

6TH GRADER FOUND DEAD

Family awaits justice, police autopsy report

FM MIZANUR RAHAMAN, Ctg

While police are waiting for the autopsy report of Rebeka Sultana Poly, 13, whose hanging body was recovered from her residence on Wednesday in port city's Madhyam Halishahar area, her family is demanding justice saying that she was raped and murdered.

Though family members are accusing the landlord, Abul Kashem (AK) Khan, police said they have not found any "significant information", despite quizzing him during a two-day remand.

Poly's family filed a murder case against AK Khan with Bandar Police Station on Thursday. He was arrested the same day from his residence.

Yesterday, family members, locals, students and rights activists formed a human chain in front of Chattogram Press Club in the afternoon, demanding justice for Poly.

Poly's brother, Rasel Rana, a student of Govt Mohsin College, told The Daily Star, "During filing the case against the landlord for killing my sister, Sub-inspector Abdullah Al Mamun of Bandar Police Station offered my mother Tk 14 lakh to settle the matter, mentioning that Poly died by



PHOTO: RAJIB RAHMAN

Mother of the victim broke into tears at a human chain in front of Chattogram Press Club yesterday, demanding justice over her death.

suicide. He also requested us not to file the case, but we refused."

"There are enough evidence that show my sister was murdered and then hanged," he further alleged.

Poly's mother tried her best to address the human chain but could not. She kept breaking down in tears.

Contacted, Hamidul Alam, deputy commissioner (Bandar) of Chattogram Metropolitan Police, said, "Police are investigating the incident, taking all the factors into

consideration. We are waiting for the autopsy report to confirm how she died."

"Following the family's allegations that the landlord raped the girl and later hanged the body from the ceiling, police arrested him. But no significant information was gleaned from him during the remand," the DC said.

He did not elaborate further for the sake of investigation. He, however, said they will put the landlord on remand again after the

autopsy report, if needed.

Regarding the allegation of offering money to settle the case, DC Alam said, "After hearing about that I went to meet Poly's mother along with the said official on Saturday and yesterday to verify the allegations."

"But the mother said a person in civilian clothes, who was present on Wednesday while police were recovering the body, offered her the money. She could not identify him."

Mentionable, SI Mamun was also present when the body was recovered. Despite repeated attempts, he could not be contacted yesterday.

"We are looking into the matter and speaking to locals and other officials about it," the DC assured.

The deceased -- Poly, daughter of Firoj Khan from Khagrachhari -- was a sixth grader of Halishahar Ahmed Miah City Corporation Girls' High School. She lived with her mother, an apparel worker, and elder brother on the ground floor of AK Khan Tower in the area.

On the day, Poly's brother found the door of their home locked from inside after coming back from a tuition class.

He broke it open and found her hanging from the ceiling. No one was home at that time, he said.

Dhaka, Delhi to celebrate two historic years together

UNB, Dhaka

Bangladesh and India have emphasised the need for "greater cooperation" to commemorate 2020 and 2021, two historic years in Bangladesh-India relations.

The birth centenary of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman will be celebrated in 2020, and 50 years of Bangladesh's War of Liberation and the establishment of Bangladesh-India bilateral diplomatic ties in 2021.

To commemorate these two momentous occasions, Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina and her Indian counterpart Narendra Modi agreed to enhance cultural interactions between the two countries.

The issue was discussed during a meeting between prime ministers of the two countries held in New Delhi on Saturday.

Indian Prime Minister Modi proposed to organise a "Festival of India" in Bangladesh at a mutually convenient period during 2019-2020.

Sheikh Hasina thanked the Indian PM for the proposal, according to an official document.

Both prime ministers also welcomed the renewal of the MoU on Cultural Exchange Programme during the visit.

They directed officials concerned to expedite the work towards agreement between National Film Development Corporation of India (NFDC) and Bangladesh Film Development Corporation (BFDC) for co-production of the feature film on Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, in time for the celebrations of his birth centenary in 2020.

The Indian PM thanked the government of Bangladesh for agreeing to release a commemorative postal stamp on the occasion of the 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, who is celebrated across the world for his philosophy of non-violent movement against colonialism and inequity. The two leaders agreed to have an MoU on cooperation between the National Museum (India) and Bangabandhu Museum (Bangladesh), and directed officials concerned to finalise the MoU at the earliest.

Bangladesh and India also emphasised the importance of enhanced cooperation between youths of both countries as an investment in the future.

They mentioned the signing of an MoU on cooperation in youth affairs as a step in this direction.

3 missing as boat capsizes in Buriganga

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Three passengers went missing as a boat capsized around 8:30pm last night near Sardarghat terminal in the Buriganga river, following a head-on collision between the boat and a launch.

Identity of the missing individuals could not be known immediately, Fire Service and Civil Defence sources told The Daily Star.

A team of firefighters were conducting a search in the river to rescue them, said Rasel Shikdar, duty officer of Fire Service Control Room in Dhaka. The search was paused at 11:20pm yesterday, and was scheduled to resume at 6am today.

The fire official said the boat capsized as a Patuakhali-bound launch hit it while it was heading to anchor at the terminal.

Three teenagers held in Puthia

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Rajshahi

Police yesterday arrested three teenagers, on charges of being involved with an abduction in Puthia upazila of Rajshahi.

All the arrestees are under 18 years of age, said Iftekhyer Alam, an additional SP of Rajshahi.

One of them led a gang of seven more youngsters -- engaged in extortion and blackmailing in the upazila for the last few years, he said.

Although they were involved with the crimes, none other than one

person dared to complain against them, the police official said.

One Shamim Reza of the upazila went to Puthia Police Station on Saturday, and told law enforcers that the gang abducted him while he was sitting with his cousin and a friend near a culvert on Dhaka-Rajshahi highway in Krishnapur area that evening.

The miscreants blindfolded him and took him to an abandoned building.

They forced Reza to have photographs taken with an unknown

girl, and then demanded Tk 20,000 from him.

They threatened him of publishing the photographs on social media and filing a case against him under the women and children repression prevention act.

Reza managed to flee later that night and went to the police, the SP said.

Investigating into the case, police found his allegations to be true, and arrested three of the accused.

Police are looking for the girl and other members of the gang.

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Road crashes

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Police sent Somrat's body to Gopalganj General Hospital morgue for autopsy.

They are trying to catch the bus driver.

In Chattogram, college student Mohammad Ibrahim Khalil, 25, was killed after a speeding truck hit him in Kazir Dewri area of the city around 11pm on Saturday, said police, quoting locals.

Locals took Ibrahim to Chattogram Medical College Hospital (CMCH) where on-duty doctors declared him dead, they added.

Police detained the driver and helper of the truck.

A case was filed with Kotwali Police Station in this connection.

Tobacco

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Suggesting the government to motivate TB patients to quit smoking, the study observed that tobacco cessation can help reduce a large number of TB-related deaths annually.

It also said ARK Foundation applied the technique among surveyed patients and found significant improvement.

"Tobacco cessation is a very effective tool used around the world to check TB. We have found its proof through our study," said Zunayed Al Azdi, one of the researchers.

Quitting tobacco will not just help cure TB, but also help the patients not be affected by other tobacco-related diseases like cancer and lung infections, said Zunayed.

In Bangladesh, TB patients only get treatment for the disease. If they are provided adequate counselling to stop tobacco usage, it will create a positive impact on TB control, he said, suggesting that the government train its healthcare providers -- particularly those involved with TB treatment -- so they can counsel to help patients avoid tobacco.

BYLC's entrepreneurship

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At the end of the incubation phase, the top two business ideas will receive additional funding of Tk 15 lakh each.

The bootcamp provides budding entrepreneurs necessary skills to launch their own business and provide livelihood opportunities to many others, thereby tackling the challenge of rising youth unemployment in the country, said speakers.

"Young entrepreneurs often launch their business with limited hands-on knowledge or skills on how to run an organisation. BYLC's Youth Entrepreneurship Bootcamp provides promising entrepreneurs a learning platform through which they can develop tangible skills to champion their start-ups," said Kanbar Hossein-Bor, British deputy high commissioner to Bangladesh, while speaking as the chief guest at the event's graduation ceremony.

Ejaz Ahmad, president and founder of BYLC, said the bootcamp provides aspiring entrepreneurs the knowledge and skills to experiment, test, and iterate as they develop their products or services.

"Through this bootcamp, BYLC aims to nurture and encourage the passion of aspiring young entrepreneurs by connecting them to the right tools and networks and helping them grow as catalysts of change," he added.

Verdict on Risha murder

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school at Kakrail.

Her mother Tania Hossain filed a case against Obaidul with Ramna Police Station under the Women and Children Repression Prevention Act.

The death of Risha, eldest child of Ramzan Hossain and Tania Hossain, sparked protests across the capital.

Obaidul was arrested in Nilphamari with locals' help a week after Risha was stabbed.

Hailing from Dinaipur's Miradangi village, he used to work at a tailoring shop in Dhaka.

On November 14, 2016, Ali Hossain, inspector of Ramna Police Station, submitted the charge sheet against Obaidul to Dhaka Chief Metropolitan Magistrate's Court that framed charges against him on April 17, 2017.

**IN MEMORIAM**  
**Prof. Askar Ali**  
Barrister-at-Law  
(1900-1989)  
Today is the 30<sup>th</sup> death anniversary of Professor Askar Ali. Professor Ali did his M.A in English from Dhaka University (1924); B.A. Hons in Old English language and literature from London University (1929) and Bar-at-Law from Lincoln's Inn (1932). He joined Bengal Education Service in 1934 and served as Professor of English in various colleges including Calcutta Islamia College, Hooghly College, Dhaka Govt. College and Dhaka University. After his retirement in 1956, he served as Principal of Carmichael College of Rangpur from 1956 to 1961.  
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Telephone No.: 9102171-8; Fax No.: +880-2-9102084  
**Invitation For Tender (IFT) (Works)**

1.	Procuring Entity Name	Infrastructure Development Company Limited (IDCOL)
2.	Invitation Reference No.	IDCOL/GT/OCT/2019; Date: 07/10/2019
3.	Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method (National Competitive Bidding)
4.	Development Partner	The World Bank
5.	Project Name	Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Development Project-II (REREDP-II)
6.	Tender Package Name	Construction of Shore Piles and King Posts by Rotary Drilling for Construction of IDCOL New Office Building
7.	Tender Publication Date	07 October 2019
8.	Tender Last Selling	Date: 27 October 2019, Time: 05:00 PM (Bangladesh Standard Time)
9.	Tender Submission Closing	Date: 28 October 2019, Time: 12:00 PM (Bangladesh Standard Time)
10.	Tender Opening	Date: 28 October 2019, Time: 12:30 PM (Bangladesh Standard Time)
11.	Place of Selling, Receiving, and Opening of Tender Documents	Infrastructure Development Company Limited (IDCOL) UTC Building (Level-16), 8 Panthapath, Kawran Bazar, Dhaka-1215
12.	Date/Time/Place of Pre-Tender meeting	Date: 16 October 2019; Time: 11:30 AM Place: IDCOL Head Office, UTC Building (Level-16), 8 Panthapath, Kawran Bazar, Dhaka Any eligible supplier/distributor shall have: 1. Valid Trade license, Tax and VAT certificate; 2. Minimum 5 years of experience as Prime Contractor/ Subcontractor/ Management Contractor in construction works; 3. Minimum specific experience of at least 02 contracts of construction of cast-in situ RCC pile/shore pile/ foundation pile works successfully completed within the last 05 years, each with a value of minimum Tk. 35,000,000/-; 4. Minimum average annual construction turnover shall be BDT 60 million over the last 03 years; 5. Access to liquidity of minimum BDT 20 million; 6. Minimum no. of qualified manpower and required equipment mentioned in the bid document; 7. Any other eligibility mentioned in the Bid document;
13.	Eligibility of the Tenderer	BDT 1,000/- (Taka one thousand only); Tenderers shall provide <b>only Pay-Order or Bank Draft</b> in favor of "Infrastructure Development Company Limited". Cash Payment is not acceptable.
14.	Price of Tender Document	BDT 700,000/- (Taka seven lac only)
15.	Tender Security Amount	This Tender notice is in brief and the details of the Tender including Tender Document can be seen from the office of the undersigned during office hours and/or at IDCOL website ( <a href="http://www.idcol.org/home/notice">www.idcol.org/home/notice</a> ).
16.	Special Instruction	Mr. Sajjad Bin Siddique, Asst. Manager, Procurement Infrastructure Development Company Limited (IDCOL) Address: UTC Building (Level-16), 8 Panthapath, Kawran Bazar, Dhaka, Bangladesh, Telephone No.: 880-2-9102171-8, Ext.# 143, Fax No.: 880-2-9102084, E-mail: <a href="mailto:sajjad@idcol.org">sajjad@idcol.org</a>
17.	Name of the Official Inviting Tender	
18.	The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all Tenders during any stage of the procurement process.	