

Road accidents kill 2 in Dhaka

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Two persons were killed in separate road accidents in the capital's Basundhara and Bangshal area early yesterday.

Shakib Chowdhury Turja, 22, a student of Computer Science and Technology Department of North South University, sustained critical injuries after a car he was driving ploughed through a footpath and hit an electric pole, around 1:30am. He was declared dead after being rushed to a nearby hospital, said Md Al Helal, a sub-inspector of Gulshan Police Station.

His cousin Fardin Khan, 24, who was also in the car, is receiving treatment at the hospital, he said.

The accident took place as Turja and his cousin were on their way to Bashundhara area to distribute clothes among their friends and relatives for Turja's brother's wedding, the police official said. Turja was driving the car in high speed, said another policeman.

Meanwhile, a covered-van helper Abdur Rahman, 40, sustained critical injuries after a truck hit the vehicle while he was unloading goods at around 5am in Bangshal.

He was declared dead at Dhaka Medical College Hospital, said inspector Bachchu Mia, in-charge of DMCH police outpost.

Khaleda has the right

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delegation -- led by Fakhru -- met Home Minister Asaduzzaman Khan on Tuesday at his Secretariat office and got assurance from him that every necessary measure will be taken to ensure Khaleda's treatment.

Later, the home minister said Khaleda will be taken to Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University (BSMMU) very soon for medical test.

BNP standing committee member Khandaker Mosharraf Hossain said when their chairperson, a three-time prime minister, is not getting minimum medical treatment in jail, physicians were brought from abroad for a minister and he was sent to Singapore for better treatment.

He demanded the government release Khaleda from jail so that she can receive treatment either at home or abroad as per her will.

The BNP leader warned that the government will be held responsible if Khaleda's condition deteriorates further.

Another BNP standing committee member Mirza Abbas said it is unfortunate that their party has to form a human chain demanding treatment of a three-time prime minister.

Wishing early recovery of Road Transport and Bridges Minister and Awami League general secretary Obaidul Quader, he said Khaleda also has the right to proper treatment like Quader.

BNP standing committee members Dr Abdul Moyeen Khan, Nazrul Islam Khan, Amir Khasru Mahmud Chowdhury; vice chairmen Shamsuzzaman Duda, AZM Zahid Hossain; and Gonoshasthaya Kendra founder Dr Zafrullah Chowdhury, among others, spoke at the programme.

One held over rape

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officer of the case. He said in primary investigation, they ascertained that the girl was raped.

AFM Sayeed, officer in-charge of Savar Model Police Station, said the victim's father filed a case with the police station on Tuesday night. They are trying to arrest Babu, who went into hiding after the incident, he added.

The girl was later sent to the One-stop Crisis Centre of DMCH for medical tests yesterday, he added.

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Position Vacancy Announcement
Position: Project Management Specialist (Education), FSN-11

The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) in Bangladesh is seeking applications from qualified Bangladeshi nationals for the position of **Project Management Specialist (Education)** in the Office of Population, Health, Nutrition & Education (PHNE).
Location: USAID/Bangladesh, Deadline for application submission: March 30, 2019.
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Position Vacancy Announcement
Position: Chief Accountant, FSN-12

The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) in Bangladesh is seeking applications from qualified Bangladeshi nationals for the position of **Chief Accountant** in the Office of Financial Management.
Location: USAID/Bangladesh, Deadline for application submission: March 30, 2019.
For a complete job description, required qualifications and detailed information on how to apply please visit USAID/Bangladesh website: <http://www.usaid.gov/bangladesh/work-with-us/careers> and www.bdjjobs.com D-86

Human chain seeks protection of Manipuri land

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

The Manipuri community along with locals formed a human chain in front of Sylhet Central Shaheed Minar yesterday, demanding that the government take necessary steps to protect Manipuri land from grabbers.

The human chain was organised by Sammilito Manipuri Samaj of Sylhet. The community demanded the prime minister's intervention to protect their land.

Speakers at the human chain said, there has been a Tant (handloom) Training Centre under Manipuri social welfare initiative on 0.48 acres of "Vested Property" at Manipuripara of Shibganj in the city for the last 50 years.

Lt Col (retd) Badar Ahmed passes away

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Lt Col (retd) Badar Ahmed, a former medical core officer, passed away at Combined Military Hospital in Dhaka on Tuesday. He was 77.

Badar Ahmed was a member of Retired Army Officers' Welfare Association (Raowa), says a press release.

He was buried at the Army Graveyard following a namaz-e-janaza at Mohakhali DOHS mosque after Asr prayers yesterday.

Women's

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She also stressed on strengthening preventive measures in terms of gender-based violence.

Prof Nasreen Ahmad, pro-vice chancellor of DU, said, "We see videos on Youtube of fatwas being given against women. It's one kind of women bashing, and is creating imbalance in the society."

Najma Chowdhury, emeritus professor and the founder chairperson of DWGS, thanked everyone for attending the ceremony.

Kathlyn Bryant, acting deputy mission director of USAID Bangladesh, in her speech praised the Bangladesh government for allotting 27 percent of the annual budget for women's development.

Dr Sanzida Akhter, chairperson of DWGS, chaired the programme while teachers and students of the department also attended.

The festival includes a gender book fair, short film competition, poster exhibition, panel discussion, dance performance and musical shows.



The Manipuri community formed a human chain in front of Sylhet Shaheed Minar yesterday, demanding protection of their land. PHOTO: STAR

Laws exist

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compelled by some corrupt law enforcement officials to compromise with the perpetrators.

Emphasising on the need for awareness on online sexual harassment, Executive Director of ASK, Sheepa Hafiza, said that although online sexual harassment has become rampant, many may not be familiar with the term.

Echoing Barrister Sara Hossain, she said laws regarding sexual harassment need to be enforced.

Sheepa alleged that in some cases, law enforcers do not demonstrate an amicable attitude towards women when dealing with cases of harassment.

She also emphasised the need to ensure human rights for all alongside ensuring women's rights.

Rumana Rothi, a youth activist, said that women face restrictions from every corner of society, and such barriers are limiting development.

"If a girl wants to travel alone, parents do not allow them. When a girl wants to explore the virtual world, she faces sexual harassment," she said.

Salman gives final

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businesses. Businesses will expand through ensuring security for people."

Khokon directed the Department of Explosives to submit a report within 48 hours, stating whether plastic granules and products are fire hazards.

A taskforce is currently operating drives against 29 highly flammable chemicals.

The DSCC mayor said they will reexamine the flammability of chemicals. "Besides these 29, if more chemicals are found risky, there will be drives against those too," he said.

Businessmen have sought six months for relocation of chemical factories and warehouses from old town. They also requested to not harass businessmen during the drive.

The DSCC mayor asked the taskforce and businessmen to cooperate.

Rupganj OC

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is MR 20-28987713 and chassis number is Tk 31-201170.

After the incident, Bacchu's mother went to Arahazar Police Station and requested the OC to return the vehicle. But the OC demanded Tk 10 lakh to release it.

Later, she came to know that the OC, in cooperation with his accomplices, falsified the documents and showed one of his relatives as the vehicle's owner. Its registration number is Gha-18-0112.

On February 28 this year, she filed a case with Fatullah Police Station, alleging misappropriation of the vehicle by the OC.

In initial investigation, detective branch of the district police found the allegation to be true and submitted a report to the superintendent of police.

Contacted, Abdul Haque denied the allegation and said Bacchu's mother never came to meet him and the vehicle was handed over to a relative of the deceased.

Bacchu's mother could not be contacted, despite repeated attempts.

88pc women

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womanhood is frequent in the society, women have to be demonstrative to overcome the challenge, said Nijera Kori Coordinator Khushi Kabir.

Prof Salma Akhter of sociology department at Dhaka University said women should be treated with respect and dignity, which will also help prevent the use of derogatory words towards them.

Editor of the Daily Ittefaq and Anannya magazine Tasmima Hossain, filmmaker Shameem Akhter and journalist Shahnaz Munni, among others, spoke at the event.

It's unfortunate

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or petroleum products (both authorised and unauthorised) to submit a report in three months.

Following the Chawkbazar fire incident, the petitioners' lawyers yesterday prayed to the HC for holding final hearing on the 2010 writ petition.

Barrister Sara Hossain and Advocate Syed Rizwana Hasan appeared for the petitioners, while Assistant Attorney General Purabi Rani Saha represented the state.

22nd convocation of NSU held



CITY DESK

The 22nd convocation of North South University was held yesterday on its own campus in Bashundhara Residential Area amid enthusiasm and festivity.

On behalf of Chancellor of the university President Abdul Hamid, Education Minister Dr Dipu Moni presided over the ceremony, said a press release.

Nobel Laureate Sir Richard J Roberts delivered the convocation speech. MA Hashem, chairman of NSU Board of Trustees, and Vice Chancellor Prof Atiqul Islam also spoke on the occasion.

The graduating class of 2019 with a total of 3,486 graduates and post graduate students is the largest group to have graduated from the university so far.

This year, with their sheer diligence and hard work, two meritorious students took home the Chancellor's Gold Medal award and nine others earned the Vice Chancellor's Gold Medal award.

Members of the Board of Trustees, Pro Vice-Chancellor (Designate) Prof Dr GU Ahsan, deans of different faculties and other senior officials were present on the occasion, among others.

WUB permanent campus inaugurated



CITY DESK

Jatiya Sangsad Speaker Dr Shirin Sharmin Chaudhury inaugurated the permanent campus of World University of Bangladesh (WUB) at sector-17/H, Uttara, Dhaka yesterday.

Deputy Minister of Education Mohibul Hassan Chowdhury; Senior Secretary to Secondary & Higher Education Division Md Sohorab Hossain; Chairman of Bangladesh Accreditation Council Prof Dr Mesbahuddin Ahmed; President of Association of Private Universities of Bangladesh Sheikh Kabir Hossain; former Vice Chancellor of BSMMU Prof Dr Pran Gopal Datta; Chairman of Gazipur Zilla Parishad Aktaruzzaman and Pro Vice-Chancellor of WUB Prof Dr M Nurul Islam were present as special guests.

Treasurer of WUB Morsheda Choudhury delivered the welcome speech. Founder and Vice Chancellor of WUB Prof Dr Abdul Mannan Choudhury presided over the inaugural ceremony while Chairman (acting) of WUB Board of Trustees Prof Musfiq Mannan Choudhury delivered the vote of thanks.

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Position Vacancy Announcement
Position: Project Management Specialist (Market Systems Development), FSN-10

The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) in Bangladesh is seeking applications from qualified Bangladeshi nationals for the position of **Project Management Specialist (Market Systems Development)** in the Economic Growth Office (EG).
Location: USAID/Bangladesh, Deadline for application submission: March 28, 2019.
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Graduated students are requested to upload a recent color photograph which must have a white background and resolution 300 x 300 pixels, as per guidelines in www.convocation.uap-bd.edu.

Registration will be open from **10th March to 25th March 2019**.

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