



This part of Dhaka-Sylhet highway in front of Kaliganj Sramik College had been left dilapidated for two months. Now, the authorities concerned have dug up the road for repair in a rush ahead of Eid. Vehicular and pedestrians' movements are being hampered as its surface has become muddy due to rain. The photo was taken on Friday.

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## Abolish Digital Security Act

**Demands Barishal Reporters Unity**

STAR REPORT

Journalists in Barishal yesterday demanded abolishment of Digital Security Act and implementation of the ninth wage board award.

They were addressing the 19th annual general meeting (AGM) of Barishal Reporters Unity (BRU) at its office in the city.

They also sought that an independent broadcasting commission be formed comprising representatives from all sectors involved with the media.

To ensure press freedom, the journalists demanded an end to all forms of suppression against media activists.

At the programme, BRU decided to observe "Mujib Barsho", marking the birth anniversary of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, and "Fifty Years of Independence".

Among others, Anisur Rahman Khan Swapan, Kamal Masudur Rahman, Mithun Saha, Ariful Islam, SEE PAGE 4 COL 2

## We must treat water sharing as a national issue: Asif Nazrul

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh must continue its effort in a convincing manner when it comes to water-related issues with India to get its due share of water, said Prof Asif Nazrul of Dhaka University's law dept at a solo lecture yesterday.

The issue has to be raised in international forums and all Bangladeshi political parties have to unanimously treat it as a national issue, he said.

His lecture on the topic "River, Environment, Law and States" was part of the Unpublished PhD Dissertation Lecture series. Gyantapas Abdur Razzaq Foundation arranged the programme at DU's Sirajul Islam Lecture Hall.

Prof Asif said, in 1976 Mawlana Bhashani led a movement towards the Farakka barrage for due water from India. In that year, Bangladesh also took the issue to United Nations.

As a result, India and Bangladesh signed a deal in 1996. In that deal, India agreed to give 35,000 cusec water as per Bangladesh's demand, he said.

"Such amount of water was huge," he said, "At present Bangladesh gets 1,500 cusec water from India."

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Prof Asif Nazrul delivers a lecture, arranged by Gyantapas Abdur Razzaq Foundation, at Dhaka University yesterday.

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## Chittagong University announces Tk 339cr budget

**Only 1.24pc allocation for research**

CU CORRESPONDENT

The authorities of Chittagong University (CU) yesterday placed a Tk 339.18 crore budget for the 2019-20 fiscal year with only 1.24 percent allocation for research work.

CU Acting Registrar KM Nur Ahmed placed the budget for final approval at the 31st annual senate meeting held at the vice chancellor's (VC) conference room. The university's acting VC Prof Shireen Akhter chaired the meeting.

University Grants Commission (UGC) approved the Tk 339.18 crore budget, where Tk 212.70 crore will be spent for salaries and allowances of teachers and staff. The allocation for research is Tk 4.2 crore. There is no deficit.

Meanwhile, Tk 16.50 crore is expected as internal income. The revised budget of Tk 329.50 crore for the fiscal year 2018-2019 was also approved at the meeting.

While addressing the meeting, several parliament members expressed their dissatisfaction for not allocating adequate budget in the research sector.

Underscoring the need for research, Comilla-3 constituency's lawmaker Yussuf Abdullah Harun said it is very unfortunate that only 1.24 percent budget was allocated for this sector, which is not enough.

Waseqa Ayesha Khan, MP of reserved seat for women-7 asked the authorities to organise CU Central Students Union (Cucus) election as early as possible to ensure students representatives in the senate.

Mosharrar Hossain, parliament member of Chattogram-1; Mahfuzur Rahman, MP of Chattogram-3, and Md Nazrul Islam Chowdhury, MP of Chattogram-14 also stressed the need for adequate budget in the research sector.

## STUDENT KILLED OVER SHOES

## Rab arrests prime accused

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) early yesterday arrested two, including the prime accused, over the murder of Sylhet Technical Training Institute student Tanvir Hossain Tuhin.

Tanvir died after being brutally beaten up by some fellow students of the institution over an altercation on last Wednesday.

Identities of the arrestees cannot be disclosed as they are minors. Rab handed over the arrestees to Moglabazar Police Station.

They have been sent to jail after appearing before a Sylhet Court, Akhter Hossain, officer-in-charge of the police station, said.

On Thursday, another student was arrested who gave a confessional statement to the court, the OC said.

On Wednesday morning, Tanvir saw that his shoes were missing from outside of the classroom and found another student wearing them.

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## People suffer as govt relief inadequate: Fakhrul

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Lalmonirhat

Flood victims across the country are suffering as the government has failed to provide sufficient relief materials, alleged BNP Secretary General Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir yesterday.

The BNP leader said this while distributing relief supplies at Parulia village in Teesta shoal of Lalmonirhat's Hatibandha upazila.

"Unlike BNP, the ruling party never thinks about people," he said. "We are yet to get a fair deal

out of the Teesta issue. The river has become sorrow of people living in shoal areas."

"Teesta inundates the areas during monsoon but locals don't get water for irrigation during dry season, when it is essential," Fakhrul said. "We are uniting people across the country against this illegal government," he added.

Yesterday, BNP distributed relief materials among 2,000 flood victims. Each family was given supplies including 8kg rice, 5kg potatoes, 2kg

lentil, 2kg salt, one litre cooking oil, 500g sugar, one kg chira (flattened rice) and three packs each of biscuits and saline.

During the relief distribution, BNP permanent committee member and relief coordinator Iqbal Hasan Mahmud Tuku; joint secretary Alal Hossain; executive committee member Hasan Rajib Prodhan; organising secretary (Rangpur) and Lalmonirhat district president Asadul Habib Dulu; and BNP central leaders and members were also present.



BNP Secretary General Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir distributing relief materials among flood victims in Lalmonirhat yesterday afternoon.

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## Eighth-grader found dead in N'ganj

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Narayanganj

The body of an eighth-grader was recovered yesterday from a ship anchored in port area of Narayanganj city, around 24 hours after he went missing.

Deceased Ritul Ghosh, 14, was son of Dulal Ghosh and a student in Bidyaniketon High School.

The fire service handed over the body to police after recovering it around noon from a ship named MV Sajal-Tanmoy 2, anchored at port-5 of the city, said Md Abdullah Al Arefin, sub-assistant director of Narayanganj Sadar Model Police Station.

Ritul went missing while the friends were playfully diving into the river from a ship. They couldn't inform anyone out of fear, he said quoting the detainees.

The body was sent to Narayanganj General Hospital morgue for autopsy and legal measures will be taken accordingly, said the OC.

## Transforming the mundane



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Sumona stands in front of her "exhibition" on the wall of her father's tea stall.

MD ABBAS, CU

Fahima Akther Sumona, 12, stood second in a drawing competition organised at Chittagong University (CU) three years ago.

That is how she got her start in drawing, and since then, she has created at least 100 pieces, but due to hardship she could not organise an exhibition.

She has to help her father at his tea stall, adjacent to the university's Alaul Hall after school.

Some time ago, a student of the university came to know about her talent and asked her to use the wall of her father's tea stall to display her artwork.

Taking that advice, she selected 40

pieces and attached those to the wall.

Sumona's father Md Abu Sayeed said, students who come to his stall always praise those drawings and ask about the artist. He proudly replies that it was his daughter.

He said tearfully that he could not buy her any drawing materials as he has four other school-going children and it's difficult to make ends meet. "She has done everything with her own effort," he added.

"I do not want to bring her to my stall but it is quite hard for me to run it alone," he said, adding he strongly believes that one day his daughter will definitely become famous through her art.

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## Two killed in road accidents

STAR REPORT

Two people were killed in road accidents in two districts yesterday, according to reports from our correspondents.

In Mymensingh, a truck driver was killed as his vehicle skidded off Trishal-Mokkhopur road and overturned around 3pm in Mokkhopur area of Trishal upazila.

The victim was identified as Azizur Rahman, 22, from Baghan village in Trishal.

Azizur died on the spot, said Md Azizur Rahman, officer-in-charge of Trishal Police Station.

In Kurigram, a tea vendor was killed as a bus hit him on Phulbari-Nageswari road in Phulbari upazila.

Ayenal Haque, 32, from Phulbari Bazar area in the upazila, died on the way to Rangpur Medical College Hospital, said police.

Nabiul Hasan, inspector (investigation) of Phulbari Police Station, said, "The bus driver managed to escape."

Police seized the vehicle, he added.

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