

ROAD ACCIDENT CASES

Conviction in only 5pc cases

Accused off the hook as majority of cases settled before they go for trial

MOHAMMAD JAMIL KHAN and SHAHEEN MOLLAH

Hours after Ataul Islam was crushed under the wheels of a bus on October 12 last year, his family filed a murder case against the driver hoping to get justice.

But Sub-inspector Riazul Islam got in the way.

Soon after getting the charge of investigation, he arranged a meeting with the victim's family and the bus owner. Riazul subsequently forced the family to strike a deal with the bus owner to withdraw the case and go home with

some money instead, alleged Shamim, the victim's brother-in-law who filed the case with Pallabi police in the capital.

The police official brokered the deal even though the case was filed under two particular sections of the penal code that do not allow such out-of-court settlements. In court language, these cases are called non-compoundable.

The case was filed under section 279, which deals with rash driving, and 304 (B) that deals with causing death by rash or negligent driving, both considered serious crimes.

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A man stands up on his rickshaw to see what is the hold up on Dhanmondi Road-1 in the capital. This is the only direct route for rickshaws to go from Dhanmondi to New Market on Mirpur Road, a favourite destination for shoppers, especially before Eid.

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AMRAN HOSSAIN

Tigers not fazed by washout

SAKEB SUBHAN from Cardiff

Bangladesh's first World Cup warm-up match against Pakistan was washed out without a ball bowled at the Swalec Stadium in Cardiff yesterday, but it spoke to the team's battle-readiness that a wasted day did not

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A father's cry continues in vain



MUNTAKIM SAAD and

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Over a house in the capital's Mirpur area, a banner hangs reading: some men in civilian clothes introducing themselves as law enforcers abducted Mohan Miah on June 10, 2018.

The house belongs to Jamsheer Ali, who has been looking for his son for almost a year now.

Mohan was picked up in front of many people on the night of June 10 and three CCTV cameras captured some parts of the incident.

One of the CCTV clips shows five to six men in civilian clothes near the house

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OC taped Nusrat, then passed it on

PBI finds in its probe into suspended Sonagazi OC's role

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A team of Police Bureau of Investigation found involvement of Moazzem Hossain, suspended officer-in-charge of Sonagazi Police Station, in recording the interrogation of madrasa student Nusrat Jahan Rafi and sharing the footage with another person.

PBI chief Banaj Kumar Majumder shared the findings with The Daily Star yesterday after he sent those to Dhaka Cyber Tribunal.

He, however, said the probe team did not find Moazzem's involvement in spreading the footage on social media.

The person with whom Moazzem shared the clip may have spread the footage, he said.

On April 15, Syed Sayedul Haque Suman, a lawyer of the Supreme

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Less than 5-hr bus ride to Chattogram

People reap benefits of 2nd Meghna, Gumti bridges

STAR REPORT

Travellers on the Dhaka-Chattogram highway are reaping the benefits of the newly-built second Meghna and second Gumti bridges, as they no longer have to wait for hours in horrific tailbacks at both ends of the old narrow bridges.

Cumilla-bound passengers yesterday reached their destinations within one-and-a-half

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Ducsu VP beaten up in Bogura

'BCL men' attack before iftar party

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bogura

A group of alleged Chhatra League activists yesterday assaulted Ducsu Vice President Nurul Haque Nur and several other quota reformists in Bogura.

Witnesses said 25-30 young men attacked Nur and his friends around 5:00pm as the activists of Bangladesh Sadharan Chhatra Adhikar Sangrakshan Parishad, a quota reformist platform, were preparing for an iftar party on Woodburn Public Library premises.

The VP of Dhaka University Central Students' Union and at least five others were injured in the attack. On Saturday, Nur was also barred from holding an iftar party in Brahmanbaria.

The alleged BCL men also attacked Jamuna TV cameraperson Shahnewas Shawon, who was covering the incident, and tried to snatch his camera.



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2 injured in bomb attack on police van

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A bomb went off near a police pickup in the capital's Malibagh intersection last night that injured two people, including a female police officer.

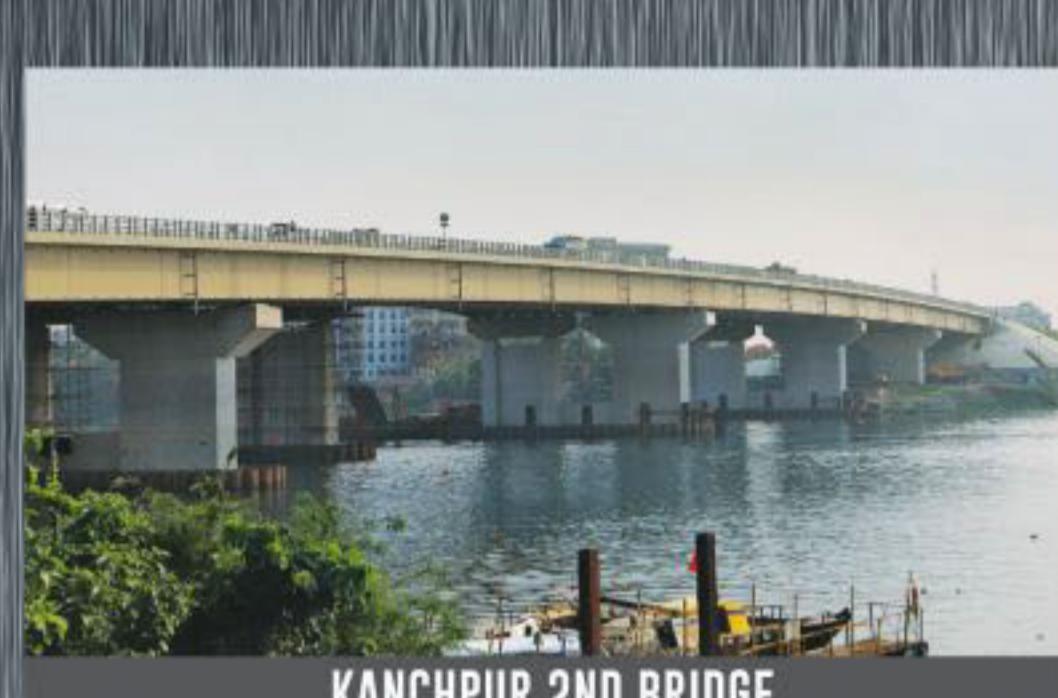
Assistant Sub-Inspector Rasheda Akhter Babli, 28, was near the vehicle when the bomb exploded around 8:50pm, Sergeant Enamul Haq of traffic police department (East division) told The Daily Star. He said she suffered injuries to her left leg.

The explosion also caused head wounds to rickshaw

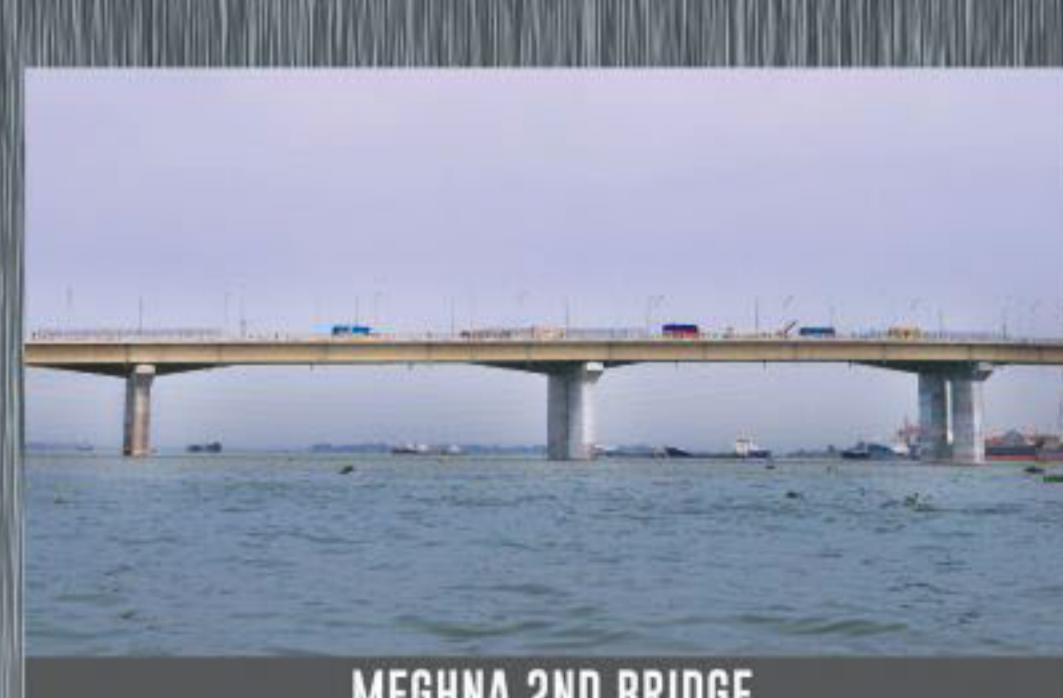
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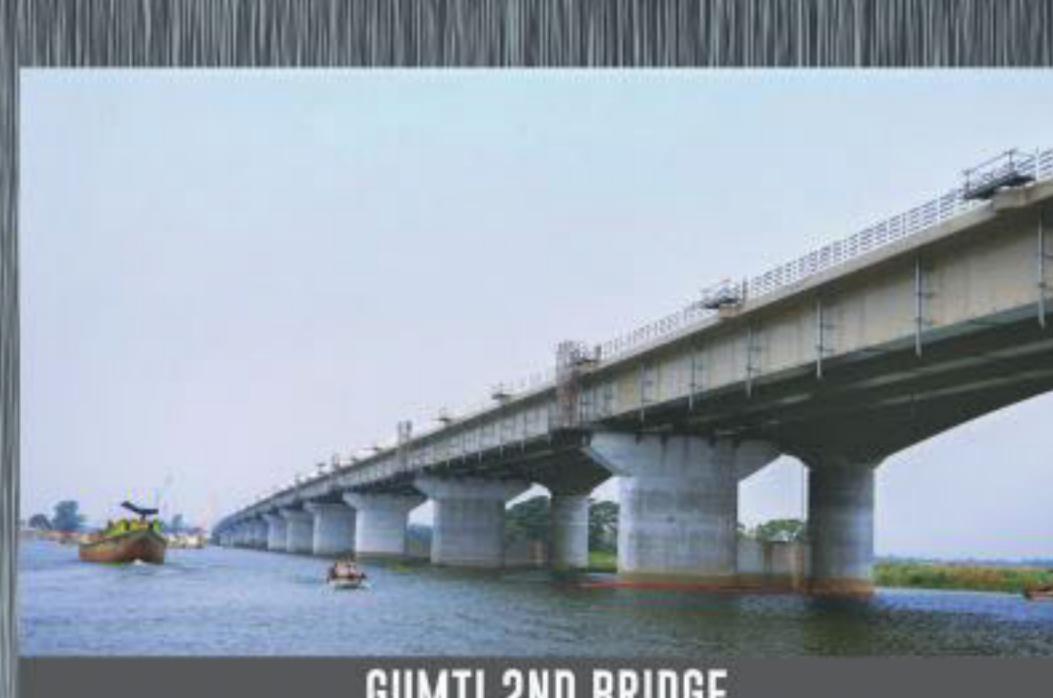
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KANCHPUR 2ND BRIDGE



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THREE GLORIOUS LANDMARKS ON THE PATH TO A SAFER NATION

KANCHPUR-MEGHNA-GUMTI 2ND BRIDGES BUILT BY COUNTRY'S NO. 1 STEEL EXPERT

These bridges are essential veins for the country's foreign trade and economic development. Now inaugurated for the people, they will play a vital role in reducing traffic congestion on the Dhaka-Chattogram highway, ensuring faster communication.

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