

President for further synergy with Nepal

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President Abdul Hamid has stressed the need for enhancing cooperation between Bangladesh and Nepal through strengthening connectivity.

The president said this while addressing a banquet hosted by Nepalese President Bidya Devi Bhandari on Wednesday.

Hamid highlighted the importance of strengthening road, rail and air connectivity, water resource management, power and energy and boosting tourism, as the two countries have immense potential in these areas.

“Bangladesh attaches greater importance to its relations with Nepal,” he said. The president hoped that Bangladesh and Nepal will be able to harness the existing synergies.

ASK concerned

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months. The magistrate did not give ASK a copy of the order, despite a written request, the statement added.

“Such drive against a rights body is a matter of serious concern and worries ASK,” said Sheepa Hafiza, its executive director. She said ASK was established in 1986 and has been working tirelessly to uphold the rights of people.

“We apprehend that such drives of Rajuk will shrink the activities of rights bodies such as us,” she said.

PM vows to build

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The prime minister said the country is marching forward and will continue to do so. “No one can take the country backwards any more in the future.”

After coming to power in 1996, her government undertook “One House, One Farm” project to make every family free from poverty, she said, adding that the project has been now renamed “My House My Farm”.

‘MICROCREDIT NURTURES POVERTY’

In an oblique reference to Nobel laureate Dr Muhammad Yunus, Sheikh Hasina said someone tried to get appreciation over microcredit and her party also supported it thinking it would help people come out from the poverty margin.

“But we observed it (microcredit) closely, and found that poverty is not alleviated with microcredit, rather it nurtures poverty,” she said. The Prime Minister said Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman started microcredit programme immediately after the independence. “But somebody in the country started pretending to be the pioneer of microcredit, and also earned name and fame in the world.”

Though he earned fame, the people of the country did not benefit much from his microcredit activities, Hasina said.

ROLE OF PKSF

The Prime Minister said PKSF was founded

She was killed over

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could reach Vigarunnisa School, the duo halted the rickshaw of Sagira. Maruf tried to snatch the bag and a bracelet from Sagira. At the time, as Sagira identified Anas, Maruf opened fire on her and fled the scene, the PBI official added.

PBI have arrested the four over the last week, who have given confessional statements to court, admitting their involvement in the murder of Sagira.

Sagira’s husband Abdus Salam was also present at yesterday’s press conference. He expressed faith in PBI’s investigation to get justice this time.

After being stayed for 28 years, the HC bench of Justice M Enayetur Rahim and Justice Md Mostafizur Rahman lifted the stay order on June 26, and cleared way for the lower court to resume the proceedings.

The HC bench also ordered PBI to complete further probe into the case in two months, and directed the trial court to finish its proceedings in three months.

The PBI yesterday said it would need two more

months to complete the investigation.

Earlier, the detective branch of police submitted a charge sheet to the lower court concerned against one Minto alias Mantoo alias Moron. On January 17, 1991, a Dhaka court framed charges against him. The court also recorded statements of seven witnesses in the case.

Name of Maruf Reza, a relative of former home minister Mahmudul Hasan, came to light when the trial court was recording statements of the witnesses.

Then the lower court directed police to further investigate into the case on May 23, 1991.

Later, Maruf Reza filed a revision petition with the HC, challenging the lower court order for further investigation. On July 2, 1991, the HC stayed the trial proceedings of the case and further probe.

Reza, who had been arrested, was later exempted from the case. Mantoo, who had also been arrested in connection with the case, was released from jail on bail.

However, PBI yesterday couldn’t say whether Mantoo had any connection with the case.

Ex-Sonagazi OC

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Sultana, an Additional SP of Police Bureau of Investigation, gave her statement before the court on November 11. The tribunal set November 20 for arguments in the case.

Nusrat, a student of Sonagazi Islamia Senior Fazil Madrasa, was set ablaze on April 6 allegedly for refusing to withdraw a case filed against the madrasa principal for sexually harassing her.

After fighting for her life for five days, she died at Dhaka Medical College Hospital on April 10.

The same day, Moazzem was withdrawn from his post of Sonagazi Police Station OC, as Nusrat’s family alleged that he was not cooperating with them. A video clip of the then Sonagazi OC asking Nusrat humiliating questions also went viral on social media, drawing widespread criticism.

On April 15, Barrister Syed Sayedul Haque Sumon filed the case against Moazzem Hossain under the Digital Security Act, for circulating the video.

On July 17, the tribunal framed charges against Moazzem.

JMB boosting organisational

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Ismail eventually joined the outfit through him, said the official. “During primary interrogation, Sayeed said he went to Teknaf at least three times for organisational activities,” he said, adding that considering their methods of operation, it seemed that they belonged to “Neo JMB”. Contacted, Lt Col Moshour Rahman Jewel, commanding officer of Rab-7, said, “The duo informed that they were heading to Cox’s Bazar to instigate local youths as well as recruit new members.”

“We are looking into it,” he added.

Borhan Uddin, officer-in-charge of Patiya Police Station, said Rab officials handed over the two to police yesterday noon. Dulal Hossain, deputy assistant director of Rab-7, filed a case with the police station in this regard, he added.

During interrogation, Ismail introduced himself as a Rohingya, he also said. The duo was produced before a Chottogram court in the afternoon, which sent them to jail, said the OC.

No bar to demolish

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HC on September 3 stayed a lower court order that on April 16 issued a status quo on the demolition. Then, Karnaphuli Ship Builders filed an appeal with the SC, challenging the order.

On August 16, 2016, following a writ petition filed by Human Rights and Peace for Bangladesh, the HC had directed the authorities concerned to remove 2,181 structures illegally built on the Karnaphuli river.

Barrister M Amir-UI Islam, Advocate AM Aminuddin and Barrister Sheikh Fazle Noor Taposh appeared for Karnaphuli Ship Builders Ltd.

Sharing success stories

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SBK Tech Ventures, will be present as speakers.

From the entertainment sector, actors Arifin Shuvoov and Nusrat Faria; musicians Habib Wahid and Pritom Hasan; and filmmaker Nuhash Humayun will talk at the event.

Mohibul Hasan Chowdhury Nowfel, deputy minister for education, is the only public representative on the panel.

Interested individuals can register to partake in the event for free, but only those selected will be able to attend.

Woman found dead

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and sent it to Shaheed Suhrawardy Medical College Hospital morgue for autopsy. In the morning, a neighbour noticed a burning smell coming from the room. When she entered, she found Sheuly’s body on the bed and some burnt cloths on the floor, said the SI. “We are investigating the matter,” he added. Rejaul Haque Dipu, officer-in-charge of the police station, said they are looking for the husband, who is on the run.

4,711 killed in river

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is implementing a project to construct six modern “Vessel storm shelters” in accident-prone areas on river routes.

He said the government has also planned to disseminate awareness messages among passengers by installing TV monitors at launches and terminals. Khalid said naval police, coast guard and other law enforcing agencies have strengthened their surveillance on the river routes to ensure the security of the waterway passengers.

Rab’s successes

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

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

Sagar, news editor at private TV channel Maasranga, and his wife Rumi, 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.

Advocate Fawzia Karim Firoze appeared for Tanvir while Deputy Attorney General Sarwar Hossain Bappi represented the state.

Not possible without

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He stressed for diabetes literacy through an all-out campaign to integrate schools, colleges, local government institutions, mosques and temples across the country.

Speaking as chief guest, Md Tazul Islam, minister for local government, rural development and co-operatives said,

“It is impossible for the government alone [to tackle the situation]. In a democratic society, engagement of the masses and civil society is important.”

“Awareness is paramount. All schools should be brought under an awareness campaign,” he added.

Prof Zafar Ahmed Latif, director general of Birdem said, “The spectre of diabetes is an increasing burden and it is impossible to bear. So we have to concentrate on prevention.”

Presided over by Prof A K Azad Khan, president of the association, Md Sayef Uddin, secretary general of the association also spoke at the discussion among others.

Khaleda challenges

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secretary to then prime minister Khaleda Zia; Harris’s assistant and personal secretary Ziaul Haq Munna; and Monirul Islam Khan, assistant personal secretary to then Dhaka mayor Sadeque Hossain Khoka.

The Anti-Corruption Commission filed the case with Tejgaon Police Station on August 8, 2011.

The BNP chief landed in jail after being sentenced to five years’ imprisonment in the Zia Orphanage Trust graft case by the same court on February 8.

The HC on October 30 enhanced her punishment to 10 years in the case, after

dismissing her appeal.

BNP MP SEEKS PM’S CONSIDERATION
Meanwhile at yesterday’s parliament session, BNP lawmaker Harunur Rashid urged Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina to take steps to release Khaleda Zia on bail, paving way for her treatment.

Taking floor on point of order, Harun said Khaleda Zia was in poor health, and needs batter treatment immediately. “Honorable leader of the house [Sheikh Hasina], please take necessary steps for her [Khaleda Zia’s] bail, considering her health condition as she had significant role in various movements,” Harun said.

Over 29 lakh students

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and Qatar -- where there are Bangladeshi examinees,” said State Minister for Primary and Mass Education M Zakir Hossain. He said the number of girls is higher by 1.66 lakh than that of boys.

“It’s very encouraging that girls are coming forward in every sector,” he said.

“We have already made all-out preparations to hold the examinations in a free and fair manner,” Zakir added.

The minister said the ministry took special security measures to prepare and

distribute question papers, which have already been sent to the upazila levels.

He said question papers were sent to the 184 remote centres under special arrangement.

This year, 33,583 students with special needs will also sit for the exams and they will get additional 30 minutes.

The examinees will take 600-mark examinations of six subjects in six days with English on the first day. Exams would start at 10:30am and end at 1pm every day.

The tests will end on November 24.

Remove collaborators’

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auditorium of Islamic University were named after Khan A Sabur and Shah Azizur Rahman, who were collaborators and leaders of anti-liberation forces.

In the writ petition, they also sought necessary order upon the government to remove the names of alleged collaborators from roads and structures.

On May 14, 2012, another HC bench had directed the government to change the names immediately.

The court had also issued a rule asking the government to explain why the names of Pakistani collaborators should not be removed and why it should not be directed to rename those after freedom fighters.



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