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The selfless midwife

Sonajan Akter of Chowbaria at Manikganj has been serving as a midwife for the entire village as well as at least 15 other villages for the past 50 years. She does not accept any payment for her services despite her family being extremely poor.

She takes care of the mothers, and later, their babies, for up to 10 days after birth. Relatives and acquaintances testify she looks after the mothers and children just as a grandmother would with utmost care and affection.



Shahida Akhter Shorna, Malala of Bangla

For her work against child marriage, Shahida Akhter Shorna was dubbed the "Malala of Bangla" by Norwegian International, an organisation marriages in her union so far. that works for children's rights

worldwide. Shorna did not. She was adamant college teacher.

that completing her education was her first priority.

It was her wholehearted campaign for girls' education in her village that put her on par with Malala Yousafzai. Although there were no gun-toting Taliban insurgents patrolling her village, hers was no less challenging a task than Malala's.

President of Gazipur's Mawna Union Shishu Forum of Plan Bangladesh, where she joined in 2006, Shorna is now a marriage-Prime Minister Erna Solberg at an buster in her community and also international conference of Plan an icon. She has stopped six child

Shorna always took it upon herself to organise students for different Shorna endured pressure for events. She showed her leadership early marriage like all the other girls quality during those programmes. in her village. Her elder sisters, all Shorna, who once wanted to be four of them, had given in without a doctor, now wants to serve the a protest when their time came. But society by becoming a university or



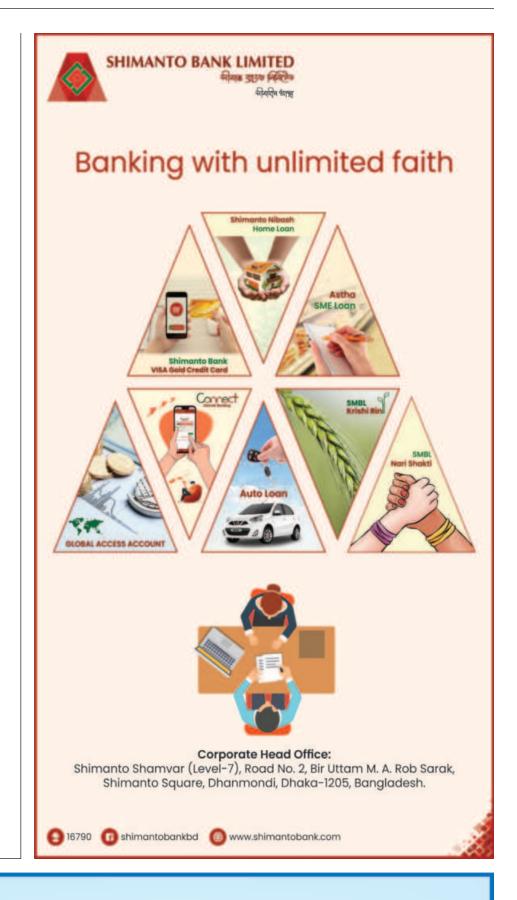
Maftahul Jannat Likhon. The light of Joypurhat

Because Maftahul Jannat Likhon could boost their morale. decided to install solar panels free of charge in three villages two years back, collectively called "Solargram" and students from the poorest families can 148 families have solar lights because now study at night in these villages of Likhan felt that she had to do something Joypurhat's Panchbibi upazila.

When many people would leave empty handed from her solar power One also needs books. In March this sales centre because of the high price, year, Likhan visited her Solargram she started to feel the problems children with bundles of children's books to be faced in those families. She felt children distributed for free. From solar lights from the poorest of families should to light of knowledge, Likhan has have a fair chance to go to school and them all. having bright lights to study at night

Nowadays, the three villages are to help.

But bright lights are not enough.





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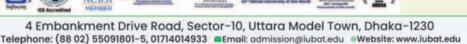
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