

'Cattle smuggler' shot dead by BGB in Sunamganj

OUR CORRESPONDENT, SYLHET

Border Guard Bangladesh shot dead an alleged cattle smuggler at Bongaon border in Sunamganj on Saturday afternoon.

Kamal Miah (35) from Islampur Uttarpara village in Sadar upazila died on the way to Sylhet MAG Osmani Medical College Hospital, said his relatives.

Kamal Miah, a member of a cattle smuggling group, was confronted by a BGB team patrolling at the border while he along with others was bringing 25-30 cattle from India, BGB sources said.

Following an altercation, the group of around 30-35 people attacked BGB personnel with sharp weapons, they said.

Lt Col Md Maksudul Alam, commanding officer of 28 BGB Battalion in Sunamganj, said, "BGB opened fire on the attackers in self-defence. The attack left one BGB man injured."

BGB officials said a bullet hit Kamal in the back. Injured BGB Lance Nayek Thui Hala Mong Marma was admitted to Sunamganj District Sadar Hospital with hand and head wounds, they said.

Denying the allegation of smuggling, Rajib Ahmed, a relative of the deceased, said Kamal was returning home with his own cows that crossed the border.

Sunamganj Sadar Police Station Officer-in-Charge Shahidur Rahman said the body will be handed over to the family after autopsy at MAG Osmani Medical College Hospital.

BGB filed a case with the police station in connection with the attack on them, the OC said, adding that no complaint was lodged by the deceased's family.

Bangladesh condemns drone attacks in Saudi Arabia by Houthis

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh has strongly condemned the drone attacks targeting Abha, the South-western city of Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, by Houthi rebels on February 10 and 17.

The attack hit a parked commercial aircraft causing damage on February 10, but the second attack was intercepted and destroyed by the Joint Coalition Forces before hitting targets.

Following the attempted attack on Riyadh, the Arab Coalition also confirmed that it was monitoring the launching of a number of explosive drones by the Houthis in Yemen, and said it had intercepted and destroyed one targeting Jazan and at least four others targeting the Kingdom's southern cities.

"These unprovoked acts by the Houthi rebels undermine the peace and security in the region," said a foreign ministry statement yesterday.

It said Bangladesh calls for immediate cessation of such attacks and reiterates solidarity with the brotherly Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in the face of such aggression.

Bangladesh also expressed full support to the Kingdom against any threat to its security and territorial integrity.

337 promoted to deputy secretaries

UNB, Dhaka

The government has promoted 337 officials to the rank of deputy secretary.

The Public Administration Ministry issued two gazette notifications in this regard yesterday. Those who got promoted have been asked to send their joining letters to sal@mopa.gov.bd.

Compensation

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However, the court did not impose fine above this minimum limit in any of the 44 cases under the 2000 Act, indicating that Tk 100,000 is treated as a ceiling rather than a baseline in practice, it mentioned.

The report recommended amending Section 15 of the Nari O Shishu Nirjaton Domon Ain 2000 so that compensation is a matter of right and not a matter of judicial discretion.

It also recommended enacting the Crime Victims Compensation Act drafted by the Law Commission in 2007, so that a Crime Victim Compensation Fund is established in every district.

It further recommended providing training on restorative justice through the Judicial Administration and Training Institute to Nari O Shishu Nirjaton Domon Tribunal judges on principles of victimology.

UN Women Bangladesh country representative Shoko Ishikawa said, "Compensation is the bare minimum that ought to be provided as reparation to survivors of sexual and gender-based violence."

"It is therefore critical to ensure that the legal framework for compensation for survivors of rape and other forms of Sexual and Gender-Based Violence is strengthened in Bangladesh in line with the reform proposals set out in this report."

Sara Hossain, honorary executive director, BLAST said, "We hope this report encourages lawmakers, lawyers, academics and activists alike to refocus some much needed attention to ensuring that every rape survivor has effective access to remedies and reparation."

The author of the report Taqbir Huda, Research Specialist at BLAST, said, "As we celebrate our graduation from the Least Developed Countries (LDC) category, it is essential that we reinvest some of the country's wealth in activating the Crime Victims Compensation Fund proposed by the Law Commission back in 2007, so victims of violent offences, such as rape survivors are able to get some compensation irrespective of the outcome of the criminal prosecution."

How did

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According to the case statement, Rubel was locked up with other prisoners at ward-15 of Karnaphuli Bhaban's top floor inside prison.

When assistant chief prison guard Kamal Haidar started counting the inmates around 6:30am on Saturday, he found that Rubel was missing.

The case statement said failing to find him, Kamal inquired with prison guard Nazim, who said Rubel went out of the ward around 5:15am.

Assistant chief prison guard Yunus Mia echoed Nazim. Following that, the jail authorities searched for Rubel but to no avail, said the case statement.

Talking to The Daily Star, several jail officials said there are around 30 CCTV cameras on the jail premises. Apart from that, the drains connected to the jail are also gridded. They said all the possible spaces where an inmate may hide have been searched thoroughly.

Meanwhile, a deputy jailer said several vehicles carrying garbage and kitchen products enter the jail every day. Those vehicles should be investigated as well, he added.

Besides, it was not possible to climb over the boundary wall without any support, he added.

Another prison official said the loopholes in the high security jail should be detected and fixed. This incident has raised questions about the overall security system of the prison, he added.

Asked, Brig Gen Mamun said jailer Rafiqul and deputy jailer Sadat have been attached to the headquarters and DIG Chattogram prison office respectively following the incident.

A departmental case was lodged against Kamal Haidar, assistant chief prison guard, he said. The suspended prison guards are Yunus and Nazim.

A three-member committee, led by DIG prisons (Khulna division) Md Sagir Mia, has been formed to investigate the incident, he added.

Contacted, Sagir Mia said the committee will start working from today.

Thousands of

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Shishir is also the founder of Shree, a non-profit organisation that supports marginalised communities. "I aim to work with aspiring performers; I want to groom them, help them develop themselves," says Shishir about her plans with Shree. She plans to work at the grassroots level to create more jobs for the transgender communities and to raise awareness campaigns across the country. "I dream to establish Shree as an independent organisation led by transgender people for transgender people," adds Shishir.

"I want to build a team with aspiring dancers, actors and media personalities from the transgender community to raise awareness about the obstacles we face. I want to help these individuals build sustainable livelihoods," she says. "We need to prioritise people's capabilities over their gender identities."

Shishir is set to appear in two feature

films this year, Anonno Mamun's "Koshai", where she plays a detective, and "Goal" directed by Sayeed Shahriar. The movie revolves around the struggles of a female coach, played by Shishir.

Shishir, along with Ho Chi Minh Islam, another transgender woman from Bangladesh, recently received a scholarship to pursue higher studies at BRAC James P Grant School of Public Health. She has already started her classes online.

Shishir believes that adaptability, tolerance, and an eagerness for learning are important characteristics for succeeding in life.

"Everyone must work to make themselves qualified. They must love themselves, work towards what they love," says Shishir. "It is very important to make yourself qualified. It will take time, but qualification is the most crucial aspect in this journey."



Guests at the book launch ceremony.

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We answered

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batches were students, along with some teachers, professionals and a few escapees from the military and air force academies of what was then West Pakistan, said an author of the book Major General Jiban Kanai Das.

Brigadier General Md Jalal Uddin Siddiqui presided over the event while the chief guest was Lieutenant General Md Akbar Hossain, commandant of National Defense College.

Lawmaker of Lalmonirhat, Motahar Hossain and Chairman of Bangladesh

Muktijoddha Sangsad Golam Helal Morshed Khan were present at the event.

One of the authors of the book, former ambassador Major Md Ashraf Ud Doula spoke at the event alongside Mahfuz Anam, the editor and publisher of The Daily Star.

Chittagong University Vice Chancellor Prof Dr Shirin Akhtar also spoke at the event, mentioning her husband Major Latiful Alam Chowdhury, a freedom fighter who passed away recently.

The 232 page-book has a total of 38 stories. The distributor of the book is Magnum Opus and it is priced at Tk 500.

কমার্শিয়াল স্পেস

ব্যাংক/বিমা/কর্পোরেট অফিসের জন্য সাত মসজিদ রোডে ৩০০০ বর্গফুট ও উত্তরা রানাডোলা মেইন রোডে বিজি ভাড়া হবে।

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secretary Zafar Ahmed Khan, said another press release.

Dhaka University authorities held a discussion on the campus on "The Importance and Significance of the Historic March 7 Speech of the Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman".

Addressing the discussion, DU Vice Chancellor Prof M Akhtaruzzaman urged the country's youth to understand the significance of the historic speech, reports a correspondent.

Marking the day, North South University held a virtual discussion, said another press release.

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

giz Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH is an international cooperation enterprise for sustainable development with operations worldwide. Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency is one of the priority programme of German Development Cooperation in Bangladesh. The Programme is supported by the Bangladesh Ministry of Power, Energy, and Mineral Resources (MPEMR).

GIZ now invites applications from suitable candidates for the position of a "Senior Advisor- Coordination and Implementation" for the project "Energy Efficiency and Grid Integration of Renewable Energy (EEGIRE)" under the GIZ's 'Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency' Programme in Bangladesh.

Position Required: Senior Advisor- Coordination and Implementation for EEGIRE
Contract Duration: Up to 31 May 2021 (with possibility of extension until 31 May 2024)
Duty Station: Dhaka (Occasional field visit required)

Interested candidates are requested to find the details of the advertisement and apply through the link: <https://jobs.gizbd.org>

Last Date of Application: 14 March 2021

We accept electronic applications only. Only short-listed candidates will be contacted. All applications will be treated according to the merit and with strict confidentiality.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
 Office of the Director
 Chattogram Medical College Hospital.
www.cmch.gov.bd

Memo No: CMCH/Tender/2020-21/Electro-medical Equipment Repair & Others/2333 Date: 06-03-2021

INVITATION FOR TENDER

Sealed tenders are hereby invited from experienced Contractors / Suppliers / Distributors to supply / repair Items stated below in the fiscal 2020-21. As per PPA-2006 & PPR-2008 (Including all corrigendum); Terms and conditions are as follow(s):

KEY INFORMATION			
1	Ministry / Division	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.	
2	Agency	Chattogram Medical College Hospital, Chattogram.	
3	PE Name, Designation & Contact details	Brigadier General S M Humayun Kabir, Director, Chattogram Medical College Hospital. Telephone: +88031630179, Fax No.: 88-031-610022, E-mail address: cmch@hospi.dghs.gov.bd	
4	Procuring Entity Code & District	GOB, Chattogram.	
5	Invitation for	(1) Procurement of Leverage & (2) Repair of Electro-medical Equipment of CMCH in the fiscal year 2020-21.	
6	Tender Ref. No & date	CMCH/Tender/2020-21/Electro-medical Equipment Repair & Others/2333 Date: 06-03-2021.	
7	Procurement Method	Open Tender Method (National). Item-by-item.	
8	Budget and Source of Funds	GOB.	
9	Tender Publication Date	07-03-2021.	
10	Tender Schedule Selling Starting Date and Time	10-03-2021 During office hours.	
11	Pre-Tender Meeting	18-03-2021, 11: 00 A. M.	
12	Tender Last Selling Date and Time	24-03-2021, 12: 00 P. M.	
13	Tender Dropping & Closing Date and Time	Dropping date: 25-03-2021, Dropping time: from 09:00 AM to 12:00 PM, Closing time: 12:01 P. M.	
14	Tender Opening Date and Time	25-03-2021 at 01:00 P.M.	
Name and address of the Office's			
15	(a) Selling Tender Documents	1 Cashier, Office of the Director, Chattogram Medical College Hospital.	
		2 Cashier, Office of the Civil Surgeon, Chattogram District.	
	(b) Receiving Tender Documents	1 Office of the Director, Chattogram Medical College Hospital.	
		2 Officer In-charge, Panchlaish Model Police Station, Chattogram Metropolitan Police.	
	(c) Tender Documents Opening Place	Office of the Director, Chattogram Medical College Hospital, KB Fazul Kader Road, Chattogram-4203.	
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER			
16	Bidders Eligibility	Details in Tender Booklet.	
Description of Groups, Price of Tender Document, Tender Security etc.			
17	Group No.	Description of Groups	Price of Tender Document in BDT (In Cash, Non Refundable)
			Tender Security in BDT (In the form of Pay Order / Demand Draft)
	A	Procurement of Leverage (Re-tender)	BDT 750.00 (Seven Hundred Fifty only) BDT 30,000.00 (Thirty Thousand only)
	B	Repair of Electro-medical Equipment	BDT 1,000.00 (One Thousand only) BDT 2,00,000.00 (Two Lac only)
18	Description of Related Services	Details in Tender Booklet.	

Note:
 (a) Corrigendum if necessary in future will be a part of this notice. The competent authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tender without assigning any reason whatsoever.
 (b) If the date of selling, receiving & opening of tender is disturbed under any unavoidable circumstances, the next working day will be applicable for the same respectively.

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Invitation for Tenders (IFT)

GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH			
1	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Power, Energy and Mineral Resources/Power Division	
2	Agency	Power Cell	
3	Procuring Entity Name	Power Cell	
4	Procuring Entity Code	Not used at present	
5	Procuring Entity District	Dhaka	
6	Invitation for	Goods/Non-Consultancy Services	
7	Invitation Ref No	27.71.0000.002.01.194.21-198	
8	Date	04/03/2021	
KEY INFORMATION			
9	Procurement Method	NCT Open Tendering Method (OTM)	
FUNDING INFORMATION			
10	Budget and Source of Funds	Development Budget GOB	
11	Development Partners (if applicable)	N/A	
PARTICULAR INFORMATION			
12	Project / Program Code (if applicable)	N/A	
13	Project Name (if applicable)	TA for Strengthening and Development of Sustainable Power Sector in Bangladesh	
14	Tender Package No.	G-11.1	
15	Tender Package Name	Rental Vehicle (Car/Microbus) (Maximum 5 nos.)	
16	Tender Publication Date	07/03/2021	
17	Tender Last Selling Date	21/03/2021	
18	Tender Closing Date and Time	22/03/2021; 3:00 PM	
19	Tender Opening Date and Time	22/03/2021; 3:30 PM	
20	Name & Address of the office(s)	Power Cell, Biddiyut Bhaban (13 th Floor), 1, Abdul Gani Road, Dhaka-1000.	
	- Selling Tender Document (Principal)		
	- Selling Tender Document (Others)		
	- Receiving Tender Document		
	- Opening Tender Document		
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER			
21	Eligibility of Tenderer	As per tender document	
22	Brief Description of Services	Procurement of Vehicles Rental Services of Sedan Car for Power Cell	
23	Price of Tender Document (Tk)	1000/-	
24	Package No	Identification of Package	Location
25	G-11.1	Rental Vehicle (Car/Microbus) (Maximum 5 nos.)	Dhaka
			Tender Security Amount (Tk)
			Completion Time in Weeks / Months
			As per tender document
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS			
26	Name of Official Inviting Tender	Mohammad Hossain	
27	Designation of Official Inviting Tender	Director General	
28	Address of Official Inviting Tender	Power Cell, Biddiyut Bhaban (13 th Floor), 1, Abdul Gani Road, Dhaka-1000.	
29	Contact details of Official Inviting Tender	Phone: +88 02 9556040, Fax: +88 02 9554664, e-mail: dg@powercell.gov.bd	
30	The Procuring Entity reserves the right to reject	all the Tenders or annul the Tender proceedings	

Sd/-
Mohammad Hossain
Director General