

## 7th death anniversary of MA Mannan

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Today is the seventh death anniversary of Dr MA Mannan, a neurologist and former Awami League lawmaker of Katiadi-Pakundia constituency in Kishoreganj.

A language movement veteran and Liberation War organiser, Dr Mannan died of old-age complications at a Dhaka hospital in 2016, said a press release.

Born on December 2, 1932, he joined Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University (formerly known as Institute of Postgraduate Medicine and Research) in 1969 and initiated treatment for neurological disorders for the first time.

Founder of Neurology Foundation and Epilepsy Association of Bangladesh, Prof Mannan was awarded Ekushey Padak in 2015 for his contributions to the medical sector and social services.

He founded Dr Abdul Mannan Women's College in Kishoreganj and several educational and social institutions. He was the member and president of Bangladesh Medical & Dental Council for 12 years. On the occasion of his death anniversary, a dua and milad mahfil will be held at Masjid E Bakkatil Mubarak Mosque after Asr prayers in Dhaka's Kalabagan. Besides, prayers will be held at his constituency.

## PM takes over

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“I want to go back to my mother in Chandpur. I want to resume my studies,” Rabbi told Hasina.

The prime minister was visibly emotional when she heard Rabbi's story. She took over the responsibility of his educational expenses and gave necessary instructions to officials concerned to take action in this regard and implement it properly.

## A champion of women

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A greater sense of humanity could be found in the aspects of her activities in empowering the country's women, he said.

The Daily Star Editor and Publisher Mahfuz Anam said there are many aspects of women's rights but Rokia Afzal Rahman focused on women as an entrepreneur.

“She believed very strongly that economic independence of women at whatever stage of society they were in was fundamental to their rights,” he said.

So, she went into the entrepreneurship area and taught rural and middle-class women how to do business. She inspired them and created the institution MIDAS Financing Limited to give them loan and credit, he said.

In a sense, she was very focused on the fact that

women's empowerment in terms of business and financial independence was her forte, he added.

Mahfuz Anam also said he was privileged to run The Daily Star during the over two decades tenure of Rokia as the chair of its owning company Mediaworld Ltd.

Woman entrepreneur Monjulika Chakma said Rokia Afzal Rahman was an icon of courage as her presence and company would generate strength among women entrepreneurs like her in overcoming challenges.

Rokia's eldest daughter Erum Marium said her mother would always see strength in people.

Recalling the departure of her father Azimur Rahman, Erum said her father died in 2001, the same year when her mother became an adviser to the caretaker government.

## BPDB engr files case

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beat him with iron rods, and shaved off his head. He was rescued by other BPDB officials, who later sent him to Chattogram Medical College Hospital for treatment, read the statement.

Hours after the attack, Saiful told journalists that Shahadat Mirza, the younger brother of Road Transport and Bridges

Minister Obaidul Quader, was involved in the attack.

Asked why Shahadat was not accused in the case, Saiful said, “I am a government employee. I am under pressure.”

Emdadullah had connections with the attackers. Thus, he was accused in the case.

Drives are under way to arrest the accused, said OC Sadequr Rahman.

## A muddy menace

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incomplete, further hindering the road's usability.

Rahima Begum, a garment factory worker in Nama Genda area, said crossing the road even by foot during the rainy season becomes impossible due to the knee-deep mud and waterlogging.

The contractor responsible for the road development project left abruptly three years ago during the pandemic, leaving the work incomplete.

Consequently, both workers and residents were left with no other option but to endure the inconveniences, informed Abdul Mia, a rickshaw

puller from Sadhapur.

**THE CONTRACT DETAILS**

According to LGED in Dhaka, a project with eight packages was undertaken under the Second City Region Development Project (CRDB-II) to transform the entire stretch of the aforementioned earthen road into a reinforced cement concrete one, construct drains to mitigate waterlogging, and build a girder bridge.

The Tk 47.61 crore project started on November 2, 2019, following a contract signed on October 27, that year, with Modern Structures Ltd, a construction firm.

Originally scheduled for completion by March 12, 2021, the work could

“My father's death had shattered her... but that could not crush her and her sense of responsibility as the head of the family. She faced the situation with courage and hope,” she added.

In his brief speech, Rokia's only son Imran Faiz Rahman thanked guests and well-wishers for attending the memorial programme.

Mahbubur Rahman, president of International Chamber of Commerce -- ICC Bangladesh, in the video message, said Rokia Afzal Rahman started agro-based cold storage in the country in the 1980s. At that time, no other woman was involved in such business, he said.

Mahbubur said Rokia's politeness made her special while her kindness and ability to embrace people made her popular.

## Dialogue a must

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Dr Kamal said the main goals of the Liberation War were to establish democracy, justice and human rights, and to build a society free of exploitation.

“But the conflicts and disbelief between the political parties is endangering the achievements of the Liberation War. The country is in a deep crisis due to the government's repression. As

## It's mostly

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BNP -- also carried out campaigns.

While the AL nominated candidate conducted campaigns in the elite areas namely Banani, Gulshan and cantonment, other candidates focused mostly on slum areas.

Meanwhile, Hero Alam, who is being considered a strong opponent by the voters and other candidates, have been lacklustre in terms of campaigning.

Hero Alam visited Bhashantek, Karail and Sattala slum areas once but he did not conduct any campaign in the posh areas, according to his electioneering agents.

They did not conduct any campaign on the last day either.

Talking to The Daily Star, Hero Alam admitted that his campaigning was relatively slower than other candidates.

## One-year expulsion is not enough

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Tabassum Islam and several others tortured her on the night of February 12 for staying at the Deshratna Sheikh Hasina Hall without their “permission”.

In her complaint, she said they tortured her from 11:00pm until 3:30am. She also demanded punishment of those involved.

The incident came to light after the victim left the hall and disclosed the matter to her seniors and her family members.

Two probe bodies, formed by the Islamic University authorities to look into the matter, submitted their reports on February 26.

The hall administration expelled the accused on February 27.

On March 5, the university authorities suspended Antora and

four of her associates from the university as well as removed Shamsul Alam, the provost of Deshratna Sheikh Hasina Hall, from his post following a High Court order.

The university administration also allotted a seat for Phulpori at any room in any hall of her own choice so that she can resume her classes and academic activities, following the court order.

**3 BCL ACTIVISTS SUSPENDED**

The university authorities yesterday suspended three BCL activists for their alleged involvement in vandalising equipment of the medical centre on campus.

The suspended students are: Rezwana Siddiqi Kabbo, a student of law department under 2018-19 academic session; and Atik Arman and Salman Ohin under

2021-22 academic session of the same department.

Prof Azad said the VC issued the suspension order against the three for violating the university's rules and regulations.

A three member probe committee was also formed to look into the matter and further action would be taken against them after getting reports from the probe body, he added.

On Monday night, Kabbo along with Atik and Salman went to the medical centre with chest pain.

Later, he asked duty doctor Wahidur Rahman Milton for an ambulance to go to Kushtia General Hospital for better treatment. Kabbo with his associates started “vandalising equipment including chairs, table and land phone” in the medical centre as there was a delay in calling the ambulance.



the payment of the arrears.

In response, the government has released a fund to pay the arrears to the authorities of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical

University (BSMMU) before Eid-ul-Azha.

The BSMMU authorities supervise the payment of the stipend on behalf of the government.

## Postgraduate physicians stage

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Their role is to provide direct patient care under the supervision of attending physicians, gain practical experience and refine their clinical skills.

They are not allowed to engage in private practice and are supposed to be on duty round the clock.

Agitating doctors said they have no choice but to live a miserable life with the poor amount of allowances.

They started their demonstration from last month to press home their demand which also includes

a result, the foreign countries have got the opportunity to question our democracy and election,” he said.

“As a nation, we are ashamed,” he added.

Gonoforum general secretary Md Mizanur Rahman, presidium members Mokabbir Khan, Mofizul Islam Khan, Altaf Hossain, AR Jahangir, Mostaq Ahmed and Shah Nuruzzaman also spoke at the meeting.

money, around Tk 4.76 crore, will not be returned to the contractor as they breached the contract.

“An estimate paper was sent to the project director for completing remaining road work on May 30. The new tender will hopefully be called this month. The work will restart very soon,” he said.

Contacted, Rashed Khan, chairman of the construction firm, said the work could not be completed on time due to a hike in the price of construction materials. He did not elaborate further.

## Cartoonist

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after Zohr prayers.

Hailing from Rajbari district, Kuddus completed his MFA degree from Dhaka University.

Press Club president Farida Yasmin, general secretary Shyamal Dutta, BFUJ president Omar Faruq and DUJ president Sohel Haider, among others, expressed deep shock at his death.

## Dhaka, New York

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before 1993 and 2006 after suspending it due to losses.

The US Federal Aviation Authority placed CAAB in Category 2 after finding irregularities in its operational activities in an investigation in 2006.

Such categorisation placed additional restrictions on Bangladesh's airlines flying to the US, including the resumption of the sole direct route between the nations.

বাংলাদেশ কর্মস ব্যাকে লিমিটেড সকল প্রকার আমানত, আকর্ষণীয় স্বীকৃত জামানতবিহীন বিনিয়োগ, উদ্যোক্তা, কৃষি স্বপ্ন সুবিধা ও ক্রেডিট কার্ড সহ আধুনিক ব্যাংকিং সেবায় আপনার বিশ্বস্ত সহযোগী।  
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A Category 1 rating means the civil aviation authority of a state complies with ICAO standards.

In response to a question about the rough behaviour of the airport employees, the CAAB chairman said 19 training sessions have been given to the airport staff so far in this regard.

“Those who misbehave with the passengers are removed from the service as well as fined by the executive magistrate,” he also said.

Asked whether Biman is going to buy 10 aircraft from Airbus, the CAAB chief who is also a member of Biman's board of directors, said it is yet to finalise whether Biman will purchase aircraft from Airbus.

“If Airbus gives a better offer than Boeing, we will think about it,” he added.

## Work together

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resting place for justice-seekers – on Mymensingh Judge Court premises, reports our Mymensingh correspondent.

“If the litigants have to struggle so much, people will say there is no justice in the country. We cannot let that happen,” he added. He also urged judges and lawyers to work together to reduce the backlog of cases.

The chief justice said the highest number of cases were disposed of in Mymensingh in 2022 and the district received the first “Chief Justice Award”.

He also held a meeting with the judges.

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বার্ষিক চাঁদা (সডাক) ৩০০ টাকা  
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জন্য যোগাযোগ করুন  
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**TENDER NOTICE**  
**Tender No. NSU/22-23-T15**  
North South University is inviting sealed offer from bona fide/ reputed organization/ distributors/ business partners/ agents for supplying Cisco switch, photocopier, desktop computer, mvp, digital screen for North South University as described in the tender schedule.  
Detail of the items mentioned below:  
Lot: 1- Cisco switch  
Lot: 2,3- Photocopier  
Lot: 4,5- Desktop computer  
Lot: 6,7- Multimedia video projector and screen  
Lot: 8- Digital screen  
Interested bidders may collect schedule of tender from Southeast Bank Ltd. Bashundhara Branch, Dhaka from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on all working days till **August 8, 2023** by paying non-refundable amount of Taka 1,000.00 (One Thousand) in cash for each schedule.  
The bidders must submit **earnest money @ 2.5%** of the quoted price in the form of Pay Order issued from any scheduled bank drawn in favor of North South University along with their offer. The sealed offer must be submitted on **August 9, 2023** by 2.15 p.m. at the office of the undersigned. The offers will be opened at 2:30 p.m. on the same day. Representatives of the participating bidders may remain present at the time of opening the bids. NSU authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders without showing any reason.  
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**PRICE SENSITIVE INFORMATION**  
This is for information of all concerned that the Board of Directors of Trust Bank Limited in its 347 (08/2023) meeting held on 15 July 2023 commencing from 02.00 p.m. has adopted, among others, **Un-Audited Financial Statements for 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter (Q-2) ended on 30 June 2023.** The Board of Directors also disclosed the following:  
**Financial Results [Amount in BDT]:**  

Particulars	Consolidated				Solo			
	Jan 01 to June 30, 2023	Jan 01 to June 30, 2022	April 01 to June 30, 2023	April 01 to June 30, 2022	Jan 01 to June 30, 2023	Jan 01 to June 30, 2022	April 01 to June 30, 2023	April 01 to June 30, 2022
Profit before Tax	2,935,523,537	3,744,115,903	1,955,751,206	1,798,598,200	3,021,881,802	3,741,973,988	2,006,248,937	1,831,559,321
Net Profit after Taxation	1,336,989,994	1,572,129,790	1,106,919,382	727,928,013	1,412,591,946	1,612,041,212	1,156,293,622	726,115,017
Earnings Per Share (EPS)	1.77	2.15	1.42	0.94	1.81	2.07	1.49	0.93
Net Operating Cash Flow Per Share (NOCFPS)	35.75	20.20	37.26	19.95	33.60	18.90	37.39	20.23

  
**Financial Position [Amount in BDT]:**  

Particulars	Consolidated		Solo	
	30-June-23	30-June-22	30-June-23	30-June-22
Net Assets Value (NAV)	21,457,882,464	20,176,300,190	21,071,253,791	19,714,862,997
Net Assets Value (NAV) Per Share	27.57	25.92	27.07	25.33

  
**Note:** The details of the Un-Audited Financial Statements for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter ended on 30 June 2023 will be available in the website of the Bank at: www.tlbd.com.  
  
Dated: Dhaka  
15 July 2023  
  
By order of the Board of Directors  
Sd/-  
**Md. Mizanur Rahman, FCS**  
Company Secretary  
  
**Trust Bank**