



SI Mustafizur Rahman with the newborn and her mother at Chattogram Medical College Hospital yesterday.

# Police officer rescues newborn in Agrabad

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

It was around 5am yesterday. Sub-inspector (SI) Mustafizur Rahman of Double Mooring Police Station and his team were on patrol duty in front of Akhtaruzzaman Centre in Agrabad area of port city.

While walking on the road, the SI noticed that three street dogs were barking at each other in front of Sonali Bank, just 20 yards away, and trying to bite something on the footpath.

Curious, the police officer rushed to the spot and found a newborn.

SI Mustafizur Rahman immediately picked up the baby girl from the ground after shooting the dogs away and rushed to a nearby hospital.

"The whole situation took me by surprise. I picked the baby up right away with the help of a woman who was on her morning walk," he told the newspaper.

"I took the newborn to Agrabad Maa O Shishu Hospital immediately where the doctors cleaned her up and gave her primary treatment," said the SI.

Mustafizur said, "I came to Agrabad area again -- along with the baby -- to look for her mother and found a mentally challenged woman in blood-stained clothes in front of Janata Bank's corporate office."

"When I asked why her clothes were blood-stained, she did not answer but pointed to the footpath in front of Sonali Bank, where I found the baby. I took the woman to Chattogram Medical College Hospital (CMCH)," the SI further said.

Assistant Commissioner (Double Mooring Zone) Ashikur Rahman told The Daily Star, "Both the woman and the baby are undergoing treatment at ward 33 of the hospital."

# CUMILLA MURDER CASE Khaleda's bail extended for a year

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court (HC) yesterday extended for one year its earlier order that granted bail to BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia in a case filed over killing seven people and injuring 25-26 others by setting a bus on fire in Cumilla on February 3, 2015.

The HC bench of Justice AKM Asaduzzaman and Justice SM Mojibur Rahman passed the order following a petition filed by Khaleda, seeking extension of her bail in the case.

The HC on March 6 this year granted bail to Khaleda for six months in the case.

During the hearing, Barrister Kayser Kamal appeared for Khaleda.

Deputy Attorney General Dr Md Basir Ullah told The Daily Star that Khaleda cannot get released from jail because she is convicted and sentenced to 10 years' and seven years' imprisonment in Zia Orphanage Trust corruption and Zia Charitable Trust corruption cases respectively.

She is yet to secure bail in those two cases, he added.

# BODY FOUND IN TRAIN CARRIAGE Forensic doctor suspects victim was raped before murder

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The girl, whose body was recovered from the toilet of an abandoned carriage at Kamalapur Railway Station on Monday, was raped before being murdered, a forensic doctor suspects.

Asma Akhtar was choked to death and signs of rape were found, Pradip Biswas, lecturer of forensic medicine department at Dhaka Medical College and Hospital (DMCH), told The Daily Star after an autopsy.

DNA samples and viscera have been collected for further analysis, he said.

Police could contact her family members in Panchagarh as they found her birth certificate near the body.

Asma's father Abdur Razzaq said his daughter left home on Sunday morning without telling anyone and had been traceless since then.

Sub-inspector Rusho Banik of Dhaka Railway Police Station said Asma's uncle Raju filed a murder case accusing her classmate Badhan.

Asma's father claimed that she was in a relationship with Badhan, who left home on Sunday as well. Police are trying to arrest Badhan, the SI said.

# Case filed against eight for provoking suicide

Victim was sexually assaulted and blackmailed, claims son

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gazipur

Police filed a case against four youths and four other unnamed persons on charge of provoking suicide by threatening to release the victim's nude video on the internet at Gazipur's Sreepur upazila.

The accused are: Siam (22), Sadeq (25), Rony (18), Shyamol (25) and four others.

The accused had a long-standing rivalry with the victim, Md Jamal Uddin, 43. All of them are residents of Tepirbari area of Sreepur upazila.

On Sunday evening, the accused and Jamal locked in an altercation over a motorcycle. At one stage, they forcibly took Jamal to a nearby Shal forest, gang-raped him, and took photos and videos, claimed the victim's son, Rakibul Hasan Ridoy.

Then they tried to extort Tk 2 lakh from Jamal, threatening to release the photos and videos on the internet, according to Rakibul. They released Jamal at around 9pm that night.

Traumatized by the incident, the victim committed suicide at around 11am on Monday at his residence.

Early yesterday, the victim's son filed a case on different criminal charges, including provoking suicide, committing crime under Pornography Control Act, and extortion.

Police arrested one Moniruzzaman for his suspected involvement with the incident, said Md Nayan Bhuiyan, sub-inspector of Sreepur Police Station. However, none of the eight accused had been arrested until 10pm last night.



With potholes the size of small swimming pools scattered all over the road, commuting from Cox's Bazar to Teknaf has become a nightmare. This road is not just used by locals or tourists, vehicles of different government and aid agencies also have to ply it to reach Kutupalong refugee camp. The photo was taken from Court Bazar area of Cox's Bazar recently.

PHOTO: ANISUR RAHMAN

# Yaba now coming in via India: Ctg DIG

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Due to strict vigilance and continuous drives against drug trafficking by law enforcement agencies in Cox's Bazar, drug peddlers have adopted new techniques and are smuggling yaba to the country through the Indian border, said Khandker Golam Faruq, deputy inspector general (DIG) of police (Chattogram Range), yesterday.

The DIG said this while addressing a monthly crime conference of Chattogram Range, held at Chattogram District Police Lines in port city's Halishahar area.

"We have information that yaba peddling through Cox's Bazar border has decreased because of the ongoing drives. As a result, the [yaba] pills are now being trafficked through Indian border and entering Bangladesh via adjacent districts," he said.

"I have asked the superintendents of police in Cumilla, Brahmanbaria and other districts to remain alert in this regard," the DIG said.

At the meeting, DIG Faruq also gave directives to the SPs to keep their offices and other police establishments clean to prevent the breeding of Aedes mosquitoes.

Additional DIG of Chattogram Range Abul Faiz, SPs of 11 districts under Chattogram Range and senior police officials were present at the conference, among others.

The DIG also awarded 18 police officers of different districts for their outstanding works in the month of July.

# Rajshahi police's new approach for gaining public trust

Law enforcers helping sexual harassment victims who post about their ordeal online

ANWAR ALI, Rajshahi

Rajshahi Metropolitan Police has come up with a new approach of investigating allegations of sexual harassment by taking notes from social media discussions for gaining public confidence.

The initiative was taken after the police noticed that victims frequently took to social media to write about incidents of sexual harassment, rather than complaining to police.

In the last ten days, RMP dealt with at least two such incidents where the victims explicitly denied to go to the police and instead posted on social media, generating widespread discussion.

"We haven't taken the approach in any formal way," RMP's spokesperson and deputy commissioner Golam

Ruhul Kuddus said. "We're doing this from our sense of responsibility to the society. We want people to have faith in us and not stay silent when these incidents happen."

On Monday night, a female student of Rajshahi University of Engineering and Technology raised an allegation of sexual harassment on a running auto-rickshaw in the afternoon while she was returning home.

Yesterday morning, officials of RMP's Detective Branch spoke to the victim, and she denied to file any complaint in this regard. However, she went with the police to show them the place of the incident and provided description of the harassers.

"Primarily we found truth in her allegations," Abdullah Al Mamun,

deputy commissioner of DB, RMP told The Daily Star yesterday, "She was lacking confidence in the police. We'll arrest her harassers first and then convince her to file a case."

He said, quoting the victim, that the auto-rickshaw driver and his accomplices forced other passengers to get down from the vehicle and then sexually harassed her while the vehicle was going to Rajshahi Railway Station from Bhadra intersection. They later let her out of the vehicle near Rajshahi Nagar Bhaban.

In another social media post on August 10 night, a Ruet teacher raised allegations that his wife was sexually harassed by a group of stalkers while he was walking with her at

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# CIRCULATING NUSRAT'S VIDEO Defence completes cross-examining complainant

COURT CORRESPONDENT

The defence lawyer for suspended Sonagazi OC Moazzem Hossain yesterday completed cross-examining the complainant of the case filed over filming Nusrat Jahan Rafi's statement and circulating the footage on social media without her consent.

Meanwhile, Judge Ash Sams Joglul Hossain of Dhaka Cyber Tribunal summoned two other witnesses to appear before it on September 1 to narrate what they knew about the matter.

During yesterday's hearing, the defence lawyer cross-examined Syed Sayedul Haque Sumon, a lawyer of the Supreme Court and also the case's complainant, on different points. Sumon replied to all the questions.

On July 31, the complainant gave his deposition before the tribunal and he was partly cross-examined by the defence.

Sumon filed the case against the former OC on April 15.

Nusrat, a student of Sonagazi Islamia Senior Fazil Madrasa in Feni, was set ablaze on April 6, allegedly after

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# Road crashes kill seven, injure four

STAR REPORT

At least seven people were killed and four injured in road accidents across the country in the last two days, according to reports from our correspondents.

In Manikganj, a seven-year-old boy was killed as a microbus ran him over in front of Lemubari Government Primary School in Manikganj Sadar upazila yesterday.

The deceased is Rafi Ahmed, son of Nurul Islam of Lemubari village. He was a second grader at the school.

Quoting locals, police said Rafi went out of the classroom around 11:30am to go to the toilet. Before returning to class, he went to a shop to buy chips. As he was crossing the road in front of the school gate, a microbus ran him over, killing him on the spot.

The driver fled the scene after the accident. Police are looking for him.

In Cumilla, two people were killed when a microbus and an unidentified vehicle collided in Kurchap area on Dhaka-Chattogram highway in Debidwar upazila early yesterday.

The deceased are Abdul Malek, 60, and his brother Saleh Ahmed, 70, from Parshuram upazila of Feni.

Police said the accident occurred when a speeding heavy vehicle smashed into the microbus. Two died on the spot and three were injured.

Abdul was an expatriate and returned to the country on August 15. He stayed in Dhaka for the last couple of days and was returning home with his family.

The three injured were Abdul's children and were taken to Dhaka for better treatment.

In Madaripur, a man was killed as a bus ran him over at Kathalbari Ferry Terminal in Shibchar upazila around 11am yesterday.



Agitated locals vandalised this bus after it collided with a motorcycle in Dhaniapara area of Chattogram yesterday, killing the biker.

PHOTO: RAJIB RAIHAN

The deceased is Badsha Mia, 40, from Mongla upazila in Bagerhat.

Quoting locals, police said Badsha was going to Dhaka with his family by bus. At one point, he got down from the bus when the vehicle was waiting for a ferry to transport it.

When the bus was getting on the ferry, it ran over Badsha, killing him on the spot.

Later, police seized the bus but its driver fled the scene, added police.

In Chattogram, three people were killed in two

separate accidents in the city and Patiya upazila.

In the city, Ratan Deb, 40, from Feni, was critically injured after his motorcycle and a local bus collided at Dewanhat overpass area in Dhaniapara around 2pm yesterday, said police, quoting locals.

He was declared dead by on-duty doctors after being taken to Chattogram Medical College Hospital, they added.

Ratan was an executive member of Bangladesh

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