8 to die for murder, rape of 9-yr-old

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Bijoy, 21, Md Robiul Islam alias Rubel, 20, Md Hasibul Islam alias Liton, 29, Md Aksan Mia alias Hasan, 21, Md Sujon, 22, Moinul Islam Monu, and Robiul Islam Rubel.

Another convict, Shahdat Hossain, has been absconding since the incident, said the PP.

After the verdict was pronounced, the convicts were sent to jail, he added.

According to the case statement, second-grader madrasa student Fatema Akhter Mim was killed after gang rape on January 21, 2018, in "Ayesha Mamtaj Mahal" of an area, which falls under the jurisdiction of Akbar Shah Police Station.

A day later, the victim's mother Bibi Rabeya Begum filed a case with the police station. After investigation, police pressed charges against the eight on September 9, 2018. The court framed charges against them on May 26, 2019..

Nineteen witnesses testified in the case, said PP Naser.

The verdict over the Tangail incident was delivered by Saud Hasan, judge of the second additional district and sessions judge's court, said Court Inspector Tanvir Ahmed.

The court also fined the convicts Tk 1 lakh each, he said.

Among nine convicts in the case, eight were present in the courtroom when the judgment was delivered, while the other was tried in absentia.

The three people who were handed death penalty are Milton, 22, and Bahadur Miah, 22, of Char Chouhat village in Dhaka's Dhamrai upazila, and Roni Miah, 25, of Sujaniloja village in Tangail's Mirzapur upazila.

The three who were jailed till death are Shahinur alias Saha, 30, of Char Chouhat village, and Jahirul Islam, 20, of Shoshodhorpotti village in Dhamrai upazila, and Abdul Malek, 35, of Amrail Telipara village in Mirzapur upazila.

The other three convicts given life-term imprisonment are Arif, 28, and Shamim Miah, 25, of Char Chouhat village, and Jakir Hossain, 28, of Amrail Telipara village, said the court inspector.

Convict Arif is on the run, said the court inspector, adding that two other accused in the case were acquitted.

Quoting the case statement, the court's additional PP Khorshed Alam said Shakil, 11, son of Delwar Hossain, and Imran, 11, son of Abu Bakkar, of Char Chouhat village in Dhamrai upazila, went missing when they were on their way to watch the annual sports competition of Haria High School in Mirzapur upazila on January 27, 2016.

The next day, some people called their families over phone and demanded Tk 2 lakh in ransom for the release of each of the two boys.

On January 26 the same year, the two victims were found dead with their throats slit at a lemon orchard in Haria village.

The next day, Shakil's mother Joshna Begum filed the murder case with Mirzapur Police Station. After investigation, police pressed charges against 11 accused on June 8.

[Our correspondents in Chattogram and Tangail contributed to this report]

Electoral college

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Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; and Atlanta, Georgia, electors - typically party loyalists - will gather to formally cast those votes.

While there are sometimes a handful of "rogue" electors who vote for someone other than the winner of their state's popular vote, the vast majority rubber-stamp their state's results, and officials did not expect anything different yesterday.

Hubble observes

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using the Magellan Telescopes at the Las Campanas Observatory in Chile, researchers were unable to determine its orbit. This led them to question if it was orbiting the two stars or if it was a rogue planet traveling away from the system, unattached to any star.

The Hubble Space Telescope, however, provided accurate measurements of the planet's movements over a 14-year period.

This is the first time scientists have been able to measure the movement of such a massive planet orbiting so distantly from its star. It's also the only planet known to be so separated from its stars.

The exoplanet is so far away from its young host stars that the distant is equivalent to 730 times the distance from Earth to the sun.

And it explains why this exoplanet's orbit has been so difficult to track -- it's moving incredibly slowly because of its distance from the host stars, so their gravitational pull on the planet is much weaker.

37 more die

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Two of them were aged between 41 and 50 years, eight between 51 and 60, and 27 were above 60 years, added the release.

Canada begins vaccine roll-out

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a tally from official sources compiled by AFP yesterday.

The US is the worst-affected country with 299,191 deaths, followed by Brazil with 181,402, India with 143,355, Mexico with 113,953 and Italy with 64,520.

The World Health Organization said yesterday one in four health centres worldwide lacks access to water, putting around 1.8 billion people at increased risk of contracting the coronavirus.

The lack of this basic amenity endangers patients and staff alike at such centres, the WHO said in a joint report with the UN children's agency Unicef. The study was based on data from 165 countries.

"Working in a healthcare facility without water, sanitation and hygiene is akin to sending nurses and doctors to work without personal protective equipment," said WHO chief Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus.

Pfizer's chief executive Albert Bourla said yesterday that the drugmaker has not yet signed an agreement with the US on providing 100 million more vaccine doses in 2021 as the country started its Covid-19 vaccination program.

Bourla told CNN in an interview that Pfizer is still negotiating with the US on whether it will be able to deliver the vaccine in the second or third quarter of the year.

US expects to have immunized 100 million people with the vaccine by the end of March, the chief adviser for the US Covid-19 vaccine program said on Sunday.

"We would have immunized 100 million people by the first quarter of 2021," US Operation Warp Speed chief adviser Dr Moncef Slaoui said in an interview with Fox News.

Battered, they keep on trying

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This year, floods have badly affected 11 out of 12 upazilas of Tangail.

A vast area in the region was inundated by floodwater in three phases from July to September, damaging crops, fruits and vegetables worth crores of taka. Most of the affected farmers had cultivated crops after taking loans from banks, NGOs, and moneylenders.

Farmer Jinnat Ali of Dhitpur village in Tangail Sadar upazila farmed sugarcane on his three and a half bighas of land, but flood damaged it completely.

"I had to spend Tk 70,000 on the sugarcane farming. I expected I could earn Tk 2 lakh from the farming. But the flood destroyed my hope."

Jinnat said he did not get any support from the government and borrowed money from others to cultivate Aman paddy on the land after the floodwater receded.

The flood this year lasted for 61 days from July 27 to September 30, the second longest spell since 1988, according to meteorological office data.

Some 1,07,193 farmers in Tangail incurred a loss of Tk 141 crore due to damage of their crops and vegetables in the floods this year, according to the Department of Agricultural Extension (DAE) in the district.

DAE officials said 18,126 hectares of cropland were inundated in the flood. Of these, crops on 13,292 hectares were fully damaged.

The agriculture department started giving incentives to the flood-affected farmers after floodwater began to recede in September.

Only 12,000 out of 1,07,193 affected farmers in the district have got the government support of seeds and fertiliser, according to DAE officials.

More than 95,000 farmers were out of the government support coverage in the first phase.

Asked about the matter, Ahsanul Bashar, deputy director of DAE in Tangail, told The Daily Star that the affected farmers in the district have already started turning around as the present farmer-friendly government has been providing them with necessary support.

The government support for rehabilitation as well as incentive to the affected farmers for different crops cultivation continues, he said.

"Under the programmes, over 1.7 lakh farmers, including the flood-affected ones, are getting the government support. Of them, around 34,000 farmers have already got the help for mustard cultivation, while each of the 55,000 farmers are getting 2kg of hybrid Boro paddy seeds," he said.

Asoke Das Gupta no more

CITY DESK

Asoke Das Gupta, freedom fighter and vice chairperson of ONE Bank Limited, breathed his last on Sunday.

He was 78, and had been suffering from old-age complications, said a press release.

Asoke was chief executive of IMTREX, managing director of Uniroyal Trade Ltd, and chairperson of Uniroyal Securities Ltd and Ocunova Eye Hospital.

ONE Bank prays for the salvation of his departed soul and offers their condolences to the bereaved family.

49th death anniv of Dr Fazle Rabbee

CITY DESK

Today marks the 49th anniversary of Shaheed Dr Fazle Rabbee, a professor of medicine and cardiology at Dhaka Medical College.

On this day in 1971, the Pakistan Army and their collaborator Al-Badar forces picked him up from his Siddheswari residence around 4pm in the afternoon. He was later brutally killed at midnight in Rayer Bazar, says a press release.

His body was recovered from the Rayer Bazar killing field on December 18, 1971.

To mark the day, floral wreaths will be placed at his grave today. A food distribution programme will also be held in the morning.

Court stops

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On November 22, Facebook filed a lawsuit against A1 Software Limited and one SK Shamsul Islam with the Dhaka District Judge's Court seeking a ban on the operations of A1's "facebook.com.bd" domain as well as $50,000 in compensation.

Govt plans

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drives in Gazipur, Tangail, Mymensingh, and Cox's Bazar in the first phase.

Later, similar special drives will be conducted in other protected forest areas of the country, the ministry decided.

Deputy Commissioners of 12 districts, which accounts for most of the grabbed forest land, will conduct the drives while joint and deputy secretaries of the ministry will monitor and coordinate, the meeting decided.

The ministry also sought support of local public representatives for the drives.

Deputy Minister for Environment, Forest and Climate Change Habibun Nahar and Ziaul Hasan, secretary of the ministry was present. Many top officials of departments of the ministry, including forest, were in the meeting.

In fear

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home, they are hiding in fear… there's no one to harvest paddy," she told The Daily Star on Saturday.

Dr Palash Kanti Mistry, who hailed from the village and currently working at Dhaka Ophthalmology Institute, said some local goons, being instructed by Mili's associates (Salam Fakir, Nurul Haque Kalu and Abdul Haque) recently visited the area and threatened the community people with dire consequences.

Amid such a situation, the community people held a press conference at Barishal Reporter's Unity on December10 and demanded support and intervention of law enforcers and administration to end their sufferings.

Contacted, Nurul Haque Kalu denied the allegations of harassing and intimidating Hindus.

Mili could not be contacted despite repeated attempts.

She and her husband live in the capital.

Contacted over phone on Sunday afternoon, her husband Md Fakhruddin, however, claimed that the community people attacked one of their houses in the village.

Asked about the land, he said it belonged to them and they have a caretaker looking after it. He said he will appeal to the High Court in this regard.

However, on a visit to the village on Friday, this correspondent could not find any such person. More interestingly, there was no such house which was attacked by the minorities as claimed by Mili in the case.

Fakhruddin claimed that the house was destroyed in the attack.

About intimidating the villagers with local goons, Fakhruddin denied the allegations. He, however, said he has some "paid agents" in the area who look after "his interests".

Contacted, Md Hilaluddin, officer-in-charge of Banaripara Police Station, said, "No one from the community filed any complaint over this matter. Once they file one, police will take necessary legal action."

Hemangini Mistry, however, alleged that they went to the police station but police refused to record a complaint or general diary.

The OC denied the allegation. He said after Mili filed the case they went to the village and arrested two persons, who are out on bail now. "We are investigating the matter," he said.

Contacted, Barishal Superintendent of Police Md Saiful Islam said he was not aware of the matter and would look into it.

NOTICE
IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BANGLADESH
HIGH COURT DIVISION
(STATUTORY ORIGIANL JURISDICTION)
MATTER NO. 266 OF 2020

IN THE MATTER OF:
An application under section 12 read with section 13 of the Companies Act, 1994.
AND:
IN THE MATTER OF:
WELLPAC POLYMERS LIMITED represented by its Managing Director, Mr. Sk. Farid Ahmed having its Registered Office at S.W (i)-4, 25, Gulshan-1, Dhaka.
-----Petitioner
=VERSUS=
The Registrar Joint Stock Companies and Firms TCB Bhaban, Dhaka.
----Respondent

Take notice that an application under section 12 read with section 13 of the Companies Act, 1994 was filed before the Hon'ble High Court Division of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh on behalf of the above named Petitioner for add a new object clause of the Memorandum of Association of WELLPAC POLYMERS LIMITED.

Upon hearing of the said application the company bench of the Hon'ble High Court Division comprising his Mt. Justice K.M. Kamrul Kader was pleased to admit the matter vide lordship's order dated 01.12.2020.

If any related parties are interested to appear in the matter to oppose the same, they may enter appearance either in person or through their counsel.

Copy of the said application may be obtained from the undersigned on payment of necessary cost.

Mohammad Khorshed Alom, Advocate
Bangladesh Supreme Court
Room No.343 (old), 2nd Floor, Supreme
Court Bar Association Building, Shahbagh, Dhaka.

Legal Notice

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BANGLADESH
HIGH COURT DIVISION
(STATUTORY ORIGINAL JURISDICTION)
COMPANY MATTER NO. 271 OF 2020
IN THE MATTER OF:
An application under Section 233 of the Companies Act, 1994.
AND IN THE MATTER OF

Mrs. Nasrun Nessa ..... *Petitioner.*

VERSUS

Bashar Spinning Mills Ltd. and others ..... *Respondents.*

Notice is hereby given to all concerned that an application under Section 233 of the Companies Act, 1994 for the protection of the pecuniary interest in the company was filed on behalf of the petitioner before the Hon'ble High Court Division of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh. Upon preliminary hearing, the Hon'ble Company Bench, comprising of his Lordship Mr. Justice K.M. Kamrul Kader vide order dated 03.12.2020 was pleased to admit the said application and fixed the matter for hearing on 03.01.2021.

Any person or persons having interest in the said application may appear either personally or through duly authorized Advocate on or before the date so fixed. Copy of the said application may be obtained from the office of the undersigned on payment of required costs

Yours faithfully
(Mohammad Hasan Habib)
Advocate, Supreme Court of Bangladesh
Barrister, Lincoln's Inn
A.S & Associates
Mukti Bhaban, 3rd Floor, Suit No. D-5,
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গভীর শ্রদ্ধায় স্মরণ করি
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আজ ১৫ ডিসেম্বর ২০২০ রোজ মঙ্গলবার বাংলাদেশ ইউনিভার্সিটির প্রতিষ্ঠাতা ও প্রথম ভাইস চ্যান্সেলর এবং মোহাম্মদপুর প্রিপারেটরি স্কুল ও কলেজের প্রতিষ্ঠাতা চেয়ারম্যান মরহুম কাজী আজহার আলী'র ১১তম মৃত্যুবার্ষিকী।

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