

Noorjahan Begum passes away

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Noorjahan Begum, mother of BNP's assistant training affairs secretary and former MP Rehana Akter Ranu, died yesterday. She was 78.

She suffered a heart attack on Thursday and breathed her last around 11:45am yesterday while undergoing treatment at a city hospital, Ranu told the news agency.

Noorjahan left behind her five sons, four daughters and a host of relatives to mourn her death.

BNP Secretary General Mirza Fakhru Islam Alamgir expressed deep shock at her death. In a condolence message, Fakhru prayed for the salvation of the departed soul and conveyed his profound sympathy to the bereaved family members.

A window into world

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of the language is a must in this regard."

Another translator, Alam Khorshed said, "Translated version of literature is in high demand in the country. However, along the way, there are quite a few issues as well. The writer who translates books should also have

knowledge on literature."

Robin Ahsan, publisher of Sraon Prokashoni, said, "We have to give special importance to translation so that we can offer world literature to our readers. Publishers need to pay extra attention to translated literature while translators have to be more skilled themselves."

National footballer

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the spot and asked Abul and his family to settle the feud as soon as possible.

"We have also told the local public representatives to resolve the ongoing dispute between the two families. If it is not settled within a short time, we would go for legal action", said the OC.

Shahab Uddin Bhuiyan, chairman of Chandipasha union parishad, said he tried to talk sense to Abul on several occasions, but he didn't budge.

"We'll try to solve the matter as soon as possible."

Abul denied causing any trouble to Mili's family, and said he rather has a friendly relation with them.

Rabindranath

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of censorship and repression" in Bangladesh.

The sculpture portrayed Tagore holding a book that had a nail pierced through it, while his mouth was taped. The DU authorities removed the sculpture on Thursday, claiming it represented "the degradation of culture".

Soon after, the students placed a banner at the site of the removed sculpture which read, "Gum Hoya Gelen Rabindranath" (Rabindranath has disappeared).



Vans have taken over the entrance to the capital's Babubazar bridge. These three-wheelers stay parked at the spot to take passengers across the bridge, and in the process, block the way for large and small vehicles. This photo was taken yesterday.

PHOTO: ANISUR RAHMAN

BFDS gets new executive committee



Rumi

Raj

STAR REPORT

The executive committee of Bangladesh Federation of Dental Science (BFDS) was formed during a programme at Lazzpally Convention Hall on February 17, said a press release.

Md Raquibul Hossain Rumi and Md Asafujjohar Raj were nominated as president and general secretary, respectively.

Besides, ABM Abdullah, Humayun Kabir Bulbul, Mosharraf Hossain Khandkar, Akram Parvez, Md Shafi Ullah, Waheduzzaman Tamal, Jalal Uddin, Labuda Sultana, Md Rabiul Hossain Rabi, Sujoy Das Gupta, Saiful Islam, Sajedul Asif, Saifullah Sarwar, Shamsuzzaman Babu and Shafiu Rahman Parag were nominated for various posts.

The English version of the book "JUDHO O NARI" being selected by the WHO as one of the best research in 2002 is now in English as "WAR AND WOMEN" - available in ANKUR PRAGASHANI stall in Ekushe Book Fair. The Writer Dr. M A Hasan is Bangla Academy Award Winner. Book launching & discussion would be on 23 Feb, in Lakeshore Hotel

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A municipality

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banning the unplanned disposal of wastes around the riverbed.

Since then, wastes are being dumped on the highway, as the municipality has no dumping ground.

"Strong stench coming from the waste and fly infestation has made this residential area unliveable. We cannot even open the windows because of the stench," said Kalam Talukder, a local.

While most renters have chosen to relocate to other neighbouring areas, the elderly living in Dakshin Bongo Briddhashram -- just 100 yards away from the main entrance to the area -- have no other option but to live in this unhealthy environment, said Zakir

Hossain, director of the old home.

Meanwhile, kerosene is used to burn garbage, which is detrimental to the environment, said Dr Ekramul Nahid, municipality medical officer.

Contacted, Patuakhali Municipal Mayor Mohiuddin Ahmed said a dumping ground is being constructed on 16 acres of land located on the other side of Laukathi river in Lohalia at a cost of around Tk 27 lakh.

However, it's not possible to transport the waste materials as the bridge connecting the two areas is still under construction. "Once the bridge is ready, we will ensure that waste is disposed of in a planned manner," he added.

Keep train speed

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Besides, trains plying at high speed creates high noise. It affects normal movement of wild animals, said the documents.

The national park consists of 167 species of trees, 59 reptile species, 246 bird species, 20 mammal species, and 22 amphibian species.

Envoys happy

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Masdupuy and Indonesian Ambassador Heru Hartanto Subolo reached Bhasan Char on a helicopter around 10:30am.

They were accompanied by UN Resident Coordinator Gwyn Lewis, UN High Commissioner for Refugees Representative Johannes Van Der Klaauw and World Food Program Officer-in-Charge Simone

Lawson Parchment.

Humayun Kabir, officer-in-charge (OC) of Bhasan Char Police Station, said the delegation, including the ambassadors of four countries, monitored the overall situation from 11:00am to 3:00pm.

They also talked to Rohingyas about their facilities, living standards and other issues, added the OC.

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