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FALSE CLAIM OVER ST MARTIN'S Again, envoy of Myanmar summoned

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Amid escalating diplomatic tension between Dhaka and Nay Pyi Taw, Bangladesh Foreign Ministry again summoned the Myanmar envoy here and lodged a strong protest as Myanmar continues to claim Saint Martin's island as its territory.

Handing a "strongly worded" protest note to Myanmar's Chargé d'affaires Aung Kyaw Moe, Dhaka yesterday demanded immediate corrective measures and urged Nay Pyi Taw to act responsibly and refrain from making such false claims.

"This is absolutely unacceptable," the ministry said in its note.

Delwar Hossain, director general of the South East Asia Wing of Foreign Ministry, who summoned the Myanmar CDA, told reporters that Myanmar official websites which showed Saint Martin's island as their territory remained inaccessible for a few months after Bangladesh protested last October.

"But we have been seeing the false claims of Myanmar from earlier this month," he added.

The Myanmar CDA yesterday admitted that the map was false and pledged to take corrective measures by a day.

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While many look for the perfect rose to express their love on Valentine's Day, Shumi takes out her motor-rickshaw in the morning, like every day, and goes out to earn enough to support her family. Her husband has a psychological disorder and Shumi is the sole-earner in the family. The photo was taken at Shahbagh Intersection in the capital.

PHOTO: PRABIR DAS

Serving jail term by proxy!

A CORRESPONDENT, Feni

A man has been in Feni jail for over a year, pretending to be a convicted drug dealer while the actual criminal remains scot-free.

After the incident became known, a bench assistant of a Feni court yesterday sued proxy inmate Saiful Islam, 32, and the actual convict Mansur Alam, 35, for fraudulence.

Both of them are in jail now.

Mansur was convicted in a drugs case in 2017 and sentenced to two years in prison. Saiful has been in jail for one year and three months.

Both of them are from Laxmipur area of Feni Sadar Upazila, court sources in the district.

Mansur was arrested with 50 yaba pills on August 19, 2017. He was freed on bail on August 31.

Officials suspect that after he was convicted, Mansur, being an influential person, somehow managed to get Saiful to impersonate him and go to jail.

On December 2, Saiful surrendered before a court pretending to be Mansur. Local lawyer Sabbir represented him that day.

The court then sent him to jail.

As the matter came to the court's attention, it asked Mansur to appear before it on December 30 last year, said Hafez Ahmed, public prosecutor of Feni Judge Court.

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Two Bangladeshis killed in Malaysia

Authorities say both members of a kidnapping ring, shot during raid

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Malaysian police have shot dead two Bangladeshis, suspected members of a kidnapping ring responsible for capturing at least 13 Bangladeshi migrants there, while rescuing a victim during a raid outside Kuala Lumpur.

Both were part of a criminal ring that targeted Bangladeshis because it was easier to communicate with their families back home to collect ransom, police said, reported BenarNews, a US-based news outlet focusing on Asia, on Wednesday, a day after the shooting incident.

"The suspects opened fire when they realised our presence and the police team returned fire, killing the suspects," Kuala Lumpur police chief Mazlan Lazim said, adding that law enforcers seized a semi-automatic pistol and a machete during the operation.

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Bagerhat BNP leader killed in 'bomb attack'

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A local leader of Bangladesh Nationalist Party was killed allegedly in a bomb attack in Bagerhat's Rampal upazila yesterday, police said.

The dead is Khaza Mainuddin Akhter, 52. He was the organising secretary of Rampal upazila unit BNP.

"A group of unidentified miscreants, riding on a motorcycle, hurled a bomb on Mainuddin from behind around 7:30pm in a lane inside Bhoroshapur Bazar," said Pankaj

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ANTI-LIBERATION ROLE Jamaat torn over apology question

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The rift between the young and senior leaders of the Jamaat-e-Islami has widened further over renaming the party and apologising to the nation for its role during the Liberation War, say party insiders.

Many of the party leaders born after the country's independence want the party to apologise to the nation for its anti-liberation role in 1971 and rebrand it as a pro-Bangladesh party with a new name.

But the party's senior leaders, who are in its highest policy-making body Majlish-e-Shura, stand firm on their pre-1971 principles, arguing that forgoing the existing ideology and adopting a new name would be the final nail in the party's coffin.

Seeking anonymity, a Jamaat central leader yesterday

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Nasa bids farewell to lost Mars rover

AFP, Washington

During 14 years of intrepid exploration across Mars, it advanced human knowledge by confirming that water once flowed on the red planet -- but Nasa's Opportunity rover has analysed its last soil sample.

The robot has been missing since the US space agency lost

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Finding home in the Padma

ANWAR ALI, Rajshahi

The mighty Padma river has proven to be a haven for rare species of birds, as some of the most fascinating ones are now found mostly in the chars.

Out of total 750 species of birds spotted across Bangladesh, more than 300 can be found in the river chars, ornithologists said,

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CONDOLENCE
A.K.M. GHOLAM KIBRIA
Former Director of Civil Aviation Authority of Bangladesh, Passed away on 5th February 2019 at 4:20 am in New York, USA (Inna Lillahi..... Rajeu).
He was 85 years at the time of his death. He left behind a son two daughters, grandson, grand-daughter and many relatives and friends.
We Request everyone to pray to the Almighty Allah for the salvation of the departed soul.
We remain: Son, Daughter, Grandson, Grand-daughter and members of his Family.

TERROR ATTACK ON PARAMILITARY CONVOY IN J&K 36 Indian troops killed

Pak-based JeM claims responsibility; 20 injured

AGENCIES

At least 36 Indian troops were killed in Jammu and Kashmir's Pulwama district yesterday when a Jaish-e-Mohammed terrorist rammied an explosives-laden vehicle into the bus they were travelling in, one of the worst terror strikes in the state in recent years, officials said.

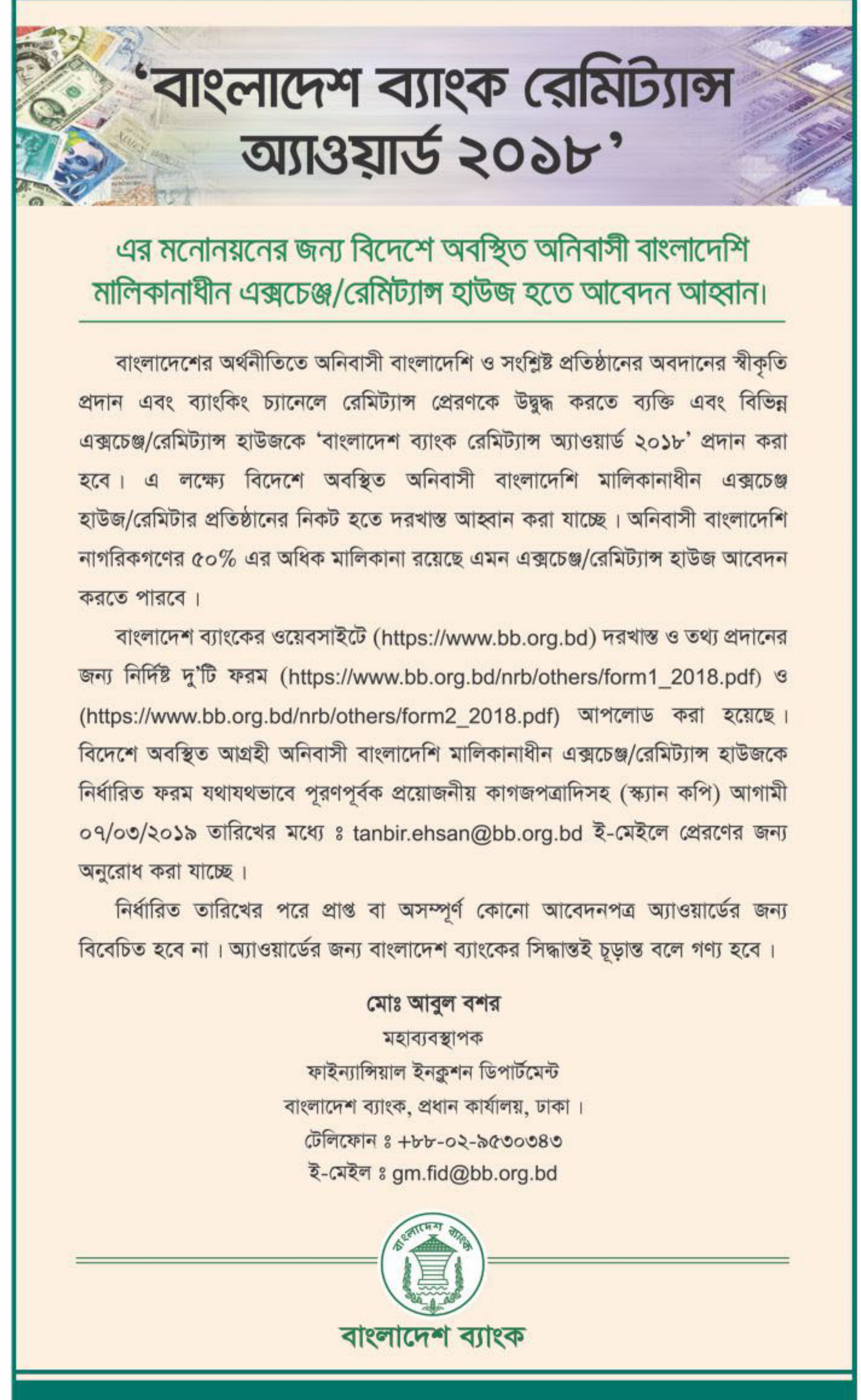
More than 2,500 personnel from the paramilitary Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF), many of them returning from leave to rejoin duty in the Valley, were travelling in

the convoy of 78 vehicles when they were ambushed on the Srinagar-Jammu highway at Latoomode in Awantipora.

Police said the terrorist driving a suicide vehicle was Adil Ahmad from Kakapora in Pulwama who joined the JeM in 2018. The casualties are likely to go up.

Over 20 troops were injured in the terror attack, which reduced the bus to a mangled heap of iron. Several other buses were damaged in the attack. Body parts could be seen strewn around the area.

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বাংলাদেশের অর্থনীতিতে অনিবাসী বাংলাদেশি ও সংশ্লিষ্ট প্রতিষ্ঠানের অবদানের স্বীকৃতি প্রদান এবং ব্যাংকিং চ্যানেলে রেমিট্যান্স প্রেরণকে উদ্বুদ্ধ করতে ব্যক্তি এবং বিভিন্ন এক্সচেঞ্জ/রেমিট্যান্স হাউজকে ‘বাংলাদেশ ব্যাংক রেমিট্যান্স অ্যাওয়ার্ড ২০১৮’ প্রদান করা হবে। এ লক্ষ্যে বিদেশে অবস্থিত অনিবাসী বাংলাদেশি মালিকানাধীন এক্সচেঞ্জ হাউজ/রেমিটার প্রতিষ্ঠানের নিকট হতে দরখাস্ত আহ্বান করা যাচ্ছে। অনিবাসী বাংলাদেশি নাগরিকগণের ৫০% এর অধিক মালিকানা রয়েছে এমন এক্সচেঞ্জ/রেমিট্যান্স হাউজ আবেদন করতে পারবে।

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