

4 killed in road accidents

STAR REPORT

At least 4 people were killed in road accidents in Chattogram and Panchagarh yesterday and Sunday.

In Chattogram, two motorcyclists were killed as a passenger bus collided head-on with the motorbike in Dantmara area of Fatikchhari upazila.

The deceased were Sahab Uddin, 20, and Daulat Khan, 24, hailing from Dantmara union of the upazila, said police.

The accident took place around 10:00am.

Contacted, Helal Uddin, officer in charge of Bhujpur Police Station, said on information, police rushed to the spot and rescued the motorcyclists. They succumbed to injuries on the way to hospital.

The bodies were sent to CMCH morgue for an autopsy.

Meanwhile in Panchagarh's Tentulia upazila, a bicyclist was killed in as a microbus hit him from behind on Sunday night on the Banglabandha-Panchagarh highway.

The deceased is Shafiqul Islam, 45, from Aziznagar village.

OC Zakir Hossain Mollah of Tentulia Highway Police Station said the accident occurred around 9:15pm when a Panchagarh-bound micro-bus hit the bicyclist from behind leaving him dead on the spot.

Meanwhile, a five-year-old girl was killed and another girl of around same age was injured in a road accident on Panchagarh-Tunirhat road at Chospa village in Panchagarh sadar upazila on Sunday afternoon.

The deceased was Eshi Moni, 5, daughter of Yusuf Ali.

Her cousin Eli Moni, 7, took treatment at a local hospital.

Two separate cases were filed with the respective police stations, said police.



PHOTO: TITU DAS

With a radiant smile, two girls carry a bunch of "shoti" flowers and walk towards their home. These vibrant blooms, found abundantly near the shimmering waters, mirror the innocence and beauty of their spirit. This photo was taken in Barishal Sadar's Lakutia area yesterday.

KHULNA AGRI UNIV Ex-VC sent to jail over rape charge

OUR CORRESPONDENT,
Khulna

A Khulna court yesterday sent Shahedur Rahman Khan, former vice-chancellor of Khulna Agricultural University, to jail in a case filed for allegedly raping a female officer of the university in 2021.

Abdus Salam, judge of Khulna Women and Children Repression Prevention Tribunal-3 passed the order after rejecting his bail prayer, said Special Public Prosecutor Farid Ahmed.

Khandkar Mazharul Anwar, the current registrar of the university, got permanent bail in the same case on Sunday.

Both the accused were on bail till Sunday in an earlier order by the High Court.

On March 13, 2023, a female officer of the university filed a complaint with Khulna Women and Children Repression

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AL activists, police foil BNP rally in N'ganj

Claim BNP leaders

OUR CORRESPONDENT,
Narayanganj

Law enforcement officials and ruling Awami League members allegedly foiled a BNP meeting in Narayanganj's Rupganj upazila yesterday.

According to BNP members, a 101-member executive committee of the Kanchan municipal unit had recently been formed, and an introductory rally was scheduled to take place at 10:00am in the Charpara area.

However, around 50 law enforcement officials arrived at the venue at 2:00am and instructed BNP members not to hold the event, said Kanchan municipal unit BNP President Mujibur Rahman Bhuiyan.

Later in the morning, AL, Jubo League, and Chhatra League members

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PRAYER TIMING		MAY 9	
Fazr	Zohr	Asr	Maghrib Esha
AZAN 4-15	12-45	5-00	6-34 8-00
JAMAAT 4-50	1-15	5-15	6-38 8-30
SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION			

The menace of slow roadworks continues



OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

Residents of Mymensingh city are complaining about the slow progress of roadwork on the Kali Shankar Guha Road (Panditbari), which is a vital link between Horikishore Roy road and Shyamacharon Roy road. The road is used by hundreds of people, including office workers, students, and visitors to the many institutions located along its route.

The road construction has caused untold suffering for commuters, who have to navigate around the construction area. Locals have complained to the city officials, who have promised swift action. However, little progress has been made in the three months since the work started.

Students are the worst sufferers,

who are struggling to get to their classes on time. "The Secondary School Certificate (SSC) examinees have also been facing serious troubles to reach exam centres smoothly," said Asma Amin, an SSC candidate.

"It has created an immense problem for hundreds of service seekers at government offices," said Hazrat Ali, an employee at the deputy commissioner's office.

Workers at the site told The Daily Star that now they are working to set up the ring culverts, which will take several months.

"We need more than a month to complete the entire roadwork," said workers' supervisor Abdul Jalil, a representative of the contracted firm Faridpur Jannat Construction.

Locals have accused them of working at a slow pace, with no

proper monitoring by the concerned authorities. The road is currently occupied by ring culverts, which is causing serious problems for pedestrians, they added.

Contacted, Md Rafiqul Islam Miah, MCC's executive engineer, said the construction work was suspended during Ramadan considering the sufferings of the city's residents. The work was also suspended for a few days due to the financial crisis of the assigned company, informed the engineer.

"The work will be completed as soon as possible," he assured.

Mohammad Azaharul Haque, an assistant engineer of Mymensingh City Corporation (MCC), denied the allegations of lax monitoring.

"We have been monitoring the work regularly," he claimed.

BCC POLLS

'They barred us but allowed AL to use loudspeakers' Allege Islami Andolon members

OUR CORRESPONDENT,
Barishal

Islami Andolon Bangladesh could not use loudspeakers during its mass reception programme that was accorded to the party's mayoral candidate Syed Muhammad Faizul Karim in Barishal yesterday.

They were compelled to conclude the event as election officials informed them that the use of loudspeakers is a violation of the electoral code.

Flanked by several thousands of party members, Syed Muhammad Faizul Karim entered Barishal around 5:00pm yesterday.

He was scheduled to join a mass reception programme that was supposed to be held at the Zila School intersection.

However, the party members later changed the programme venue and held it in Amtola Mor area without using any loudspeakers, said several leaders and activists of the party.

They also alleged that the election officials did

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'CONSERVATION AWARD' Two persons, one org nominated

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bogura

Two individuals and a voluntary environmental organisation have been nominated for the Bangabandhu Award for Wildlife Conservation-22 for their contribution to nature and wildlife conservation.

Of the two individuals, Md Rezaul Karim Chowdhury, divisional forest officer (DFO) of wildlife management and nature conservation division of Sylhet, has been nominated in the forest conservation category.

Aminuzzaman Md Saleh Reza, professor of the department of Zoology, Rajshahi University, was nominated in the category of wildlife research and education. Bangladesh Biodiversity Conservation Federation (BBCF), has been nominated in the category of organisation dedicated for wildlife conservation.

A notice undersigned by Munira Sultana, joint secretary of the Ministry of Forest and Climate Change, has been issued in this regard.

"The notice was issued on May 3 and I received it yesterday [Sunday] evening through email," said SM Iqbal, president of BBCF.


34 hospitalised with dengue

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

At least 34 patients were hospitalised with dengue in the last 24 hours till yesterday morning.

With the new ones, the total number of dengue cases rose to 1,123, according to the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS).

Some 83 dengue patients are still undergoing treatment while the total number of deaths this year is 11. A total of 1,029 dengue patients have been released from hospitals so far.



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e-GP Tender Notice (OTM)

e-Tender is invited in the National e-GP System Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) by Additional Chief Engineer, Establishment & Engineering Division, Sonali Bank Limited, Head Office, Dhaka for the procurement of following works:

Sl. No.	Tender ID	Name of works	Tender publication date & time	Last selling/ downloading date and time	Tender closing/ opening date & time
1.	817632	Fenestration work (Civil & Electrical) at the Front side (East Side) of the Sonali Bank Limited, Head Office Building, Dhaka.	10-May-2023 11:00	06-Jun-2023 15:00	07-Jun-2023 15:00
2.	817737	Fenestration work (Civil) at the North & South Side of the Sonali Bank Limited, Head Office Building, Dhaka.	10-May-2023 11:00	23-May-2023 15:05	24-May-2023 15:05
3.	817744	Plaster & Painting Works of exterior surfaces of the Sonali Bank Limited, Head Office Building, Dhaka.	10-May-2023 11:00	23-May-2023 15:00	24-May-2023 15:00

This is an online tender, where only e-Tenders will be accepted in National e-GP Portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted. To submit e-Tender, registration in the National e-GP System Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) is required. Further information and guideline are available in the National e-GP System Portal and from e-GP help desk (<https://www.eprocure.gov.bd/HelpDesk.jsp>).

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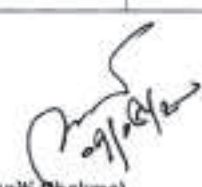
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01	826131, e-GP/CRD/ADP/ 4 Nos District Highway/WD-03	Construction of 38 nos (92.00 m) RCC Box Culvert with other ancillary works for Road Pavement into appropriate standard & width from ch. 0+000 km to ch. 35+000 km of Cumilla (Balutupa) -Koneshtola- Suagazi-Bijoypur-Adinamra-Amratoli (Z-1024) Road under Road Division Cumilla, during the year 2022-2023 (for WD-03 of the DPP).	04-Jun-2023 16:00	05-Jun-2023 12:15	05-Jun-2023 12:15



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