

Country launches 18-plus launch service

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The country yet again took another traffic-jam changing decision by deciding not to sell any tickets to persons without NIDs. People have already started to call this measure an "18-plus launch service" as someone must be 18 or above to get an NID card.

Getting some wind of this, a toddler without an NID and a birth

certificate – which is taking years to be made – asked his parents, "Are you going to go to our village home without me?"

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Tahmid, knowing that he is not going to get on the 18-plus launch service, fumed, "I applied for my NID when I turned 18. Since then, I dated someone for five years, married her and we had a son who is now studying in class three. But still I haven't gotten my NID! How can I buy a ticket?"

Meanwhile, the city is renovating its old and obsolete "Shishu Park"

as shishus are about to be left alone in the city for the crime of not being older than 18 and not having an NID. They will even not be able to use their birth certificates as the certificate has been in process since their births.

On the other hand, people with NID are claiming to be the luckiest in the world as they are going to get the 18-plus launch service.

"Yes! I have an NID! I want to take

the opportunity to thank my family, friends, classmates, girlfriends, boyfriends and of course the person who captured my photo keeping every part of my face in place, for helping me and supporting me during this journey to get an NID. For you, only you, I am able to avail the country's latest 18-plus launch service. Thank you again," Shams, a lucky guy with an NID, wrote in a Facebook post.



Man arrested for criticising the reverse sweep

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A man yesterday became the first to be arrested for criticising the cricket shot called the reverse sweep. In a precedent-setting move by the authorities, Allout Yesman, 43, was arrested under the Insecurity Act.

This has come as a show of immense support for one of the country's most emotional batters, whose addiction to the reverse sweep has allegedly cost the country many cricket matches in the past (this is the opinion of past critics, not of Satireday).

Myopic Fahim, recently, in an important match, at an important moment, played the reverse sweep to the wrong ball and was bowled. He needed to bat normally for just five more

minutes and the team could have relaxed for 40 minutes. Critics have said that he has been guilty of such "brain implusions", "stupidity", "utter idiocy" and "obsessive need to show he can play the shot" (again, their words, not ours) countless times in the past.

In the aftermath, Jai Bolentai Houk, the captain of the team, said, "I support his right to play the reverse sweep. I would ask you not to criticise Bhai; that is bad for him, bad for the team, and bad for the country."

That last bit was all law enforcers needed to arrest Allout after he

went on a rant accusing the batter of not being able to play the shot, yet repeatedly trying to play it.

"Like the captain said, it was bad for the country, yet Allout went on wantonly criticising the shot," said a police official requesting anonymity. "We had no choice but to arrest him, in the interests of the country."

Before any of this happened, Fahim had said in a press conference that he would play the reverse sweep twice, thrice and even four times in an innings.

In related news, the Board, Cricket Board (B,CB) have made it mandatory for all domestic batters to play the reverse sweep at least twice an innings, so that batters could have the influence and ability of Fahim, and for the good of the country.



This is a representational image of a sweep shot. For obvious reasons, we find it safer not to show the reverse sweep. Just imagine the bat turned the other way.

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Local fruit juice giant launches no-mango mango juice

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Local fruit juice giant, Tran Group of Companies Ltd, recently announced the launch of their new line of products called "the substitute".

The managing director, also son of the CEO of the founding group of companies who recently returned from studies abroad with a glitzy degree, inaugurated the programme.

The day-long programme which was lasted only half a day stayed true to its theme.

The venue was a lavish tent which can also be considered indoor depending on the customer's demand.

"My father was once criticised for using mishti kumra instead of mango in our mango juice line. But now that it has become trendy and encouraged, we thought it's time to rebrand and go back to the basics," the managing director said while briefing media.

"Our new product line basically works on the substitute principle. None of the products are what they really say they are. For example, our mango juice is made entirely with other vegetables and fruits and flavoured with mango essence. This is modern tech at work. Our batch of young engineers who we basically plucked out of Dholaikhal worked day and night on this new formulation," the MD added.

The Tran Group of Companies also managed to tick one CSR activity through this launch as well. They hired young engineers who have been jobless after graduation and had resorted to working in Dholaikhal (if you don't know what this is, then please do visit).

The programme ended with the cutting of a cheesecake made without any cheese.