



NO END TO THIS MADNESS

Clockwise from top-right, Ignoring a Rover Scout, holding a sign asking pedestrians to use the nearby footbridge, a man jumps over a road divider to cross the Airport Road amid traffic in Mohakhali. A group of scouts requests pedestrians not to put their lives at risk by jaywalking. With one foot dangling in the air, a youth hangs onto a bus door while it travels on Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue near Farmgate. The photos were taken on Sunday.

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BRTC bus unfit, other vehicle driven recklessly

Probe into September 2 accident in Rangpur finds

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

The bus of state-run BRTC was unfit for plying and another bus was driven recklessly, says a probe report, following a road accident in Rangpur more than a week ago.

On September 2, a bus of Bangladesh Road Transport Corporation (BRTC) and the other bus collided head-on in the city's CO Bazar area.

Eight people were killed and 19 others injured in the accident. All of the deceased were in the BRTC bus while the injured were aboard both the vehicles.

The state-run bus being unfit increased the number of casualties, finds the probe.

The other vehicle was trying to overtake a three-wheeler, the report further says.

Headed by Additional Deputy Magistrate Rashidul Mannaf Kabir, a three-member committee to investigate the incident was formed hours after the accident.

Other members were Maruf Hossain, assistant superintendent of police; and Abu Rafa Md Arif, a deputy director of Office of the Deputy Commissioner.

Rashidul handed over the probe report to DC Enamul Kabir yesterday.

After the accident, Sub-inspector Monowar Hossain of Sadar Police Station filed a case with the station accusing the drivers and helpers who are on the run.

Remove illegal structures from Hatirjheel in 7 days: HC

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday directed the authorities concerned of the government to demolish and remove structures built beyond the layout plan of the Hatirjheel-Begunbari project in Dhaka, within seven days.

In response to a writ petition, the court ordered the authorities to submit a report before it in two weeks after complying with the directive.

The HC bench of Justice Md Nazrul Islam Talukder and Justice KM Hafizul Alam issued a rule asking the respondents to explain in four weeks why they should not be directed to protect the Hatirjheel-Begunbari project in line with the layout plan.

Housing and public works secretary, chief executive officer of Dhaka South City Corporation, Rajdhani Unnayan Kartripakkha (Rajuk) chairman, Dhaka Metropolitan Police (DMP) commissioner, OC of Hatirjheel Police Station, and project director of Hatirjheel-Begunbari project have been made respondents to the rule.

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HC may hear Khaleda's writ petition today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court (HC) may hear today a writ petition filed by BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia seeking its directive on the government to send her to United Hospital in Dhaka for treatment.

The petition filed on Sunday was included in yesterday's hearing list of the HC bench of Justice Sheikh Hassan Arif and Justice Ahmed Sohel.

However, following a time petition moved by her lawyer Barrister Kayser Kamal, the HC bench did not hold the hearing yesterday.

It has been included in today's hearing list of the bench, said Deputy Attorney General Mokhlesur Rahman.

"The BNP chief is seriously unwell as she has been suffering from various diseases and should be admitted to a specialised hospital for treatment," Barrister AM Mahub Uddin Khokon, a lawyer for Khaleda, cited from the petition.

Khaleda has been in jail since February 8 this year after a Dhaka court convicted and sentenced her to five years' imprisonment in the Zia Orphanage Trust Corruption case.

Through thick and thin

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

When Rikta married her cousin Mamun, all she wanted was to have a happy life together.

But in the last year and a half, the couple has gone through quite a lot. She was tricked into getting a divorce, saw her husband jailed, remarried him after he came out of prison. They are now implicated in a "false" case.

As a last resort, the couple held a press conference at the capital's Crime Reporters' Association on Sunday, asking everyone to just leave them alone.

According to Tania Nasrin Rikta, 19, and Abdullah Al Mamun, 25, Rikta's mother did not accept the marriage, and took her signature on a blank paper, using it to file for divorce. She then filed a case under ICT Act against Mamun with Shashi Bhushan Police Station in Bhola that saw him serve a five-month jail sentence.

Undeterred, the couple remarried on

August 7, after he came out of jail, but Rikta's mother again filed a case with Dhaka's Tejgaon Police Station, this time accusing Mamun of abducting her daughter.

"My mother mentioned that my husband and his family members abducted me. I was not abducted; I left my house and married Mamun,"

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Rikta and Mamun at the press conference PHOTO: STAR

Aga Khan Council discussion highlights cosmopolitan ethics

UNB, Dhaka

Chairman and founder of Brac Sir Fazle Hasan Abed has said cosmopolitanism is "acceptance and appreciation of the fact that human beings will choose to express themselves in different ways."

He was addressing a programme on Saturday, arranged by the Aga Khan National Council for Bangladesh (AKNCB), celebrating the conclusion of the diamond jubilee of the Aga Khan, with a session on "Cosmopolitan Ethic in Action" at the Ismaili Jamatkhana and Centre, Bashundhara.

President of AKNCB Sulaiman Ajanee said the diamond jubilee provides a significant opportunity to reflect on the vision of Aga Khan, efforts of Aga Khan Development Network and on the ethics and values that underpin these efforts, one of which is the "cosmopolitan ethic".

Managing Director of Mohammadi Group Dr Rubana Huq also spoke at the programme, which was attended by members of the academia, representatives of civil society, business leaders and members of the Ismaili community.

Fair polls not possible under current govt: Leftist alliance

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

An alliance of left-leaning political parties yesterday demanded a neutral election-time government and reformation of the Election Commission (EC) for the upcoming national polls.

Speaking at a rally in front of Jatiya Press Club in Dhaka, they also demanded that the current government dissolve the parliament before declaring the schedule of the 11th national election.

Bam Ganotantrik Jote organised the rally marking "Dabi Dibosh" [demand day].

Shah Alam, general secretary of Communist Party of Bangladesh (CPB), said fair election "is

not possible" under the current government and its obedient election commission.

"We want to get rid of the misrule of the Awami League. Exchange of power between the two parties, AL and BNP, needs to change," he added.

Saiful Haque, coordinator of the alliance and general secretary of Biplobi Workers Party, said the government should create a democratic environment and reform the election system.

Zonayed Saki, chief coordinator of Ganasamhati Andolan; and Manzurul Ahsan Khan, former president of CPB also spoke at the programme. Later, they brought a procession which paraded a number of roads.



Yet another white tiger! A Bengal tigress has given birth to three cubs, one of them a female albino, at Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Safari Park in Gazipur recently. With them, the total tiger population at the park now stands at 12. Though the cubs were born on August 8, the authorities revealed the incident more than one month later considering the safety and comfort of the young. The photo was taken yesterday. PHOTO: COLLECTED

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১৩। দরপত্রদাতার অন্যান্য যোগ্যতা ও দরপত্র দাখিলের শর্তাবলী টেন্ডার সিডিউলে বর্ণিত থাকবে।
১৪। কেন্দ্রের ওয়েবসাইট www.bpatc.org.bd এ উল্লিখিত দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি পাওয়া যাবে।
১৫। কেন্দ্র কর্তৃপক্ষ কোন প্রকার কারণ দর্শানো ব্যতিরেকে সকল দরপত্র দলিল/দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি সংশোধন/বাতিল করার ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করে।
১৬। দরপত্র প্রক্রিয়াকরণের সকল পর্যায়ে পিপিএ-২০০৬ ও পিপিআর-২০০৮ এর সর্বশেষ নির্দেশনা অনুসরণ করা হবে।
১৭। নির্ধারিত সময়ের মধ্যে ডাকযোগে পরিচালক (প্রশাসন), বিপিএটিসি, সভার, ঢাকা বরাবর প্রেরিত দরপত্র গ্রহণ করা হবে।

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Bismillah Group officials get 10 years in jail

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday sentenced nine Bismillah Group executives, including its Managing Director Khaza Solaiman Anwar Chowdhury, his wife and the Chairperson of the company Nowrin Hasib, to ten years' rigorous imprisonment in a case filed over laundering Tk 15.33 crore.

This is the first verdict among the 12 cases filed against Bismillah Group for money laundering and corruption.

Judge Md Atabullah of the Special Judge's Court-10 of Dhaka handed down the sentence in absence of the convicts.

The other convicts are Shafiqul Anwar Chowdhury, Akbar Aziz Muttakin, Abul Hashem Chowdhury, Riazuddin Ahmed, Akbar Hossain, Mustaque Ahmed Khan and SM Shoabul Kabir.

In November 2013, the Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) filed a case with New Market Police Station accusing the Group's nine officials of laundering Tk 15.33 crore.

A total of 12 cases were filed against 54 officials of the company on charges of fraud, money laundering and corruption.

The ACC pressed charges against them in 2015.

JS body recommends extending age

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government service, saying it would create various problems.

Public Administration Minister Syed Ashraful Islam on June 6 again told the parliament that the government has no plans to raise the age limit for entering government jobs to 35 years, arguing that the number of job seekers will increase sharply if it is done.

Civil service is the single largest job sector of Bangladesh. It has become more lucrative to graduating students

after the government doubled the salary for civil servants in the latest pay scale last year.

High officials of the public administration ministry yesterday informed the committee that increasing age limit in public services is the government's policy-related issue. The ministry will take necessary measures in this regard following the government's decision, they said.

The public administration ministry recently sent a summary to Prime Minister's Office suggesting increasing

age limit for entering in the government services to 32 years, meeting sources said. Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina is yet to give a nod in this regard.

Awami League lawmaker HM Ashiqur Rahman presided over the meeting. Committee members Ismat Ara Sadique, also State Minister for Public Administration; AL lawmaker ABM Fazle Karim Chowdhury; and RAM Obaidul Muktadir Chowdhury, among others, were also present.

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