

Man’s throat-slit body found in capital

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Police recovered body of a man from Dhaka’s Badda area yesterday morning. The deceased was identified -- through his fingerprint -- as Joynal Mia (40), hailing from Kishoreganj’s Karimganj upazila. Sub-inspector Harun-or-Rashid of Badda Police Station said locals informed police that a body was lying in a pool of blood on a plot at Block-E of Aftabnagar area. On information, police recovered the body, which also bore stab marks in the abdomen. A crime scene unit of CID collected his fingerprints and identified him. Police sent the body to Shaheed Suhrawardy Medical College Hospital for autopsy, the SI added. The official said they contacted Joynal’s wife who said he was an auto-rickshaw driver and used to live in Rayerbazar.

COMMODORE RABBANI MURDER CASE
Convict Abu Naser refused bail

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Appellate Division of the Supreme Court yesterday refused to grant bail to Abu Naser Chowdhury, a convict in the Commodore Ghulam Rabbani murder case. The apex court, however, ordered the authorities concerned of Chattogram jail to admit him to Chattogram Medical College Hospital for his treatment, if it is necessary, and to send him back to the jail after completion of treatment. A four-member bench headed by Chief Justice Syed Mahmud Hossain came up with the order after hearing a petition filed by Chowdhury seeking bail on health ground. Lawyer Nozrul Islam Chowdhury appeared for him while Attorney General AM Amin Uddin represented the state. Ghulam Rabbani, a former Korean Export Processing Zone managing director and a former aide-de-camp of Bangabandhu, was shot in the throat by criminals at Muradpur in Chattogram on his way to the KEPZ on April 11, 2004. Thirteen days later, Rabbani, who also had been a vital prosecution witness in both the Bangabandhu murder and the jail killing cases, succumbed to his injuries at Bumrungrad Hospital in Bangkok. Rabbani was reportedly killed following a conflict between him and a few of his colleagues at the KEPZ over his appointment as its MD, and termination of two employees of the KEPZ before and after his appointment. Abu Naser and one Md Selim, two convicts of the case, were sent to jail on their surrender before a Chattogram court on December 15, 2016.



The footpath on the opposite side of Dhanmondi’s Popular Hospital is almost always obstructed by reckless parking. This makes life difficult for commuters walking through the busy street. This photo was taken on Friday. PHOTO: AMRAN HOSSAIN

62 fined for not wearing masks in Barishal

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Barishal District Administration yesterday fined 62 people Tk 11,200 in total for not wearing masks in the city, to check the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic. Three mobile courts took the action in drives from morning to afternoon at various important points of the city including Bibir Pukur, Sadar Road and Chawkbazar areas, said officials. The fined people include pedestrians, rickshaw-pullers, and three-wheeler drivers as they did not wear masks at that time. Executive Magistrate Subrata Kumar Das, spokesperson of the district administration, said the campaign was aimed at making people aware of the coronavirus pandemic. He assured of continuing such drives.

Tazreen tragedy

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She also had been working at the factory at that time. The only reason she is alive now as she jumped out from the factory building when the fire broke out. Another injured worker, Jorina, told The Daily Star, “I have been participating in the demonstration here for around two months. I jumped from the building’s third floor when the fire broke out in the factory. Now I am living with a broken leg, with no compensation for it.” Meanwhile in Savar, survivors, family members and labour leaders yesterday demanded capital punishment for those responsible for the fire, reports our correspondent. “We could do nothing except sit in front of the burning building and watch the workers die. This was not an accident -- it was a systemic murder,” they said. Taslima Akhter, president of Bangladesh Garment Shramik Samhati, said, “There has not been a single conviction for any of the RMG disasters where garment workers died. This impunity cannot go on. The negligence of the government as well as the garments owners’ association must also be investigated.” On November 24, 2012, fire broke out

at Tazreen Fashions Limited, a garments factory in Ashulia, some 35km from Dhaka city. When the workers attempted to leave the building, the management locked it from the outside. Some 113 workers were killed in the fire. Many jumped through the windows of the building to save their lives. Two cases were filed with Ashulia Police Station against the factory owner and others. Police submitted charge sheets in both the cases against 13 people, including the factory owner Delwar Hossain, in September 2015. The cases are currently under trial at the Additional Sessions Judge Court-1 in Dhaka. Tazreen’s managing director Delwar Hossain is out of jail on bail. Rakib Hassan Shohag, president of Garment Workers Tailors League (Savar, Ashulia unit), said most of the time witnesses remain absent on hearing dates. Yesterday, the victims urged the government to build a hospital and a dormitory for survivors on the land where the factory is located. They also placed wreaths in front of the factory in remembrance of those who lost their lives in the incident.

60 shanties gutted in fire at Mohammadpur

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Sixty shanties were gutted after a fire broke out yesterday at Jahuri Mahalla slum in the capital’s Mohammadpur area. The fire originated at the slum around 4:15pm. On information, ten fire-fighting units rushed to the spot and doused it around 5:45pm, said Shahjadi Sultana, duty officer of Fire Service Headquarters Control Room. The cause of the fire could not be known immediately, she said. No casualty was reported. Shanto, employee of a private firm who lives nearby, said the fire originated in the middle of the slum. He said the slum is known to locals as “Pora Bosti”, as there were several fire incidents before.

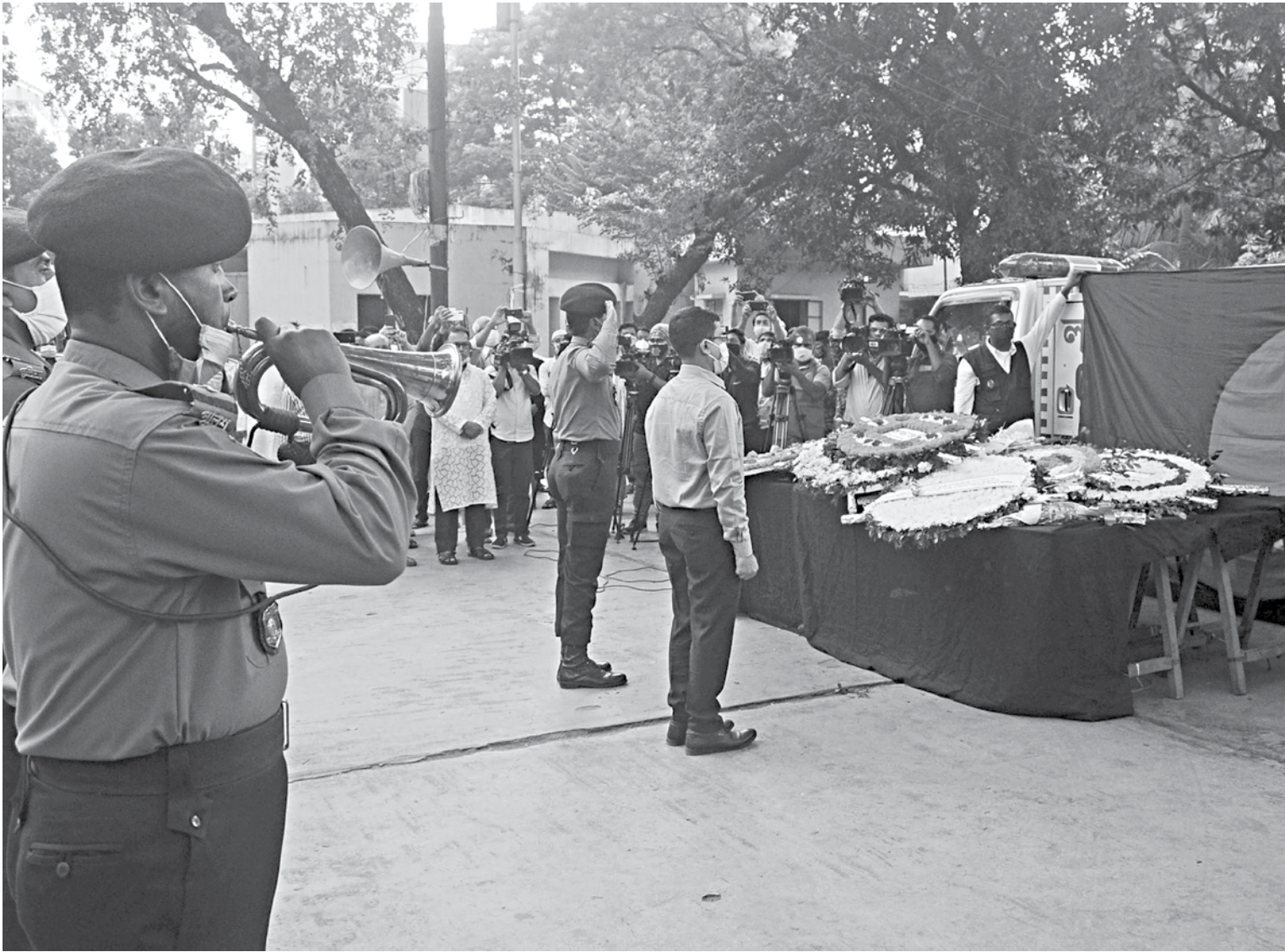
DAP threatens

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Upon implementation of such plans, the city will risk losing 70 percent of its waterbodies, and the proportion of flood flow zones will be reduced to 17 percent. “The 1997 structure plan intended to keep 66 percent flood flow zones,” said Iqbal Habib, joint secretary of Bangladesh Poribesh Andolon (Bapa). IAB pointed out multiple loopholes in the proposed draft, which includes withdrawal of the mandatory provision of keeping car parking facilities in buildings. “The draft DAP proposes a community parking system, but does not specify where and how they will arrange the land for such a parking system. So this proposition may end in cars occupying more space on the roads due to the lack of parking [in buildings], said IAB’s former president Kazi Golam Nasir. There are many roads in and around Dhaka that are too narrow and in need of development. With the expansion of urbanisation, not extending these roads even by a minimum level will be a suicidal

decision for the city’s development, opined IAB architects. IAB proposed enlisting 2,200 structures that the court has declared protection for, as heritage sites in the DAP. At present, the number of heritage buildings of Dhaka are steadily declining as businesses and other entities continue to encroach and demolish the structures. IAB architects also pointed out that this DAP draft does not evaluate the failures and successes of the previous DAP, which should be an essential step before undertaking a new plan. “Much of the information and statements in the plan are not supported by solid research, or they did not disclose whatever research was done,” said IAB architects. The draft also incorrectly cites the Dhaka Metropolitan Building Construction Rules-2008 as “obstructive”, said the architects. “The 2008 rule dictates that every building must have some specific amount of open space to allow sunlight and wind to pass through for healthy ventilation,” said Nasir. In the proposed DAP, only five

percent area has been designated as purely residential, while the rest will be a mix of residential and commercial. “If this is approved, the entire city save from government spaces and private residences will become commercial,” observed IAB architects. In the proposed DAP, they have kept a provision to allow constructions that deviate from the building codes and do not have approval. All they have to do is pay a fine. “This sets a bad precedent for everyone,” said the architects. Despite over 40 lakh people living in slums, the DAP makes no emphasis on low-cost housing facilities for low-income and poor people, observed IAB. The architects of IAB urged the government to extend the deadline for finalising the DAP and take the opinions of experts, stakeholders, and the public for a thorough examination of the draft. Architects Dr Farida Nilufar, Dr Abu Sayeed M Ahmed, Marina Tabassum, Ehsan Khan and Ishtiaque Zahir also addressed the programme, among others.



A guard of honour was accorded to freedom fighter and acting editor of the daily Sangbad Khandaker Muniruzzaman at the capital’s Jatiya Press Club yesterday. The senior journalist passed away at a Dhaka hospital yesterday, after a battle with Covid-19.

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Never-ending

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against rape, sexual violence and violence against women and children; announcing and implementing special campaigns against abusers of women and children; and amending and modernising all kinds of laws discriminatory to women. Aklima Akter, mother of 14-year-old Marufa -- who was allegedly raped and killed by Singdha UP Chairperson Mahboub Murshed Kanchan of Netrokona’s Barhatta upazila on May 9 -- with tears, described how police changed the initial allegations. She also questioned the honesty and efficiency of personnel who prepared the forensic report.

We Can Co-chairperson Shaheen Anam presided over the conference and said perpetrators in VAW cases get away due to the culture of impunity. “Our prime minister said there is a zero-tolerance policy regarding VAW, and for this, we have to work together. We hope our media colleagues will convey these heart-breaking experiences we heard from the victims’ families and the fact that they have not seen justice,” she said. We Can Adviser Mahfuza Khanam expressed serious concern over the silence of 50 female lawmakers and the Speaker regarding the remarks of Independent MP Rezaul Karim Bablu about rape incidents.

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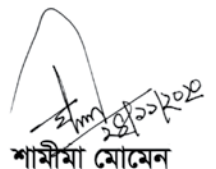
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BRAC James P Grant School of Public Health, BRAC University, (BRAC JPGSPH) invites applications for the position of **Research Coordinator** for the project named **"Kishoree Kontha**, an on-going study evaluating the effects of a variety of training and conditional transfer packages on girls' marriage outcomes and economic opportunities.
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