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"We heard the sounds of gunshots being fired from the Indian side and subsequently came to know that Babu was shot dead by the BSF," he said.

Lt Col Md Rafiqul Islam, a commandant at Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB)-20 battalion, confirmed the incident, saying that the body was yet to be handed over to them from the BSF.

A flag meeting will be held soon in this regard, he added.

2 BCL leaders

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Rajib Hossain Robin, vice-president of Shaheed Sergeant Zahurul Huq Hall BCL, were expelled for breaching discipline and tarnishing the organisation's image, said a party press release yesterday.

On Friday, a Dhaka court sent the duo to jail in a case filed with Shahbagh Police Station after police arrested them from Suhrawardy Udayan for allegedly extorting four people while posing as police officials Thursday night.

Similarly on February 12, the BCL expelled 21 leaders and activists, 15 of whom were of the DU unit, for violating organisational discipline.

According to BCL insiders, they were expelled after being accused of mugging and fighting for dominance in dormitories.

Five of the 15 expelled DU BCL activists were also suspended by the university.

The DU administration is yet to take academic action against Emon and Robin.

"Following an investigation, we will take disciplinary action against the accused students in accordance with university rules," said DU Proctor AKM Golam Rabbani.



Rescuers carry the body of a victim at the site of a collapsed building, in the aftermath of a deadly earthquake, in Antakya, Turkey, yesterday.

PHOTO: REUTERS

PM to open

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the ECNEC's approval.

DNCC and Bangladesh Army (24th Engineer Construction Brigade) implemented the project at a cost of around Tk 1,012 crore.

According to the project details, the flyover looks like the English alphabet 'Y'. The previously four-lane roads have been widened to six lanes in view to ease passenger commute.

The main four-lane flyover runs from ECB Square towards Kalshi and Mirpur DOHS, while a two-lane ramp descends from Kalshi intersection to Kalshi Road.

According to DNCC, the project also includes an extension of a PC girder bridge, the construction of two-foot over-bridges, a public toilet, two police

boxes, a 7.40km RCC drain and saucer drain, a 1,755 metre RCC pipe drain, a retaining wall, 3,383-metre communication duct, 8,00,000 linear metre sand compaction pile, separate cycle lane, and six bus bays.

The project is expected to ease travel among the areas of Mirpur, Mirpur DOHS, Pallabi, Kalshi, Mahakali, Banani, Uttara and Airport.

Microsoft's

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create a deadly virus, or to be alive -- have gone viral this week.

"I think this is basically mimicking conversations that it's seen online," said Graham Neubig, an associate professor at Carnegie Mellon University's language technologies institute.

India lashes out

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that their definition, their preferences, their views must override everything else," he said.

Indian tax authorities raided the BBC's offices in New Delhi and Mumbai just weeks after the broadcaster aired a documentary on Modi's actions during deadly sectarian riots in 2002.

Jaishankar singled out philanthropist Soros, who recently highlighted Modi's close ties with fraud-accused businesses run by ally Gautam Adani and suggested that while India was a democracy, Modi "is no democrat".

Jaishankar denounced the 92-year-old Hungarian-born financier as "old, rich, opinionated and dangerous" and someone who "still thinks that his views should determine how the entire world works."

"He actually thinks that it doesn't matter that this is a country of 1.4 billion people -- we are almost that -- whose voters decide how the country should run."

Soros has long funded projects promoting transparency and democracy, making him the subject of countless conspiracy theories and politically motivated

attacks.

"People like him think an election is good if the person we want to see wins. If the election throws up a different outcome, then we actually will say it's a flawed democracy," Jaishankar said.

The BBC documentary explored Modi's time as chief minister of Gujarat state during religious riots that killed at least 1,000 people, most of them minority Muslims.

The programme cited a British foreign ministry report claiming that Modi met senior police officers and "ordered them not to intervene" in anti-Muslim violence by right-wing Hindu groups.

The two-part series featured a BBC interview with Modi shortly after the riots, in which he was asked whether he could have handled the matter differently.

Modi responded that his main weakness was not knowing "how to handle the media".

Modi's Hindu nationalist Bharatiya Janata Party says the two -- the documentary and the raids -- are not connected, but rights groups say the BBC raids this week show the parlous state of press freedom in the world's biggest democracy.

Rampal power price

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"Also, the dollar exchange rate is about Tk 106 now, up from Tk 84 at the time of the implementation agreement," an official said, preferring anonymity.

Recently, local conglomerate Bashundhara

won a contract to supply

8 million tonnes of coal at \$232.33 per tonne under the index of ICI-2 to reach the product up to the jetty of the power plant, a source at the BIFPCL revealed.

The Unit-1 of the

Rampal coal-fired plant

resumed production

from Wednesday after a month-long shutdown caused by

coal shortage.

The plant is still under

a test run that started in

August.

Though the plant

has resumed its partial

production, officials

still worry about its

uninterrupted operation

due to the dollar crisis

that may again disrupt the

supply of foreign exchange required for import of coal for the plant is not under their control.

The official said another

consignment of

50,000 tonnes of coal is also coming to the country soon.

With the current stock of coal, the plant can run until April this year, said the project director, adding that the unit-1 needs about 4,500 coal per day to keep it operational with full capacity.

"Unit-2 is expected to come into operation in June this year, and at that time it will require about 9,000 tonnes of coal per day," the official of the project said.

He said though the unit-1 is now under test run as the government's policy level, LC opening was allowed for importing coal and the supplier sent a consignment of 30,000 tonnes.

BIFPCL officials said the

accused have gone into hiding and police are looking for them, he added.

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Woman pregnant

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Rekha, mother of a four-year-old child, died because of the doctors' negligence during the operation around 1:00am on Friday.

She was 13 weeks into her pregnancy, police said.

Her husband Mahbub

Alam, a labourer, filed a case accusing the hospital's Managing Director Rafiqul Islam, physicians Arif Robbani and Ashraful Haque Mollah, and three others, said Shah Kamal Akanda, officer-in-charge of Kotwali Model Police Station.

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Quader warns BCL activists

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Referring to the trials of the Biswajit murder case and Buet student Abrar Fahad murder case, he said, "Sheikh Hasina does not spare any criminals. Were the killers of Biswajit and Abrar spared because of their Chhatra League identity? No."

Quader, also the road, transport and bridges minister, said, "I have told the home minister that only expelling them from the party will not do. They will have to be brought to book."

The image of the Awami League cannot be tarnished by a few miscreants.

"Money launderers should also beware. Sheikh Hasina is taking a tough

line. Nobody committing

crimes using the party's identity will be spared. We are making so much progress and we will not let a few miscreants be behind us."

Addressing the BNP, he said, "Games will be played in the election. Participate in the election instead of talking gibberish. There is no point threatening us. We will not run away, you will."

"We will not deviate a single inch from the constitution in conducting the polls ... Forget the caretaker government."

He also said the AL will hold different programmes every day until the national election.

Speaking at the rally,

AL Joint General Secretary Mahbubul Alam Hanif said, "The BNP has no chance of assuming state power again. It will not get votes due to its past activities."

He said the main goal of the BNP is to call the election into question, adding that the party is trying to destroy the country's electoral system.

AL presidium member Mofazzal Hossain Chowdhury Maya said the Awami League activists will remain on the streets even after the polls to resist the BNP's "terror activities".

AL presidium member Quamrul Islam and General Secretary of the Dhaka South AL Humayun Kabir, among others, spoke at the event.

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INVITATION FOR TENDER (Re-Tender)

Sl. No.	Invitation for Tender Reference Number	Nomenclature of Tender
01	ICHR/SC/OTM/Feb-01/2022 Dated: 17.02.2023	Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of Echo Color Doppler Machine
02	ICHR/SC/OTM/Feb-02/2022 Dated: 17.02.2023	Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of Heart Lung Machine with Heater Cooler Machine
03	ICHR/SC/OTM/Feb-03/2022 Dated: 17.02.2023	Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of Latest Ultra Sound Machine
Other Information :		
04	Procurement Method	: Open Tendering Method (OTM)
05	Source of Fund	: Own Fund of Ibrahim Cardiac Hospital & Research Institute (ICHR)
06	Name and Address of the Office & Place of Selling Tender Documents	: Ibrahim Cardiac Hospital & Research Institute (ICHR), 122, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Shahbag, Dhaka-1000 Will be available at Cash Counter (3 rd Floor)
07	Price of Tender Documents	: BDT. 3,000.00 (Three Thousand) only for each Tender Documents (Non-refundable) Per set.
08	Date & Time of Selling Tender Documents	: Tender Documents are available from 20.02.2023 to 22.03.2023 on all working days (9.00am to 3.30pm)
09	Pre-Bid Meeting (Optional) Date & Time	: 15.03.2023 at 11.00am
10	Tender Closing Date & Time	: 23.03.2023 within 01:30pm
11	Tender Opening Date & Time	: 23.03.2023 at 02.00pm (In presence of Bidder(s) or their Representative, if there be any.)
12	Tender Dropping Place	: Tender Box kept in Corporate Office (5 th Floor), Ibrahim Cardiac Hospital & Research Institute Blood Bank Conference Room (5 th Floor) Ibrahim Cardiac Hospital & Research Institute (ICHR), 122, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Shahbag, Dhaka-1000
13	Tender Opening Place	: Blood Bank Conference Room (5 th Floor) Ibrahim Cardiac Hospital & Research Institute (ICHR), 122, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Shahbag, Dhaka-1000
14	Name, Designation & Address of Official inviting Tender	: Prof. Dr. M. A. Rashid CEO, Ibrahim Cardiac Hospital & Research Institute (ICHR)
15	Eligibility of Tender	: I. The Bidder(s) should be manufacturer or their authorized Agent/Distributor or Dealer of the offered equipment. II. Bidder(s) should have valid up-to-date legal documents like Trade license, TIN / BIN, VAT, Income Tax & Bank Solvency Certificate etc. III. All relevant eligibility and conditions of the Bidder(s) are stipulated in Tender Documents.
16	Tender Security	: 3% (Three) of quoted amount in favor of Ibrahim Cardiac Hospital & Research Institute in the form of Payment Order / Demand Draft from any Schedule Bank to be submitted along with Tender.
17	Validity of offer for placement of order / NDA	: 120 (One Hundred Twenty) Days from the date of opening of Tender.
18	Time for Completion of the Supply / work	: 120