Authority (BRTA) were the second and third most corrupt service-oriented entities, the anti-graft watchdog said in its report "Graft in Service-oriented Sectors: National Household Survey 2017".

According to the report, 66.5 percent of the households surveyed fell victim to corruption in the service-oriented sectors.

Of those who sought services from law enforcement agencies, 72.5 percent became victims of corruption.

The report also mentioned that 63.1 percent of the households that sought services from BRTA had to pay bribes. The percentage was 60.7 percent in the case of law enforcement agencies and 59.3 percent for passport offices.

The TIB disclosed the findings at a press conference at its office in the capital yesterday.

The report said an estimated Tk 10,688.9 crore had been exchanged in bribe in the service-oriented sectors last year. The figure was Tk 8,821.8 crore in 2015.

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No more drive!

MP, UZ chair, mayor ask admin to allow unauthorised vehicles on Natore-Pabna highway

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Natore

Three public representatives, including a lawmaker, have asked the district administration to stop the drive against unauthorised vehicles like human hauliers and three-wheelers on Natore-Pabna highway.

They are Abdul Quddus, lawmaker of Natore-4 (Baraigram-Gurudashpur constituency), Siddik Patwary, Baraigram upazila chairman, and KM Zakir Hossain, Bonpara municipality mayor.

Talking to The Daily Star over phone, lawmaker Quddus said at yesterday's law and order meeting, they made the request as people were suffering because they could not take their vegetables to markets and patients to hospitals due to the drive against unauthorised vehicles.

The deputy commissioner of the district has called a meeting on September 3 to discuss how to reduce road accidents and find out a solution for reducing people's sufferings, said Quddus, also president of Natore Awami League.

Contacted, Siddik Patwary said they

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Suu Kyi should have resigned

Outgoing UN rights chief slams her for shielding Myanmar army over Rohingya atrocities

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Nobel Laureate Aung San Suu Kyi should have resigned as Myanmar's de facto leader over last year's brutal army campaign against the Rohingyas, the outgoing UN human rights chief has told the BBC.

A military crackdown in response to attacks by Rohingya militants drove around 700,000 of the Muslim minority from Rakhine state into Bangladesh, where they have given accounts of widespread rape, murder and arson targeting their villages.

Suu Kyi, once hailed as a defender of human rights, has been pilloried outside her country for failing to speak up for the Rohingya or condemn the actions of Myanmar's army.

Instead, as streams of desperate Rohingyas fled, Suu Kyi suggested an "iceberg of misinformation" had obscured the real picture of what had taken place inside Rakhine and backed the army campaign as a justified response to "terrorist" acts.

"She (Suu Kyi) was in a position to do something," UN rights chief Zeid Ra'ad Al Hussein said in the interview with the British broadcaster.

"She could have stayed quiet -- or even better, she could have resigned."



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Commuters suffer as RMG workers agitate in Uttara

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Several thousand readymade garment workers yesterday blocked Dhaka-Mymensingh highway in the capital's Uttara, protesting sacking of some workers of a factory.

The blockade disrupted vehicular movement on the busy thoroughfare for over three hours. Hundreds of vehicles, including buses, to and from Dhaka remained stuck on the street from 11:00am to 2:30pm, causing sufferings to people.

Workers of Top Jeans Factory at Uttar Khan first started the agitation in front of their factory around 10:00am, said police.

As a rumour spread that an agitator was stabbed by the men of the factory owner, workers from

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NZ town plans to ban cats to protect birds



INDEPENDENT.CO.UK

Pet cats could be banned from a town in New Zealand as part of radical new proposals designed to protect native wildlife.

Under Environment Southland's "pest plan", cat owners in the small coastal town of Omauri will have to neuter, microchip and register their pets with the local authority.

After their cat dies, they will not be allowed to get another.

The proposals have angered local residents, who accused the council of behaving "like a police state".

But the local authority want to protect 230 hectares of lowland and forest on Omauri that is home to small native birds including the fantail, brown creeper, grey warbler and shining cuckoo

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'THEFT ATTEMPT'
Schoolboy beaten to death

OUR CORRESPONDENT,
Mymensingh

A mob beat a schoolboy to death in front of his three siblings and grandmother in Gafargaon upazila of the district yesterday morning.

Lutfur Rahman Riad, 14, was a class-IX student of Ghagra Uthori Chhipan High School.

Police and locals said the attackers claimed that the



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AZAN 4:30 12:30 4:45 6:33 8:00

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A flock of Asian Openbills, (also known as *shamukhkhola*), rests on a tree in Bogra's Niamatpur village recently.

PHOTO:
MOSTAFA SHABUJ

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Love for
'mother-love'

MOSTAFA SHABUJ, Bogra

The stork has symbolic significance in many regions. The Greek etymology behind the word stork means mother-love, while according to a German fairy-tale the stork is "mother-bird". Colonists of North America considered it a symbol of love and welcoming and in Chinese wisdom, the bird symbolises longevity and old age.

In Bangladesh, specifically Niamatpur, a village located on the bank of Nagar river of Kahaloo upazila in Bogra, the Asian Openbill stork is not only believed to be a symbol of

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longevity and old age.

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