



Poor management leads to traffic chaos

Negligence in duty by traffic police to blame, allege port city commuters

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Negligence in duty by traffic police is to blame for haphazard movement of vehicles on streets and gridlocks at intersections in Chattogram city, according to commuters.

Traffic chaos has become a common phenomenon in a number of areas, including Lalkhan Bazar, Kazir Dewri, Jamal Khan, GEC intersection, Sholosohor Gate-2, Agrabad, Badamtoli, Bahaddarhat, Muradpur, Prabartak, and Anderkilla.

Traffic policemen are often seen doing nothing when a bus stops blocking an intersection or any vehicle ignores signals and crosses the intersection, alleged commuters.

On a Sunday morning, a traffic policeman at Chawkbazar intersection along Nawab Siraj ud-Daulah Road was found least bothered when pedestrians were crossing roads amid light and heavy vehicles plying haphazardly.

At times, traffic was crossing the intersection from all directions at once.

Trishna Bhattacharya, a schoolteacher, said she often faces difficulty in crossing the street with her five-year-old daughter. "Look at all the vehicles standing in the middle of the road. I'm afraid they might start moving as soon as I start to cross."

"Most of the time, we see on-duty traffic police not doing anything to bring the situation under control," she alleged.

Jahangir Alam, who regularly commutes through Tigerpass, Lalkhan Bazar and Dawanhat intersections to go to office in Agrabad from his home in Chawkbazar, said, "Minibuses often race each other to pick up passengers. But police remain indifferent and hardly take any action."

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BANGLADESH BANK HEIST

CID directed to submit probe report by Feb 10

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday directed Criminal Investigation Department (CID) to submit by February 10 probe report on a case filed over the cyber heist of \$101 million from Bangladesh Bank's account in 2016 -- one of the biggest cyber crimes in the world.

Metropolitan Magistrate Sadir Yasir Ahsan Chowdhury passed the order after Md Raihan Uddin Khan, an additional superintendent of CID and also the investigation officer of the case, failed to submit any probe report yesterday.

With this, CID took over 56 dates for completing the investigation into the matter. Unidentified hackers stole \$101 million from Bangladesh Bank's account with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York by using fake orders on the SWIFT

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Haphazard traffic movement has become an everyday scenario at Chawkbazar intersection in the port city. The photo was taken recently.

Drug dealing jailer denied bail

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday denied bail to Chattogram Central Jail's suspended jailer Sohel Rana Biswas, who was arrested last October with nearly Tk 3 crore in FDRs and cash and bottles of contraband Phensedyl.

The bench of Justice Md Nazrul Islam Talukder and Justice KM Hafizul Alam also issued a rule asking the government to explain in four weeks as to why bail should not be granted to Sohel in the money laundering case filed against him.

The HC bench issued the rule after hearing a bail petition filed by Sohel.

On October 27, Sohel was arrested on the Bijoy Express train while he was on way to his hometown in Mymensingh from Chattogram.

Searching Sohel's belongings, police recovered fixed deposit receipts (FDRs) worth around Tk 2.50 crore, Tk 44.43 lakh in cash and 12 bottles of Phensedyl.

Police later filed two separate cases with Bhairab Railway Police Station against Sohel under the Money Laundering Act and Narcotics Control Act, he said, adding that in January, Sohel filed a petition with the HC, seeking bail in the money laundering case.

Advocate Adnan Rafique represented Sohel in the hearing yesterday.

MAN LYNCHED IN CTG

JP leader arrested after 177 sued in murder case

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A Jatiya Party (JP) leader was arrested yesterday evening in a case filed in connection with the killing of Mohiuddin Sohel, who was lynched by an angry mob at Pahartali Railway Bazar of Chattogram, over allegations of extortion on Monday.

Mohiuddin was the former General Secretary of Bangladesh Chhatra League's (BCL) Chattogram Commerce College unit, and was involved with the politics of local Awami League, said family members and police.

Assistant Commissioner (AC) Ashikur Rahman of Double Mooring Zone of Chattogram Metropolitan Police told The Daily Star, "Osman Khan, 50, was arrested from his residence at Pahartali area of the city in connection with the murder."

Osman is the Joint Secretary of Jatiya Party's port city unit, and also a businessman of Pahartali Railway Bazar, said traders and police.

Earlier, Mohiuddin's brother Sakirul

Islam Shishir filed the murder case naming 27 persons including Osman and Saber Ahmed -- a ward councillor of Chattogram City Corporation -- as well as 150 unnamed persons with Double Mooring police Station on Tuesday night.

Inspector (investigation) Jahir Hossain of Double Mooring Police Station said they were investigating into the incident.

"We are looking for CCTV footage in the area, but haven't found anything till now. However, we are working on it," he said.

Mohiuddin's family members in a press conference on Tuesday claimed that Mohiuddin was murdered in pre-planned way with help of local traders and others.

They also claimed that Mohiuddin was targeted as he raised his voice against irregularities and other crimes in the market area.

On Sunday, Mohiuddin was beaten and stabbed to death by a group of angry mob, most of them traders, for allegedly extorting local traders at Pahartali Railway Bazar.

'Stand up for your rights'

Activists demand exemplary punishment for Noakhali gang-rape accused

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A group of women's rights activists yesterday demanded exemplary punishment for all the accused in the Noakhali gang-rape case.

They also demanded strict punishment for those involved in abusing women and children and urged the country's women to get united and stand up for their rights.

The demand came from a protest rally under the banner, "Bam Ganatantrik Nari Sangathan Samuho", a platform of women's rights activists, comprising of six left-leaning organisations. It was held in front of Jatiya Press Club in Dhaka.

They said police have so far arrested 10 persons along with the prime accused in the Subarnachar rape case. All of them have been remanded and two of the accused already gave confessional statements.

"We hope that the arrests are not an eye-wash and the offenders will be given exemplary punishment," said Runa Noor, a member of Communist Party of Bangladesh's (CPB) women cell.

Shampa Basu, general secretary of Samajtantrik Mahila Forum, claimed that 10 children were raped and killed in the last 10 days since the December 30 election and police are yet to arrest all the culprits.

She said according to newspaper reports, 928 women

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Akhtaruzzaman Manju no more

CITY DESK

Md Akhtaruzzaman Manju, a former director of the Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry, passed away at United Hospital in the capital yesterday.

Akhtaruzzaman, also former president of Internet Service Providers Association of Bangladesh, left behind his wife, a son and a daughter.

His first namaz-e-janaza was held at Eastern Tower yesterday. He was buried at Martyred Intellectuals' Graveyard in Mirpur following a second janaza at Malibagh Shahi Masjid.

Everyone is requested to pray for the salvation of the departed soul.



Women rights activists bring out a procession in Jatiya Press Club area yesterday, demanding exemplary punishment for the culprits involved with the Noakhali gang-rape case.

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EASTERN CABLES LIMITED

North Patenga, Chattogram, Bangladesh

Invitation for International Re-Tender Notice (OTM) for following items

Ministry of Industries					
Bangladesh Steel & Engineering Corporation, Dhaka.					
Eastern Cables Limited, North Patenga, Chattogram.					
04. S/L	Name of Procurement	Reference No. & Date	Cost of Tender Documents	Tender Security	Tender Receiving and Opening Date and Time
4.1	Aluminum Wire, Size:9.5 mm, Quantity : 500 MT	EC/PUR/F-228®, Dated: 08.01.2019	Taka- 5,000.00	USD - 20,350.00	Date 31.01.2019 Receiving on 11.30 AM Opening on 11.45 AM
4.2	Steel Core Wire, Size: 1X4.77mm Quantity: 50 M.T	EC/PUR/F-229®, Dated: 08.01.2019	Taka- 1,000.00	USD - 1,050.00	
4.3	Steel Core Wire, Size: 7X2.675mm Quantity: 100 M.T	EC/PUR/F-230®, Dated: 08.01.2019	Taka- 2,000.00	USD - 2,100.00	
4.4	Steel Core Wire, Size: 1X2.38mm Quantity: 100 M.T	EC/PUR/F-231®, Dated: 08.01.2019	Taka- 2,000.00	USD - 2,100.00	
4.5	Steel Core Wire, Size: 1X3.37mm Quantity: 400 M.T	EC/PUR/F-232®, Dated: 08.01.2019	Taka- 3,000.00	USD - 5,200.00	
05.	Budget and source of Funds	Own			
06.	Tender Last Selling Date	30.01.2019			
07.	Selling of Tender Documents	1. Cash section, Controller of Accounts, BSEC, BSEC Bhaban, Dhaka-1215. 2. Cash section, Chief Accounts Officer, ECL, Chattogram.			
08.	Place of Receiving & Opening Tender Document	The Head of Purchase, Eastern Cables Limited, Patenga, Chattogram.			
09.	Eligibility of Tenderer	As per Re-Tender documents.			
10.	Brief Description of Goods	As per Re-Tender documents specification.			
11.	Location of Delivery	CFRC Chattogram.			
12.	Name of Official Inviting Tender	Head of Purchasing Department.			
13.	Designation of Official Inviting Tender	Additional Chief Engineer.			
14.	Address of Official Inviting Tender	Eastern Cables Limited, Patenga, Chattogram.			

(Md. Golam Mowla)
Additional Chief Engineer
Head of Purchase Department
For Managing Director

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh					
Department of Land Records and Surveys					
Settlement Press					
98, Shaheed Tajuddin Ahmad Sharani, Tejgaon, Dhaka-1208					
Invitation for Tender					
Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh					
01	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Land.			
02	Agency	Department of Land Records and Surveys (DLRS).			
03	Procuring entity name	Press Officer, Settlement Press, Department of Land Records and Surveys.			
04	Procuring entity area	Dhaka.			
05	Name of the project	N/A.			
06	Invitation for	Procurement of Package GR-1.			
07	Invitation for tender Ref. No.	31.03.0000.216.07.004.18.18			
08	Date				
KEY INFORMATION					
09	Procurement method	Open tendering method (OTM).			
FUNDING INFORMATION					
10	Budget and source of funds	Revenue Budget, Government of Bangladesh.			
PARTICULAR INFORMATION					
11	Programme code (if applicable)	N/A.			
12	Programme name (if applicable)</				