

5 killed, 34 hurt in road accidents

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Masud Rana, officer-in-charge of the Gaibandha Sadar Police Station.

A case will be filed after handing over the body of the deceased to family members, the OC said, adding that law enforcers are trying to nab the truck driver.

In Pabna, Rojina Khatun, 34, a senior staff nurse of a private clinic in Ishwardi upazila and resident of Arambari area, died in a road mishap yesterday morning.

Rozina was on her way to join work, riding on her colleague Solaiman Miah's motorbike. When they reached near Ishwardi Girls' School area around 8:00am, Solaiman lost control of his bike and skidded off the road, leaving Rozina dead on the spot and himself critically injured, said Ishwardi Police Station OC Arbinda Sarkar.

Solaiman was hurrying to reach his pregnant wife along with the nurse when the accident occurred, the OC also said.

Police recovered the body of the deceased while Solaiman has been admitted to Rajshahi Medical College Hospital for treatment in critical condition, he added.

In Dinajpur, one person was killed and five others were injured as a speeding truck hit a battery-run easy-bike in Birampur upazila yesterday afternoon.

The deceased was Abdur Rahman, 60, of Bailshira village under the upazila.

Confirming the incident, OC Subrata Kumar Sarkar of Birampur Police Station said the easy-bike with seven passengers was hit by a truck coming from other direction on Dinajpur-Gobindaganj road at around 5:10pm, leaving Abdur Rahman dead and five others injured.

Locals rescued the injured and took them to Birampur Upazila Health Complex for treatment.

Later, four of them were sent to M Abdur Rahim Medical College Hospital in Dinajpur as their condition worsened, the

OC said.

Police seized the truck and detained its driver and his helper, he added.

In a separate incident, at least 25 people of a passenger bus were injured in a head-on collision between the bus and a truck in Phulbari upazila on Wednesday night.

The incident took place on Dinajpur-Gobindaganj regional highway near Narayanpur village in the upazila around 8:30pm, said OC Mostafizar Rahman of Phulbari Police Station.

On information, Fire Service and Civil Defence personnel went to the spot, rescued the injured and took them to Phulbari Upazila Health Complex for primary treatment, he said.

Two of them have been shifted to M Abdur Rahim Medical College Hospital in critical condition, the OC added.

[Our correspondents from Cox's Bazar, Bogura, Pabna and Dinajpur contributed to the report.]

Pvt univs can enroll

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over the previously allowed provision of 50.

Eighty percent of the fines will have to be given to Bangladesh Bar Council's Relief Fund, while the remaining 20 percent will go to the Supreme Court Day Care Centre, the apex court said.

A six-member bench of the Appellate Division, headed by Justice Hasan Foez Siddique, announced the judgement after modifying another verdict it had delivered in 2017. The five other judges of the bench are Justice Obaidul Hassan, Justice Borhanuddin, Justice M Enayetur Rahim, Justice Md

Ashfaque Islam and Justice Md Abu Zafar Siddique.

Yesterday's SC verdict came following the review and appeal petitions filed by some private universities and their students, challenging its 2017 judgement.

Petitioners' lawyer Ahsanul Karim and Syeda Nasrin told The Daily Star that the SC has fined the private universities as a penalty for admitting extra students in violation of its directives.

Yesterday's SC directives will be effective since 2017, when its previous verdict was delivered, they added.

The full text of the SC verdict is yet to be released.

August sees record

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adequate measures to control Aedes breeding or raise awareness, he said.

"Late rains staying for a longer span this year are also contributing to the rising number of cases," he added.

He also blamed urbanisation outside the metropolis for this situation, as such new structures are facilitating breeding grounds for the mosquitoes.

Entomologist GM Saifur Rahman stressed the lack of necessary equipment to conduct anti-mosquito drives.

"It would be much easier to control dengue if a vector management authority were set up," he said.

HM Nazmul Ahsan, associate professor at Shaheed Suhrawardy Medical College Hospital, said a patient with the symptoms – severe stomach aches, breathing difficulties, severe weakness, bleeding from gums or nose, and vomiting – needs to be hospitalised immediately.

"If not hospitalised within 24 hours, the patients end up at the stage of dengue shock syndrome," he said.

There are two types of dengue shocks

– compensated and decompensated. If a patient is hospitalised immediately after their compensated shock, there are 50 percent chances of healing.

"The patient's blood pressure may remain normal during a compensated shock, which is why many don't realise it. Some of its signs include a drop in body temperature and increased heart and breathing rate," he added.

AL wants BNP

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for the prime minister's resignation, the dissolution of the parliament, and the caretaker government system. "They said these are the internal affairs of Bangladesh and there should be a peaceful election in Bangladesh..." said Quader.

The other members of the delegation include AL presidium member Faruq Khan, International Affairs Secretary Shammi Ahmed, Information and Research Secretary Salim Mahmud, Office Secretary Biplab Barua, and central executive committee member Prof Mohammad A Arafat.

One killed

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Five youths were seriously injured while Masud Rana died on the spot, the OC said.

On information, the police went to the spot and recovered the body before sending it to Jashore General Hospital Morgue for autopsy, he said.

A case was filed with the police station in this connection, OC Tajul added.

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Farmers unhappy with low price

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jute has fallen in the market. Jute traders are telling us that jute is not going abroad this year..." Mafizul added.

Nurul Islam Mandal, 65, a farmer of Char Kodalkati village under Rajibpur upazila of Kurigram, told The Daily Star that most of the farmers in the village cultivate jute and are in extreme despair after incurring losses as the price per maund of jute fell from Tk 3,000-3,200 last year to Tk 2,100-2,300 this year.

Khabir Uddin, a jute trader at Jatrapur Haat in Kurigram Sadar upazila, told The Daily Star that about 6,000-7,000 maunds of jute are traded there every week. Wholesalers from different places come

to this market to buy jute from farmers. Due to the low price this year, the farmers suffered extreme disappointment. Many expressed reluctance to sell jute at such low prices.

"I am not certain whether I would be able to sell the jute that I purchased from farmers and stored this year. Large jute wholesalers in the country are still not buying jute from us. They told us that jute is not being exported abroad this year," he said.

"I am afraid the market price of jute may go down even further," Khabir added.

Supen Chandra Saha, another jute trader in Rangpur town, echoed the same.

Feroz Mahmud, chief jute inspector of Kurigram, said

low demand for jute outside the country due to global crisis is having a severe impact on the price of jute in the country's markets.

Nothing can be said for sure about how long this situation will continue, he said.

"Despite a good yield of jute this year, farmers are extremely disappointed with the market price. Many farmers are losing interest in jute cultivation as they are not able to cover their cost of production," said Hamidur Rahman, deputy director of DAE in Lalmonirhat.

"The price of jute in the markets of the country has fallen due to the failure in jute export. It is feared that jute cultivation may come down to half in the future," he added.

45pc face it in RMG sector: study

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to senior-level management officials, according to the study.

Thirty-six percent of workers said their experience of GBVH was worsened through character shaming and rumours – tactics often used by management and perpetrators to justify their abuse, revealed the study.

Furthermore, 50 percent of workers faced wage deductions or were made to work extra hours without overtime pay by their supervisors or factory management if they did not agree to their sexual advances.

The study provided several recommendations for the government, employers, trade unions,

and federations to combat GBVH among RMG factories.

They include – ratifying and implementing ILO Convention 190 (C190) concerning violence and harassment, formulating and implementing legislation and policies that incorporate ILO C190 standards, and mandating inclusion of neutral third parties in anti-harassment committees to ensure the fair handling of GBVH complaints in workplaces.

Enforcing a zero-tolerance policy to address GBVH, especially in cases where factory owners, senior and mid-level officers are directly or indirectly involved, and raising awareness among management and workers

through videos, images, and infographics is also recommended.

Additionally, the study recommended that trade unions and federations prioritise prevention of GBVH and women workers' safety as core union issues, formulate gender policies and action plans, and establish anti-harassment committees.

Lawmaker Aroma Dutta was present at the event as the chief guest. Nasima Akhter, additional DIG of Criminal Control Zone; AKM Nasir, country programme director of Solidarity Center Bangladesh Office, and its deputy country programme director Monika Hartsel were also present at the event.

Withdraw libel cases against

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Following the incident, seven media outlets published reports on the issue at various times.

However, denying the allegations, Prof Siraj and the hospital authorities sued five media outlets on June 26, demanding Tk 125 crore for the 'defamation'.

The media outlets are

Dainik Ittefaq, The Daily Bhorer Kagoj, Nagorik Television, Ekushey Television, and Sarabangla. net.

After hearing the case on August 3, a Dhaka court issued show cause notices to the defendants, terming The Daily Star, Daily Observer, and BMDC as proforma defendants (a defendant who typically

has no direct responsibility for the harm alleged, but shares an interest with other defendants).

The event was also addressed by Nikhil Mankin, former general secretary of BHRF; Kaosar Azam, office secretary of DRU; and Mohiuddin Ahmed, former president of Reporters Against Corruption.

Nusuk to make umrah

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enhancing the convenience for Bangladeshi Hajj and Umrah pilgrims.

Alhasan said Saudi Arabia's Vision 2030 has three pillars – a thriving economy, a vibrant society and an ambitious nation –

and tourism plays a big part in that.

He said more and more Bangladeshi people will travel to Saudi either to perform Umrah or to spend the holiday there. They will meet with the Saudi people, strengthening the ties

among them and opening up new opportunities in various sectors.

So, there are many areas where people can collaborate because of tourism. That is why we are doing tourism, said Alhasan.




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