

## Social media celebrities will soon become TAGORES AND NAZRULS

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A recent, very confidential study has projected that very soon, Bangladesh will become home to not one, not two, but very many Nazruls, Tagores and Shakespeares.

The authors of the study came to this conclusion after its authors found countless social media sensations publishing their books in every book fair of this land of latent talents.

In fact, the count is so countless that the entire area of the book fair sometimes fails to accommodate the writers.

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sheer number of social media celebrities means that you have to that critical mass." have a healthy wallet if you don't want to miss the literary works of viral and becomes a Facebook these sensations.

confidential research shows that Pathok Aschorjo, who eagerly 99 percent of people who went even remotely viral over the last 10 years ended up being either a writer or a motivational speaker.

"It's just the numbers game," said the very confidential lead author of the study. "If a

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with social media celebrities after

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This Satireday correspondent

optimism.

author of the stature of Nazrul People often get puzzled when or Tagore. You know that saying deciding whose book to buy. The about monkeys and typewriters, sweet and therefore, they call me right? Bangladesh will soon reach

"As someone new goes celebrity, I see the faces of Nazrul Recent data of the very and Rabindranath in his face,"

million people start writing and asked about when he thought publishing, one will become an he could be a writer, Zero Alom, a Facebook-viral singer said, "People think that my voice is the 'voice of Bangladesh'. I am not a fool who will spend my talents on just one thing. Acting and writing a book are just my second and third big talents respectively. Just wait for my fourth one."

When asked why a motivational speaker should be a writer too, Bholamon Bhubon, country's unparalleled motivational speaker, said, "Bangladeshi people are basically Amir Khan of Ghajini. They forget everything they hear, even my speech. So, I decided to write it down for their convenience."

When asked how Facebook helped him be a modern writer, Sellman, who holds the record for being the most controversial figure, said, "Actually, Facebook showed me the way to get into the ocean of literature. Every time people called my name for my post they didn't agree with, I learned a new Bangla word that eventually enriched my knowledge and made me a writer."

Shakespeare, Tagore, Nazrul and other prominent figures were lucky that they did not have to compete with the modern writers. If they were alive today, they would have to be a social media celebrity first to be a good writer later. With so many other things to do, would Shakespeare be able to write Hamlet, Tagore Geetaniali or Nazrul Bidrohi?

## 'I call him Bhai but found that he is actually younger'

MANSHOMMAN CORRESPONDENT

A man's world came crashing down around him when he found out recently that a colleague, who he used to address as "Bhai", was actually younger. "My whole world view has changed and this will affect my career," said Abul Hashem, the older man by six and a half months.

The younger "Bhai" is a man called Rony Zaman. "I used to think that this guy, who has been working here for a year longer than me, was much

I actually knew I was younger than him all along," Rony said. "But I actually thought that he must really respect me because even though he is older, he calls me Bhai. And you know, now it's too late. You can't reverse this. Now that would be really awkward.

older." said Abul.

Because he thought the colleague was older, Abul said that he treated him with more respect than he deserved

"So, now he thinks that he can order me around, but I am older. I am actually older. What do I do? Should I actually start calling him by his name. It has always been Rony Bhai, how can I change that?" an exasperated Abul asked.

Rony, meanwhile, thought that it was not that big a deal.

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is older, he calls me Bhai. And you know, now it's too late. You can't reverse this. Now that would be really awkward.

"Besides, this has been good for my career at this firm, I am more confident all of a sudden."

In related news, some have said that it's the content of one's character and their ability that should garner respect, not the date they were born. The problem, however, is that those who say this are often very young, and have very few people calling them "Bhai" or "Apa".

## Biscuit company goes broke after blowing budget on packaging

SELF-RISING CORRESPONDENT

A biscuit company shut down recently because, according to officials, they blew their whole budget on hiring designers to come up with an attractive packet. "We had a grand vision to take our

company to number 1," said Attaboy, the CEO of Market Cracker and Sons.

"After years of being at the forefront of biscuits, and biscuit-related things, we started to slip during the

pandemic," he said. "People started how the packets would making their own biscuits at And home.

purchasing powers declined."

Attaboy then said the head of his marketing team, Iknow Trenz, came up with a great idea

"Well, marketing team is stretching it," Attaboy said. "Trenz had just one other guy working under him, and that was the problem. Trenz said the problem was not with the biscuits, but visibility.

"He wanted to hire more people in his team so that they could work on how to get 'some of that word of mouth going'. He wanted to focus more on

look

store shelves. We hired 53 people to come up with new designs for the package, including one with a microchip that would enable the packet of biscuits to literally jump out of store shelves at nearby customers.

A former employee wishing to remain unnamed (although we don't know why, he is obviously not working at Market Cracker anymore) said that is where the problem began.

"Obviously Iknow Trenz

just wanted to have more people under him so he could beef up his resume and look good on the socials," the unnamed employee said, and then leaned in to whisper: "Iknow Trenz doesn't really know trends, you know?"

Anyway, long-story-short and word-countalmost-reached, soon factory workers started quitting and leaving for other jobs because they weren't given raises while the

company were hiring people



realised that we had no flour to produce any more biscuits. And we had literally no money left in the budget to order a new batch. Trenz said it would be cheaper for us to shut down, and I trust him, he knows trends," said CEO

Contacted, Trenz said there was nothing to worry about, because he had already struck a deal to take his designs to another

company. "The new company sees me as the shining light in a failed organisation. Now that's what you call packaging."