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The legendary Nayak Raj Razzak ruled over the silver screen and the hearts of audiences with his memorable performances. From *Rongbaaz* to *Bhulba*, the actor created an indomitable place in the film industry, with movies that can only be called classics. He wasn't just an actor, but also a fatherly figure to the entire film industry.

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Razzak was a philosopher: Alamgir

Nayak Raj Razzak was a friend and philosopher, who guided me throughout my journey in the industry. I first got to meet him in 1972, when he was my co-artist on my first film, *Amar Jonmabhumi*.

Although there was an age difference between us, we still shared a wonderful relationship. I took his passion and dedication for acting to heart.

Watching him, I learned that one should strive for any role, no matter how big or small. The character has to be properly captured in a performer's heart. Then, you have to

go in front of the camera and give your best performance.

I didn't learn acting through pen and paper, I learned it from the long and meaningful conversations with Razzak bhai.

Razzak bhai was my guardian: Nutan

I wouldn't have become an artiste if it wasn't for Razzak bhai. He was like a father figure to me and he acted as a guardian angel for the entire film industry.

Usually, I was cast as the second lead in



Ilias Kanchan



Nutan



Alamgir

many movies. However, Razzak bhai would cast me as the lead in most of the films he directed and produced.

People still talk about *Kabin, Malamoti, Mister Mowla*—where we acted together. He was a very down to earth person.

Razzak bhai played the role of my father: Babita

When I was in the sixth grade, Zahir Raihan bhai offered me a role in his film. Initially, I refused, but then I finally agreed to play the role of Razzak bhai and Suchanda apa's daughter in *Shongsar*.

He was our film mentor. The current condition of the industry is not great. If Razzak bhai was alive, maybe we could have all rushed to him for support.

We worked together in *Chadli Suraj* and since then, we made countless, beautiful memories together.

He used to love me like his own son. When he was ill and I visited him, he began to cry and hug me, which ended up making me cry as well.

Nayak Raj Razzak is the only one who ruled over our film industry.

Turns out

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On November 27, last year, Kuddus filed a case with a Dhaka court accusing Nasir of murdering his daughter for dowry.

The court charged the PBI Dhaka unit with conducting the investigation, and Sub Inspector Bishojith Biswas was assigned as the investigation officer.

The IO stated that during the course of the investigation, they discovered a phone number that was used to communicate with Parul before she went missing.

"Even though it was Kuddus's number, he always denied having it, which made me even more suspicious of his involvement in Parul's disappearance," the IO told The Daily Star.

At one point, Kuddus attempted to mislead the investigation by claiming his daughter was actually with his associate Moka Mondal, a convicted robber who served a 12 year prison sentence.

However, after being grilled, both Kuddus and Moka admitted to strangling Parul to death on the bank of the Tulshiganga river in Joypurhat's Panchbibi seven years ago.

They said they took Parul to Joypurhat and told her she had to stay hidden from Nasir. After a long journey and nearly an entire day without food, Parul was unable to put up much resistance when she was strangled to death.

"During primary interrogation, Kuddus admitted to PBI that he killed his daughter as she disgraced her family by eloping with a man that he did not approve of," the IO said.

Parul was the brightest among all siblings and her father had high hopes for her education and success, he said.

On Friday, the PBI chief said Kuddus made a confessional statement before a magistrate under Section 164 of Code of Criminal Procedure.

Peru closes Machu Picchu as protesters arrested in Lima

AFP, Lima

that was established based on the Bangladesh Energy Regulatory Act 2003 with the view to improving the power and energy infrastructure in the country. The law was amended thrice in the past.

Deploying the ordinance, the power ministry has so far increased the price of electricity at the consumers' end by 5 percent and the hiked the gas tariffs for industries and power plants by 14.5 percent to 178.8 percent.

The cabinet on November 28 last year approved the BERC Ordinance 2022 to empower the government to set fuel tariffs on its own under special circumstances without waiting for the commission's public hearing and decision.

Before the amendment, BERC adjusted the prices of gas and electricity through hearings.

BERC is an autonomous body

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