

Mirza Ali Ispahani passes away

City Desk

Mirza Md Ali Ispahani has passed away yesterday in Dhaka. He was 88 years old.

His namaz-e-janaza took place after Asr prayers in the capital's Nakhla para graveyard.

Amenah Ispahani, Mariam, Emaad, Pooja, Raya, Aaryan and the entire Ispahani family mourn his death.



Chaos

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across the country on the morning of November 7, while leaders and activists will place wreaths and offer prayers at the grave of late president and party founder Ziaur Rahman at 10am.

The party will also arrange a discussion in the city either on November 6 or November 8, marking the day.

Besides, BNP's associate bodies will hold various programmes, including discussions, cultural programmes, essay competition and photo exhibition.

Govt signs \$100m deal

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"In the Sector Development Plan and National Strategy for Water Supply and Sanitation, the government has aimed for 85 to 90 percent piped water supply coverage in municipalities by 2025," said Monowar Ahmed.

He said the project will help municipalities have greater capacity to manage and deliver water and sanitation services.

To facilitate citizens' feedback, the project will develop mobile apps, IT-enabled complaint redressal systems and annual surveys.

The credit, from World Bank's International Development Association (IDA), has a 30-year term, including a five-year grace period, and carries a service charge of 0.75 percent and an interest of 1.25 percent.

The project also includes \$100 million financing from Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank and \$9.53 million financing from the government.

Death of a dream

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phone. Eight to 10 youths reached the spot right away and indiscriminately beat Sajal with bamboo sticks and sharp weapons, police added.

A critically injured Sajal was taken to Dhaka Medical College Hospital, where he died.

Sajal's mother said her husband Shahidul Islam works as a salesman at a fabric store in Islampur in old Dhaka. The family struggles to make ends meet. Bearing educational expenses of their two sons and a daughter is difficult, Sajal's mother said.

Sajal was second among his siblings.

"He used to comfort me, saying that one day he will be an engineer and we won't have to endure financial hardship any more," Shilpi Begum lamented at their home in Hazaribagh.

The family -- originally from Bakerganj in Barishal -- yesterday buried Sajal at the city's Azimpur graveyard.

As of 7pm yesterday, no case was filed in connection with Sajal's death. Police could not arrest any of the culprits till that time.

Hazaribagh Police Station Officer-in-Charge Ikram Ali Miah said they started a drive on Tuesday night to arrest the killers.



This old man collects empty edible oil bottles and sells them to a warehouse. As plastic pollution continues to be an alarming environmental threat, such professions contribute to recycling of the non-biodegradable material. The photo was taken from Barishal city's Hatkhola area recently.

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SC fines 2 private

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for the Bar Council while Barrister Rakanuddin Mahmud and Advocate AM Aminuddin argued for students of Dhaka International University and Stamford University respectively.

Court sources said the UGC on April 23, 2014 issued a directive saying that the private universities cannot admit more than 50 students in the law faculties per semester.

The Bar Council on October 1 this

year issued a notification saying that it will not issue registration cards beyond 50 candidates [LLB Honours], who graduate from the private universities per semester.

Earlier, the Bar Council decided not to give registration cards to the candidates who graduated from 11 private universities, for violating UGC's directive. Around 2,000 students of the private universities -- including Stamford and Dhaka

International University -- filed writ petitions with the HC challenging the Bar Council decision.

Following the petitions, the HC at different times directed the Bar Council to allow petitioners to fill up their forms, and to give them registration cards so they can appear for the enrolment test under the body.

The Bar Council filed two separate petitions with the SC challenging the HC directives.

Jahangir alias Rajib Gandhi

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He said, leaders Major Jahid and Sarwar Jahan Manik trained Shafiqul Islam Uzal, Rohan Intiaz Swapon and Khairul Islam Badhon -- killed during the Holey Artisan attack -- in May 2016.

"On May 20, 2016, Tamim Chowdhury and Sarwar Jahan Manik instructed Tousif to make grenades, while Basharuzzaman Chocolate, Naim and Tarek were assigned to provide the bombs and arms in a meeting held at Mirpur zoo," he said.

"I went to the rented house in

Bashundhara residential area with Basharuzzaman where five attackers of the Holey Artisan Café were staying," he added.

"I was not aware of the Holey Artisan attack plan at the time," he claimed.

"Police arrested me from Kalyanpur area in Dhaka on July 10, 2016," Jahangir said.

He told the court he was confined in an unknown place for around six months, till January 2017, after his arrest.

Their top leaders used the "Threema" app for communication, he added.

In his statement, another accused Mizanur Rahman told the court he was innocent. He claimed he was a fish trader. He did not do anything wrong.

During yesterday's hearing, all eight accused -- now in jail -- claimed to be innocent and demanded justice after Judge Majibur Rahman of the Anti-Terrorism Special Tribunal of Dhaka read out charges from statements of 113 witnesses.

Six other accused submitted written statements to the judge, claiming to be innocent. The tribunal set November 6 for arguments in the case.

New passenger train

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ending the 43-year pause on the route, as two passenger trains named Maitree Express started simultaneously from Dhaka and Kolkata. Bandhan Express was launched on Khulna-Kolkata route on November 16, 2017.

OTHER ISSUES

The meeting also discussed ongoing projects under Indian Line of Credit (LOC) and the issues that both countries came to an understanding during the rail minister's India visit in August, said a ministry press release.

Three projects are going on under

the Indian LOC: construction of Khulna-Mongla rail line, construction of 3rd and 4th dual-gauge line on Dhaka-Tongi, and dual-gauge double line on Dhaka-Joydevpur section and modernisation of Pahartoli workshop.

The two sides also decided to hold a separate meeting for quick disposal of some allegations brought against Indian contractors and consultants, the press release said.

The Bangladesh side also requested the Indian high commissioner to ensure quality of project works, it added.

About the Indian proposal of setting up a "small" Inland Container Depot, on the west bank of Jamuna, the meeting was told that the ICD would be constructed at Sirajganj Bazar.

The site has been visited by officials concerned, and a structure would be set up in consultation with both sides.

The meeting also decided to bring 20 locomotives as soon as possible from India, after the visit of a technical team and settling conditions.

Bangladesh Railway's Director General Md Shamsuzzaman, was present at the meeting, among others.

Victim-centric

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organised by Ovivashi Karmi Unnayan Program (OKUP).

OKUP Executive Director Shakirul Islam presented a 2018 study on 110 abused female domestic workers, who returned from the Middle East.

He said the returnees get minimal compensation while manpower brokers or recruiting agents have an upper hand in the arbitration, conducted by Bureau of Manpower Employment and Training (BMET).

Prof Rahman said women workers abroad get abused physically, mentally and even sexually.

They should be taken care of accordingly, he added.

BMET officials at yesterday's consultation said the situation of arbitration has improved in recent times.

However, they also said there is a shortage of manpower at BMET.

Lawmaker Anisul Islam Mahmud, chairman of the parliamentary standing committee on the expatriates' welfare and overseas employment ministry, said BMET should have a separate wing for conducting arbitration. He said BMET must ensure fairness and justice in the arbitration process.

The manpower brokers, who now operate both at home and abroad, should come under a legal framework so that they can be held accountable, Mahmud said.

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Machetes

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student of World Religion and Culture; Iftekharul Islam Tusher, fourth-year student of Pali and Buddhist Studies; and Abu Bakar Alif, first-year student of the Philosophy department.

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(Abu Habib Khairul Kabir)
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Dr. Md. Jashim Uddin
Deputy Managing Director

Workers

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On Saturday, party politburo member and former general secretary Bimal Biswas, who earlier left the party on moral grounds, was also expelled on charge of indulging in anti-party activities.

On October 22, Bimal himself withdrew his primary membership of the party on ideological grounds.

Bimal sent a letter to the party's central committee, informing it of his resignation and said the party had deviated from its ideals of Marxism and Leninism.

Amidst these developments, Badsha, speaking at yesterday's press conference, told journalists that all preparations have been taken to hold the 10th congress.

"Political proposals and organisational reports of the party were reported at the activists' rally of different units, held last month," he said.

Badsha said that a total of 60 councils were held at union, municipality, upazila and thana levels.

A total of 800 representatives from different units are expected to participate at the four-day long congress, scheduled to begin on November 2, said Badsha.

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Location: USAID/Bangladesh, Deadline for application submission: November 16, 2019.

For a complete job description, required qualifications and detailed information on how to apply please visit [USAID/Bangladesh website: http://www.usaid.gov/bangladesh/work-with-us/careers](http://www.usaid.gov/bangladesh/work-with-us/careers) and www.bdjobs.com D-271

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Disclosure relating to un-audited Third Quarterly (Q3) Financial information

This is for kind information of all concerned that the Board of Directors of Pubali Bank Limited in its 1217th Meeting held on Wednesday, October 30, 2019 at 4:30 PM in the Board Room of the Bank's Head Office, 26 Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka has approved the **un-audited Third Quarterly (Q3) Financial Statements of the Bank** as on **September 30, 2019** and disclosed the following key financial indicators of the Bank:

Particulars	As on 30 September 2019		As on 30 September 2018	
	Taka (Solo)	Taka (Consolidated)	Taka (Solo)	Taka (Consolidated)
Operating Profit	7,320,847,377	7,581,083,321	6,421,748,245	6,686,605,370
Net Profit after Tax	2,570,678,278	2,795,642,652	2,453,592,653	2,686,175,261
Net Asset Value (NAV)	28,954,664,051	29,009,393,941	26,400,438,539	26,259,819,667
NAV Per Share	28.16	28.21	26.44	26.30
Earnings Per Share (EPS)	2.50	2.72	*2.39	* 2.61
Net Operating Cash Flow Per Share (NOCFPS)	1.92	1.99	8.74	8.58

*R estated

The details of the **un-audited Third Quarterly (Q3) Financial Statements as on September 30, 2019** is also available in the website of the Bank at www.pubalibangla.com

Dated: Dhaka
30 October, 2019

By order of the Board
Sd/-
Zahid Ahsan
General Manager & Company Secretary

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Procurement Notice: Request for Proposal (RFP)

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Bangladesh is in need for the requirement of proposal from interested Companies for the following requirements:

- **Re-RFP-BD-2019-033: Hiring a firm to conduct a survey on available Microinsurance products, develop and promote appropriate customized products through micro-insurance actors to the project beneficiary-SWAPNO**, Deadline for submission of proposal is at **4:30 p.m. (Bangladesh Local Time), 12 November 2019**.

Proposals may be submitted on or before the deadline indicated by UNDP in the **e-Tendering system**. For submission through online e-Tendering system kindly use the following link: <https://etendering.partneragencies.org> and use the user name and password provided below to start the registration for the e-tendering. **Username:** event.guest **Password:** why2change

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