

## Ziauddin Ahmad passes away

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Ziauddin Ahmad, son of late Azizuddin Ahmad, passed away on June 29.



He died at Ibrahim Cardiac Hospital in Dhaka. He was 78 years old.

Ziauddin was suffering from cardiovascular diseases for a long time.

Family members have requested all to pray for his departed soul.

## Abdul Hakim's death anniversary today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Today is the 35th death anniversary of Abdul Hakim Bikrampur, former member of the undivided Bengal Legislative Assembly and Pakistan provincial and national assemblies.

He held his position in the Bengal Legislative Assembly for 29 years, from 1936 to 1965.

In his long political career, Hakim came in close contact with veteran leader AK Fazlul Haq, popularly known as Sher-e-Bangla.

He was the editor of fortnightly Gramer Kotha published from Munshiganj.

Chin-e-Islam, Shahitto Kotha, Paner Baraj, Haraganga College Er Ithas and Prasanga Kotha were his notable literary works.

Different organisations in Munshiganj will be commemorating his life today.

## Javed Muneer appointed chair of NSU trustee board

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Javed Muneer Ahmad has been named the chairman of the Board of Trustees of North South University, effective from July 1.

The appointment comes after Ahmad, along with other members, was appointed to the trustee board on August 16 last year.

During NSU's foundational period prior to 1992 and after, Ahmad played a crucial role in the formation and initial setup of the first private university in Bangladesh, said a press release.

Ahmad expressed his gratitude and emphasised his commitment to following in the footsteps of his father, Muslehuddin Ahmad, NSU founder, VC and a pioneer of private universities in Bangladesh.

Ahmad, the founder managing director of Aprosft Consulting and Training Corp Ltd, brings over 35 years of experience in the IT industry to his position.



A fisher adjusts his nets in a canal to catch indigenous fish during low-tide in Barishal. He makes around Tk 1,500-2,000 every day, selling his catch at different markets in the city. The photo was taken recently in Dharmadi.

PHOTO: TITU DAS

## Teesta devours 50 homes, school in Kurigram

UNB, Kurigram

The Teesta river erosion has taken a serious turn in Ulipur upazila of Kurigram as the river devoured around 50 homes, a vast area of cropland and a government primary school in the past 15 days.

During a recent visit to Bazra Pashchimpara village in the upazila, it was seen that many residents were forced to live under the open sky.

The administration used sandbags to save the Bazra Pashchimpara Government Primary School, but the attempt failed.

Shahidur Islam, 56, a resident of Bazra Pashchimpara, said some 150 houses are at risk while 600-700 families are passing their days in fear of losing everything.

Nur Alam, 60, a resident of the area, said the Water Development Board used sandbags to prevent the erosion, but their effort could not save anything.

Contacted, Executive Engineer of Kurigram WDB Abdullah Al Mamun said the river erosion intensified in the area due to incessant rainfall.

He claimed that they responded to the crisis quickly as the erosion became serious.



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## Killing a constable

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He also said in the areas of Dhaka where the incidents took place, it is being investigated whether there was negligence on the part of the police personnel in charge.

According to DMP, more than 6,000 people are involved in mugging and robberies in the capital. Among them, 1,737 people are involved in mugging and 4,461 people are involved in robbery.

In 2022, at least 1,603 thefts, 145 mugging and 27 robberies took place in the capital. And till March of this year, 192 thefts, 34 mugging and two robberies took place in Dhaka, DMP data shows.

Instances of mugging and robberies are highest in Tejgaon, the data added.

They had not realised the

victim's identity until he asked for his belongings back. That's when they found the photocopy of his police ID card and decided to stab him to evade arrest.

Rubayet Zaman, additional deputy commissioner of Tejgaon Division police, told The Daily Star that Rabby, one of the arrestees, was the main assailant and was found in possession of the knife and the snatched cell phone.

After their crime, the muggers went to Mohammadpur Geneva camp with the stolen money and purchased seven yaba, he added. "They later went into hiding after learning about the constable's death," he said.

## UK provides Tk 160cr for Rohingyas, host community

UNB, Dhaka

The UK is providing an additional Tk 160 crore as humanitarian support for Rohingya refugees and communities affected by disasters.

This new package will provide food, water, and sanitation to Rohingya refugees, and child protection services to refugees and neighbouring host communities.

British High Commissioner Sarah Cooke, announced it during her first visit to Cox's Bazar.

## Cops a no-show at many check

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SITUATIONS AT VARIOUS CHECK-POINTS  
In an effort to observe the security measures in Dhaka during the late hours, one of these correspondents visited seven police check points between 12:30am and 2:30am on Sunday.

The correspondent first visited the Manik Mia Avenue area, where four check points were strategically placed. However, only one check point had active police officers on duty, and the correspondent's vehicle passed through without being stopped.

Continuing the journey, the correspondent's vehicle was halted by the police before reaching the Gulshan-1 intersection. After verifying the correspondent's identity,

they were allowed to proceed.

Another check point was observed opposite the Police Plaza, but once again, the correspondent's vehicle was not stopped.

At the Dayaganj intersection, where a check point was located, there was no police presence.

Finally, at 2:30am, the correspondent reached Dinanath Sen Road, where a police patrol team questioned him before allowing to continue.

Residents, such as Habibur Rahman from Dhanmondi, have also noticed heightened security measures at various locations, including Farmgate Ananda Cinema Hall, Panthapath signal, Square Hospital, Russell Square, and Metro Shopping Mall areas.

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## No dialogue

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the size of the election-time government will be small or not, he added.

Regarding BNP senior leader Ruhul Kabir Rizvi's allegation that law enforcers are being used to serve the interests of the ruling party, Hasan, also the Awami League joint general secretary, said, "The law enforcers are doing a good job and that's why they managed to curb militancy. The law and order situation of the country is also good. Besides, they also have taken steps against the arson attackers."

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## Work together to build

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The prime minister administered the oaths of newly-elected mayors of three city corporations - Abul Khair Abdullah of Barishal, Talukder Abdul Khaleque of Khulna and Jayeda Khatun of Gazipur.

The PM also administered the oath of office to the new mayors of Rajshahi AHM

proven that elections under her incumbent government could be credible and fair where people could cast their votes spontaneously, reports BSS. She also called upon all the public representatives, regardless of political affiliation, to work in unison to transform country into a developed, prosperous and "Smart Bangladesh" by 2041.

## No option for govt but to resign

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Fakhrul also warned that their party will force the government to resign through the ongoing movement by involving the people in it.

"Our 386 leaders and activists were arrested in the last one month... so we have no option, but to put up a resistance against this regime," the BNP leader said.

BNP's Dhaka south city unit along with its different associate bodies organised

Khairuzzaman Liton and Anwaruzzaman Chowdhur of Sylhet at the same venue.

Besides, some 230 newly-elected councillors of general wards and female councillors of the reserved seats of the five city corporations took oath at the events.

Speaking at the event, the premier said the recent city corporation polls

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Fakhrul said Awami League has been in power by holding stage-managed

elections in 2014 and 2018, resorting to repressive acts and arresting BNP leaders and activists, including party chief Khaleda Zia.

He said the country's people want a free and fair election.

"They (people) want to vote in that election. That election must be held under an impartial government. It has been proven that no election will be acceptable if Hasina is in power and her party is in government."

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significant inconvenience for thousands of people traveling to and from Dhaka. During the monsoon season, the waste is washed away into the river, exacerbating the pollution problem, explained Ahmed Hossain, a schoolteacher.

Dr Nazrul Islam, the civil surgeon in Mymensingh, said the open dumping of garbage and the strong odour emanating from the heaps pose serious health hazards. People can be affected by various environment-related and waterborne diseases,

including respiratory problems, skin diseases, and diarrhoea.

Azharul Islam, a commissioner of the municipality, admitted that there are no dustbins within the municipality and the garbage is being dumped on the riverbank for the past four years.

He acknowledged the harmful impact on the river, the environment, and human life, stating that it must be stopped. The commissioner also noted that the river, which was once a valuable source of water for agriculture and local fish, has now become

a narrow channel choked with hyacinth.

Approximately 10 tonnes of garbage are produced in the municipality every day, and all of it is left on the riverbank, added the commissioner.

Advocate Shibbir Ahmed Liton, secretary of Poribesh Rokhha o Unnayan Andolon, criticised the public representatives assigned to protect the environment, accusing them of destroying the dire consequences.

Liton emphasised the urgent need to stop the encroachment.

Juel Ahmed, the upazila nirbahi officer in Trishal, assured that he has already discussed the issue with the mayor and that stopping this menace is his top priority.

Ahmed also serves as the president of the Nodi Rokhha Committee's upazila unit.

Mayor Md Anisuzzaman of Trishal municipality said there is currently no funding available to purchase land for a garbage dumping ground.

However, they are actively seeking funds to establish such a facility, he added.

## Newly elected five city mayors

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Gazipur, 41 in Khulna, 40 in Rajshahi, 40 in Barishal and 36 in Sylhet.

Local Government Division Secretary Muhammad Ibrahim conducted the oath-taking ceremonies. State Minister for IGRD and Cooperatives Swapan Bhattacharjee was also present.

On May 25, independent candidate Jayeda Khatun won the Gazipur City Corporation polls with 238,934 votes, defeating her nearest rival Awami League candidate Azmat

Ullah Khan who bagged 222,737 votes.

On June 12, AL mayoral candidate Abul Khair Abdullah (Khokon Serniabat) won the Barishal City Corporation election with 87,807 votes. His nearest rival Islami Andolon Bangladesh candidate Syed Mohammad Faizul Karim bagged 33,828 votes.

AL mayoral candidate Talukder Abdul Khaleque won the Khulna City Corporation election with 1,54,825 votes. His nearest rival IAB's Md Abdul Awal got 60,064 votes in the

polls held on June 12.

On June 21, AL mayoral candidate AHM Khairuzzaman Liton won the Rajshahi City Corporation election with 160,290 votes defeating his nearest rival IAB's Md Murshid Alam who bagged 13,483 votes.

On the same day, AL mayoral candidate Anwaruzzaman Chowdhury won the Sylhet City Corporation election with 118,614 votes defeating his nearest rival Jatiya Party's Nazrul Islam Babu who secured 50,321 votes.

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