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**EVALY DEBT** 

# Only a part peeled The e-commerce firm owes at least

Tk 408cr to 1,026 sellers

Zyma Islam

Evaly owes at least Tk 408 crore to 1,026 sellers, according to its own data obtained by The Daily Star. This amount is nearly

double what Evaly disclosed on September 5, when the e-commerce platform told the commerce ministry that it owes Tk 205.86 crore to its merchants.

The actual figure may be much higher as there may be more databases that this newspaper could not get. The daily was given access to several of the payment-tracking datasheets maintained by the beleaguered

company, by sources within. The datasheets log in meticulous details, separate bill and invoice numbers, the dates of the invoices, the total amount due to each merchant, and whether or not the merchant was paid (through online or bank transfer or cheques).

Ashwin 18, 1428 BS

Evaly owes Artisan approximately Tk 32 crore, according to Evaly data.

Contacted for verification, Artisan's Operations Manager Aupo Hasan said they cannot confirm the exact figure, but it would be something like that.

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No students are returning to their flooded classrooms in Hatgachha High School in Monirampur, Jashore. Around 50 such educational institutions in several upazilas of the district, known as Bhabadah region, have been waterlogged.

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HABIBUR RAHMAN

#### COVID TEST AT HSIA Govt to pay fees of workers going to UAE

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STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The expatriates' welfare ministry will pay Tk 1,600 in fees for the RT-PCR test for coronavirus at Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport for each migrant worker going to the United Arab Emirates.

Minister Imran Ahmad made the announcement yesterday while addressing a views-exchange meeting with expatriate Bangladeshis at the Bangladesh Embassy in Abu Dhabi, said a press release.

The minister is visiting the UAE to attend the Global Business Summit in Dubai.

Six RT-PCR labs have been set up at the airport SEE PAGE 2 COL 6

AD-FREE FOREIGN CHANNELS

### Cable operators want a year to comply

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Nearly two days after shutting down foreign TV channels, cable operators yesterday said they would seek one or one and a half years from the government to ensure international advertisements are not aired in Bangladesh by those channels.

They came up with the decision at a meeting of Cable Operators Association of Bangladesh at a hotel in the capital's Banani, said COAB founding president SM

We have already digitised our system but providing Set Top Box [STB] to every SEE PAGE 2 COL 6

## Zeal for repatriation cost him his life

Say people close to slain Rohingya leader

MOHAMMAD AL-MASUM MOLLA AND MOHAMMAD ALI JINNAT

About four months before his assasination, Rohingya leader Mohib Ullah's organisation took an initiative to form repatriation committees in every refugee camp to facilitate the return of the refugees.

His Arakan Rohingya Society for Peace and Human Rights was forming these committees to make Rohingyas aware why they should go back home. The initiative angered different Rohingya groups that maintain that refugees should return only after the Arakan state is liberated.

'As Mohib formed the committees, he started receiving threats. But Mohib had an unwavering determination," said a close aide of Mohib who was assassinated on Wednesday night. Mohib and his followers formed several committees in the Lombashia

camp and were about to expand it gradually to other camps. Mohib, a leading voice for the Rohingya cause, was among the 700,000 refugees who came to Bangladesh in 2017 fleeing a violent military crackdown in Myanmar.

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### Mohib Ullah killed for wanting to return: FM

UNB, Dhaka

Foreign Minister AK Abdul Momen yesterday vowed to bring the killers of Rohingya leader Mohib Ullah to justice soon.

He said a vested quarter killed Mohib Ullah as he wanted to return to his home country of Myanmar.

"The government will take stern action against those involved in the killing. Nobody will be

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# RingID embezzled Tk 212cr in 3 months

Had no authorisation to collect money from customers; CID arrests director

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

After Evaly, Dhamaka Shopping and Eorange, the jig seems to be over for another unscrupulous company, the social networking platform RingID, after one of its directors was arrested yesterday.

The police arrested Saiful Islam from the capital's Gulshan following a case filed on September 30 by an aggrieved user of RingID at the Bhatara Police Station under the Digital Security Act and Multi-Level Marketing Control Act.

Saiful is the brother of Shariful Islam,

the managing director of RingID, which was established in July 2015 as a social networking platform with a dizzying range of features including live broadcasting, voice and video calls, instant messaging, stickers, media cloud, newsfeed, secret chat, multimedia sharing, online wallet.

Shriful's wife, Ayrin Islam, is the cofounder and chief executive officer of Ring ID, which had sponsored cricket tournaments a few years ago, like Evaly. Ayrin and Shariful were arrested earlier

on December 28, 2016 following a case SEE PAGE 2 COL 1



A teen leaps from a bridge in Chandrima Udyan into the lake during the hot and humid afternoon yesterday. Last year a child died while swimming in the very lake.

RASHED SHUMON

#### Ziauddin Bablu passes away

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

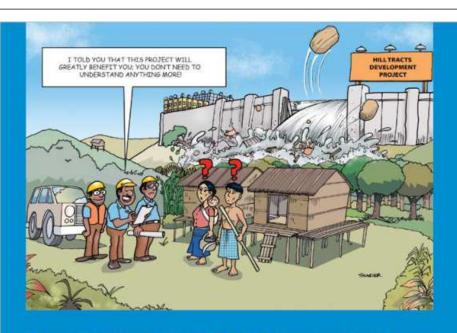
Jatiya Party Secretary General, and former MP and minister

Ziauddin Ahmed Bablu died yesterday at a city hospital.

He was 67. Infected with Covid-19 in August, Bablu was undergoing treatment at the Bangladesh Specialized Hospital. He died at 9:12am, JP said in a press release.

He is survived by his wife, a son, and a host of relatives and well-wishers to mourn his demise.

Bablu was elected MP from Chattogram-9 in the 2014 Jatiya Sangsad election. Born in Chattogram on SEE PAGE 2 COL 1



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## 433 in jail under DSA

Amnesty gives UN figures until July 11

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh had at least 433 prisoners under the Digital Security Act as of July 11 this year, Amnesty International told the United Nations' Human Rights Council (HRC)

The figure was 358 exactly a year ago (July 11, 2020), said the rights body during the Council's 48th session.

"The longest serving prisoner detained at least until 11 July 2021 under the law has been detained since December 24, 2018," said Saad Hammadi, the South Asia Campaigner for Amnesty International, briefing the Council.

Amnesty reviewed the recommendations made during Bangladesh's Universal Periodic Review (UPR) to see which ones have been implemented so far.

Every four years, the HRC reviews Bangladesh's human rights situation as part of its UPR. The last time Bangladesh went through the process was in 2018.

Bangladesh was reviewed and it agreed to implement 178 of the suggestions to improve the human rights situation in the country.

Switzerland, Poland, Latvia, Slovakia, New Zealand, Canada and some other countries had recommended that Bangladesh take measures to ensure freedom of press, freedom of assembly, and freedom of political association. SEE PAGE 5 COL 1

