

Road accidents kill nine

STAR REPORT

Nine people were killed in road accidents during the last two days, according to reports from our correspondents.

In Narayanganj, tractor driver Nayeem Mia and his helper Sattar Hossain were killed when the vehicle plunged into a roadside ditch in Rupganj area yesterday, police quoted witnesses as saying.

Mahmudul Hassan, officer-in-charge (OC) of Rupganj Police Station, said the accident happened as the driver lost control over the vehicle.

In Panchagarh, a truck hit a motorbike from behind at Barrister Bazar in Sadar upazila on Friday night, killing two of its riders Manik Hossain and Nayan Islam.

In Bogura, rickshaw-van puller Abdul Hannan died when a truck hit him on Dhaka-Bogura highway in Majhira area yesterday.

In Netrakona, a truck hit a motorbike in Durgapur area on Friday night, killing its rider Romzan Ali on the spot.

In Madaripur, Saleha Begum, 65, was killed as a motorcycle hit her while she was crossing Rajoir-Nayanagar road in Nayanagar area of Rajoir upazila yesterday.

In Chattogram, an unidentified vehicle hit a man leaving him dead in Chhoto Kumira area of Sitakunda upazila yesterday.

Police could not ascertain the identity of the deceased immediately.

In Jhenidah, Junayed Hossain, 6, son of Kalu Hossain, died as a battery-run auto-rickshaw hit him at Ghugrikatala intersection in Moheshpur area yesterday at around 10:30am. He along with his grandmother was going to his relative's house, police quoted locals as saying.

Locals took the boy, who was from Baganmath village in Moheshpur upazila, to the local health complex where doctors declared him dead, said police.



Bangladesher Samajtantrik Dal brought out a procession in front of Barishal city's Ashwini Kumar Hall yesterday protesting the proposed 2019-20 national budget, which it termed "based on debt, deficit and inconsistent revenue". The left-leaning party also termed the budget rich-friendly and against the poor.

PHOTO: TITU DAS

Canadian Int'l School holds annual graduation ceremony

CITY DESK

The Canadian International School Bangladesh held its annual graduation ceremony at Radisson Blu hotel in Dhaka yesterday, says a press release.

Canadian High Commissioner to Bangladesh Benoit Préfontaine was present as the chief guest speaker at the event themed "Peace, Unity and Harmony".

Omani Ambassador Taeab Salim Al Alawi, UAE Ambassador Saed Mohammed Al-Muhairi and Canada Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry President Masud Rahman also attended the graduation ceremony.

Canadian International School Bangladesh Chairman Mohammad Kamal Uddin, CEO Begum Shirin Jahan and High School Principal Angela O'Brien delivered speeches on the occasion.

Sylhet ASI withdrawn for assaulting youth

STAR REPORT

A policeman assaulted a youth and took his wallet in Sylhet yesterday.

Locals and witnesses said SD Emon, a youth of Dariapara area, came to Zindabazar on a rickshaw and he got into an altercation with ASI Masum Ahmed of traffic police, over parking the rickshaw.

The ASI then forcefully took the youth inside a nearby temple, physically assaulted him and took his wallet, said witnesses.

Meanwhile, locals blocked the road in the area for around one hour, protesting the incident.

They later withdrew the blockade, after getting assurance from senior police officials that action would be taken against the ASI.

"We have closed the accused officer, as we found the allegations to be primarily true. We will take further steps after investigation," said Zedan Al Musa, deputy commissioner (media) of Sylhet Metropolitan Police.

MAN ASSAULTED IN POLICE STATION IN BOGURA

In Bogura, a man was allegedly beaten up by cops inside a police station for hours since Thursday.

The victim is Md Sohan Babu, 32.

Talking to journalists, his father Saidur Rahman said Babu runs a micro-credit business with one Sathi Begum and his husband Bappi Mia.

Babu took a loan from Sathi, but was dilly-dallying in repaying it, prompting Sathi to file a complaint with Bogura Sadar Police Station, he said.

Babu was called to the police station on Thursday night around 11pm. He was handcuffed and confined to a room, and beaten up mercilessly with sticks, Saidur added.

Later, police released him after taking Tk 20,000 and signature on a blank paper from him on Friday, alleged the victim's father.

Contacted, Arifur Rahman Mondal, acting superintendent of police (SP) of the district, said they have already suspended four personnel -- a sub-inspector, two assistant sub-inspectors and a constable -- following the allegation.

"We will conduct an inquiry against the alleged members. If we find the allegations to be true, we will take departmental action against them," the SP added.

[Our Bogura and Sylhet correspondents contributed to the story.]

Woman dies from electrocution

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A woman died after coming in contact with an electric fence at Banskahlhi upazila in Chattogram yesterday.

The deceased was identified as Dilowara Begum, 50, wife of Saleh Ahmed and resident of the Boilchari in the upazila, said sub-inspector (SI) Habibur Rahman of Banskahlhi Police Station.

He said Dilowara went to a vegetable patch near her home at around 7am and came in contact with an electric fence surrounding the plantation. To protect the vegetables from the nuisance of wild elephants, villagers had put up the electric fence.

Contacted, Rezaul Karim, officer-in-charge of the police station said putting up such fence is illegal and villagers had been warned to not set it up, but they did not listen.

"Once we found out about the incident we went to the spot and removed the fence," he said.

After conducting an autopsy and finishing other formalities, the body would be handed over to the deceased's family, the OC added.

Gonoforum

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education sectors inadequate, Reza Kibria called upon the government to reduce budgetary allocation in unproductive sectors.

He said the proposed budget is the outcome of shortsightedness, where there are no initiatives to overcome the financial setback.

"A group of people is making money and plundering it abroad, and the budget will favour their benefits," the Gonoforum general secretary said.

Describing the government as "unelected", he said citizen's wills and expectations are not reflected in the budget.

GANOSAMHATI ANDOLON

Meanwhile, Ganosamhati Andolon in its formal reaction at party headquarters in Dhaka said that there is "no accountability" in the proposed budget, and it will further strengthen the stream of plundering.

They also said that government has "failed to perceive the reality" which will lead the national economy to a "fragile situation".

"As banks are unable to supply loans, the government has to depend on savings instruments... This way, the government is stepping towards a very dangerous path," said Abul Hasan Rubel, executive coordinator (acting) of the party, while reading a written statement.

The government is increasing pressure on people through imposing taxes and VAT, while huge exemption has been given to "looters" who have been grabbing people's money illegally, Abul Hasan Rubel added.

Ganosamhati Andolon also claimed there is no good governance in the banking sector.

Speaking at the press conference, chief coordinator of the platform Zonayed Saki said, "There is a limit to everything, including looting. The economic system, based on which the looting is happening, could be tumultuous."

Moazzem

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(Degree) Madrasa Principal Sirajuddaula, on March 27, for sexually assaulting her the day before.

But the then OC recorded a video of her statement without her consent, asking her offensive and insulting questions. The video then surfaced on various social media platforms, allegedly uploaded by Moazzem.

Supreme Court lawyer Syed Sayedul Haque Suman filed the case against Moazzem under the Digital Security Act on May 15. A tribunal issued an arrest warrant against him on May 27, after a police investigation found him guilty.

Nusrat, an Alim examinee, was set on fire by Sirajuddaula's followers on April 6 for refusing to withdraw a rape attempt case her family had filed against him. She died from her injuries four days later at Dhaka Medical College Hospital's burn unit.

ফ্লোর ও জমি বিক্রয়

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LOGISTICS SECTOR

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

FROM INTERESTED SUPPLIERS/CONTRACTORS
(FOR DEVELOPING SUPPLIER DATABASE)

The Logistics Sector, in support to the Bangladesh government-led humanitarian response to the Rohingya crisis, invites applications from interested suppliers/contractors for enlistment in the Logistics Sector supplier database to be shared with humanitarian organizations. The list of required information to be submitted are given below:

Required Information:

- Company Profile (Name, Address, Contact, Company Representative)
- Copy of Trade/Business License
- TIN No.
- VAT Registration and Compliance Certificate
- ISO certification (if any)
- List of supplies/services your company provides

Those who are interested in enlisting with the Logistics Sector are requested to answer and submit the completed form from the link below by 30 June 2019, 5:00 PM:

<http://bit.ly/logsectoreoi>

For any further information and if the above link does not open, please contact the Logistics Sector, Bangladesh through the email: cxb.supplierdatabase@gmail.com

Please note that this is not an Invitation to Tender. Rates/prices are not required at this stage, and this invitation does not bind the Logistics Sector to issue any tenders or contracts to the companies expressing their interest.

ঠিকাদার প্রাক-যোগ্যতা পুনঃ বিজ্ঞপ্তি

(Contractor's Pre-qualification Re-Notice)

এতদ্বারা সংশ্লিষ্ট কাজের সাথে দীর্ঘ দিন যাবৎ প্রত্যক্ষভাবে যুক্ত অগ্রহী প্রতীষ্ঠান সমূহের নিকট থেকে নিম্ন উল্লিখিত শ্রেণীর ইমারত নির্মাণ করার উদ্দেশ্যে ঠিকাদার (Contractor) নিয়োগের জন্য নিম্নলিখিত প্রয়োজনীয় কাগজপত্র সহ প্রতিষ্ঠানের প্যাডে আগামী ২৭শে জুন, ২০১৯ খ্রীষ্টাব্দের মধ্যে নিম্নোক্ত ঠিকানায় জমা দেওয়ার জন্য আহ্বান করা যাচ্ছে।

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ঠিকাদার প্রাক-যোগ্যতার জন্য যে সকল কাগজপত্রাদি জমা প্রদান করতে হবে।	(১) হালনাগাদ ট্রেড লাইসেন্স (২) হালনাগাদ আয়-কর সার্টিফিকেট (৩) ভ্যাট রেজিস্ট্রেশন সার্টিফিকেট (৪) সংশ্লিষ্ট কাজে ন্যূনতম ৫ বছর ও অন্যান্য কাজে ৮ বছরের অভিজ্ঞতা (কাজের তালিকা সনদপত্রসহ) (৫) বর্তমান কাজের তালিকা (৬) সকল কাজের রেফারেন্স ঠিকানা সহ (৭) নাগরিকত্ব/ জাতীয় পরিচয়পত্রের ফটোকপি (৮) ঠিকাদার প্রতিষ্ঠানের ব্যবহারযোগ্য যন্ত্রপাতির তালিকা (হোয়েস্ট/টাওয়ার ক্রেন অবশ্যই থাকতে হবে) (৯) গত ৫ (পাঁচ) বছরে গড়ে বার্ষিক নির্মাণের পরিমাণ ১০০ কোটি টাকা বা তার উর্ধ্বে (১০) জুন, ২০১৯ খ্রীষ্টাব্দে তরল সম্পদ বা ক্রেডিট সুবিধা সর্বনিম্ন ৩০ (ত্রিশ) কোটি টাকা (১১) হালনাগাদ ABC ক্যাটাগরি বৈদ্যুতিক ঠিকাদারী লাইসেন্স এবং সুপারভাইজরি লাইসেন্স (১২) সংস্থায় বর্তমানে নিয়োজিত কারিগরী জনবলের (কর্মকর্তা, প্রকৌশলী, কর্মচারী) তালিকা ও জীবন বৃত্তান্ত ইত্যাদি।
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77 detained in Rajshahi

UNB, Rajshahi

Police have detained 77 persons in special drives in Rajshahi. The detainees include three suspected members of Jamaat-e-Islami and its student front Islami Chhatra Shibir, law enforcers claimed.

Police raided a mango orchard in Poba upazila where Jamaat activists were holding a clandestine meeting, said Rajshahi Metropolitan Police's Additional Deputy Police Commissioner Golam Ruhul Kuddus.

The three suspected Jamaat-Shibir activists were detained but others escaped, he said. Eighteen motorcycles were seized from the spot.

Kuddus also said they detained 41 persons from the city, 16 of whom were wanted in various cases.

Meanwhile, district police detained 36 others, said Additional Superintendent of Police Iftekhar Alam, adding that 24 of them were wanted in various cases.

The detainees would be produced before courts, police said.

TALKS WITH INDIAN COUNTERPART

Momen discusses Teesta, Rohingya

Bss, Dhaka

Foreign Minister Dr AK Abdul Momen has asked his new Indian counterpart S Jaishankar to expedite initiatives to resolve the Teesta issue and sought active supports over the Rohingya crisis, at their maiden talks in Tajikistan, a foreign office statement said yesterday.

"He [Momen] drew the Indian counterpart's attention towards the pending much-expected Teesta (water-sharing) treaty and... the foreign minister sought India's active support and cooperation in resolving the Rohingya problem," the statement read.

It said Momen simultaneously urged the Indian counterpart to take effective steps to stop killings on the Bangladesh-India borders by Indian border guards.





The two foreign ministers held their first meeting at a hotel in Tajik capital Dushanbe on Friday, where Momen is accompanying President Abdul Hamid to the fifth Conference on Interaction and Confidence Building Measures in Asia (CICA).

The Indian foreign minister assured Momen about necessary Indian cooperation regarding the issues, as the Modi government "shows mature sensitivity" in developing friendly relations with neighbouring countries.

Jayshankar, who previously served as India's top bureaucrat, termed Bangladesh gateway to New Delhi's "look east economic diplomacy" in view of its geostrategic location and said the feature could benefit both the countries as well as Bimstec, the regional economic forum.

Momen also sought Jaishankar's cooperation in attracting Indian investment at 100 special economic zones in Bangladesh.

The two foreign ministers expressed satisfaction over the existing cordial bilateral relations between Bangladesh and India, and hoped it will be further expanded in days to come.



MEETING THE UNDERNUTRITION CHALLENGE (MUCH)

(GCP/BGD/059/USA and GCP/BGD/063/EC)

CALL FOR RESEARCH PROPOSALS

Meeting the Undernutrition Challenge (MUCH) Project in Bangladesh is jointly implemented by the Food Planning and Monitoring Unit (FPMU) of the Ministry of Food (MoFood) of the Government of Bangladesh (GoB) and the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations with the financial support of USAID and the European Union. The main objective of the Project is to strengthen the enabling environment for food security and nutrition (FSN). This project is built upon the good practices and lessons learnt from the previous programme, National Food Policy Capacity Strengthening Programme (NFPCCSP). NFPCCSP had assisted the GoB, in particular the FPMU in strengthening its capacities to design and monitor information-based food security and nutrition (FSN) policies and investment plans. Within this framework, through the Research Grant Scheme (RGS) the project will support a total of 10 research studies on FSN encompassing food availability access, nutrition, food safety and social safety net programmes. The evidence generated through these researches will influence the development of policies and programmes related to FSN. The research topics are centered around key policy questions of priority to the government.

The MUCH project invites research proposals to be considered for funding. The research proposal(s) must address a topic that falls under one or more of the following research themes:

- Implications of diversified agriculture production on the economic and nutritional status of farming households
- Post-harvest transformation, value chain and markets for healthy diets and nutrition enhancement
- Estimation of overall food losses and waste at all levels of the food chain
- Social protection for nutrition-sensitive food systems in times of heightened risk and vulnerability
- Total diet study of Bangladesh
- Nutrient density of habitual and desirable diets in Bangladesh by life cycle stage and region
- Women's empowerment, children's diets and nutrition in urban and peri-urban settings
- Innovation and technology in food system development and planning
- Policy coherence and food and nutrition security in Bangladesh
- Survey on consumer awareness of nutrition, food safety and hygiene

The **Terms of Reference (ToRs)** of each study are obtainable from the website <http://fpmu.gov.bd/agridrupal/call-research-proposals>. Participation in the RGS is restricted to civil society, research and academic institutions. Individual researchers should submit their proposals through their institutions of affiliation. One institution/ department can submit up to 2 research grants for competition in reply to a call for proposals, but not more than one grant can be awarded to the same institution/ department, and a grant should not exceed more than **100,000 US Dollars** per institution at any given time. Grants will be awarded to the best research proposals specified within the above themes and will have to be completed within **12-16 months** from the date of award. Interested institutions can submit research proposal(s) following the **Guidelines for Submission and Implementation of Research Proposals** that can be downloaded from the website <http://fpmu.gov.bd/agridrupal/call-research-proposals>. **Interested applicants are requested to carefully read the Guidelines before preparing the research proposals.** Queries may be sent by e-mail to: Mr. Shishir Debnath (MUCH National Project Administrator; Shishir.Debnath@fao.org) writing RGS in the subject before the **20th of June 2019** or read the **Frequently Asked Questions**.

Failure to comply with the Guidelines will lead to the rejection of the proposal. **The deadline for submission of research proposals has been extended to Monday, 15 July 2019 at 4.00 pm (Bangladesh Time)**, institutions that have already submitted their applications do not need to re-apply. Incomplete applications, applications submitted by FAX or email, or applications received after the deadline will not be accepted. The original, two paper copies and one electronic copy (e.g. CD ROM) of the research proposal(s) should be submitted in a sealed envelope mailed or delivered to the following address:

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