

MYMENSINGH MEDICAL COLLEGE HOSPITAL

Menace of private ambulances continues



OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Mymensingh*

Private ambulances parked beside the emergency entrance of Mymensingh Medical College Hospital (MMCH) has become a serious nuisance for the hospital's emergency ward patients and their attendants.

Around 3,000 patients from Mymensingh region and adjacent Gazipur and Tangail districts come to the hospital regularly. Besides, there are also the regular huge rush of outdoor patients.

Attendants said not only private ambulances, CNG and battery-run auto-rickshaws remain parked at the emergency entrance gate to get passengers.

Besides, private ambulances parked on both sides of the hospital's main gate often occupy a good portion of the four-lane highway in Charpara area, causing gridlock during rush period.

Locals also alleged that this illegal parking has continued for years now, resulting in a long-term suffering for the city's commuters, patients, and their attendants. Even when the authorities take steps against illegal parking and

brokers of different clinics on the hospital premises, the situation remains unchanged.

When this correspondent visited the hospital recently, it was seen that around 20 ambulances were parked beside the emergency entrance inside the hospital. Patients were having trouble getting in with ease.

"What's ridiculous is that there are stickers forbidding illegal parking on the premises but the place is packed with vehicles -- especially during busy hours," said Ahsan Ali, an attendant of a patient.

The patients and their attendants have little scope for free movement on the hospital premises due to these vehicles, said Salma Akter, a patient. The hospital has a limited capacity to provide ambulance services for critical patients. There are five ambulances at the hospital now, one with life support facilities, said Dr Motiur Rahman Bhuiyan, president of Bangladesh Medical Association, Mymensingh unit.

Contacted, Dr Md Zakiul Islam, assistant director (admin) of MMCH, said they have started taking action against the illegal parking of private ambulances on hospital premises.

A new avenue

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"If Bangladesh wants, EFTA can help Bangladesh's flight academy for its improvement," said Capt Hammadi.

Capt Hammadi said any Bangladeshi students who passed from A level with mathematics and physics as mandatory subjects can apply for receiving training from EFTA.

Hammadi also mentioned that the FTA has a 1,800-metre runway, along with five aircraft simulators and 50 experienced flight and ground instructors. The runway is capable of accommodating over 400 flights a day. There is also an air traffic control tower dedicated to the usage of its trainee pilots in EFTA.

There are at least 27 aircraft under EFTA, including Cirrus SR22 G6, which is the backbone of the EFTA fleet.

The Cirrus SR22 G6 incorporates a modern composite airframe; two large 12" flight displays, and a flight management system, making it an ideal choice for ab-initio pilot training. The Emirates Flight Training Academy fleet includes 22 Cirrus SR22 G6 aircraft.

Besides, EFTA has five Embraer Phenom 100EV aircraft. An evolution of the Phenom 100 business jet, which is considered an obvious choice by

airlines for preparing cadets for multi-engine jet operations, the Phenom 100EV incorporates three interchangeable glass displays -- state-of-the-art avionics, smart automation systems, and graphical flight planning capabilities.

"The training begins with two weeks of classroom-based instruction on the Cirrus SR22 G6 aircraft, followed by more than 196 hours of simulator and aircraft flying instruction. After which a trainee will be ready to take the Commercial Pilot License (CPL) flying skills test," added Capt Hammadi.

"Our continuously advancing technology and progressive curriculum empower cadets to go beyond the extraordinary and become world-class pilots," Hammadi said.

He said their fully-operational flight operations centre is dedicated to EFTA cadets only, making flight training part of everyday life at the academy.

"This implies that you will have the opportunity to gain a complete operational experience in one holistic environment," he added.

The Emirates started its journey in 1985 when it launched operations with only two aircraft. Today, Emirates flies the world's biggest fleets of Airbus A380s and Boeing 777s.

Kidney patients more vulnerable

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those in Turkey and Syria. We, however, can bounce back within 3-5 years if steps are taken accordingly. The government has an action plan in hand, but implementation has been due over the years," he added.

Brig Gen (Retd) Engineer Ali Ahammed Khan, former director general of the Fire Service and Civil Defense Directorate, stressed decentralising the medical equipment and training the healthcare workers on how to rescue patients during disasters.

Prof Harun-Ur-Rashid, president of Kidney Foundation, emphasised making primary kidney disease screening at community clinics across the country.

While presenting a

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keynote, Prof Dr MA Samad, founder and president of Kamps, said there are only 210-215 kidney dialysis beds in the country and nearly half (90) of those are in Dhaka city.

"Preparing a mobile dialysis bed can be a good option in times of disasters like earthquakes," he added.

He also suggested that kidney patients store necessary medicine, get information about alternative dialysis centres, build a network of friends, and relatives and neighbours for assistance during emergencies.

Renowned kidney transplant surgeon Prof Dr Kamrul Islam also echoed MA Samad.

Speaking at the event, Md Mizanur Rahman, director general of the Directorate of Disaster Management, highlighted different initiatives taken by the government in this regard. "However, the coordination gap is a major issue," he added.

Tk 44.5 lakh washing away

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work, which started in August last year, is scheduled to be completed before the upcoming monsoon.

Besides, Mizanur Rahman, APS of Social Welfare Minister Nuruzzaman Ahmed, took sub contract of five out of the eight packages from one of the contractors.

Besides, Mizanur's younger brother Ershad Hossain, a resident of Mahishkhocha village, is supervising the work.

Seeking anonymity, some workers engaged in making the CC blocks said the blocks are being made using local sand, substandard stones and low-quality cement.

According to Lalmोनirhat WDB, workers engaged by the contractors were given the task to produce 1,30,000 sand fill

geo bags, each weighing 250kg, and over 4.5 lakh CC blocks of three different sizes.

Contacted, APS Mizanur, however, said he has no involvement in the Teesta embankment protection work.

Meanwhile, his brother Ershad claimed that, according to the sand test, the fineness modulus (FM) of sand extracted from the Teesta is 1.5.

Alongside the local sand, sometimes they bring fine quality sand from Patgram and all the materials are mixed in presence of the WDB engineers, he said.

Lalmोनirhat WDB Executive Engineer Mizanur Rahman said sand FM should be at least 1.5 for making CC blocks, but FM range is only 1.3 in the Teesta sand.

No CC blocks will be allowed without

conducting standard test, he said, adding that the contractor concerned will face the music if any CC block is found substandard in the test.

Dhaka air most

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Dhaka has long been grappling with air pollution issues. Its air quality usually turns unhealthy in winter and improves during the monsoon.

Air pollution consistently ranks among the top risk factors for death and disability worldwide. Breathing polluted air has long been recognised as increasing a person's chances of developing heart disease, chronic respiratory diseases, lung infections and cancer, according to several studies.

Revisiting the spirit of liberation

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second episode of the documentary and included musical performances by freedom fighters Naila Zaman, Sharmin Murshed, Daliya Nowshin, Debu Chowdhury, Shaheen Samad, Enamul Hoque and Milia Ali.

The next two days will see various freedom fighters, politicians, researchers, reciters and artists from Swadhin Bangla Betar Kendra share

their experiences.

"There will be musical performances and poetry recitations, and we will conclude the event with another panel discussion on March 6," Dr Ahrar Ahmed, director of the foundation, said during his welcome speech.

Commodore Abdul Wahid Chowdhury was serving as a submarine specialist for the Pakistani Navy in France at the time of Bangabandhu's

historic speech on March 7. Looking back on those days, he shared, "For the ones among us who were born during the British era, we know that we were unwritten slaves, waiting for independence. This saga continued even after 1947."

C o m m o d o r e Chowdhury stayed connected to the liberation struggle through the radio -- Voice of America and BBC's broadcasting of stories from Bangladesh, Abdul Gaffar's song, and Bangabandhu's speech.

"Only India and Russia supported us after March 26. I, along with nine others, managed to reach Bangladesh and became a mutineer. I led to the initiation of Operation

Jackpot. I started the naval commando in Bangladesh and trained several fighters near the river banks. We, being a strong naval unit, stopped the entry of resources through water and thus Operation Jackpot became a huge success," he recalls.

Sayeeda Kamal, who was a student of the Faculty of Fine Arts at Dhaka University, shared her experience of helping with relief distribution and treating people.

"I worked tirelessly during this period and our collective efforts led to freedom," she said. "In the present time, we are moving away from the four pillars of the constitution. People now do not feel safe

in the nation we fought for. This is not the Bangladesh we dreamt of, and I really hope we can all work together towards creating the ideal nation."

Two burnt

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The blast took place at the agency's branch office in the Niketan Society area on road 6 around 6:15am. The injured were admitted to Sheikh Hasina National Institute of Burn and Plastic Surgery, Rashed Bin Khalid, duty officer of fire service headquarters, told The Daily Star.

He said three units from Teigaon Fire Station went to the six-storey building and doused the fire. The incident occurred on the fifth floor. The fire was extinguished at 6:53am.

He said initially it is believed that the AC exploded from an electric short circuit.

SM Ayub Hossain, resident doctor of the burn institute said Gopal's condition is very critical with 100 percent burns. Mizanur suffered minor burns.

An employee of the office said both the injured were sleeping at the office when the blast took place in the morning. Gopal stayed at office as he was supposed to change his house yesterday.

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Student dies

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12:30am, he added.

Tanvir's elder brother Salman Islam Sakib said, "Tanvir's house is in South Kamalapur Graveyard road. Tanvir and two others were returning from an event last night on a motorcycle. Tanvir was driving the bike. They fell off the motorcycle after being hit by a microbus near the bus counter. Locals then took them to the emergency department of Dhaka Medical College Hospital."

Quader warns

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organisation of the Awami League," he said.

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."

He also urged the young leaders in Chattogram not to involve in misdeeds.

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