

# Karnaphuli Express robbed in Tongi, 9 held

STAR REPORT

Robbers boarded the Dhaka-bound Karnaphuli Express train when it was stopped near Gazipur's Tongi on Thursday night and robbed its passengers.

Nine people were arrested with sharp weapons and mobile phones in connection with the robbery, said Ferdaus Ahmed Biswas, officer-in-charge (OC) of Dhaka Railway Police Station, yesterday.

The robbers also stabbed a person inside the train, leaving the victim injured, said OC Ferdaus.

Tongi Police Station OC Ashraful Islam

said the arrests were made during an overnight drive and they recovered the looted materials from the arrestees.

However, the police official did not disclose what type of materials they recovered.

According to locals and witnesses, the robbery took place around 11:00pm when the train, coming from Chattogram, was waiting to enter the outer signal of the Tongi Junction Railway Station.

Witnesses said the passengers hurriedly closed windows and the entrances of the train when the robbers hurled brick chunks at the stopped train.



PHOTO: SHEIKH NASIR

Two siblings craft clay toys in the midst of nature's embrace at Malnicherra Tea Estate. Although their parents don't have the luxury to buy them playthings, these young hearts find happiness from whatever treasures they have amidst them. This photo was taken recently.

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## Challenges mount for manpower office

Staff shortage, faulty server disrupting services

MINTU DESHWARA, Moulvibazar

Moulvibazar District Manpower and Employment Office has been facing significant challenges to deliver services to people seeking overseas employment, as the office is running amid an acute shortage of staffers.

With a substantial influx in number of people -- approximately 150 to 200 daily -- seeking services for overseas employment registration and fingerprinting, from both Habiganj and Moulvibazar districts, the office is struggling to operate with only the three officials presently working there.

Also, the persistent issue of faulty servers is exacerbating the situation and is a primary concern as all the services come to a halt every time it stops functioning properly.

This severely inconveniences those seeking services from the office, with many having to return without completing the processes.

Also, the office has to conduct investigations into various applications of the victims who are legally working abroad.

This correspondent visited the office recently on Shamsernagar



PHOTO: STAR

Road in Moulvibazar, and found two queues of 20-30 men and women there, waiting anxiously for their turn to register or submit fingerprints, while the queue was almost at a standstill.

Marijana Akhter from Sreemangal said, "I came to submit my fingerprints. I was previously in Saudi Arabia for four years. Now I am trying to go to Oman. All my papers are fine without any issue."

Nazim Uddin of Kulaura said, "I came here once before to submit the paper. Today, I came to submit

fingerprints but the line is moving too slowly."

According to the Moulvibazar office, it is mandatory for workers who want to go abroad legally to come to the office, in person, to register their names and submit their fingerprints. Also, the office advises the workers on what to do before and after going abroad.

Since 1997, the office has been operating in Moulvibazar, delivering services to people from Moulvibazar and Habiganj districts.

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## 2 bodies wash ashore in St Martin's Island

STAFF CORRESPONDENT,  
Cox's Bazar

Two bodies -- one male and one female -- washed ashore in St Martin's Island of Cox's Bazar during high tide yesterday.

Police recovered the bodies from Halbungia of the island's Dakkhinpara around 9:00am, said Md Jubair Syed, officer-in-charge of Teknaf Police Station.

The deceased were aged between 30 and 35, he said.

The decomposed bodies were sent to Cox's Bazar General Hospital and police are trying to identify the deceased, the OC added.

Mujibur Rahman, chairman of St Martin's union, said, "Locals noticed two floating bodies in Halbungia in the morning and informed police."

**PRAYER  
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AUGUST 12

Fajr	Zohr	Asr	Maghrib	Esha
AZAN 4-25	12-45	4-45	6-41	8-00
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SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION

## Man found dead in canal

He jumped to  
escape arrest,  
say police

OUR CORRESPONDENT,  
Munshiganj

The body of a man was found floating in a canal in Munshiganj's Tongibari yesterday, two days after the 42-year-old fell into the waterbody trying to escape arrest.

The deceased is Quddus Sardar from Chashi Baligaon village.

Quddus Sardar's mother, Tahura Begum, alleged that her son drowned in front of police after jumping into Gaurganj canal on Wednesday afternoon.

However, police did not try to rescue him.

Denying the allegation, Tongibari Police Station OC Rajib Khan said the incident occurred when police were passing by, but they weren't there to arrest Quddus.

After spotting them, Quddus jumped into the canal, and a strong current swept him away, said the OC.

The relatives found his floating body and informed the police.

"After searching the deceased's body we found 60 yaba tablets," he added.

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