### Habibullah Khan no more CITY DESK

Former Information Minister Habibullah Khan passed away

on Saturday at a Dhaka hospital. Ĥabibullah was also

a former jute minister. Besides, he served as the first ambassador of Bangladesh in South Africa.

His namaz-e-janaza will be held on January 10 after Johr prayers at Gulshan Azad Mosque, said a press release. He will be buried at Azimpur Graveyard in the capital.

### Seven cops withdrawn after accused escapes from police custody STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Seven cops have been withdrawn from Chattogram court and attached to the district police lines in Halishahar after a drug accused managed to escape from police custody on Thursday evening.

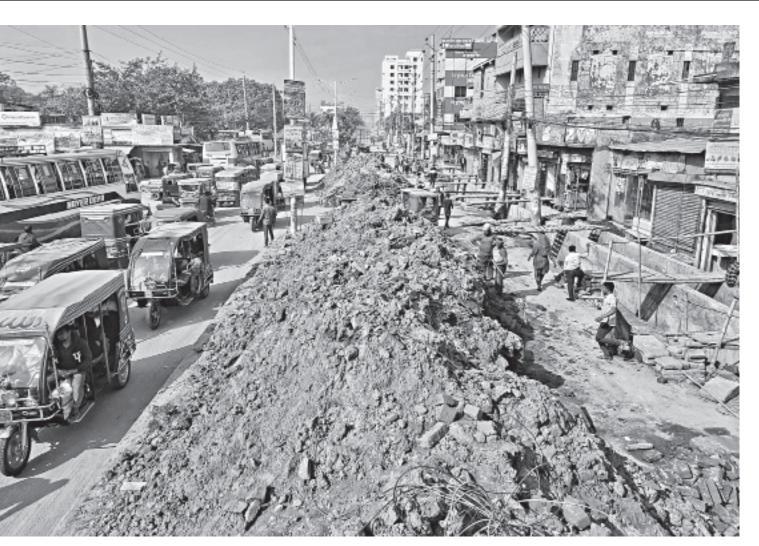
Following the escape of the accused, police filed a case with the city's Kotwali Police Station.

The accused, Md Bacchu (60) is still at large.

Chattogram district police's Additional Superintendent of police (crime and operation) Sudipta Sarkar said, "Due to their negligence, the seven cops were withdrawn and a probe committee has been formed .... "

Court sources said Bacchu was arrested along with 1,000 yaba pills by police from a bus at Gachbaria check post in Chandanish upazila on Wednesday. Later police sent him to court on Thursday. After hearing, he was ordered to be sent to jail and was taken to the court lockup.

However, he managed to



As the city's drainage renovation under Khulna City Corporation goes on in slow pace, commuters suffer long hours on the road, waiting in traffic. This photo was taken in front of Khulna's Sonadanga Bus Terminal yesterday afternoon. PHOTO: HABIBUR RAHMAN

The secretary came back

after a few minutes and

said the plane could be

## The plane that brought

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THE JOURNEY

Bangabandhu

to carry Mujib.

Quest for Freedom and

Justice", eminent jurist and

politician Dr Kamal Hossain

Pakistan and accompanied

Pakistan to Dhaka via

London and Delhi -- shed

light on how the British

authorities extended their

hands by arranging the jet

who was also in jail in

seats.

After arriving in London, by DAN-AIR was still fine. Bangabandhu met then UK The cockpit was present, Prime Minister Sir Edward but there were no passenger Heath.

At one stage, Heath asked Bangabandhu, "Is In his book,"Bangladesh: there anything else we can do for you?"

Bangabandhu promptly replied, "Yes, you can do one more favour. If you could kindly help us with a plane from to take us to Bangladesh as soon as possible.'

Heath's response was positive. He instructed his secretary to see if the British prime minister's plane could be made ready and available.

## Just shows how judiciary

trust."

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Court and subordinate BJAF Secretary General courts have further eroded Barrister Kayser Kamal sent independence and signed the statement, convicted in fictitious and accountability. As a saying that neither the first result, the judiciary is not information report nor the convicted in a money perceived as independent, charge sheet alleged that laundering case, in which escape from there, evading | impartial and efficient and Zubaida aided her husband he was originally acquitted, suffers from low public

jail.

"And so, we were able to leave by 7:00am on January 9. There were two stops, at RAF bases in Cyprus and Sharjah for refuelling,

next morning.

before we landed in Delhi to go to Dhaka," Dr Kamal wrote in the book. The plane landed in Dhaka around 1:44pm on

January 10, 1972, while a rapturous welcome awaited Bangabandhu.

#### the statement read.

In the process, Begum Khaleda Zia has been cases. Tarique has been retiring age, resigned; and Zubaida

# New law

FROM PAGE 3 the according to Constitution, the president now appoints judges to the

"In the case of appointment of judges, disqualification In this case, if a specific law is made for the appointment law. of judges, there will be no

criteria are not mentioned. new Election Commission

opportunity to question appointment of High Court appointment," judges was also supposed the he added. to be enacted. But it hasn't

happened yet. JP MP Pir Fazlur Rahman said there was no law on the appointment he can assure that the of an Election government is working is Commissioner. Last year to enact a law on the mentioned, but eligibility this law was passed and a appointment of judges. was formed based on the

## Pension bill for SC judges

FROM PAGE 3 retirement resignation or removal, be paid a pension in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance if he or she has completed not less than five years of service for pension and attained the retiring age; or completed not less than ten years of service for pension and, before attaining the

for pension and, before respectively for justice or attaining the retiring additional justice. either resigned, age. his resignation having Tk 5 lakh as family gratuity and Tk 1.40 lakh for annual been medically certified to be necessitated by ill pension while amount for health, or been removed for physical or mental lakh respectively for justice incapacity.

The chief justice will will get Tk 20,000 if the get Tk 4.50 lakh as injury gratuity and Tk 1.50 lakh mother is not alive while Khan, health officer for for annual pension while Tk 12,000 if the mother is Barishal division, said, amount for both is Tk

"At that time, all

## Road crashes have

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22.74 percent higher than police to curb crashes. the numbers in 2021. Asked about the rise,

Enayet said, "Although the number of deaths has buses of Ena Paribahan, increased, crashes have come down "

He said the number of deaths would not decrease unless operation of locallymade three-wheelers like Enayet said 1,643 buses Nosiman and Koriman is stopped on highways.

When an accident involving Nosiman, Koriman occurred, all passengers on board got killed, he said. "So, the number of accidents decreased, not increased, but the number of deaths has gone up."

of his claim, he said, "The gone down as per our conductors provide tickets statistics. I didn't bring the relevant papers, but of the information we get regularly."

recommendation, given by a committee led by Shajahan Khan, has to of overcharging. be implemented, and the new system will be controlled by highway discipline," he added.

Later, the minister said

The HC judges are

The chief justice will get

both is Tk 4 and Tk 1.20

The children of justices

or additional justice.

When a reporter said there is an allegation of over-speeding against owned by Enayet, he refuted it. "This is propaganda

against me." SECOND PHASE OF **E-TICKETING** 

under 30 Mirpur-based companies introduced e-ticketing on November 13 last year. He claimed that the system has been "70 to 75 percent successful".

For the second phase, 711 buses under 15 companies will be brought under the e-ticketing system from today. With the 711, a total Asked about the basis of 2,354 buses will come under the e-ticketing number of accidents have system, under which bus

using a POS machine. He said they have a target I'm saying this on the basis to bring all 5,650 buses under 97 companies under the system within the next He said the 111-point month and are hopeful about meeting the target. "There were allegations The stop speed of vehicles must overcharging and bring

### Cold taking

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children are being admitted daily at the facility on an average.

Seven children have died in the hospital last week from cold-related diseases, said the hospital's Director Dr Saiful Islam.

To deal with the rise in number patients, 71-new beds were dedicated for children yesterday.

'But there are only five child specialists and 15 nurses at the pediatric unit of the hospital currently. The number is not enough. Hopefully, this situation will improve soon," said Dr Saiful.

In a recent visit, this newspaper saw hundreds of patients taking treatment at the outdoor facilities, and on the floors of different wards. The beds were shared by more than one patient.

Dr Humayun Shaeen Besides. Sher-e-Bangla

admitted at different

Pneumonia is still the

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made ready by 7:00am the High Court.

now being appointed as per article 95(2) of the Similarly, a law for the Constitution.

than five years of service 4.50 and Tk 1.40 lakh

eves of the law enforcers.



SL No.	Name of the items	Schedule Price (Non-refundable)
1	Supply of Medicine	Tk.1000
2	Buffet Fuel	Tk.1000
3	Lines & Towel	Tk.2000

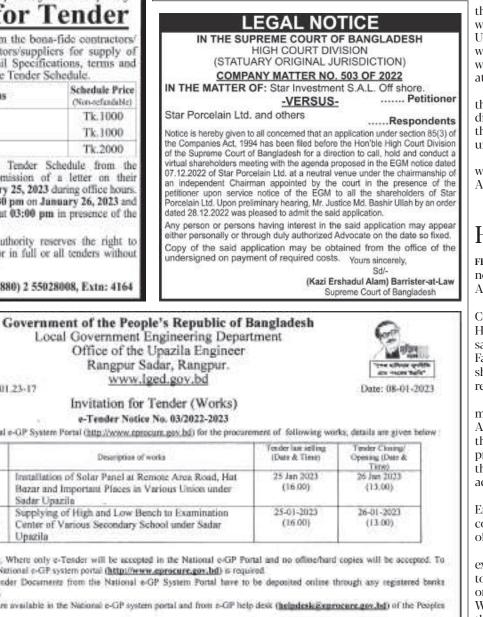
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in preparing the wealth statement that Tarique had implicated in the false case, submitted from inside the BJAF said in the statement.

"A judiciary must not They also did not bring allow itself to be a tool any allegation of her agency for legitimising illegal centring the statement's political actions and must submission to the Anti- not be subservient to any Corruption Commission, government," it mentioned.



## Govt overcame many hurdles

The

pandemic.

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FROM PAGE 3 or find another site for its involved with this project turning. Now it is done that were killed.

way." The PM also mentioned that the metro-rail project was obstructed at Dhaka University area by students once to the then Japanese who said the infrastructure would destroy the academic atmosphere of the institute. Japan I met the family "I assured them members of the seven that there would be no disturbance, as it will go said.

through a corner of the university area," she said. Hasina said the project was stopped after the Holey Artisan attack, in which

Human chain FROM PAGE 5

not in the advice of others," Ajay said. Dhaka

Corporation councillor Hasibur Rahman Manik said they want justice for Faisal. The foreign ministry should take action in this regard, he added. When asked about the matter, Foreign Minister AK Abdul Momen said the US has a good judicial process and the authorities there will surely take action.

Meanwhile, the US Embassy extended condolences to the family of Faisal.

US Embassy "The extends its condolences to the family and loved ones of Mr Saved Faisal. We support calls for a thorough and transparent investigation by the District Attorney's Office," US Embassy Spokesperson Jeff Ridenour said in a statement yesterday.

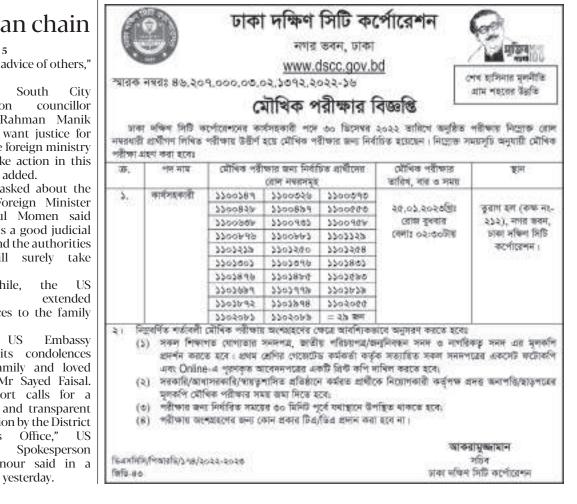
Medical College, around 3,321 children have been Barishal hospitals since November." seven Japanese nationals progressed slowly using videoconferencing the

main cause of death of system." children aged under five in Hasina urged all to Bangladesh. Japanese people went carefully use the metro According back to their homeland. I rail, which uses the most icddr,b, around 12,000 expressed condolences at modern technology. "I will children under five die of request all to use the rail Prime Minister Shinzo with utmost care, as this Abe, and while visiting is the asset of the whole country and its people." She said the government

deceased officials," she is constructing an underpass to go from the PM recalled airport railway station that the project faced to the airport, with obstacles again during modern facilities for the "But convenience of passengers during that time, the work and hajj pilgrims.

pneumonia every year. But if intervened timely, many lives can be saved easily, according to the experts. То avoid death. physicians urge parents to take extra caution if any

child shows symptoms including cough, cold or high fever, and breathing problems



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e-Tender is invited in the National e-GP System Portal (http://www.eprocum.pay.hd) for the procurement of following works, datails are given below

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1. 774523 (NF-2020- 21-558549-01			Installation of Solar Panel at Remote Area Road, Hat Bazar and Important Places in Various Union under Sadar Upazila	25 Jan 2023 (16.00)	26 Jun 2023 (13.00)	
2	774524	INF-2020- 21-558549-02	Supplying of High and Low Bench to Examination Center of Various Secondary School under Sadar Upazila	25-01-2023 (16:00)	26-01-2023 (13:00)	

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