



## PM flies to UAE today

### MoUs on renewable energy, AI likely

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Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina is leaving for the United Arab Emirates today on a five-day visit.

“We already have a very good relationship with the UAE. We want to further improve it. We also want to increase our export to the Gulf nation,” said Foreign Minister AK Abdul Momen.

He said the UAE would be a very important place in the future. So, it is important for Bangladesh to improve the relationship to maintain the labour market, economic relationship, and draw investment.

Bangladesh is eager for a direct shipping service with the UAE, he said at a press conference at the state guesthouse Padma yesterday.

The PM will discuss potential cooperation on renewable energy, climate change, sustainable development, ICT and artificial intelligence, which will improve Bangladesh's capacity for the fourth industrial revolution.

Four to five MoUs on these issues are expected to be signed during the five-day visit.

Hasina is visiting the UAE at the invitation of Dubai's ruler and UAE Vice-President Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum to attend the Dubai Expo 2022, which is being organised on the occasion of the International Women's Day.

She will visit the Bangladesh pavilion. It will be an occasion to showcase the achievements

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This aerial photograph taken yesterday shows buses parked in a disorganised manner near Sylhet central bus station while the station's development work is going on in Kadamtali area of the city.

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## BRINGING MONEY LAUNDERERS TO BOOK

# HC slams ACC for failure

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court has blasted the Anti-Corruption Commission once again for its failure in bringing money launderers to book.

“The commission is very powerful. It can summon anyone, freeze bank accounts, prevent someone from going abroad and conduct probe into corruption allegations,” observed the court.

“It is unfortunate if it fails to stop money laundering,” it then said.

The bench of Justice Md Nazrul Islam Talukder and Justice Md Mostafizur Rahman made the statements yesterday while hearing a writ petition and a suo motu rule involving this issue.

The court also observed that the money launderers are the enemy of the country

and all corruption must be eradicated from the country at any cost.

“Please, comply with our directives to prevent money laundering. The people of Bangladesh are brilliant and hard-working.

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If corruption can be eradicated, the golden Bangla, dreamed by Bangabandhu, can be established,” Justice Md Nazrul Islam Talukder told the ACC's lawyer Khurshid Alam Khan.

The HC bench ordered the six-member committee, formed by the criminal investigation department (CID) of police, to probe the money laundering, including a representative from the national board of revenue (NBR).

The committee has been directed to submit a progress report to this court by April 10.

The CID constituted the committee on February 15 led by deputy inspector general (DIG), organised crime of CID in Dhaka.

Other members of the committee are additional DIG, the central crime of CID in Dhaka, additional DIG of CID in Dhaka and Mymensingh, representatives from ACC and Bangladesh Intelligence Unit (BFIU) and special superintendent of police, legal

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## 114 Rohingyas reach Aceh by sea

REUTERS, Bireuen

A boat carrying more than one hundred Rohingya refugees, including dozens of children, landed on the coast of Indonesia's westernmost province Aceh early yesterday, police said.

The vessel, which sailed from a Rohingya camp in Bangladesh, arrived shortly after 3:00 am on a beach in Bireun district.

It was carrying 114 people, including 58 men, 21 women and 35 children aged under 15 years old, police said.

“We will conduct a general health check up and Covid-19 rapid antigen tests for these foreigners,” local police chief Mike Hardy Wirapraja told AFP.

He said they would later be transferred to neighbouring Lhokseumawe district which has a shelter for refugees.

Police found out about the arrival after some local fishermen reported that a boat filled with Rohingya people had landed on the beach.

The boat appeared to be in good condition and the refugees had sufficient food and supplies during the journey.

It is the second arrival by the persecuted minority in Muslim-majority Indonesia in the recent months.

## Four bullet-hit bodies found in Bandarban

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Four bullet-hit bodies were found in Gherao Mukh area of Bandarban's Rowangchhari upazila yesterday morning.

Their identities could not be known immediately, but police primarily suspect they were members of an armed group called “Mogh Liberation Party”.

“Around 11:00am, we came to know that four bullet-hit bodies were found in Gherao Mukh area. On information, police recovered the bodies,” said Ashok Kumar Paul, additional superintendent of Bandarban police.

“We are trying to know the details,” he said. SP Jerin Akther told The Daily Star, “We primarily suspect the deceased were members of Mogh Liberation Party.”

## View that could change physics forever

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Supermassive black holes at the center of many galaxies might look more like pancakes than doughnuts, pancakes smoking as the black holes at their center burn their inner edges.

That's how Université de la Côte d'Azur astronomer Romain Petrov described the findings of his colleagues in a new paper published Wednesday in Nature. It's a finding that confirms, and extends, a long-held theory about active galactic nuclei, the extremely bright centers of some galaxies believed to be driven by supermassive black holes and could have implications for how we understand our own existence.

“The co-evolution between the black hole and the host galaxy — what was first, the black hole or the galaxy? — has a strong impact on the evolution of the galaxy, including the formation of stars in that galaxy,” Petrov said. “A link in the chain of events that lead to the existence of people that can discuss these issues.”

Dr. Petrov and his colleagues used the Multi-AperTure mid-Infrared SpectroScopic Experiment (MATISSE) instrument and the Very Large Telescope in Chile to make new observations of the galaxy Messier 77, a barred spiral galaxy about 47 million light-years from Earth.

Messier 77 is one of the easiest to observe galaxies with an active galactic nucleus and was the basis for what is known as the Unified Model of Active Galactic Nuclei. This torus forms as matter spirals inward to feed the central black hole, the material whirling and compressing and releasing the energy that makes active galactic nuclei “active.”



## Cash flow jammed to steal from ATMs

### 8 of a third party security agency held for embezzling Tk 3 crore

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Rapid Action Battalion has arrested eight members of a security agency including the mastermind of the racket involved in the swindling of about Tk 3 crore from 231 ATM booths of a private bank.

The arrestees are technical crew and cash loaders of Garda Shield Security Services, the third party that manages the bank's ATM booths.

The racket, which has about 15 members, used to make way with Tk 60,000 to 1 lakh a day from eight to ten ATM booths, Khandaker Al Moin, Rab media wing director, told a press conference yesterday.

The bank authorities noticed a Tk 3 crore mismatch in their balance sheets in the last nine months, which prompted them to turn to the law enforcement agency.




Members of the racket deliberately jammed the cash flow from ATMs for 19 consecutive 1,000 taka notes or another fixed amount while placing the money in the loading tray.

When clients command a certain amount of withdrawal from ATMs, they don't get the money and consequently complain to the bank authorities.

What happens is the money goes in the ATM's purse bin. On paper, the technical crew are supposed to hand over the cash to the bank. But they pocket the money themselves, Moin said.

In the primary investigation, Rab did not find any involvement of the bank or the security service company. But both parties were not careful in checking the anomaly.

Moin added that the security agency filed a case against the arrestees.



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আয়করের ৩য় কিস্তি প্রদান সংক্রান্ত বিজ্ঞপ্তি

কর অঞ্চল-১১, ঢাকার অধিক্ষেত্রাধীন সম্মানিত করদাতাদের জানানো যাচ্ছে যে, আয়কর অধ্যাদেশ, ১৯৮৪ এর ৬৪ ধারা মোতাবেক যে সকল করদাতার সর্বশেষ নিরূপিত আয় ৬,০০,০০০/- টাকার বেশী তাঁদের জন্য অগ্রিম আয়কর প্রদান বাধ্যতামূলক। আয়কর অধ্যাদেশ, ১৯৮৪ এর ৬৫/৬৬ ধারা অনুযায়ী সর্বশেষ নির্ধারিত (সাধারণ অথবা সার্বজনীন স্বনির্ধারণী পদ্ধতিতে) আয়ের ভিত্তিতে ২০২২-২০২৩ করবর্ষের অগ্রিম আয়করের ৩য় কিস্তি ১৫/০৩/২০২২খ্রিঃ তারিখের মধ্যে পরিশোধের বাধ্যবাধকতা রয়েছে।

যথাসময়ে অগ্রিম কর পরিশোধে ব্যর্থ করদাতাগণ এর ক্ষেত্রে আয়কর অধ্যাদেশ, ১৯৮৪ এর ৭০/৭৩ ধারা অনুযায়ী সরল সুদ এবং ১২৫ ধারা অনুযায়ী জরিমানা আরোপের বিধান রয়েছে। সকল সম্মানিত করদাতা/প্রতিষ্ঠানকে সরল সুদ ও জরিমানা এড়ানোর লক্ষ্যে যথাসময়ে ২০২২-২০২৩ করবর্ষের ৩য় কিস্তির অগ্রিম আয়কর পরিশোধ করার জন্য অনুরোধ করা যাচ্ছে।

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