

6 'Jamaat-Shibir men' arrested

UNB, Keraniganj

Six suspected members of Jamaat-e-Islami and its student front Islami Chhatra Shibir were arrested with improvised bombs and jihadi books in South Keraniganj in Dhaka on Monday night.

"We suspect that they gathered there to carry out subversive activities," said Shah Zaman, officer-in-charge of South Keraniganj Police Station.

He said they raided Hasnabad Housing building at night and arrested the men.

"We recovered four improvised bombs, a large number of jihadi books and training materials from there," he said.

Police named the arrestees as Joynul Abedin, Md Atiar Rahman, Md Tariqul Islam, Md Al Amin, Abu Taher and Md Kamaruzzaman Shamim.

A case was filed against them, the OC added.



A "No parking" sign, although written in Bangla, means nothing to the drivers of these vehicles parked on Abdul Gani Road, Dhaka. The photo was taken near Shikkha Bhaban yesterday.

PHOTO: PALASH KHAN

Jasimuddin's 116th birth anniversary observed

UNB, Faridpur

The 116th birth anniversary of Jasimuddin, popularly known as "Palli Kabi" (folk poet), was observed in Faridpur yesterday.

The poet was born at his maternal uncle's house in Tambulkhana village under Faridpur district.

As part of the celebration, Deputy Commissioner Begum Umme Salma Tanja, also the president of Jasim Foundation, along with superintendent of district police Md Jakir Hossain Khan paid floral tributes to the poet's grave at Ambikapur.

People from all walks of life and members of different cultural and social organisations also paid their respect to the poet.

A discussion and a doa mahfil were held at the yard of the poet's house.

Jasimuddin's ageless creation "Nakshi Kanthar Math" was translated in several foreign languages.

He was also the creator of "Shojon Badiyar Ghat", "Rangila Nayer Majhi", "Matir Kanna", "Suchayani", "Beder Meye", "Pallibadhu", "Thakur Badir Abinay", "Dalim Kumar" etc.

When he was still a university student, his poem "Kabar" (Grave) was included in school textbooks.

He played a key role in the revival of folk literature in Bengal during the 20th century.

A versatile writer, Jasimuddin wrote poems, ballads, songs, dramas, novel, stories, memoirs, travelogues, etc.



Opposition

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today, Ranga said, "The meeting will decide whether Jatiya Party will be in the government or the opposition.

"We will also discuss the matter with the Awami League-led grand alliance," he said.

He said though the results are not satisfactory, Jatiya Party is still the second largest party. "We will work to establish Jatiya Party as a democratic party in the days to come."

Ranga, also state minister for LGRD, said now their main responsibility is to make the party better organised.

"We have to make preparations from now so that Jatiya Party can go to power in the next election," Ranga said.

JP Presidium Member Masuda M Rashid Chowdhury, Vice Chairmen Raushan Ara Mannan, Alamgir Shikdar Lotan and Bahauddin Babul, among others, also spoke at the programme.

IAB demands

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united movement to press home their demands, the IAB chief added.

Rezaul Karim said if the media was allowed to work freely on the polls day, they would have been able to gather information of vote rigging in thousands of polling stations.

"The nation did not experience such a farcical election in the last 47 years," he added.

The Election Commission, police and the administration were also involved in the scheme to ensure victory of AL-led grand alliance across the country, he alleged.

Petition seeks

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the opposite, he added.

"Menon is the president of Bangladesh Workers Party and his party's election symbol is sickle. But he ran the race with Awami League's election symbol, breaching the Representation of People Order (RPO)," Eunus Ali said.

The HC may hold hearing on the writ petition today.

Ending the shame

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purple box full of pads, underwear and soap at school."

"Underprivileged girls of different schools in Dhaka and other parts of the country are getting free sanitary napkins from our Pad Bank every month," said Mira.

On how she came up with the idea, Mira said, "On a visit to a char area in Bogura's Sariakandi upazila in 2017, I was caught off guard when I suddenly got my period. Local women provided me with their solution -- a rag containing sand, which was a horrifying experience for me."

Not only that, while visiting Sylhet, she saw female tea garden workers using old rags filled with dry leaves during their periods, she added.

"Women of Bangladesh have achieved outstanding success in education and reached the summit of Mount Everest. How can our women and girls still be so ignorant about menstrual hygiene?" Mira wondered.

One day, she decided to write a post on the subject on social media platform Facebook, describing the ordeal of impoverished, rural women.

The post received response in the form of financial support, while many also came forward to work with her on the issue, leading to the beginning of the foundation.

It now has 965 volunteers, including 20 doctors and 25 trainers in Dhaka and other districts of the country, said Mira.

The first school they approached -- on April 25 last year -- was Dhamalkot Ideal High School, which has 171 girls in classes VII to IX.

The initiative will continue for a year, until they receive further funds to expand it, Mira said.

Girls of over 70 schools in Dhaka, Savar, Natore and Rajshahi are now getting free sanitary pads from the foundation each month, in addition to menstrual hygiene education (MHE).

To educate children on MHE, they visit each school every month. They are also educating the female tea garden workers of Moulvibazar and Sreemangal, and women living in the slums of Dhaka, alongside their male peers on MHE, said Mira.

Mira's initiative has been honoured as one of the top ten winners of the Joy Bangla Youth Award on October 28 last year.

"I was worried seeing a 2013 survey by icddr,b that said 82 percent of women don't use sanitary napkins during menstruation, posing serious health risks for them," said Mira.

"If the government cuts the VAT [value added tax] on sanitary napkins, insolvent people can afford those and their use will increase by 40 to 50 percent."

Mira is currently working on a design for a machine at Dholaikhal in the capital to make the sanitary napkins herself. The pads that she will manufacture will be given for free to underprivileged people, while lower middle class people will be able to buy those at a nominal price.

"My dream would never come true without the help of my team members, like Monisha Kaiser, and my father's unconditional support," said Mira, adding that Monisha, vice president of the foundation and an executive at Robi, has extended support for the venture all throughout.

Mashrafe visits newborn child of deceased ASI

BSS, Narail

Cricketer turned politician Mashrafe Bin Mortaza visited the wife and newborn of the late Assistant Sub-inspector (ASI) of DB Police Moniruzzaman Monir at Narail Sadar Hospital last night.

Mashrafe, newly elected member of parliament, donated Tk 1 lakh and assured all-out support to the deceased's wife Rabeya Begum. She gave birth to a child at Narail Sadar Hospital on December 29.

"Police Super Md Jasim Uddin also donated Tk 70,000, while Deputy

Commissioner of the district Tk 10,000 to Rabeya," Mashrafe told BSS.

"The mother and child are doing well," Dr Meena Humayun Kabir said.

Monir, 40, son of Momin Biswas, was from Indra village of Bagharpara under Jashore district.

Monir died from cardiac arrest on December 27 while on duty at Debi Government Primary School in Lohagora upazila where Mashrafe was addressing an election rally.

Later, he was brought to Lohagora Upazila Health Complex where on-duty doctor declared him dead.

Four youths 'missing'

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Some plainclothes men identifying themselves as law enforcers dragged them out of a bus in Farmgate on their way home in Mirpur-1 after shopping at Aziz Super Market, Yeasin said quoting a friend of theirs who was also in the bus but escaped detention.

"We contacted local police stations and other wings of law enforcement agencies but all denied picking Javed up," he said.

The families drew attention of national and international human rights organisations to be vocal for their release.

Contacted, Abdul Baten, additional commissioner (detectives) of Dhaka Metropolitan Police said they did not detain the youths.

Mufti Mahmud Khan, Rab's Legal and Media wing director also said they did not carry out any drive in Farmgate on that day.



Families of the four missing youths hold a press conference at the Crime Reporters Association of Bangladesh yesterday.

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পল্লী কর্ম-সহায়ক ফাউন্ডেশন (পিকেএসএফ)

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OBITUARY

With profound sorrow and grief, we announce the death of our beloved mother Professor Ferdoose Hannan, daughter of late Nurun Nahar Hady and ex Registrar of Dhaka University, Abdul Hady Talukdar. On Sunday, 30th December 2018 our dearest mother passed away at Japan Bangladesh Friendship Hospital at 6:20pm surrounded by her eldest daughter and son in law. Professor Ferdoose Hannan was a faculty member for over 40 years at the Department of Sociology, Dhaka University. She left behind her husband, Dr. Abdul Hannan Bhuiyan, two daughters, son in laws and three grandchildren. Her Quiklani will be held at "Baitul Aman" Jame Masjid, Road 07, Dhanmondi on Thursday, 3rd January 2019 after Maghrib prayers. Family, friends, relatives colleagues and respected acquaintances are cordially requested to attend the prayers for the salvation of her departed soul. Amen

Farah, Alizeh, Zia and Muhib.

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CCC dumps posters

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workers started removing posters and banners since Monday. Mannan claimed that the posters were not being separated from their polythene sheaths, because scavengers usually collect the posters from dumping grounds and separate those to reuse or sell.

"I do not think these polythene covers would spread or mix with soil to pollute environment, as from our previous experience, we saw street boys collecting the posters to use or sell in market after separating those," he said. "The polythene are reused or recycled."

8,428 babies born

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newborns. Babies dying in the first month account for 47 percent of all deaths among children under five.

Unicef's Every Child Alive campaign calls for immediate investment to deliver affordable, quality health care solutions for every mother and newborn.

The measures include a steady supply of clean water and electricity at health facilities, the presence of a skilled health attendant during birth, ample supplies and medicines to prevent and treat complications during pregnancy, delivery and birth, and empowered adolescent girls and women who can demand better quality of health services, the statement also read.

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Nagar Bhaban, Rajshahi

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