

ILLEGAL BRICK KILNS ON RIVERS

HC summons Khulna DC, UNO

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The High Court yesterday summoned Khulna DC and Dumuria UNO on January 10, 2023, for not complying with its directives of removing illegal brick kilns from Bhadra and Hori rivers.

DC Md Moniruzzaman Talukder and UNO Sharif Ahik Rahman have been ordered to appear before the HC bench of Justice Md Mozibur Rahman Miah and Justice Kazi Md Ejarul Haque Akondo.

The bench issued the order following a contempt of court petition filed by

Human Rights and Peace for Bangladesh. Petitioner’s counsel Manzill Murshid said following the petition, the HC on December 14 last year directed the DC and UNO to demolish 14 illegal kilns within the boundaries of the rivers and submit a compliance report in 60 days.

But satellite image and a newspaper report revealed that most of them are still operating there, he said.

The rights body submitted the petition following a report by The Daily Star on February 12, 2021, titled “Brick Kilns in Khulna’s Dumuria: United they kill rivers”.

Lung, breast cancers most prevalent

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“One of the big reasons behind overall higher treatment costs in our country is the financial burden cancer puts on patients. The state should put more attention here. While medical science has enormously progressed, we are still lagging behind,” he said.

construction cancer hospitals in eight divisional headquarters, he said, “Still we have a big gap.” We need to train our workforce.”

Speaking at the event, Prof Robed Amin, director of the non communicable disease control unit at the health directorate, stressed on a “population-based” study to know the nationwide cancer

prevalence.

“There has been no nationwide study since the World Health Organization’s one in 2013. We have requested it to do another. [Because], it is important,” Prof Robed said.

He said, “There is a huge gap between the required and existing diagnostic capacity in the country.”

Death anniv of Prof Khan Sarwar Murshid

STAR REPORT

Today is the 10th death anniversary of eminent education a l i s t , diplomat and intellectual Prof Khan Sarwar Murshid.

On the occasion, wreaths will be placed at his grave at the capital’s Mirpur Martyred Intellectuals’ Graveyard at 10:30am. Besides, prayers will be offered and food will be distributed among the destitute, said a press release.



Born in 1924, Murshid was at the forefront of the Language Movement of 1952, the Mass Uprising of 1969, the Six-Point Movement and the Liberation War of 1971.

During the Liberation War, he was a member of the planning commission of the Mujibnagar government in exile.

In his illustrious diplomatic career, Murshid served as the Bangladesh high commissioner to Poland and Hungary.

Murshid was the first chairman of Transparency International, Bangladesh (TIB) and a former vice chancellor of Rajshahi University.

EC serves

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Officials said Ganatantry Party and Bangladesh Kalyan Party responded to the letter in the last month.

The reviewing process is taking place centring the next national election likely to be held in late December 2023 or early January 2024.

In the letter, the EC asked whether the parties are abiding by the law and if they ensured 33 percent of female leadership at their central and other committees.

For registration, a party needs to meet at least one criterion out of three, including securing at least one seat with its electoral symbol in any parliamentary election held since Bangladesh’s independence.

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its rights on the vast sea areas from neighbouring India and Myanmar by maintaining friendly relations following the foreign policy “Friendship to all, malice to none” formulated by Bangabandhu.

She also inaugurated a jetty of Bangladesh Navy and unveiled the cover of “Bangabandhu and Navy’s Journey in 50 Years”.

Chief of Naval Staff Admiral M Shaheen Iqbal delivered the welcome speech.

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the embassy of Korea