



Cycle Travelers of Sylhet organised a 51-kilometre walk yesterday -- commemorating 51 years of the Liberation War. The group also paid their respects to Martyred Intellectuals' Graveyard in Sylhet, Lalmatia mass grave in Dakshin Surma upazila and Burunga mass grave in Osmaninagar upazila.

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### Death anniv of Rafiqul Haider

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Today is the 50th death anniversary of Rafiqul Haider Chowdhury (Eshika), a martyred intellectual. On this day in 1971, Razakars, the collaborators of then Pakistan Army, picked up him from his Shahidbagh residence, took him away blindfolded and killed him.

### Workshop held at BOU

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A training workshop on "Annual Performance Agreement" was held at Bangladesh Open University (BOU) yesterday, said a press release. VC Prof Syed Humayun Akhtar presided over the workshop. UGC member Prof Abu Taher was present as the chief guest.

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## Theft gang brought to justice

Based in Cumilla, they broke into high-rises in Dhaka, Ctg

SHARIFUL ISLAM

The Detective Branch of police recently busted a theft gang based in Cumilla, which devised a strategy, comprising of multiple layers, to accomplish their goals -- to break into offices in high-rise buildings. They first set a target, recce it for several days, share information among members, and then finalise the plan over phone calls. To keep their communication hidden from law enforcers, the gang buys mobile phone SIMs registered by others' names. They bought the SIMs at a price between Tk 500 and Tk 1,000 from telecom shops in the city's Kandipar. Once their operations are over, they throw away the SIMs, along with their cheap mobile sets, and go traceless. This came to light after DB arrested seven of its members after surveying CCIV footage of Uttara's Paradise Tower, where the group broke into on June 11. According to officials of Uttara Division of DB, for the SIM cards, some miscreants collect innocent peoples' fingerprints, often without their knowledge. Sometimes they convince poor people to provide their fingerprints and NIDs in exchange for Tk 200-300. The documents are then sold to telecom shops in Kandipar, especially to Music Telecom, whose owner Al Amin had connections with the busted theft gang, officials said. The arrestees are: gang leader Jamal Uddin, Shafiq Bhuiyan alias Bacha, Shafiq's wife Mukta Akter, Jasim Uddin, Kader Kibria alias Babu, Shakil, and Music Telecom's Al Amin. They were arrested on September 20. After interrogation, members of the gang said they broke into offices in high-rise buildings in Dhaka, Chattogram, and Cox's Bazar. Detectives claimed Jamal's gang was involved in 200 to 300 theft incidents. Badruzzaman Zillur, additional DC of DB (Uttara), said Jamal and Shafiq are accused in 14 and six cases respectively.

## Still facing injustice

Say indigenous leaders at Dinajpur human chain

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

Although the country has seen massive development since its independence, the indigenous people are still faced with inequity due to the government's apathy, said leaders of indigenous communities in Dinajpur yesterday. Marking 50 years of the country's independence, the indigenous people of Dinajpur formed a human chain in front of Dinajpur Press Club, under the banner of Jatiya Adivasi Parishad's (JAP) Dinajpur chapter. Citing recent incidents, including the eviction of Santals in Gaibandha's

Gobindganj, Rabindranath Soren, JAP president, said the government is patronising land grabbing in the country. "We have repeatedly urged the government to form a separate land commission for the indigenous communities but to no avail," said Soren. Khokon Suten Murmu, JAP member, questioned the quota system for indigenous people in government jobs. "The job quota is only in papers as our people hardly get government jobs under the system," he claimed. Shital Mardi, president of JAP's Dinajpur chapter, also spoke at the event.



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## 'Young Lions' competition held

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"Young Lions Competition Bangladesh: In Search of The Ultimate Creative Competitive Young Professionals & Ultimate Young Marketers" was held at The Daily Star Centre on December 10. Three winners of the event will be representing Bangladesh at Spikes Asia 2022, said a press release. Bangladesh Brand Forum organised the competition in collaboration with The Daily Star, also in association with Cannes Lions International Festival of Creativity. Roaring Lions was the knowledge partner while Marketing Society of Bangladesh was the strategic partner of the event. A total of 42 two-member teams participated in the Young Lions Competition 2021. Among them, 18 teams joined the Digital Competition, 15 in the Integrated Competition and nine joined the Marketers Competition. For all three competitions, three distinct cases were given challenging the participants to develop campaigns/solutions within seven hours.

## HC stays

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Yesterday, the HC bench of Justice Md Habibur Gani and Justice Md Riaz Uddin Khan came up with the order and rule following a petition filed by Dr Yunus, said Assistant Attorney General Mahfuzur Rahman Likhon. He said the bench issued the order on the arguments that Dr Yunus is the honorary chairman of Grameen Telecom, not its beneficiary. A labour court in Dhaka on October 12 granted bail to Dr Yunus in the case.

## Better hospitality

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budget hotels, special tour packages, information and commercial publicity, and global reservation systems. Citing IRCITC's annual report, an Indian newspaper reported the company earned Rs 349.64 crore in 2019-20, which is one third of BR's total income (Tk 11,25.8 crore) for the same fiscal year.

NEW COMPANY

The decision to form the separate company came on November 10, when the railways ministry decided to initiate the company at a meeting. A seven-member committee led by Pronab Kumar Ghosh, additional secretary of the ministry, was tasked to prepare a draft proposal by December 10. Contacted yesterday, Pronab said, "We have already held our first meeting on November 30. For the proposal, we will consult the railway authorities as well as experts." At the meeting, the committee mulled over whether the company can be formed with a five-member board of directors initially. A ministry secretary or additional secretary could chair the board, while two directors will come from BR, while the remaining member will be taken from Bangladesh Standards and Testing Institution.

The company might have a managing director, preferably with experience working outside government agencies, for planning and management. During the preliminary stage, the company will operate with a minimum of human resources, which will be increased over time as its operations expand. A railway official said BR proposed to recruit manpower to strengthen the cell, but the ministry decided to turn it into a company to take prompt decision and expand catering services and tourism. But this company will not be effective, if those involved with passenger traffic and catering management are not involved, the official added. Currently, the Container Company of Bangladesh Ltd, which deals with containers and related issues, is the lone company affiliated with BR. It began its operations this October after being formed in May 2016.

## Open, unprotected

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Authority (CDA) is working on them, as part of the mega project to address waterlogging in the city. Contacted, town planner Subhash Barua said the authorities concerned cannot avoid the responsibility of the deaths as they did not take any steps to prevent the accidents. Despite repeated attempts, CCC chief engineer Rafiqul did not pick up his phone.

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