

7-yr-old among two killed in road crash

1 killed, 2 injured in another accident

STAR REPORT

Two people, including a minor, were killed on the spot after a tractor hit their motorcycle at Shathibari area in Rangpur's Mithapukur upazila around 9:30am yesterday, said police.

The deceased are Sabbir Hossain (18) and his seven-year-old cousin Al Farazi.

Locals set fire to the tractor after the accident, and its driver and helper fled the spot.

Police recovered the bodies and handed them over to family members. A case was on the process of being filed, said Officer-in-Charge Zafar Ali Biswas of Mithapukur police station.

Meanwhile, in Dhaka district, a college student was killed and two were injured after their motorcycle overturned at Kashimpur area of Nawabganj upazila on Tuesday afternoon.

The deceased is Badhan (19), a first-year year student of Government Dohar-Nawabganj College, reports UNB.

Sub-inspector Moshir Rahman of Nawabganj police station said Badhan and his friend were returning home on the motorcycle.

The accident took place after the driver lost control over the vehicle, leaving the two and a pedestrian injured, he said.

Later, locals rushed the injured to the upazila health complex.

Badhan was then referred to Sir Salimullah Medical College Hospital where doctors declared him dead, the SI added.

'Joy Bangla' the only slogan of Liberation War

Observes High Court

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A High Court bench yesterday observed that "Joy Bangla" was the only slogan at home and abroad during the Liberation War of Bangladesh in 1971.

Even some poets, litterateurs and intellectuals of the then West Pakistan had chanted the slogan and therefore, they were arrested and sent to jail in 1971, the HC bench of Justice FRM Nazmul Ahasan and Justice KM Kamrul Kader said while hearing on a rule.

The bench said when the Pakistan occupation force shot freedom fighters during the war, freedom fighters embraced death chanting Joy Bangla.

Deputy Attorney General Abdullah-Al-Mahmud Bashar supported the rule, and told the court

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PHOTO: RAJIB RAHMAN

Port Connecting Road in Chattogram city has been undergoing renovation work for the past two years. As the dry season has set in, dust pollution is getting worse -- posing serious health risks. The photo was taken on Tuesday near Nayabazar intersection.

BANGABANDHU BIRTH CENTENARY CELEBRATION

Media to display 'Mujib Borsho' logo from Jan 10

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Kamal Abdul Naser Chowdhury, chief coordinator of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Birth Centenary Celebration National Implementation Committee, yesterday urged the media to mark the countdown to the celebration in a festive, fair and creative manner.

He made the call at a views-exchange meeting with senior journalists on celebrating Bangabandhu's birth centenary at the International Mother Language Institute in the capital.

At the meeting, it was decided that print, electronic and online media will display the logo of "Mujib Borsho" and countdown

to the celebration in their respective media from January 10, 2020 -- Bangabandhu's Homecoming Day -- to March 17.

Kamal Abdul Naser said logo of Mujib Borsho, design of the countdown and theme song will be finalised by this month.

Dr Rafiqul Islam, president of the Birth Centenary Celebration National Implementation Committee, advised all concerned not to exhaust all energy on the countdown of the celebration as the programme will continue for one year, from March 17, 2020.

The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (Unesco) and Bangladesh would celebrate

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NTV VIDEO EDITOR KILLING CASE

HC verdict on appeal, death reference Dec 8

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court has set December 8 for delivering verdict on the appeals and death reference in journalist Atiqul Islam Atiq murder case.

The bench of Justice Shahidul Karim and Justice Md Akhtaruzzaman set the date after hearing yesterday.

Atiq (32), a video editor of private television channel ntv, was shot dead on February 13, 2009 by muggers in Moghbazar area while he was on his way home.

On June 24, 2014, a Dhaka court sentenced one mugger Shakil Sikdar to death, two others -- Abdullah Mohammad Ibne Ali Sarkar Nahid and Md Forkan -- to life term and Md Khokon to three years' imprisonments for the killing.

The documents reached the HC in seven days as a death reference for examining the trial court verdict. Afterwards, Shakil, Forkan and Khokon filed separate appeals with the HC challenging the verdict.

Ctg traffic sergeants to get weekly day off for first time

Cops welcome CMP's move; constables to be included into the system soon

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

For the first time in the history of Chattogram Metropolitan Police (CMP), traffic sergeants are going to get weekly day off.

Following directives of CMP Commissioner Mahbubor Rahman, Additional Commissioner (traffic) SM Mostaq Ahmed Khan has already issued a day-off circular for sergeants and Town Sub-Inspectors (TSI) yesterday.

From now on, traffic officials will get a day off either on Friday or Saturday.

Several officials told The Daily Star now they would be able to spend quality time with their loved ones, adding that it would

increase their working spirit on the six other days of the week.

Traffic Inspector (Admin) of CMP Traffic North Division Md Mohiuddin told The Daily Star that following the new order, a lot of enthusiasm has been created among traffic sergeants and TSI.

The day off benefit will be implemented for traffic constables and others gradually, he added.

According to police rules, a cop can get 20 days of casual leave a year, with permission from high authority. Earlier, traffic police officials could not have any days off, but had to work by rotation all seven days of the week.

ICU, CCU AT DISTRICT HOSPITALS

HC wants to know progress from DGHS

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday summoned the director general of Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS) and its director (hospitals and clinics) to appear before it on January 8 next year, to know the progress on setting up 30-bed intensive care unit (ICU) and coronary care unit (CCU) at district hospitals across the country.

The bench of Justice JBM Hassan and Justice Md Khairul Alam passed the summons order while hearing a writ petition filed by Human Rights Lawyers and Environment Society of Bangladesh seeking necessary orders in this regard.

Deputy Attorney General Md Noor us Sadik told The Daily Star that the HC had earlier wanted to know from the DGHS specifically what steps have been taken to set up 30-bed ICU and CCU at all district hospitals.

The DGHS informed the HC that it formed a committee to collect information from all hospitals about ICU and CCU and take necessary steps, but DGHS has not yet informed the HC of the committee's actions, he said.

At one stage during the hearing yesterday, petitioner's lawyer Advocate Bashir Ahmed prayed to the HC to summon the DG of DGHS and its director (hospitals and clinics) to appear before it to know the progress.

Following the same petition filed by Human Rights Lawyers and Environment Society of Bangladesh, the HC on July 24 last year issued a rule asking the authorities concerned to explain why they should not be ordered to take steps for setting up ICU/CCU units in all the general hospitals at district headquarters.

On May 21 this year, DGHS submitted a report to the HC saying that Tk 53 lakh is needed for setting up an ICU and Tk 23 lakh is needed for installing a CCU in a hospital.

Neuroscience research workshop opens at UIU



PHOTO: COLLECTED

CITY DESK

The inaugural session of the five-day workshop "2nd IBRO-APRC Bangladesh Associate School of Neuroscience", organised by United International University's (UIU) computer science and engineering department in conjunction with International Brain Research Organization, was held yesterday at the university's auditorium in the capital, said a press release.

World renowned researchers, neurosurgeons, academicians and 11 experts from five different countries are conducting the workshop.

Prof Abul Kalam Azad, director general of Directorate General of Health Services, was the chief guest.

Prof Shubhagata Choudhury, former

dean of Chittagong University's Faculty of Medicine and former principal of Chittagong Medical College; Prof Chowdhury Mofizur Rahman, vice chancellor of UIU; and Faridur Rahman Khan, vice chairperson of UIU's board of trustees and managing director of United Hospital Ltd, attended the session among others.

Dr Syed Sayed Ahmed, neurosurgery consultant of United Hospital, presented a paper titled "Progress on Neuroscience in Bangladesh" during the inaugural session.

A competitive system was put in place to select participants for the workshop. More than 100 researchers from seven countries in the Asia-Pacific region applied, and 30 were invited to the programme.



PHOTO: TITU DAS

Marking the upcoming Awami League's council of Barishal city unit on December 8, party activists have decorated major areas of the city with banners and posters. The photo was taken on Sadar Road yesterday.

Charge-sheet against Lokman in narcotics case

Bss, Dhaka

Police yesterday filed the charge-sheet in a case lodged under Narcotics Control Act against Lokman Hossain, director in-charge of Mohammedan Sporting Club.

Detective Branch (DB) of police Inspector Md Abdul Matin filed the charge sheet before Dhaka Metropolitan Magistrate Masud Ur Rahman.

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ERRATUM

In the news "FCC alumni elects new leadership" published yesterday on page 5, the photo of Secretary General Ziad Hossain was mistakenly captioned as Lutful Hossain, who was elected a vice-president. We regret the error.

Office of the Mirkadim Paurashava
District: Munshiganj

Memo No. Mika/Pou/Eng/10-601/18/225 Date: 02/12/2019

Invitation for Tenders (IFT)

(Tender Notice No-01/2019-2020)

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

1	Ministry/division	Local Govt., Rural Development & Cooperative/ Local Govt. Division.
2	Agency	Mirkadim Paurashava, Munshiganj.
3	Procuring entity name	Mayor, Mirkadim Paurashava, Munshiganj.
4	Procuring entity code	Not used at present.
5	Procuring entity district	Munshiganj
6	Invitation for	Works
7	Invitation Ref. No.	22.00.0000.086.14.089.19.431
8	Date	02-10-2019

KEY INFORMATION

9	Procurement method	National Open Tendering Method (OTM).
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FUNDING INFORMATION

10	Budget & source of funds	Bangladesh Climate Change Trust Fund, Ministry of Env. & Forest.
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PARTICULAR INFORMATION

11	Project/programme code (if applicable)	N/A
12	Project/programme name (if applicable)	N/A
13	Tender package No.	Mika/Pou/W-1
14	Tender publication date	05-12-2019
15	Tender last selling date	29-12-2019
16	Tender closing date & time	30-12-2019 at 1:00pm.
17	Tender opening date & time	30-12-2019 at 3:00pm.
18	Tender dropping & opening place	Office of the Assistant Engineer, Mirkadim Paurashava, Munshiganj.
19	Pre bid meeting	19/12/2019 (At 11:00am), Mirkadim Paurashava, Munshiganj.
20	Name & address of the office(s): - Selling tender document (principal) - Selling tender document (others)	Mirkadim Paurashava, Munshiganj. Deputy Commissioner's Office, Munshiganj. Upazila Engineer's Office, LGED, Munshiganj Sadar.

No conditions apply for sale, purchase or distribution of tender documents

21	Brief eligibility and qualification of tenderer	For Package-W1 Individual Tender(s) will be submitted. Bidding is open to qualified bidders from all eligible countries.
	a)	The minimum specific experience as a Prime Contractor in construction works of at least 1 (one) contract of similar nature. Complexity and methods/construction technology successfully completed within the last 5 (five) years, with a value of at least BDT 75.00 lac for package W1.
	b)	The required average annual construction turnover shall be greater than (i) BDT 120.00 lac for Package-W1 over the last 5 (five) years.
	c)	The minimum amount of liquid assets or working capital or credit facilities of the tender shall be (i) BDT 25.00 lac for package W1.

22	Brief description of works	Installation of solar street light at Mirkadim Paurashava (139).
23	Tender validity period	120 days.
24	Brief description of physical services	N/A
25	Price of tender document (Tk.)	Tk. 2000/-

26	Pkg No.	Identification of package	Location	Tender security amount (Tk.)	Completion time in weeks/months
	W1	Installation of solar street light at Mirkadim Paurashava (139)	Mirkadim Paurashava	2.5 lac	12 months

PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS

27	Name of official inviting tender	Md Amzad Hossain.
28	Designation of official inviting tender	Project Director & Assistant Engineer.
29	Address of official inviting tender	Mirkadim Paurashava, Munshiganj.
30	Contact details of official inviting tender	Phone: 027612422, E-mail: mirkadimmayor@gmail.com
31	The procuring entity reserves the right to reject all the tenders or annul the tender proceedings.	

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