RU student held over death of wife

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Police yesterday arrested a Rajshahi University student in a case filed for killing his wife, also a student of the university.

Arrestee Abdullah Ishtiaq Rabbi is a student of applied mathematics department, said Anwar Ali Tuhin, officer-in-charge of Motihar Police Station.

His wife Rikta Akhter (21) was a student of law department.

Rikta's friends said the couple used to live in Rajshahi city's Dharampur area, adjacent to the university.

Quoting her husband Rabbi, they said he found Rikta hanging from a window grille on Friday night.

He took her to Rajshahi Medical College Hospital where she passed away while undergoing treatment.

OC Anwar further said Rikta's father filed a murder case accusing Rabbi yesterday.

Quoting the case statement, the OC said the couple used to have arguments often.

Rikta's father claimed that following an altercation, Rabbi killed her, said the police official.

The body was handed over to the family members after an autopsy, he said.

Talking to this correspondent, Prof Hasibul Alam Prodhan, chairman of RU law department, said, "We demand immediate action after an investigation."

Protesting load shedding around the country and "corruption in the energy sector", Khulna city unit of BNP brought out a procession on KD Ghosh Road yesterday afternoon.

PHOTO: HABIBUR RAHMAN

Construction material blocking key M'singh road

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Mymensingh*

All forms of vehicular movement on Durgabari Road, an important road in Mymensingh city, have halted due to slow construction work of a drain for over a week now.

It's uncertain how many days will be required to complete the work. There are many doctors' chambers in the area, which became inaccessible due to scattered construction materials on the road, said locals.

As there is no proper monitoring by Mymensingh City Corporation (MCC), the construction firm is continuing work as per its will, overlooking the harm caused to hundreds of residents, alleged locals.

The contractors can finish the work in the scheduled time by engaging more workers, but only a few workers were seen at the site, they said.

Talking to this correspondent, a construction worker said it would take more than a week to finish work. But no representatives of the construction site was available when this correspondent visited the area recently.

Contacted, MCC executive engineer Md Rafiqul Islam, said Masud Hightech, a Dhaka-based construction firm, is responsible for constructing the drain as part of the city's development programme.

He said the firm has no right to block the road for construction work, creating public sufferings.

"I wasn't informed about the nuisance. As I'm aware of the matter now, the construction authority will be asked to remove the materials from the road," he said.

Contacted, Nurul Amin Kalam, secretary of Mymensingh Nagorik Andolon, said contractors must keep a passage to ease traffic movement, and in no way can they block the road. This correspondent could not get in touch with any officials of Masud Hightech despite repeated attempts.

নিয়োগ বিজ্ঞপ্তি

নং-৬৪/২০২২-৩৫১ তারিখ: ২৭/০৭/২০২২

বাংলাদেশ অবসরপ্রাপ্ত সরকারী কর্মচারী কল্যাণ সমিতির চিকিৎসা কেন্দ্র ও অফিসের জন্য (অবসর ভবন, বাড়ী নং- ৭৫/এ, রোড নং- ৫/এ, ধানমন্ডি- আ/এ, ঢাকা-১২০৯) নিম্নোক্ত পদে লোক নিয়োগ করা হবে।

ক্র. নং	পদের নাম ও সংখ্যা	ন্যূনতম শিক্ষাগত যোগ্যতা, অভিজ্ঞতা ও সর্বোচ্চ বয়সসীমা	বেতন
১.	পরিচালক (প্রশাসন ও জনবল) - ১ টি	স্বীকৃত দেশ বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় হইতে স্নাতক/ স্নাতকোত্তর ও প্রশাসনিক কাজে অভিজ্ঞ/ অবসরপ্রাপ্ত উপ-সচিব। সরাসরি নিয়োগের ক্ষেত্রে ৩৫ বৎসর/ চুক্তিভিত্তিক ৬২ বছর।	জাতীয় বেতন স্কেল/আলোচনা সাপেক্ষে
২.	কনসালটেন্ট (মেডিসিন) - ১ টি	এম বি বি এস/স্নাতকোত্তর। সরাসরি নিয়োগের ক্ষেত্রে ৩৫ বৎসর/ চুক্তিভিত্তিক ৬২ বছর।	জাতীয় বেতন স্কেল/চুক্তিভিত্তিক (আলোচনা সাপেক্ষে)
৩.	গাইনেকলজিস্ট (জুনিয়র কনসালটেন্ট)- ১টি	এম বি বি এস/স্নাতকোত্তর। সরাসরি নিয়োগের ক্ষেত্রে ৩৫ বৎসর/ চুক্তিভিত্তিক ৬২ বছর।	জাতীয় বেতন স্কেল/চুক্তিভিত্তিক (আলোচনা সাপেক্ষে)
৪.	ডায়াবেটিস চিকিৎসক- ১টি	এম বি বি এস/স্নাতকোত্তর। সরাসরি নিয়োগের ক্ষেত্রে ৩৫ বৎসর/ চুক্তিভিত্তিক ৬২ বছর।	জাতীয় বেতন স্কেল/চুক্তিভিত্তিক (আলোচনা সাপেক্ষে)
৫.	সহকারী প্রকৌশলী - ১টি	ডিপ্লোমা প্রকৌশলী (সরাসরি নিয়োগের ক্ষেত্রে তিন বছর ও চুক্তিভিত্তিকের ক্ষেত্রে সাত বছরের অভিজ্ঞতা সম্পন্ন)। সরাসরি নিয়োগের ক্ষেত্রে ৩৫ বৎসর/ চুক্তিভিত্তিক ৬২ বছর।	জাতীয় বেতন স্কেল গ্রেড - ১০ /চুক্তিভিত্তিক (আলোচনা সাপেক্ষে)
৬.	লাইব্রেরীয়ান- ১টি	স্নাতক পাশসহ লাইব্রেরী সায়েন্সে ডিপ্লোমা ও তিন বছরের অভিজ্ঞতা। সরাসরি নিয়োগের ক্ষেত্রে ৩০ বৎসর/ চুক্তিভিত্তিক ৬২ বছর।	জাতীয় বেতন স্কেল গ্রেড - ১০ /চুক্তিভিত্তিক (আলোচনা সাপেক্ষে)
৭.	ডেন্টাল টেকনিশিয়ান- ১টি	এস এস সি পাস/সমমান সার্টিফিকেট কোর্স ও তিন বছরের অভিজ্ঞতা/চুক্তিভিত্তিক নিয়োগের ক্ষেত্রে ৭ বছরের অভিজ্ঞতা। সরাসরি নিয়োগের ক্ষেত্রে ৩৫ বৎসর/ চুক্তিভিত্তিক ৬২ বছর।	জাতীয় বেতন স্কেল- ১৬ গ্রেড /চুক্তিভিত্তিক (আলোচনা সাপেক্ষে)
৮.	নিরাপত্তা প্রহরী- ১টি	জে এস সি/সমমান পাশ। ৩০ বছর।	জাতীয় বেতন স্কেল- ২০ গ্রেড

আগ্রহী প্রার্থীগণকে জীবন বৃত্তান্ত, শিক্ষাগত যোগ্যতা ও চাকুরীর অভিজ্ঞতার সনদপত্র এবং সাম্প্রতিক পাসপোর্ট সাইজের ছবিসহ আগামী ২২ আগস্ট, ২০২২ তারিখের মধ্যে উপরের ঠিকানায় আবেদন করতে হবে। উল্লেখ্য, নিয়োগের ক্ষেত্রে সরকারি কোটা পদ্ধতি অনুসরণ করা হবে।

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RANI THE RESILIENT

MINTU DESHWARA

Around 30 years ago, Jatri Rani Barman came to Sunamganj town from a village with her family. Even though they came to the city with new hope, Rani lost her father when she was just a teenager.

After her father's demise, she shouldered all the responsibilities of running her family and took a job at a local tailoring shop.

She even bore the marriage expenses of her two sisters.

At one stage, she thought she should settle in her life and decided to marry her husband Hriday Dutta.

What was supposed to be a happy beginning, turned out to be a living nightmare. Just a few days after her marriage, she found out that her husband abused drugs heavily.

"He used to torture me both mentally and physically. He was a vagabond. He didn't work and took all the money I earned. I even bought him an easy-bike, taking out loans so that he could earn some money," said Rani.

"But all my efforts went in vain. My husband kept torturing me. One day in 2018, he beat me mercilessly and left the house, never to return again," she said.

"I fell in deep trouble. But I always kept one thing in mind -- that only I hold the solution to my problems."

After her husband left, she was a wreck. She had no money left and

was not sure what she would do. The easy-bike she bought him was still there.

One morning out of desperation, Rani came out of her house and tried to operate the vehicle. But it was not an easy task. As she was driving on a narrow road she got stuck.

Slowly by surely, the resilient Rani, now 36 years old, eventually learned how to operate it and became the first female easy-bike rider in her town.

"In the beginning, I faced huge setbacks. All the people around discouraged me. Many hurled abusive words at me. But their words couldn't stop me," said Rani.

"I've been operating this vehicle for around six years now. I drive the easy-bike for around 10 to 12 hours per day. Now, most of the townspeople know me and co-operate with me," she said.

However, working so hard, Rani's physical condition has deteriorated now. The loans she took haven't been paid off yet. Still, a persistent Rani pushes on, working hard to support her family of four.

At present, she lives at a rented house in the town's Nabinagar area with her son, two daughters and her 73-year-old mother, Swetha Rani Barman.

Contacted, Sunamganj Jela Nari Parishad President Gauri Bhattacharjee said, "Rani has now become a symbol of inspiration for women. We will extend all-out cooperation and support to her."

No cars on roads

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expressways, flyovers), and banning commutes to educational institutions by car.

The environmental activists said the energy, oil and gas crisis in Bangladesh has reached an alarming level and will increase in the days to come.

They added that due to the increasing use of private vehicles, the country's energy crisis may worsen. High use of private vehicles leads to fuel wastage; serious traffic congestion, as the vehicles occupy more space; noise and air pollution; and accidents.

Controlling private cars can significantly contribute to combating the energy crisis by preventing fuel wastage. It can also have a positive impact on health and environment, more specifically an appropriate atmosphere for walking and cycling.

Save the Environment Movement, Prottasa Madok Birodhi Songothon, Human Rights Development Center, Rayer Bazar High School, Dhaka Ideal Cadet School, Dhanmondi Kachikantha High School, Chayatal Bangladesh, The Institute of Wellbeing Bangladesh, Car Free Cities Alliance Bangladesh, Bangladesh Youth Climate Network, and Work for a Better Bangladesh Trust participated in the programme.

Unconstitutional

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Zafrullah Chowdhury, Hamida Hossen, Iftekharuzzaman, Shirin Haque, Prof Mostafizur Rahman, Meghna Guhathakurta, Rana Das Gupta, Subrata Chowdhury, Parvin Hasan, Kajol Devnath, Advocate ZI Khan Panna, Advocate Tobarak Hossain, Abul Barakat, Rehnuma Ahmed, Shamsul Huda, Barrister Sara Hossen, Badiul Alam Majumdar, Ahrar Ahmed, Sanjeeb Drong, Shahidul Alam, Jakir Hossen, Shaheen Anam, Syeda Rizwana Hasan, Rubayet Ferdous, Bina D Costa, Sumaiya Khayer, Tasnim Siraj Mahbub, Samina Lutfa, Ferdous Azim, Mohammad Tanjim Uddin Khan, Jobaida Nasrin Kona, Nova Ahmed, Mahrukh Mohiuddin, Pollob Chakma, Rejaul Karim Lenin, Saidia Gulrukh, Nur Khan Liton, Shahnaj Huda, Hana Shams Ahmed, Rejaul Karim Chowdhury, Arup Rahi, Dipayan Khisa, Nina Goswami and Jyotirmoy Barua.

Traffickers

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Swiss Ambassador to Bangladesh Nathalie Chuard, Acting Charge de 'Affairs of the European Union Delegation to Bangladesh Jeremy Opritesco, Secretary of Expatriates' Welfare Ministry Ahmed Munirus Saleheen, and Senior Secretary of Home Ministry Akhter Hossain, among others, spoke at the event.

3 die as motorbikes collide in Chuadanga

UNB, *Chuadanga*

At least three motorcyclists were killed and another was injured as two motorcycles collided in Jafarpur area of Chuadanga yesterday.

The deceased were identified as Tunu Hossain alias Anando, 22, of Chuadanga, Mithu Hossain, 30, of Nurnagar Colonypara, and Shri Mukta Halder, 28, of Sirajganj.

The injured was Roni Hossain, 35, of Rajshahi.

The accident took place around 1:00pm when the two motorcycles collided in front of the Jafarpur Youth Development Department, leaving two bikers dead on the spot, Mahabubur Rahman, officer-in-charge of Chuadanga Sadar Police Station. Another succumbed to his injuries while undergoing treatment at Sadar Hospital.

Four killed in road accidents

STAR REPORT

A truck driver and his helper were killed after their parked vehicle was hit by another truck in Habiganj's Bahubal yesterday.

The deceased are Liton Sheikh (55) and his helper Abdul Al Nabin (20).

OC Saleh Ahmed of Sayestaganj Highway Police Station said the wheel of Liton's truck got damaged on Sylhet-Dhaka highway. As they got out to fix the wheel, another truck hit their vehicle from behind. Due to the impact, the parked truck then hit the two. Abdul died on the spot while Liton was declared dead at a local hospital.

Meanwhile in Noakhali, two people were killed in separate road accidents early yesterday.

The identities of the deceased, both in their 40s, could not be known immediately.

SI Saiful Islam of Chandraganj Highway Police said the first accident occurred at the busy Begumganj intersection and the second one near Begumganj Eye Hospital on Feni-Laxmipur regional highway.

Ensure transparency in humanitarian support: speakers

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Sylhet*

The country's local non-governmental organisations (NGOs) have said that global NGOs and United Nations agencies -- which are providing humanitarian support for flood-affected people in Sylhet division -- should limit their role to providing technical assistance only and hand over the responsibility to implement projects to local stakeholders.

The Sylhet wing of BDCSO, a forum of around 700 national NGOs and civil society organisations, came up with the suggestions at a press conference yesterday.

Rezaul Karim Chowdhury, national coordinator of BDCSO Process and executive director of COAST Trust, said, UN announced $5 million for flood victims, and this fund should not be distributed among UN agencies, Red Cross and big national NGOs.

Instrumental music festival held in Sylhet

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Moulvibazar*

A two-day festival of instrumental music was held at Shilpakala Academy in Moulvibazar.

The event, which concluded on Friday, featured instruments like guitar, sitar, sarod, violin, flute, dhol, mridanga, madal and dotara.

Artistes from various backgrounds and districts enthralled the audience with their enthusiastic performances at the festival, which drew a large crowd consisting of people from all walks of life.

Mir Nahid Ahsan, deputy commissioner of Moulvibazar, was the chief guest at the event.

Conference on ICT ends at Kuet

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Khulna*

A two-day "International Conference on Information and Communication Technology for Development (ICICTD 2022)" ended at Khulna University of Engineering and Technology (Kuet) yesterday.

It was organised by the Institute of Information and Communication Technology of Kuet.

This international conference brought together scientists, innovators, researchers, and scholars to share new ideas, knowledge and explore recent developments, said Dr Quazi Sazzad Hossain, vice-chancellor of Kuet, during the inaugural session.

Dr Monir Hossain from Florida Polytechnic University, USA, Dr Jagadish Chand Banshal, Department of Mathematics, South Asian University, New Delhi, spoke among others.

Forty-three oral sessions, five key note speeches, three invited talks, one seminar and three parallel oral sessions were held.

তুলা সরবরাহের মাধ্যমে সুতা উৎপাদনে ব্যবসায়ী আবশ্যক

একটি ইউরোপিয় মেশিনারী সম্পন্ন শতভাগ রপ্তানীমুখী ৬৩,১২০ স্পিন্ডেল (Spindle) স্পিনিং মিলে তুলা সরবরাহের মাধ্যমে প্রতি কেজি সার্ভিস চার্জের বিনিময়ে মানসম্পন্ন সুতা (৫০'S-৬০'S) উৎপাদনের জন্য আগ্রহী সুতা ব্যবসায়ীদেরকে যোগাযোগের জন্য অনুরোধ করা যাচ্ছে।

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