

Elephant rescued in Lohagara dies

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An elephant which was rescued from a ditch by forest officials on Friday afternoon passed away on Saturday night.

The 70-year-old female elephant was rescued by forest officials from a ditch in the remote hilly area of Lohagara upazila in Chattogram, said Monzurul Alam, range officer of Chunati Wildlife Sanctuary in Lohagara.

However, she had a wound on her left leg which turned into gangrene after being stuck in the muddy ditch for a long time, resulting in her death, the official said.

Following her rescue on Friday afternoon, she was provided with food and treatment, Monzurul Alam said, adding that she might have been injured by sharp bamboo sticks on the hill.

But the wound in her leg had already gotten severely infected, ultimately leading to death. Some eight companions of the elephant encircled her till Sunday morning, barring forest officials from approaching the dead body.

Later forest officials recovered the body and veterinary surgeons performed autopsy, he said, adding, the body was buried on Sunday afternoon.

Locals and forest officials said flock of elephants often come from the hill in search of food as there is scarcity of food in the hill.



This 70-year-old elephant died on Saturday night from a wound, at the remote hilly area of Lohagara upazila in Chattogram.

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and just distribution of benefits of that growth that make these fast growing economies so important.

"I personally see a vast area of possible future cooperation among us. It is undeniable that intra-regional trade and physical connectivity are still insignificant compared to their true potential," Dr Momen said. So, through Dhaka Global Dialogue, he said, their active collaboration and cooperation will be further successful to expand the areas of cooperation and understanding for common benefit.

ROHINGYA REPATRIATION

On the Rohingya issue, the foreign minister said Bangladesh has given shelter to 1.1 million forcefully displaced Rohingyas from Myanmar. "Now, it is the responsibility of the global community, including our neighbours, to do more to ensure their quick and sustainable repatriation

and reintegration in Myanmar."

The minister said this is an issue created by Myanmar and the solution also lies with them. He said voluntary return of the Rohingyas to their homes in the Rakhine state with safety, security and dignity is a crying need of the hour.

SDG IMPLEMENTATION REQUIREMENTS

On Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), Dr Momen said they consider implementation of SDGs a continuation of MDGs efforts. Bangladesh was one of the few countries who did attain almost all of the MDG targets.

The minister said realisation of the MDGs helped Bangladesh towards graduation from the LDC status. "Now we intend to do the same with the implementation of SDGs."

For this, he said, they took a three-pronged approach: mobilisation of

resources, both funds and technology, capacity building and people's empowerment at all stage of decision-making process.

The foreign minister said implementation of SDGs requires much greater, long-term and sustained flow of resources. He said preliminary assessment reveals that in Bangladesh, they may require around USD 930 billion of additional synchronised expenses for full implementation of the SDGs.

For a developing country like Bangladesh, he said, even with its impressive growth rate and social innovations, the burden is truly great.

"Therefore, we need partnership -- regional, government-to-government, government and business, government and academic plus NGOs, think tank and philanthropic, the South-South and North cooperation; and innovative finances and technology to achieve the goals," he added.

SC stays Latif Siddique's

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ACC lawyer Advocate Khurshid Alam Khan told The Daily Star that Abdul Latif Siddique cannot be released from jail following the SC order.

Advocate Munsurul Hoque Chowdhury appeared for Abdul Latif Siddique.

On November 4, the HC granted six-month bail to Latif Siddique and also issued a rule asking the ACC and the government to explain why he should not be granted permanent bail in this case.

ACC Assistant Director Aminul

Islam lodged the case with Adamdighi Police Station in Bogura on October 10, 2017.

Jahanara Rashid, wife of late Harunur Rashid, was also made accused in the case.

According to the case statement, Jahanara Rashid leased a piece of land in Adamdighi upazila -- owned by Bangladesh Jute Corporation -- for three years at Tk 1.2 lakh per year on May 13, 2010.

In spite of getting repeated orders from the textiles and jute ministry to pay rent for the land, Jahanara applied

to the ministry to purchase the land on November 13, 2011.

The then textiles and jute minister Latif Siddique, without floating any formal tender, sold the land to Jahanara at Tk 23.94 lakh although its market price was Tk 64.63 lakh.

Following the incident, the ACC filed the case against Latif and Jahanara under the Penal Code and section 5(2) of the Anti-Corruption Commission Act 1947.

On June 20 this year, a Bogura court sent Latif Siddique to jail in the case, rejecting his bail petition.

A new cold war

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Therefore, it is extremely important to have a rules-based system and allow the small states of the region to have their roles.

"Several factors are important for regional cooperation. Democratic values, good governance and peace," he said at the session moderated by Observer Research Foundation (India) President Samir Saran.

There shouldn't be any decision imposed by the major powers, he added.

Referring to the China-led Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), Madhav said it has to be based on the principles of consultation and rules.

He said a "new cold war" is emerging in the region, and the 21st century cold war probably will be fought in the Indian Ocean region.

"We have to be on guard against such an occurrence in this region," Madhav said.

Bangladesh's State Minister for Foreign Affairs, Shahriar Alam, said Bangladesh is one of the countries that joined the BRI and is also ready to be part of the Indo-Pacific Strategy.

"We look at IPS and BRI from a development perspective, and not that of conflict," Alam said.

He suggested that a European Union model of cooperation in the Indo-Pacific region is imperative for a rules-based democratic governance.

Australian High Commissioner to Bangladesh, Julia Niblett, said given that the Indo-Pacific is the fastest growing region having a lot of trade opportunities, the countries need to keep in mind the issues of human rights, environment, gender equity, development and governance of institutions.

Some of the challenges include regional security threat, piracy, illegal fishing, and irregular migration that need to be taken into consideration,

she said.

Niblett said huge infrastructures will be needed as cooperation grows in regional trade, but all that need to be based on proper feasibility studies; no country should impose any infrastructure and put others into debt trap.

Veerle Nouwens, research fellow at the International Security Studies Department of the Royal United Services Institute in UK, said BRI and IPS should not be antagonised and that the two initiatives are complementary.

Several other sessions, including on climate security and migration, future work and workplaces, health and nutrition, digital community in the Bay of Bengal and norms for a free and open Indo-Pacific were also held.

Policymakers, government officials and academics from the Indo-Pacific region and beyond are attending the dialogue.

DIG Mizan's bail petition rejected again

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday again rejected a bail petition by suspended Deputy Inspector General (DIG) of police, Mizanur Rahman, in a case filed for transaction of Tk 40 lakh as bribe.

Judge KM Emrul Kayesh of Senior Special Judges' Court in Dhaka passed the order, after Mizan's lawyer Ehsanul Haque Samaji submitted the bail petition.

ACC Public Prosecutor Mosharrar Hossain Kajol opposed the bail petition, saying Mizan was directly involved with the incident.

The court also directed the investigation officer to submit probe report of the case by January 5, 2020.

On July 21, Mizan was shown arrested in the case after Anti-Corruption Commission Director and Investigation Officer of the case Sheikh Mohammad Fanafilya submitted a petition on July 17.

Mizan is now in jail in another graft case.

Seven-year-old

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Drivers of the vehicles involved in the accident fled.

Meanwhile, at least six people were killed and 28 injured in other accidents across the country in the last two days, our correspondents and news agencies report.

In Khulna, police constable Md Nazrul Islam, 40, was killed after a collision between a human haulier and motorbike in front of Debipur Women College of Rupsha upazila yesterday, said police.

On information, police recovered the body and sent it to Khulna Medical College Hospital for autopsy.

In the capital, construction worker Shanju Mia, 55, was killed on the spot after a truck hit him while he was crossing the road in Bashpotti area around 10am yesterday.

The body was sent to DMCH for autopsy, and a case was filed, said police.

In Chattogram, Kamrul Islam, 24, a Laguna driver, was killed on the spot after an unidentified vehicle hit his parked Laguna while he was changing the tyres at Naoduara area in Mirsarai upazila around 9:30am yesterday, said police, quoting locals.

On information, police rushed to the spot, recovered the body and handed it over to his family.

In Dinajpur, Abdul Maleque, 35, was injured after a bus hit him on TNT road in Ghoraghat upazila on Sunday, said police, quoting locals.

Locals took him to Rangpur Medical College Hospital where he succumbed to his injuries yesterday.

In a separate accident in the district, Subash Chandra Roy, 36, was killed on the spot after a pickup van hit the easy-bike carrying him at Hajratpur village in Chirirbandar upazila on the same day, they added.

Drivers of the bus and van fled the scene.

In Rangpur, an unidentified man was killed and 28 were injured after two buses collided at Damdama area in Sadar upazila on Sunday, said police.

Police seized both the vehicles.

Politics not

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Saying the main goal of politics is to ensure welfare of people, Hamid said, "Politics is not a profession by which you can buy cars or make money. But these days it is seen that even small leaders don't lack money, cars and houses."

The president went on to say, "One can become a leader overnight in exchange of money or by abusing power but the confidence and trust of people can't be earned [in that way]. The trust and support of people are needed most for a politician and political party."

National Coordinator of Sheikh Hasina National Institute of Burn and Plastic Surgery, Dr Samanta Lal Sen, delivered the welcome speech, while Minister for Expatriates' Welfare and Overseas Employment Imran Ahmad was the special guest.

President Hamid handed over a crest to the President of Smrity Parishad, Najibur Rahman, at the event.

Ranga must

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The country on Sunday observed Shaheed Noor Hossain Day.

On November 10 in 1987, Noor Hossain, a young pro-democracy activist, sacrificed his life to end the autocratic regime of HM Ershad.

Noor Hossain was killed when police opened fire near Zero Point in the city while participating in a pro-democracy procession.

He had the slogan "Swairachar nipat jak, Ganatantra mukti pak" (Down with autocracy, let democracy be freed) inscribed on his chest and back when a bullet pierced through his body.

His death strengthened the movement and expedited the fall of the autocratic ruler.

HC slams lack of progress

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of the case Khondker Shafiqul Alam appeared before the HC bench as per its earlier order to explain the progress of the investigation.

Khondker Shafiqul Alam, an additional superintendent of Rapid Action Battalion (Rab), told the court the investigation of Sagar Sarowar and Meherun Runi murder case is going on.

Relevant samples of the accused and the deceased have been sent to the laboratory of Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) in the USA for DNA test, and the result is yet to come, he said while replying to the query from the HC.

The court asked the IO whether they could recover the computer reportedly missing from the house of Sagar and Runi.

Investigation Officer Shafiqul replied in the negative.

At one stage, Deputy Attorney General Sarwar Hossain Bappi prayed to the HC to give a deadline for completing the investigation into the case.

The court set November 14 for passing further order on this issue.

While hearing on the petition filed by Tanvir Rahman on October 20, the HC bench had summoned the investigation officer of the case to know of the progress

in probe.

Tanvir, an official of an English medium school in Dhaka, recently submitted the petition to the HC for scrapping trial proceedings against him in the case.

On that day, Tanvir's lawyer Advocate Fawzia Karim Firoze told the court that his client is innocent, but is still an accused of the case as the investigation of the case was not completed.

After the hearing, the court issued a rule asking authorities concerned of the government to explain in two weeks why the proceedings of the case against Tanvir could not be quashed.

The HC had granted bail to Tanvir Rahman in the double murder case on March 8, 2015.

Sagar, news editor at private TV channel Maasranga, and his wife Runi, a senior reporter at ATN Bangla, were killed in the early hours of February 11, 2012 at their rented flat in the capital's West Razabazar.

After investigation by Sher-e-Bangla Nagar police, Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) started probing the murder on April 18, 2012.

Rab and other agencies have taken more than 65 dates from the trial court concerned for completing probe into the murder.

Inter-govt projects

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The PPP Act 2015 was framed to create partnerships with private sector by attracting local and foreign investments, aiming to improve the living standard of people and expediting the country's socioeconomic progress as well as building

infrastructures.

The cabinet meeting also adopted a condolence motion at the death of veteran politician and Chattogram-8 lawmaker Mayeen Uddin Khan Badal, who passed away at a hospital in India on Thursday at the age of 67.



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- বঙ্গবন্ধু শেখ মুজিব মেডিক্যাল বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় কর্তৃক পোস্ট- গ্র্যাডুয়েট কোর্স অনুমোদিত।

২০১৯-২০২০ শিক্ষাবর্ষে এমবিবিএস কোর্সে সরকারী ভর্তি পরীক্ষায় ম্যুনতম ৪০৮০ তদুর্ক নম্বর প্রাপ্ত ছাত্রছাত্রীদের ভর্তির জন্য দরখাস্ত আহ্বান করা হচ্ছে। ভর্তির ক্ষেত্রে উক্ত মেধা তালিকা অনুসরণ পূর্বক মুক্তিযোদ্ধাসহ অন্যান্য কোটার নীতিমালা অনুসরণ করা হবে। ভর্তিচ্ছু ছাত্রছাত্রীগণ ১০০০/- (এক হাজার) টাকার বিনিময়ে (অফেরতযোগ্য) আগামী ১৩/১১/২০১৯ইং হইতে ২৪/১১/২০১৯ইং তারিখের মধ্যে সরাসরি কলেজ অফিস হতে ফরম সংগ্রহ ও জমা দিতে পারবে। প্রাপ্ত সকল আবেদনের ফলাফল ২৭/১১/২০১৯ইং প্রকাশ করা হবে।

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