ALTERING MURDER CASE FIR

Hearing on petition deferred for 7 days

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday deferred for a week the hearing of a writ petition, challenging alleged manipulation of the first information report (FIR) of workers' leader Nurul Islam murder case in Rajshahi.

The bench of Justice M Enayetur Rahim and Justice Md Mostafizur Rahman passed the order after Attorney General Mahbubey Alam sought an adjournment for taking preparation to place arguments on the state's behalf.

The HC bench was scheduled to pass an order yesterday.

Meanwhile, a judicial probe has found five police officials responsible in the FIR

manipulation. officials additional The are: superintendents of police Md Mahmudul Hasan (administration and crimes), M Matiur Rahman (DSB) and Md Abul Kalam

Saahid (Puthia circle), Inspector Mohinul

Islam (investigation) and the then OC

of Puthia Police Station Shakil Uddin

Rajshahi Chief Judicial Magistrate Md Mehedi Hasan Talukder, who conducted the inquiry as per a High Court directive, sent it to the HC recommending orders on the authorities to take legal action against them.

Nurul's daughter was unlawful when she went to Puthia Police Station on June 11 to seek justice for her father's murder. Taking that into account, it can be assumed that the OC had a role in

Mehedi said Shakil's behaviour with

manipulating the FIR, the report said. Four officials, present at the time, also cannot avoid responsibilities. On September 16, the HC bench led

by Justice M Enayetur Rahim directed the magistrate to inquire into manipulation by OC Shakil, following a petition filed by Nurul's daughter.

On April 24, an election to

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Samrat remanded again

COURT CORRESPONDENT

Former Jubo League leader Ismail Hossain Samrat, an alleged kingpin of the illegal casino business in the capital, was placed on a six-day remand yesterday in a case filed over amassing illegal wealth. On October 15, Samrat

was remanded for 10-days in two cases filed under the arms and narcotics control Rab arrested Samrat

and his close aide Enamul Haque Arman, former vicepresident of the same unit, in Cumilla after raiding a house near Indian border on October 6. Yesterday, Judge KM

Emrul Kayesh of Dhaka's Senior Special Judge's Court passed the order after Jahangir Hossain, a deputy SEE PAGE 4 COL 5



This battered part of Sylhet-Sunamganj regional highway, in front of Shahjalal University of Science and Technology, has become a dust bowl due to lack of maintenance. Road dust is not only a major source of air pollution but also causes serious health hazards. This photo was taken yesterday morning.

Bhasani's 43rd death anniversary

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Tangail

observed

The 43rd death anniversary of Maulana Abdul Hamid Khan Bhasani, a renowned politician of the subcontinent and a dreamer of Bangladesh's independence, was observed yesterday with due respect.

Thousands of people, including admires from home and abroad, gathered at his grave at Santosh in Tangail to pay homage to the leader of the oppressed.

Prof Mohammad Alauddin, vice-chancellor of Maulana Bhasani Science and Technology University, along with teachers and students of the institution placed wreaths at Bhasani's grave at 8:30am.

Later, Bhasani's family members, leaders and activists of political parties -- including Awami League, Bangladesh Nationalist Party, National Awami Party and Krishak Shramik Janata League, different socio-cultural organisations and educational institutions placed wreaths at his grave.

Other programmes on the occasion included doa mahfil, food distribution, painting competition, blood donation, and spiritual songs.

On Saturday, Maulana Bhasani Science and Technology University organised a seminar on "Role of Maulana Bhasani in Rise of Independent Bangladesh" at the auditorium of Biotechnology and Genetic

Engineering department. Born in Dhangara village of Sirajganj in 1880, Maulana Bhasani fought against British imperialism and oppression of Pakistani rulers. He led the historic SEE PAGE 4 COL 5

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global platform.

Round Table International (RTI), a civil

society organisation established in 1927

by Louis Marchesi in Norwich, England,

holds meetings and events for members

as well as others, focusing on personal

development and community service. Any

professional young man, aged between

18 and 40, can become a member of this

Sebastian Walter, president of the

organisation, visited Bangladesh for

the first time, to boost the morale of its

BSMRSTU ANTI-VC DEMO

Five expelled for attacking protesters

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Science and Technology University (BSMRSTU) authorities yesterday expelled five students for attacking their peers who staged demonstration demanding the university vice chancellor's removal on September 21.

authorities **BSMRSTU** suspended another student for two semesters in this connection, according to an office order signed by the university Registrar Prof Md Nuruddin Ahmed. Besides, seven other students were

suspended for two semesters for

their involvement in cheating during the university's admission test on November 9.

The suspension has been made effective from yesterday, Registrar Prof Md Nuruddin Ahmed added. Registrar Nuruddin said the

decision was taken at a meeting of the disciplinary committee as they were found guilty after investigation. The expelled students are -- Rafizul Islam, Nuruddin Nahid, Ariful Islam

Shakib, Md Mazharul Islam Mishan and Rahat Al Ahsan. All of them are students of management. According to campus sources, the expelled students introduced

themselves as activists of Bangladesh

Chhatra League though there is no BCL committee at the university in Gopalganj. On September 21, some students

were attacked while on their way to a demonstration on campus, demanding resignation of the university's then VC Prof Khondokar Nasiruddin. The VC resigned from his post on September 30 amid students' protest.

Students had been demonstrating on campus since September 18, alleging that the VC was involved in corruption during recruitment of some teachers and employees.

A UGC team has found his involvement in corruption while the ACC is investigating the allegations.

PRICE HIKE OF ESSENTIALS

Govt and traders it patronises to blame: Fakhrul

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Tangail

BNP Secretary General Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir yesterday said prices of commodities in the country are now beyond the buying capacity of the masses, and corruption and inefficiency of the government as well as traders patronised by it are behind it.

"Not only onion, prices of all commodities have shot up. Farmers, however, are not getting fair prices of their crops. Failure of the government is the main reason behind price hike of essentials," he alleged.

"There is no democracy in the country.

People have no rights. This government was not elected by the votes of the people. They are not giving opportunity for anyone to raise their voice," he said.

Fakhrul also said, "Begum Khaleda Zia

languishes in jail and we'll remain on the

streets to protest for her release. We believe, the government will be forced by a people's movement to release our leader." Fakhrul was talking to journalists after placing wreath at the grave of Maulana

Abdul Hamid Khan Bhasani at Santosh in Tangail on the occasion of the 43rd death anniversary of the legendary political leader.

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RU STUDENT BEATEN UP IN DORM

Accused yet to be arrested, probe body formed



RU students demonstrating on campus yesterday.

PHOTO: COLLECTED

RU CORRESPONDENT

Police are yet to arrest the two Chhatra League activists, who allegedly confined a student of Rajshahi University to a dormitory room and beat him up with iron rods and sticks on Saturday night.

The victim -- Shohrab Mia, a thirdyear student of Department of Finance and Banking -- was admitted to Rajshahi Medical College Hospital. Doctors said Shohrab needed 15 stitches on his head, his left arm broke in two places, and he

had injuries in his legs. The two accused are Rakibul Islam alias Asif Luck of Islamic Studies department and Humayun Kabir Nahid of Bangla department. They allegedly beat up Shohrab following a dispute over a stolen laptop.

Hafizur Rahman, officer-in-charge of Motihar Police Station, said the two have fled the city. "We are continuing our drives to arrest them. Members of the Detective Branch are also assisting us."

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Office of the Project Director **Emergency Multi-Sector Rohingya Crisis Response Project**

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Department of Public Health Engineering DPHE Bhaban (9th Floor), 14 Shaheed Captain Mansur Ali Sarani, Kakrail, Dhaka

> **Request for Expressions of Interest** for Engagement of Individual Consultant

Memo No.: PD/EMCRP/DPHE/483

Contract | Name of the

Package Position

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh has received grant financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Emergency Multi-Sector Rohingya Crisis Response Project (EMCRP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The Department of Public Health Engineering (DPHE), under the Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development and Co-operatives, Government of Bangladesh, now invites eligible applicants ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services for the following position. Interested Consultant should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the services as follows:

(a) Required Minimum Qualification; (b)

Experience

| Number | | | |
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| SD-2 Procur Consul | ement a) | economics/statistics/finance/business administration/management/law or other relevant subjects. | Update the procurement plan as and when needed through the Bank's Systematic Tracking of Exchanges in Procurement (STEP) system. Upload and update the procurement transaction using STEP; Prepare, Review and finalization of procurement documents like Bidding documents, Request for Proposals (RFP), Bid/Proposal evaluation reports etc. for all contracts packages in accordance with the World Bank Procurement Regulations, and the Public Procurement Act 2006 and Public Procurement Rules 2008 as applicable; Conduct procurement activities under the project using the national e-GP portal; Organize/assist opening and evaluation of bids, contract awards in accordance with World Bank's Procurement Regulations /PPR and arrange for transmission of documentation to World Bank for approval (if necessary); Assist the project in carrying out all activities related to contracting including contract signing, and handling of documents that may be required for receiving, distributing and delivering goods. |

The position is full time Dhaka based and provides support to Project Management Unit (PMU) at Dhaka.

The Applicants are invited to provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (complete CV along with description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, general qualifications and financial proposal).

The Consultant will be hired and contracted as per the "Selection of Individual Consultants (SIC)" Selection method of World Bank Procurement Regulations (PR), July, 2016 (Revised November 2017). Duration of the consultancy services will be 24 months or the term may be extended upto the grant /project closing date. Interested Applicants may obtain the detailed Terms of Reference (ToR) upon request from the address provided below either by e-mail or in person during the office hours (09-00 AM to 05-00 PM). The ToRs are also available at the DPHE website (http:www.dphe.gov.bd).

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail) by 2 December, 2019 within 2:00 PM and clearly marked "Request for Expression of Interest", contract package number, name of the position applied for and name and address of the individual.

The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all of the EOIs or cancel the EOI process at any stage without assigning any reason whatsoever and without incurring any liability to the affected applicant(s).

For any clarification and background information, intending entities may contact DPHE at the address given below.

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Adopt, adapt, improve for positive change

Round Table Int'l President Sebastian Walter visits Bangladesh



RTI members distributed school supplies among underprivileged children as a part of their charity programme. PHOTO: COLLECTED

members and observe the activities of its

Bangladesh chapter. During his one-day visit on Saturday, he talked with The Daily Star regarding

RTI's activities worldwide. At a meeting in a Dhaka hotel, Walter

said, "Our motto is to adopt, adapt and improve, not just for ourselves but also for the communities we work in."

"It's a brotherhood organisation and we have a large network which young men from any profession can join," he

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Fifth-grader killed in

road crash

Three killed in other accidents

STAR REPORT

A fifth-grader was killed after a speeding microbus hit her in Egaro-mile area in Kaharol upazila of Dinajpur yesterday. The deceased Asma

Khatun (11), daughter of Montu Mia, was a student at Itua Adivasi Govt Primary School. Police said Asma was

returning home after taking her PECE exam. The accident occurred when she was passing the area. She died on the spot.

The microbus driver fled the scene, police said. Meanwhile, at least three

people were killed and four injured in other accidents in three district yesterday, our correspondents report. In Rangamati, college

student Asingching Marma was killed and four were injured after a truck hit the CNG-run auto-rickshaw carrying them in Kalabagan

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