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CHILDREN'S DEATH ON ROADS

A danger not even acknowledged

TUHIN SHUBHRA ADHIKARY

When it comes to unnatural deaths of children, road accident is the second biggest killer, right after drowning, but there is no specific government policy or action for preventing this or educating children about traffic rules.

Road safety has caused quite a stir in the country recently but children dying on roads did not get specific attention. And the number of child casualties on roads has been increasing over the years, according to Bangladesh Shishu Adhikar Forum, a child rights group.

At least 549 children were killed and 79 injured in road crashes in the first 10 months of this year, a sharp rise from 357 of entire 2017, it added.

The Forum, a platform of 269 non-government organisations working for child rights, said according to the data it compiled

based on media reports, death by drowning topped the list, 573 between January and October this year.

Abdus Shahid Mahmood, director of the Forum, said discussions on different child issues were common but children's death on roads never came to the fore.

"We all know that a large number of people are killed in road accidents but most of us are unaware that many of the victims are children," he told The Daily Star.

"More worryingly the number of victims [children] is increasing day by day. It should have been a major issue, but sadly many people don't even know this," he added.

The lack of education about traffic rules among the minors is the main reason behind such a huge number of deaths, he said, stressing the need for creating awareness among

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Although a footbridge is only a few metres away, people jaywalk on Airport Road near the city's Kuril Bishwa Road bus stop. Such jaywalking often leads to accidents and disrupts the flow of traffic. The photo was taken on Monday.

PHOTO: PRABIR DAS

Myanmar seizes boat carrying 93

Authorities say they fled Rohingya camps in Rakhine

REUTERS, Yangon

Authorities in Myanmar have seized a boat carrying 93 people, apparently Rohingya Muslims, fleeing displacement camps in western Myanmar's Rakhine State and hoping to reach Malaysia, an official said yesterday.

The boat is believed to be the third bound for Malaysia stopped in Myanmar waters since monsoon rains began to subside last month, bringing calmer weather, raising fears of a fresh wave of hazardous voyages after a 2015 crackdown on people smugglers.

Moe Zaw Latt, director of the government office in Dawei, a coastal town in southern Myanmar, said fishermen had reported a "suspicious" boat to authorities.

The navy stopped the

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Stalker kills SSC candidate

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A school-going girl was killed allegedly by a stalker on KM Das Lane in Dhaka yesterday afternoon.

The dead was identified as Sharmin, 17, a Secondary School Certificate (SSC) candidate of Kazi Arif High School and College in the capital's Wari area.

The accused stalker Soheli, 26, who ran a shop near the school, had been disturbing Sharmin for last one year.

Soheli reportedly hacked Sharmin with a machete on her shoulder in front of her

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From rags to riches to a prison cell

Man makes crores from drug trade: CID

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Golam Faruk and his wife Afroza Akhter came empty-handed to Dhaka in 2009. Born to an insolvent family in Chapainawabganj, he was hoping a change of scene would result in a change of fortunes.

However, even he may not have foreseen the meteoric rise in his fortune. In a span of only nine years, he opened his own factory, purchased lands and flats and bought two personal cars.

Unfortunately, his rag to riches story is not an inspirational one; rather, the course of the tale takes a path riddled with crime. Soon after coming to

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Putin warns Ukraine after naval clash

Urges Germany to intervene as Kiev declares martial law; alarmed West calls for restraint

AFP, Moscow

Russian President Vladimir Putin yesterday warned Ukraine against any "reckless acts" after Kiev declared martial law in response to Moscow's seizure of three of its navy vessels.

The Ukrainian parliament late Monday voted in favour of President Petro Poroshenko's request for the introduction of martial law in border areas for 30 days.

The move came after Russian forces fired on, boarded and

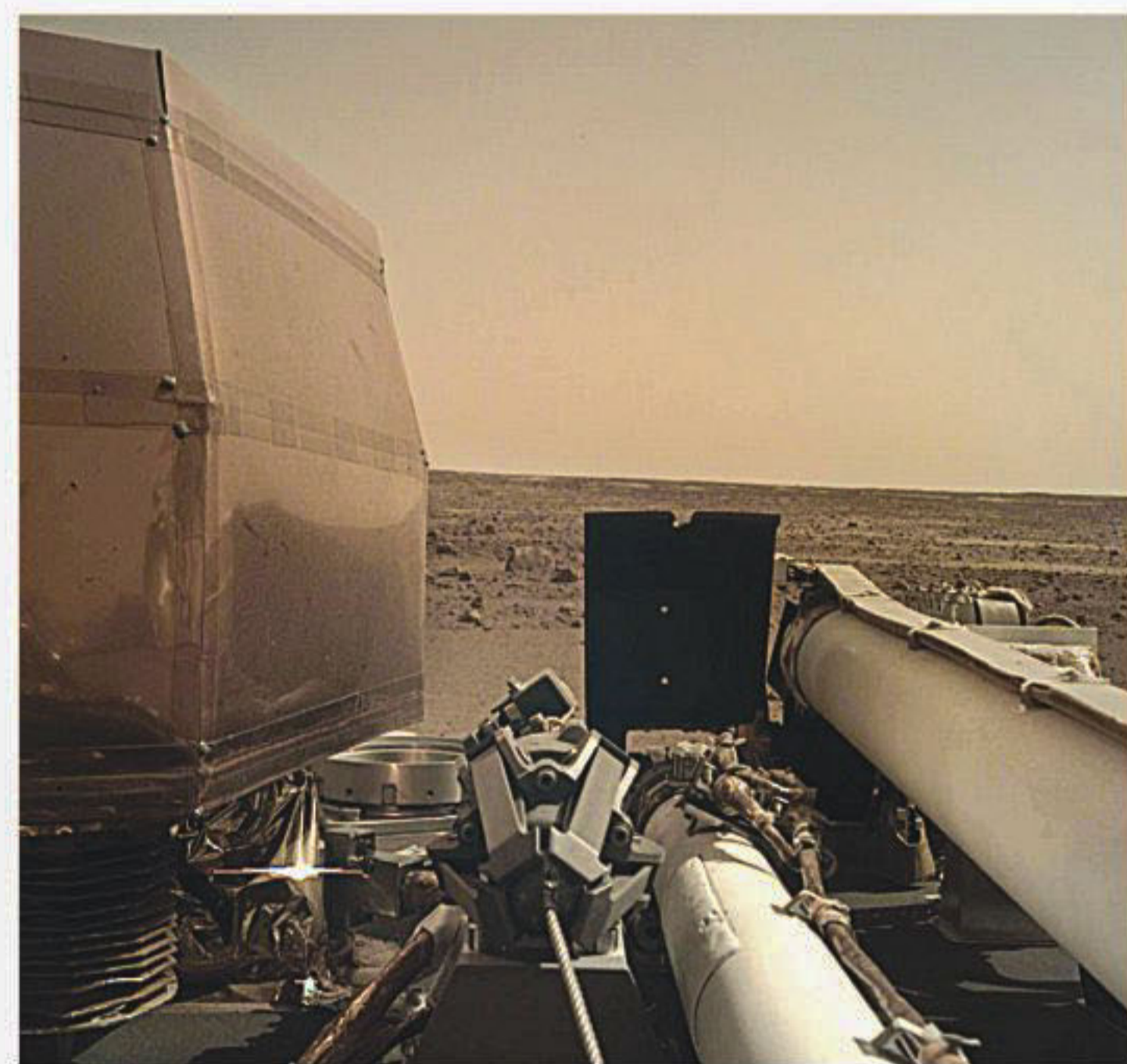
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PRAYER TIMING NOVEMBER 28

Fazr Zohr Asr Maghrib Esha
AZAN 5-10 12-45 3-45 5-19 7-00
JAMAAT 5-45 1-15 4-00 5-22 7-30

SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION



Nasa spacecraft lands on Mars

AFP, Pasadena

Cheers and applause erupted at Nasa's Jet Propulsion Laboratory on Monday as a waist-high unmanned lander, called InSight, touched down on Mars, capping a nearly seven-year journey from design to launch to landing.

The dramatic arrival of the \$993 million spacecraft -- designed to listen for quakes and tremors as a way to unveil the Red Planet's inner mysteries, how it formed billions of years ago and, by extension, how other rocky planets like Earth took shape -- marked the eighth successful landing on Mars in Nasa's history.

"Touchdown confirmed," a mission control operator at Nasa said,

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আজ ২৮ নভেম্বর ২০১৮ মনোনয়নপত্র দাখিলের শেষ দিন

মনোনয়নপত্র দাখিলের সময় কোন ধরণের শোডাউন করা যাবে না

মনোনয়নপত্র প্রয়োজনীয় দলিলাদিসহ প্রার্থী নিজে বা তার সমর্থক বা তার প্রস্তাবক রিটার্নিং অফিসার বা সহকারী রিটার্নিং অফিসারের নিকট জমা দিতে পারবেন। এছাড়া অনলাইনেও জমা দেয়া যাবে

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(ক) কোন ট্রাক, বাস, মোটরসাইকেল, নৌযান, ট্রেন কিংবা অন্য কোন যান্ত্রিক যানবাহন সহকারে মিছিল কিংবা মশাল মিছিল বাহির করিতে পারিবে না কিংবা কোনরূপ শোডাউন করিতে পারিবে না

(খ) মনোনয়নপত্র দাখিলের সময় কোন প্রকার মিছিল কিংবা শোডাউন করিতে পারিবে না

উক্ত আচরণ বিধির ১৮ বিধি অনুযায়ী এ বিধিমালায় বিধান লঙ্ঘন শাস্তিযোগ্য অপরাধ:

(১) কোন প্রার্থী বা তাহার পক্ষে অন্য কোন ব্যক্তি নির্বাচন পূর্ব সময়ে এই বিধিমালায় কোন বিধান লঙ্ঘন করিলে অনধিক ছয় মাসের কারাদন্ড অথবা অনধিক পঞ্চাশ হাজার টাকা অর্থদন্ডে অথবা উভয়দন্ডে দণ্ডনীয় হইবেন

(২) কোন নিবন্ধিত রাজনৈতিক দল নির্বাচন পূর্ব সময়ে এই বিধিমালায় কোন বিধান লঙ্ঘন করিলে অনধিক পঞ্চাশ হাজার টাকা অর্থদন্ডে দণ্ডনীয় হইবে

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