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ROHINGYA REFUGEES

# Women face risk of abuse, health issues

Says Oxfam; '\$72m needed to protect them'

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Rohingya women living in Bangladesh are developing health problems, missing out on aid and are at the greater risk of abuse due to unsafe and unsuitable facilities in many parts of the refugee camps, Oxfam has warned.

In a report launched yesterday, the international agency said \$72 million was needed to protect the Rohingya refugee women.

It called for 15 percent of any new funding to be set aside for humanitarian programmes designed to better support women and girls, including \$72 million of the nearly half a billion dollars recently committed by the World Bank.

Currently, there is no standalone budget for meeting women's specific needs in the overall emergency response.

The report titled "One year On: Time to Put Women and Girls at the Heart of the Rohingya Response" was launched at Raowa Complex in the capital.

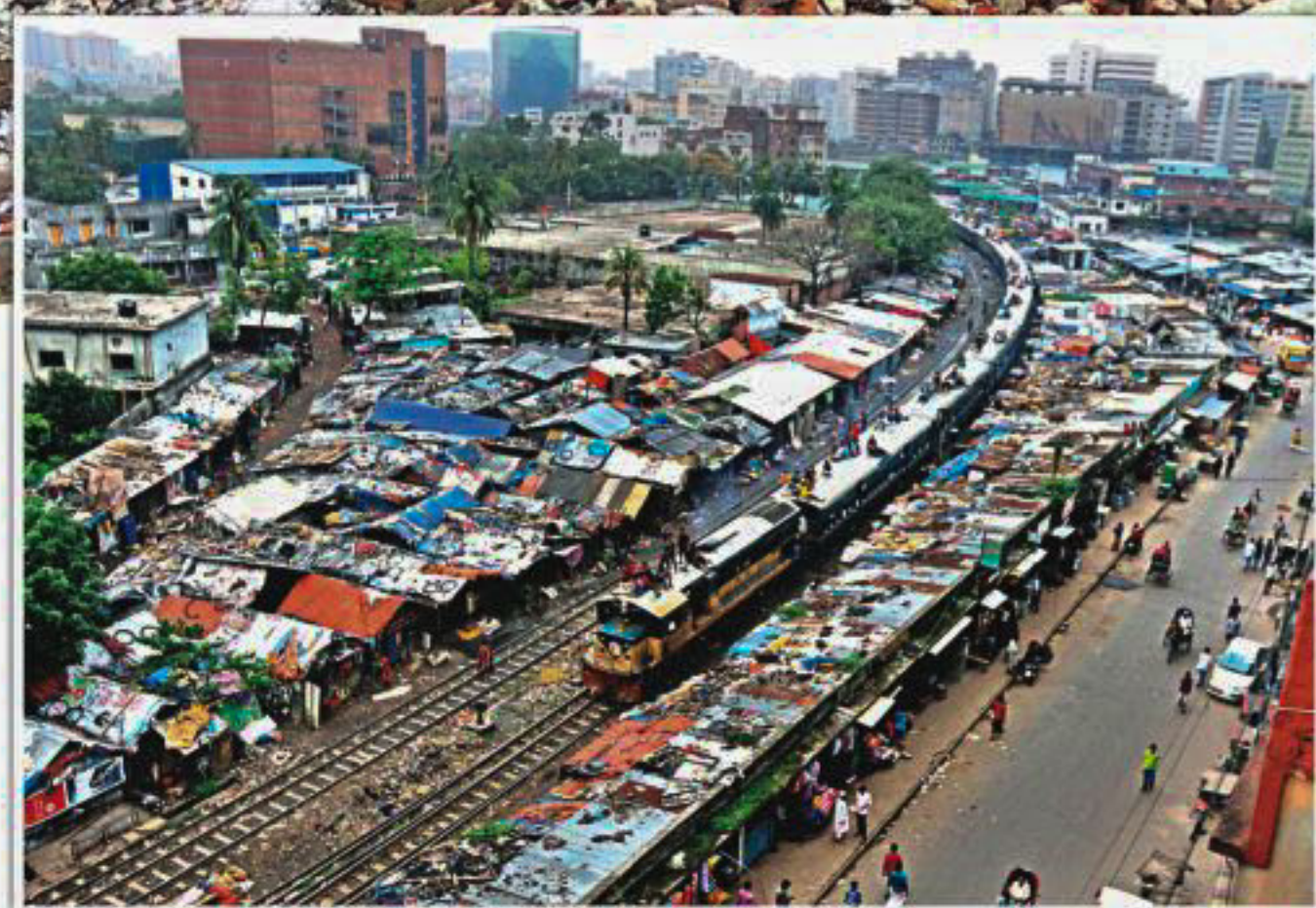
Speaking at the programme as chief guest, State Minister for Foreign Affairs Md Shahriar Alam said the Bangladesh government has recognised the special needs of women and children and has provided customised humanitarian support for them.

"A total of 34,338 pregnant women have been identified who are provided with necessary health services. As of now, 3,554 children have been born within those facilities."

The women remain extremely vulnerable due to intergenerational experience of persecution and discrimination, Shahriar said.

It has already been widely documented internationally

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The authorities have demolished illegal structures and shanties along the rail track from Tejgaon Railway Station to FDC level crossing to clear the area for the construction of an elevated expressway. The photo was taken in the city's Karwan Bazar area yesterday. Inset, a file photo shows illegal structures in the same area.

PHOTO: ANISUR RAHMAN

## EXTORTION CASE Mozammel gets bail

Not freed as police want to show him held in another case

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday granted bail to Mozammel Hoque Chowdhury, secretary general of Bangladesh Jatri Kalyan Samity, in an extortion case.

However, he cannot get out of jail as Kafrul police on Monday appealed to a court to show him arrested in a case filed under Explosive Substances Act.

Metropolitan Magistrate Md Mazharul Haque passed the bail order after Mozammel's lawyer Jyotirmoy Barua moved the bail petition.

During the hearing, Jyotirmoy said the complainant of the case did not know his client, even though his signature was taken for filing the case. The case was filed only to harass his client, he added.

The lawyer told The Daily Star that there was no legal bar for his client's release as the decision for showing him arrested in a case was pending with a court and the hearing was tomorrow.

The police arrested Mozammel, secretary general of a platform working

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## Quota activists plan to be on streets again

They're irate as new BCS circular issued with no gazette yet on reforms

DU CORRESPONDENT

Quota reformists would launch fresh agitation since the government issued circular for 40th BCS and had not published the gazette on reforms to civil service recruitments as per their demand.

"We would wage tougher agitation and would not leave the streets until our demands are met," said Nurul Haque Nur, a joint convener of Bangladesh Sadharan Chhatra Adhikar Sangrakkhan Parishad which is spearheading the quota-reforms movement.

He said they have been compelled to take to the streets again as the government appears insincere in reforming the existing quota system in Bangladesh Civil Service (BCS).

Around 11:00am yesterday, they at a press conference in Dhaka University demanded the gazette notification before the circular of the 40th BCS exams was

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## 100 killed in Afghan violence

Suicide attack on protesters kill 32; Taliban offensive leaves nearly 60 dead

AGENCIES

Nearly 100 people were killed in suicide blasts and Taliban attacks across Afghanistan in the last two days, dampening hopes for peace talks and elections.

There were chaotic scenes at several hospitals as medical staff struggled to treat 128 people wounded by the powerful blast in Nangarhar province yesterday.

Gul Majid was among scores of protesters blocking the highway between the provincial capital of Jalalabad and a major Pakistan border crossing when he "heard a big bomb".

"Then I saw flesh, blood and people wounded all around me," Majid told AFP outside one of the hospitals.

"I am still looking for my friends. I don't know whether they are alive or dead."

The men had been protesting over the appointment of a local police chief, provincial governor spokesman Ataullah Khogyani said.

Provincial health director Najibullah Kamawal and Khogyani both confirmed the latest casualty toll to 32.

The attack came hours after a double bombing in front of a girls' school in the provincial capital Jalalabad, which killed a boy and wounded four others.

The first explosion happened in front of Malika Omaira girls' school at around 8:30 am, Khogyani told AFP earlier.

A second bomb went off as students from a neighbouring boys' school and locals gathered at the scene, he added.

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## No alliance with BNP if Jamaat's there

Says Dr Kamal

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

There will be no political alliance with the BNP if the party keeps Jamaat-e-Islami in the combine, said Gonoforum President Dr Kamal Hossain yesterday.

The eminent jurist also stressed on "joint leadership" for the alliance to be.

"The process [of forming the alliance] has already started. Let's see. We want a bigger alliance, but we don't want the anti-liberation forces in it," he said at a press conference organised by his party at the Jatiya Press Club.

Except Jamaat, all are urged to join in efforts to forge an alliance for the sake of fair polls and establishment of constitutional rule, said Dr Kamal, also president of Jatiya Oikya Prokriya, a platform of citizens.

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## Students gain weight to dodge military duty



AFP, Seoul

Twelve inventive South Korean college students deliberately made themselves overweight to dodge mandatory military service, a branch of the armed forces in Seoul said yesterday.

The students -- all classical music majors at the same university in the capital -- took protein powder and drank a large amount of juice on the day of their physical examination, the Military Manpower Administration said.

"The classmates shared tips on how to gain weight on an online chatroom," it said, adding they

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## POWER DISRUPTION JS sitting cut short

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Jatiya Sangsad session yesterday was hastily adjourned within an hour due to power disruption in the Sangsad Bhavan.

An electric generator was used for providing power when the session began at 5:12pm with Speaker Dr Shirin Sharmin Chaudhury in the chair.

Later, Deputy Speaker Fazle Rabbi Miah, who was

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SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION



Vehicles queue up at a CNG refuelling station in Chittagong city's Kadamtali area around 11:00am yesterday following a disruption to supply of gas for around three hours. Officials said the disruption occurred due to a glitch in the supply line in Anwara upazila.

PHOTO: RAJIB RAIHAN

## DEATH OF AKIEA Arrest order against bus owner, driver

Same court granted them bail a day ago

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A Kushtia court yesterday issued arrest warrants for the owner and driver of a Ganj-e-Raj Paribahan bus in a case filed in connection with the death of 13-month-old Akiea Yasmin.

The arrest warrants were issued against the two a day after the same court granted them bail.

The arrest warrant came after Suman Kadri, sub-inspector (SI) of Kushtia Model Police Station, also the investigation officer of the case, prayed to the court to include section 302 of the Penal Code in the case, our local correspondent reports.

According to section 302 SEE PAGE 11 COL 4

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