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Pritom Hasan and Shahtaj Monira Hashem are the talk of the town right now, as they tied the knot in a radiant destination wedding outside Dhaka. The musician turned actor and actress kept their relationship a secret for over five years, announcing it to the world only on the day of their wedding.

The Daily Star caught up with the actor to talk about his new innings in life.

**Congratulations. How and where did you meet Shahtaj?**

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**How did you approach her?**

After I was sure that she reciprocated my feelings, I went straight to her mother and told her that I wanted to marry her! Truth be told, more than a couple, we were the closest of friends, having the times of our lives.

**In a way, you displayed quite the traditional behaviour as a couple.**

There is a fine line between being traditional, and being able to do whatever you want.

We were able to keep our relationship on the down-low for 5 years,

because I did not want to pressurize myself or my partner. At the end of the day, we knew that we wanted to be with each

other, and that was enough for us.

**Why did you tie the knot outside of Dhaka?**

My wife (yes, I can say that now!) always wanted a destination of wedding, and I wanted to make her happy. At first, we were supposed to have the wedding at Bangkok, but we couldn't due to the costs. We got married in an intimate setting, with close friends and family. However, we plan to hold a reception in Dhaka in the future, since many of our near and dear ones missed it – for example, Siam bhai could not attend since he was busy promoting “Damal”!

**You and Shahtaj have ‘broken’ a lot of hearts! How are you taking the internet frenzy that you two have caused?**

(Laughs) Indeed! In all seriousness, we adore our fans, and expect the fact that we will be ‘celebrated’. I am having a kick out of some of the hilarious memes that have emerged out of it as well.

I will only request the people who love and follow us, to keep us in your prayers!

## Ananta Jalil learning martial arts for new movie

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The ‘daredevil’ Ananta Jalil has decided to add even more skills to his acting resume, as he is training in martial arts for his upcoming film, “Kill Him”.

The teaser for the film has already caught the attention of audiences, so this added fact is likely to further raise interest in the film. The “Din - The Day” actor will be seen fighting opposite Dhallywood’s popular action hero, Rubel in “Kill Him”.

In an interaction with the media, Ananta Jalil shared his physical transformation for the new movie. “Not only am I bodybuilding for this film, but I am also training in martial arts to make my scenes more realistic,” said the actor.

## Emilia Clarke to play Constance Lloyd in ‘An Ideal Wife’

From fantasy to real life, *Game of Thrones* and *Secret Invasion* actress Emilia Clarke has just landed her next role as the leading character in *Sophie Hyde’s An Ideal Wife*.

The Sophia Hyde directorial will highlight Lloyd’s life as an author and feminist activist, who took part in the dress reform movement, as well as her life with Wilde.

The film is produced by Olivier Delbosch at Paris-based Curiosa Films, Chris Curling at Zephyr Films in the UK, and Matthew Gledhill at Wheelhouse Productions.



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## A teenage cast-off leads

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their sixth European Cup weeks after being piped to the Premier League title on the final day by Manchester City despite racking up 97 points.

The Dutchman lost out on the 2019 Ballon d’Or to Lionel Messi by a handful of votes but earned the recognition of his peers by winning the English PFA Players’ player of the year prize.

A torn ACL sidelined Van Dijk for over nine months and kept him out of Euro 2020, where the Dutch flattered to deceive and exited in the last 16

after cruising through the group stage.

The 2014 World Cup came too soon for Van Dijk, who didn’t make his Netherlands debut until a year later. But the national team’s declining fortunes saw the Oranje miss out entirely on Euro 2016, despite the tournament’s expansion to 24 countries, and the World Cup in Russia.

Van Dijk was working part-time as a dishwasher in a Breda restaurant while in the Willem II academy, and joined Groningen on a free transfer in 2010. Van Dijk made his debut the

next year but was taken seriously ill, aged 20, with peritonitis and kidney poisoning.

Van Dijk soon recovered and impressed once more, but found no suitors among the bigger Dutch clubs, paving the way for his transfer to Celtic in 2013. English club Southampton then came calling after his two seasons in Scotland and Van Dijk’s performances caught the eye of Liverpool.

Shortly after he was named captain of the Netherlands. In Qatar he will finally get his chance on the biggest stage of all.

## Nasrul takes flak

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quick rental power plants. He also wanted to know if bringing electricity from India spending thousands of crores of taka was justified.

“We must not forget that India is causing sufferings to us in various sectors. You are gradually relying on imported power from India. The power sector is at risk due to the dependency on import.”

MP Mokabbir Khan said the power sector is in distress.

“An evil force has grabbed this sector. Listening to the speech of the state minister, it seems to me that he is working as the spokesperson for that force.”

Jatiya Party MP Rowshan Ara Mannan said gas crisis was taking a turn for the worse.

“The situation would not have been like this if we had arranged extraction of gas. Gas is now not available for cooking in Dhaka at daytime,” she said.

BNP lawmaker Rumeen Farhana said it doesn’t matter what the country’s power generation capacity is, but the reality is load

shedding is occurring.

She alleged that massive plundering took place in the form of quick rental power projects that were given impunity.

“Rental power plants are being run shutting those of the government to give an unbelievable amount of money to some individuals,” the MP said.

In his response, State Minister Nasrul said indemnity has been given to rental power plants and the people are “enjoying benefit of this facility”.

He said if the BNP lawmakers submitted written questions to parliament, he would give them written answers.

Earlier, the Bangladesh Oil, Gas and Mineral Corporation Bill, 2022, was passed to expedite exploration of oil, gas and mineral resources in the country.

The new law will replace the Bangladesh Oil, Gas and Mineral Corporation Ordinance, 1985, which was declared void by court as it was promulgated during the regime of a military dictator.

The House passed the bill by voice vote.

## Jail Killing Day today

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Marking the day, President M Abdul Hamid and Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina issued separate messages, paying glowing tributes to them.

In his message, President Abdul Hamid said when Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman was imprisoned in Pakistan jail during the Liberation War, the four national leaders made an outstanding contribution in forming the Mujibnagar government, devising

war strategy and tactics, carrying out administrative activities, conducting the Liberation War, carrying on diplomatic efforts and keeping an eye on refugees to turn the Liberation War into a people’s war in 1971.

“The nation will always remember the contributions of the four national leaders with due respect,” the President added.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, in her message, termed November 3 a stigmatised day in the history of independent

Bangladesh, saying such killing in the jail [a secured place] is unprecedented in the world’s history.

“Through the hateful killings of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib and four national leaders, the defeated forces of Liberation War and anti-state cliques wanted to erase the name of Bangladesh Awami League forever from the soil of Bangladesh, destroy the spirit of Liberation War and make the nation leaderless,” she added.

## Former SC judge alleges assault

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and encircled the car.

“As I rolled down the window to look for the guard, they attacked me. They said I was an agent of the Awami League ... and tore a badge of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman I was wearing,” he said around 8:15pm.

Justice Manik also said the DMP commissioner had called him and said the attackers would be identified from CCTV footage and brought to book.

However, Additional Deputy Commissioner (Motijheel) Enamul Haque Mithu of the DMP said officers visited the spot, but found that the security cameras in the vicinity were off at the time because of a power outage.

Salahuddin Mia, officer-in-charge of Paltan Police Station, last night said Justice Manik’s guard went to the police station to file a case.

The former SC judge said organisers of the procession, including BNP

Secretary General Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir and Senior Joint Secretary General Ruhul Kabir Rizvi, would be made accused in the case.

Contacted, Aminul Islam, member secretary of Dhaka City (North) BNP, said the demonstration was peaceful and he had not heard of any such incident.

Meanwhile, Ekattorer Ghatak Dalal Nirmul Committee yesterday condemned the attack and demanded arrest of the culprits.


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“largest and sole federal party” and yet he was denied fresh elections by the government.

“Everyone knows Mujibur Rahman and his party won the general elections in 1970. Instead of handing over power, a clever politician set Awami League and the army on the collision course... at present, Nawaz Sharif and Asif Zardari are playing a similar role as they are trying to conspire with the establishment to block the PTI’s journey back to power,” he alleged.

Speaking at the rally,

Imran also challenged former Pakistan prime minister and leader of the ruling Pakistan Muslim League (N) Nawaz Sharif to an electoral contest. “Nawaz Sharif I challenge you: when you come back, I will beat you in your constituency!” he thundered.

In the same breath, Imran took former president and Pakistan People’s Party leader Asif Ali Zardari to the task and said that he would be descending on Sindh because the province needed “liberation from his rule...Sindh needs haqiqi azadi, more than any other province”.

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<b>Invitation for Re-Tender</b>			
Ref No. 36.93.0000.510.45.003.22-782		Dated: 02-11-2022	
1	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Industries, Dhaka, Bangladesh.	
2	Agency	Bangladesh Steel & Engineering Corporation (BSEC), Dhaka, Bangladesh.	
3	Procuring entity	Pragoti Industries Ltd., Finlay House (2nd Floor), 11, Agrabad C/A, Chattogram, Bangladesh.	
4	Procuring entity code	-	
5	Procuring entity district	Chattogram.	
6	Invitation for	Hiring 02 (two) Microbuses for transport of PIL's Employees from Residence to Office (Barabkunda, Chattogram), and Office to Residence, through Contractor.	
7	Invitation Ref No. and date	36.93.0000.510.45.003.22-782, Dated: 02-11-2022	
8	Procurement method	Open Tendering Method (OTM).	
9	Budget and source of funds	Pragoti Industries Ltd.'s own fund.	
10	Tender publication date	03-11-2022	
11	Tender last selling date	13-11-2022 (during office hour).	
12	Tender closing date and time	14-11-2022 at 11.30am	
13	Tender opening date and time	14-11-2022 on 11.45am	
14	Name & address of the office selling tender document	i) Cash Section, Pragoti Industries Ltd., Finlay House (2nd Floor), 11, Agrabad C/A, Chattogram	
15	Name & address of the office receiving tender document	Administration Department, Pragoti Industries Limited, Head Office, Finlay House (2nd Floor), 11, Agrabad C/A, Chattogram, Bangladesh.	
16	Name & address of the office opening tender document	Administration Department, Pragoti Industries Limited, Head Office, Finlay House (2nd Floor), 11, Agrabad C/A, Chattogram, Bangladesh.	
17	Eligibility of tenderer a) The minimum number of years of general experience of the tenderer in contracting industries in public sector as prime contractor in providing vehicles (Microbus, 12 Seater) supply service shall be three (3) years. <i>[years counting backward from the date of publication of IFT in the newspaper]</i> b) The minimum specific experience as a prime contractor in providing non-Consultant Service of at least ONE contract of similar nature, complexity and methods/technology completed over a period of 02 (two) years each with a value of at least of Tk 5,00,000.00 (five lac only) shall be required. Contract for providing service will be treated to similar nature.		
18	Brief description of services	As per tender schedule.	
19	Price of tender document (Tk)	2,000/- (two thousand Taka) (non-refundable).	
20	Tender No., location, tender security amount and completion time:		
	Tender No.	Location of services	Tender security amount (Tk)
	36.93.0000.510.45.003.22-782	As per tender schedule	Tk 50,000/- (fifty thousand) for per vehicle (Microbus)
	Dated: 02-11-2022		24 (twenty-four) months from the effective date
21	Name of official inviting tender		
22	Designation of official inviting tender		
23	Address of official inviting tender		
24	Contact details of official inviting tender		
25	The procuring entity reserves the right to reject all tender or annul the tender proceedings.		
Humayun Kabir Head of Administration For: Managing Director			
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