

## Theft attempt at Ctg bank

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A theft attempt took place at Trust Bank Limited's Halishahar branch in Chattogram early yesterday.

After unidentified thieves failed to break into its vault, they set documents and vouchers on fire, police said.

"Masked thieves entered the office from the back by cutting window grilles," said OC Mustafizur Rahman of Halishahar Police Station.

The incidence took place between 2:30am and 5:30am. The police official said two on-duty night guards were asleep during the theft attempt.

Later in the morning, bank officials entered the premises and discovered it engulfed in smoke.

A case was lodged.

This correspondent could not reach officials of Trust Bank for comments.



Sylhet Agricultural University marked its 15th founding anniversary in festive fashion yesterday, with the slogan "Agriculture is culture, agriculture is prosperity". As part of the celebration, traditional performances like stick fights and puppet shows were staged.

PHOTO: SHEIKH NASIR

## Preventing the next outbreak

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To tackle this, public health experts recommended prompt implementation of the "One Health" approach -- which recognises that human health is closely connected to the health of animals and the shared environment.

According to the World Health Organization, One Health is an approach to designing and implementing programmes, policies, legislation and research in a manner in which multiple sectors communicate and work together to achieve better public health outcomes.

"A disease prevalent in animals today can transfer to humans tomorrow. So, health management must be arranged under the One Health approach," Prof Dr Nitish Chandra Debnath, national coordinator of One Health Secretariat in Bangladesh, told The Daily Star.

Prof Debnath, also one of the 26 members of One Health High Level Expert Panel, said the massive increase in population, super-fast urbanisation and climate change are causing the emergence of new and old diseases that can be transmitted between animals and humans.

The panel was launched by the Food and Agriculture Organization, the World Organisation for Animal Health, the United Nations Environment Programme and WHO. **ONE HEALTH APPROACH: THE WAY OUT** The One Health approach can not only help tackle zoonotic diseases, but different kinds of public health threats, including antibiotic resistance, vector-borne diseases, food safety and security, chronic diseases, and mental health issues as well, according to experts.

Describing the approach's significance, Prof Debnath said, "One Health is not a new concept, but it has become more important in recent years, because many factors have changed interactions between people, animals, and our

environment."

"Due to our huge population, the approach has a special significance for Bangladesh," he added.

In 2008, One Health activities started in Bangladesh, with a goal to effectively coordinate among all government, private, and international stakeholders.

The One Health Secretariat is located at the Institute of Epidemiology, Disease Control and Research in Dhaka. It has been operating as per the Strategic Framework and Action Plan for the Application of a One Health Approach in Bangladesh (2017 - 2021).

Through its operations, around 12 research laboratories have been brought under a surveillance network.

**COORDINATION A BIG CHALLENGE** Despite Bangladesh being among the few countries that started One Health activities in the early days, there is a long way to go, officials said.

They said more integrated surveillance infrastructure and monitoring of infectious diseases in both humans and animals are urgent matters to address to detect new infectious agents.

"It is a challenging task, because we all have a habit of staying within our own silos. It has been practised for decades that different sectors -- health, animal, environment and others -- will work separately. Collaboration is a big challenge," Prof Debnath said.

According to him, there are other issues too, which include the lack of infrastructure and skilled human resources.

### 1,603 incidents of sexual

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including six girls, also faced physical violence during this period.

Twenty eight women and girls died mysteriously, while 19 were pushed to the point of suicide.

Six women suffered torture from husbands and in-laws for dowry over the month, of whom two were killed.

Two girls were victims of cybercrime, six were subjected to stalking while three faced acid attacks. There were also 18 incidents of abduction and 29 instances of human trafficking.

## Prof Imran Rahman new VC of ULAB

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Prof Imran

Rahman

has been

appointed

as the vice-

chancellor of

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Liberal Arts

Bangladesh (ULAB) for a

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from yesterday, said a press

release.

Prof Rahman joined

ULAB in 2006 as the dean

of business and later he

served as the VC (2012-

2016) and pro-VC (2009-

2012).

Prior to joining ULAB,

he served IBA, Dhaka

University for 28 years, as a

finance faculty, chair of the

BBA programme and chair

of the Computer Center.

He co-founded and

led a merchant bank in the

1990s for six years.

He studied in Manchester

Business School, Dhaka

University and the London

School of Economics.

## CID picks up RMCH contractor for questioning

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Rajshahi

Criminal Investigation Department (CID) on Monday night picked up a contractor of Rajshahi Medical College Hospital for interrogation over 17 files missing from the health ministry.

Nasimul Islam Goni alias Toton was picked up from his Rajpara residence in Rajshahi city.

"We did not arrest him.

He was sent to Dhaka for interrogation in this connection," said Abdul

Jalil, special superintendent of CID in Rajshahi.

"He needs to be questioned as one of the missing files involves Rajshahi Medical College," he said.

The CID officials also searched his office but did not find any such file.

## Worth the investment?

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on many factors -- including proper integration with other transport modes, and effective operation.

The circular rail will run along the existing inner ring road of the capital and a part of Narayanganj, and will be 80.89km long.

The proposed route is Bishwa Itema Ground-Uttara-Dhaka Zoo-Gabtol-Mohammadpur-Sadarghat-Postagola-Fatullah-Chashara-Adamjee-Demra-Trimohoni-Purbachal-Tongi.

The rail network will have 24 stations -- 11 of which will have interchange facilities with the metro rail, dedicated bus services, and Sadarghat launch terminal.

Around 10km of the rail track will be underground, while the rest will be elevated; three of the stations will be underground, and the remaining 21 elevated.

In the first Bangladesh-South Korea joint PPP meeting in July 2019, the government placed the project and proposed its implementation under a government-to-government partnership with South Korea.

Then a consortium of three Korean companies -- SK Ecoplant, GS E&C, and Korea National Railway -- was selected to be a possible investor in January 2020.

**WHAT THE INVESTOR SAYS**

As per meeting documents, the possible investor hired renowned Korean companies, including Dohwa Engineering Company Ltd, for carrying out the technical

and financial assessment.

BR had planned to complete the work in two phases, prioritising the Termukh-Demra route, which will run for 59km and have 20 stations. But the investor considered dividing the project into four phases, prioritising the 22.3km Termukh-Gabtol route, which will have 8 stations.

As per the BR study, the depot would be established at Demra with a stabling yard at Termukh. But the investor is considering building the depot at Termukh. "They have started their study to assess whether they would invest in the project under PPP," a top BR official told The Daily Star yesterday.

If everything goes in line with both parties, a contract will be signed to start the construction work. This will take some more time, the official said.

Railway DG Dharendra Nath Mazumder said the Korean side has expressed interest to invest in the project, but many things need to be done before starting construction. "So, it is not possible to say when physical work will start," he told this newspaper yesterday.

Transport expert Prof Shamsul Hoque said the government is planning to build a circular road on same corridor selected for building circular railway. Besides, the government is building several metro rail lines, which would connect the city's peripheries.

"Have the authorities considered the circular rail's actual utility, taking all these factors in mind?" he questioned.

## True democracy can protect

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let go of the accused with light punishment," he said.

Fakhruddin Mufassir, brother of slain journalist Borhan Uddin Muzakkar, claimed that his brother was killed in a planned way.

Borhan Uddin Muzakkar, correspondent of local online portal Barta Bazar, was killed during a clash between two factions of ruling Awami League over establishing supremacy in Companiganj upazila of Noakhali on February 19.

Mufassir mentioned that the Police Bureau of Investigation (PBI) assured him of justice.

Mubashar Hasan Caesar, an adjunct fellow at the Humanitarian and Development Research Initiative, University of Western Sydney, said impunity for crimes

against journalists is not a stray incident in the country.

"When no punishment is ensured for violence and killing of citizens of the country, impunity for crimes against journalists does not seem unusual," he said.

He said journalists themselves create various narratives after an attack or violence on journalists.

Such narratives weaken the call for justice, he added.

Since 1992, at least 23 journalists have been killed in Bangladesh, according to the Committee to Protect Journalists.

Verdicts have been delivered only in a few cases. Victim families had to wait for 16 to 20 years to get justice and at least three cases were dismissed for various reasons.

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FROM PAGE 3 the commission, has been constituted. Once the committee submits its report, action will be taken.

He made the comments, after over a dozen of people were killed across the country centring UP polls.

In the second phase of elections, 846 UPs will go to the polls on November 11. Elections to 1,007 UPs will be held on November 28, in the third phase.

In the first phase, elections were held in 204 UPs on June 21 and 160 UPs on September 20.

**Boy dies**

FROM PAGE 3 Dhaka Medical College Hospital where doctors declared him dead around 12:45pm, said Bachchu Mia, in-charge of DMCH police outpost.

Police seized the bus and detained its driver Sohel Rana, said Mukhlesur Rahman, a sub-inspector of Banani Police Station.

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6. Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method (As per PPR-8)
7. Budget and Source of Funds	BCPS Own Fund Package Name BCPS- STA-14 / 2021
8. Tender Publication Date	30/10/2021
9. Tender Last Selling Date	20/11/2021 at 03:00 P.M.
10. Tender Last Submission / Dropping/ Closing Date and Time	21/11/2021 at 02:00 P.M.
11. Place of Selling and Receiving/Dropping Tender Documents	a) Office of the Honorary Secretary, BCPS, Mohakhali, Dhaka. b) Accounts Section of DGHS, Mohakhali, Dhaka.
12. Tender Opening Date , Time and Place	21/11/2021 at 02:30 P.M., Office of the Honorary Secretary, BCPS, Mohakhali, Dhaka. In presence of Tenderer if any.
13. Place, Date and Time of Pre-Tender / Pre- bid Meeting	Place: Office of the Honorary Secretary, BCPS, Mohakhali, Dhaka. Date: 11/11/2021, Time at 12:30 P.M.
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