

Justice Gholam Rabbani no more

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Justice Mohammad Gholam Rabbani, a retired judge of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court, died yesterday at the age of 85.

He breathed his last at 12:45pm at a hospital in Dhaka, SC spokesperson Mohammad Saifur Rahman told The Daily Star.

Justice Mohammad Gholam Rabbani left behind his wife, a son and a host of admirers to mourn his death.

Chief Justice Hasan Foez Siddique expressed deep shock at Rabbani's death and prayed for eternal peace for his departed soul and expressed sympathy to the bereaved family.

Justice Gholam Rabbani was appointed as a High Court judge on February 18, 1992 and was elevated as judge of the Appellate Division on January 11, 2001. He retired on January 10, 2002.

A man-made

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find any official to speak on behalf of the company.

Construction worker Kashem Uddin, however, said it has just been a month since they started installing the manhole covers.

Contacted, Forkan Hossain, councillor of ward-28 under DNCC, said, "The road has very important public structures including schools, colleges, hospitals and offices. We have already instructed the contractor to complete the work as soon as possible."



Abdul Hakim, who's in his eighties, makes a living by collecting plastic trash in Dhaka University area. After five or six days of collecting, he takes these bags to Chankharpul and sells the plastic for Tk 20 to 25 per kilo to scrap-recycle shops. This photo was taken in front of Curzon Hall yesterday.

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EC to send letter to president over NID service shifting

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The Election Commission will send a letter to President Abdul Hamid communicating the concern of its secretariat officials over the shifting of all NID services from the commission to the home ministry.

Election Commissioner Md Alamgir said they will let the president know about Bangladesh Election Commission Officers Association's memorandum submitted to it over the shifting.

While talking to reporters at his office, the election commissioner further said the EC would send the letter for the president's consideration.

In October this year, the cabinet approved in principle the draft of the National Identity Registration Act 2022, aiming to give the job of issuing national identity (NID) cards to the home ministry.

In May 2021, the Prime Minister's Office instructed the cabinet division to take necessary steps in this regard.

Since then, Bangladesh Election Commission Officers Association has been expressing concern about the issue and also demanding to keep NID services under the EC.

The association said it is logical that NID services are provided by the EC as the NID card is being prepared by taking inputs from the database of the voter list. Preparing the voter list and NID cards are integrally related, which also saves public money, it added.

Justice denied

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said the owners of garment factories should understand that profits will only sustain if they ensure proper facilities for those who are working there.

Samina Lutfa, a teacher in the sociology department at Dhaka University, said it has been 10 years since the fire took hundreds of lives.

"In the end, the deceased

workers turned into just numbers as the authorities failed to ensure the rights of their families. The government has been an utter failure in terms of taking initiatives for the welfare of RMG workers," she added.

Taslina Akhter, president of Bangladesh Garment Sramik Sanghati, presided over the programme.

Anita Chowdhury

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"Square Mata (the Mother of Square Group)", Anita was the mother of Samuel S Chowdhury, chairman of Square Group; Ratna Patra, vice-chairman of Square Pharmaceuticals; Tapan Chowdhury, its managing director; and Anjan Chowdhury, managing director of Square Toiletries.

Anita was born on August 5, 1932 in Cumilla and settled in Pabna's Ataikula with her father -- who worked as a postmaster in Pabna in the 40s -- at a very young age.

She married Samson H Chowdhury on August 6, 1947. She is survived by her children, grandchildren and a host of well-wishers.

Let's see who's

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on the platform. Chairperson of the sub-committee Shahabuddin Chuppu, Telecommunication Minister Mustafa Jabbar, publicity and publication secretary Dr Abdus Sobhan