

He never made it to the mosque

Pedestrian shot dead during AL factional clash in Munshiganj

A CORRESPONDENT, *Munshiganj*

Seventy-year-old Monir Hossain Mollah was going to the mosque for Isha prayers at Bokultala village of Munshiganj's Sadar upazila on Monday.

Unfortunately, he never made it there. He got caught in the line of fire during a clash between two factions of local Awami League.

He was referred to Dhaka Medical College Hospital from a local medical facility, where he succumbed to his injuries around 9:30pm on Monday.

Ten others have been seriously wounded during the same time, most of whom are currently undergoing treatment at DMCH.

However, not a single person has been arrested in connection with the shoot-out as of filing this report yesterday evening.

Monir Hossain's daughter Sonia Akhter was too grief-stricken to talk to this correspondent.

Salma Begum, wife of the deceased's younger brother,

The clash broke out on Monday evening between the group of Ali Hossain, president of Ward-2 of Adhara Union Awami League, and general secretary of the same unit Suruj Hossain, over establishing supremacy in the area, locals said. There were a series of clashes, chases and counter-chases, crude bomb explosions and exchange of fire till 8:00pm.

said, "He [Monir] didn't have any political affiliations. But he got shot anyway."

When asked, she said they are yet to file a case as they are waiting for the body to arrive.

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PHOTO: STAR

Hill razed for road

SIFAYETULLAH, *Ctg*

A group of individuals has reportedly cut a hill by Chattogram city's Sarson Road to build a road, without getting approval from the Department of Environment (DoE), much to the dismay of locals and environmentalists.

For the road's construction, they cut a significant part of Joy Pahar, an old hill in the area, violating the law.

DoE officials confirmed that they visited the area and found evidence of hill cutting. The authorities issued a show-cause notice to the group.

During a visit to the area on Sunday, this correspondent found

that the hill has been cut to build the 650-feet long road. Many trees have fallen victim too.

Some locals, requesting anonymity, claimed that the group is building the new road to make the hills accessible. After that, it will flatten the hills to make housing plots.

This hill is owned by the heirs of a person named Mozaffar Ahmad Miah.

This correspondent could not reach Abdul Kader, a son of late Mozaffar, despite several attempts over phone and text.

According to Bangladesh Environment Preservation Act 1995 (amended in 2000), cutting a hill without DoE's approval is illegal.

The punishment for breaking the law is up to two years' imprisonment or Tk 2 lakh fine, or both for first-time offenders. For subsequent offence, it is up to 10 years' imprisonment or Tk 10 lakh fine or both.

Mia Mahmudul Hoque, deputy director of DoE Chattogram's metro office, told The Daily Star that those who are building the road have been ordered to appear in person for a hearing at DoE office and explain why the offenders should not be penalised.

Mohammad Kamal Hossain, former professor of Institute of Forestry and Environmental

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CHATTOGRAM TO PENANG

Body found in container yet to be identified

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, *Ctg*

The identity of the body that was found in an empty container shipped to the Malaysian port of Penang from Chattogram could not be known till yesterday.

The empty container, owned by South-Asia based main-line operator (MLO) Sinokor, was sent from private off-dock BM Container Depot to the port on October 4.

The vessel -- also operated by the same shipping company Sinokor -- left the port on October 6, carrying 1,008 TEUs of containers, and reached the Malaysian port three days later.

Chattogram Port Authority (CPA) Secretary Md Omar Faruk said when an empty container is sent from any off-dock, it is at first checked and scanned at the entry gate of the port and then checked again at the jetty before being loaded on the ship.

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Youth Climate Summit kicks off tomorrow

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Global Youth Leadership Centre (GYLC), a leadership development platform in Bangladesh, is going to host a three-day global youth climate summit, scheduled to begin on October 20 in Khulna.

Around 150 youths will attend the event in-person, while 500 will take part virtually. The participants have been selected from 70 countries.

GYLC revealed the schedule at a press conference held yesterday at a Dhaka hotel.

The summit will host climate scientists, policymakers, entrepreneurs, leadership experts and youth climate activists, and feature dialogue

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With a swift swing, a woman throws her bait, attached to her makeshift fishing rod, into Sajiara Khal, to catch small fish like puti. These women catch between one and two kilos of fish like this. After setting aside a portion for their own meals, they sell the rest for Tk 200 to 300. This photo was taken in Khulna's Dumuria upazila yesterday.

PHOTO: HABIBUR RAHMAN

Pretty in pink

Narsingdi's Saturia gets lively with water lilies

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Narsingdi*

For Narsingdi residents and visitors from its outskirts, visiting Saturia for sighting water lilies has become an ever popular activity. There are many canals and marshlands in Narsingdi where these pink beauties bloom.

From morning to evening, after managing a talpata and wooden boat, visitors throng the area just to get a breath of fresh air and behold the blaze of pink.

Many locals are also selling these flowers to make a livelihood. People are buying these lilies both for consumption and preserving its variety and beauty by planting them in their ponds.

Mubarak Hossain, a resident of Dewanerchar (beside Saturia), said, "I visit the marshlands with my friends to experience the scenic beauty. The water lilies attract visitors from far and wide."

Moniruzzaman Bhuiyan Jahangir, acting chairman of Belabo Upazila Parishad, said, "People are thronging a remote area like Saturia from morning



to evening just to get a glimpse of the beautifully pink scene"

"If we can preserve these species of waterlily and our historical craft industries, this area can turn into a commercial tourist spot," he added.


Prof Mostak Ahmed, principal of Narsingdi Government College, said, "Many students and their guardians are thronging our pond where hundreds of bright pink water lilies have bloomed. Once upon a time, it was used to emit foul smell due to indiscriminate dumping of

garbage."

"After planting the water lilies, not just visitors, many species of birds are coming here," he added.

Abdullah Al Kafi, former professor of the college's botany department, said, "There are many water lilies that grow naturally in the country's marshlands and ponds... but many of the varieties have gone extinct due to commercial fish cultivation and encroachment."

"I hope everyone will plant lilies in abandoned water bodies to conserve those," he added.



Bangladesh Bank
Common Services Department-2
(Mechanical Engineering Wing)
Head Office, Dhaka-1000

Invitation for Tender (Procurement of Non-consulting Services) Through Web

01.	Procuring entity	Common Services Department-2, Bangladesh Bank, Head Office, Dhaka-1000.
02.	Procurement method	Open Tendering Method (OTM)
03.	Invitation Ref. No. & Date	CSD-2(MES): 15/1/2022-56 Date: 18/10/2022
04.	Source of funds	Bangladesh Bank's own fund.
05.	Name of the work	Operation, Servicing and Repairing & Maintenance works of Fire Fighting System installed at Head Office's premises of Bangladesh Bank, Dhaka.
06.	Address of the web for submission e-Tender	From web: www.bb.org.bd www.etender.bb.org.bd
07.	Last date & time e-Tenders through web	07/11/2022 on or before 3:00pm.
08.	Last date & time and name & address of the office for receiving original tender security and other documents	07/11/2022 on or before 3:15pm. Director (Engineering-Electromechanical), Common Services Department-2 (7th floor of 30-storied Building), Bangladesh Bank, Head Office, Dhaka-1000.
09.	Tender opening date & time	07/11/2022 at 3:30pm.
10.	Name & address of the office opening tender	Director (Engineering-Electromechanical), Common Services Department-2 (7th floor of 30-storied Building), Bangladesh Bank, Head Office, Dhaka-1000. (Intending tenderers or their authorized representatives are allowed to attend the tender opening).
11.	Eligibility of the tenderer	(a) Tenderer shall have at least 07 (seven) years of overall business experience in the supply and installation of mechanical machineries and workshop facilities with machines. (b) Tenderer shall have specific experience for operation, maintenance, servicing & repairing works of Fire Fighting System installed in any Govt./Semi-Govt./Autonomous organization worth not less than Tk. 25 lac in a single contract in the last 05(five) years. (c) Tenderer shall have specific experience for operation, maintenance, servicing & repairing works of Fire Fighting System installed in any Govt./Semi-Govt./Autonomous/recognized organization engaging at least three persons in single contract in the last 05(five) years. (d) Tenderer shall have to submit Agency/Distributorship certificate/Authorization letter for supplying spare parts during the contract period of 03 (three) years currently issued from existing Pentair Brand pump manufacturer. (e) The tenderer shall have to furnish the certificate in this respect from an officer not below the rank of Executive Engineer or equivalent and shall meet all other criteria, terms & conditions as specified in the tender document without which tender will not be considered.
12.	Tender security	Tender security amounting BDT80,000.00 (eighty thousand) only will be required in the form of Pay Order/Bank Draft/Bank Guarantee in favour of Director (Engineering-Electromechanical), Common Services Department-2, Bangladesh Bank, Head Office, Dhaka.
13.	Work's completion time	36 (thirty-six) months from the date of Award of Contract.
14.	Address of official inviting tender	Sudhangshu Kumar Sarker, Director (Engineering-Electromechanical), Common Services Department-2 (7th floor, 30-storied Building), Bangladesh Bank, Head Office, Dhaka-1000.
15.	Contact details of official inviting tender	Phone: 88-02-9530490, Fax: +88-029530321.
16.	Special instructions	i. Tenderer shall submit tender and scanned copy of documentary evidence through Bangladesh Bank website (e-Tendering) & must have valid e-mail address for participation in e-Tendering ii. Original PO/BD/BG as tender security with tender submission letter (PSN-1 form) shall be reached at Director (Engineering-Electromechanical), Common Services Department-2 (7th floor of 30-storied Building), Bangladesh Bank, Head Office, Dhaka within stipulated date and time on Tender Data Sheet (TDS). iii. Tenderer shall provide documentary evidence etc. (attested or original whichever necessary) when requested, failing which the tender may be considered as non-responsive. iv. The tenderer shall submit "PSN-1", "PSN-2", "PSN-3" and "PSN-4" as per format given in Tender Document and attached during submission of tender. v. PSN-1 form shall be completed and signed by the authorized signatory on the letterhead pad attached by scanning during submitting tender and original shall send with sign to Director (Engineering-Electromechanical), Common Services Department-2 (7th floor of 30-storied Building), Bangladesh Bank, Head Office, Dhaka within stipulated date and time on Tender Data Sheet (TDS). vi. Furnishing of any false, misleading documents may result in rejection of tender and may lead to action under Rules 127 of PPR 2008/Reg 12 of BBPR 2004. vii. All sorts of Security and Safety-measures shall be carried out by the firm during execution of the work. viii. Bangladesh Bank reserves all right to accept or reject any or all the Tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever. No claim will be entertained in this regard.

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