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Identify those
going abroad
with fake
certificates: PM

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Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday directed the authorities concerned to identify and take legal actions against those who go abroad with fake certificates and their abettors.

She made this directive while chairing the Cabinet meeting at her office here in the city.

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PHOTO: PRABIR DAS

Commuters from all walks of life, including patients, students, job holders, and law enforcement officials, suffer due to a long tailback on Mirpur Road. The photo was taken yesterday near Asad Gate intersection.

20,000 posts
vacant in BRRailway minister
informs parliament

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Around 20,000 posts now remain vacant in Bangladesh Railway, while some 2,880 persons have been employed during the last nine months in different categories, said Railway Minister M Nurul Islam Sujon yesterday.

"The manpower crisis in BR will be resolved soon," he said, while replying to a query made by treasury bench lawmaker M Abdul Latif of Chattogram-11 during the question-answer session at the Jatiya Sangsad.

The recruitment process is going on in this regard, he informed the parliament, with Jatiya

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DENGUE DEATHS, CASES OUTSIDE DHAKA

Lack of facilities
adding to the numbersSay experts as DGHS data show 75pc deaths
are from outside the capitalHELEMUL ALAM and MOUDUD AHMED
SUJAN

Mohammad Yasin, a resident of Faridpur's Boalmari, was admitted to a hospital in his hometown after being diagnosed with dengue seven days ago.

However, the next day, he was referred to another hospital in Faridpur sadar as his platelet count came down from over 1 lakh to 46,000.

Admitted to a private facility in the town, his platelet count plummeted to 26,000 that day and to 10,000 the following day, compelling his doctors to refer him to Dhaka Medical College Hospital.

"My platelet count was 8,000 when I was admitted to DMCH two days ago.

I am feeling better now, thanks to timely treatment. However, I am still feeling dizzy," said the 22-year-old.

Mohammad Nayeem of Panchdona in Narsingdi, who was admitted to DMCH this Saturday, shared a similar experience.

A good number of dengue patients like Yasin and Nayeem come to different hospitals in the capital, mostly in critical conditions.

The journey further deteriorates their condition as it disrupts their fluid management, which is crucial for dengue patients, according to doctors.

According to the Directorate General of Health Services data, only 44 out of the 132 deceased in the last

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Champion of
health equitySpeakers on
Dr Zafrullah

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Dr Zafrullah Chowdhury earned universal love and respect for his dedication to improve the healthcare accessibility for all, said Professor Md Sayedur Rahman, Chairman of the Pharmacology Department at Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University yesterday.

He was speaking at a lecture, titled "Dr Zafrullah Chowdhury, the National Drug Policy of 1982, and Bangladesh's Health Movement," commemorating the 34th anniversary of Drik.

Professor Rahman recounted Dr Zafrullah's remarkable contributions

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NID, land reform bills
placed in parliament

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The National Identity Registration Bill, 2023 was placed in parliament yesterday to transfer the national identity registration operations from the Election Commission to the Security Services Division, Ministry of Home Affairs.

Home Minister Asaduzzaman Khan placed the bill which was sent to the parliamentary standing committee on the respective ministry for further examination. The committee was asked to submit its report within five working days.

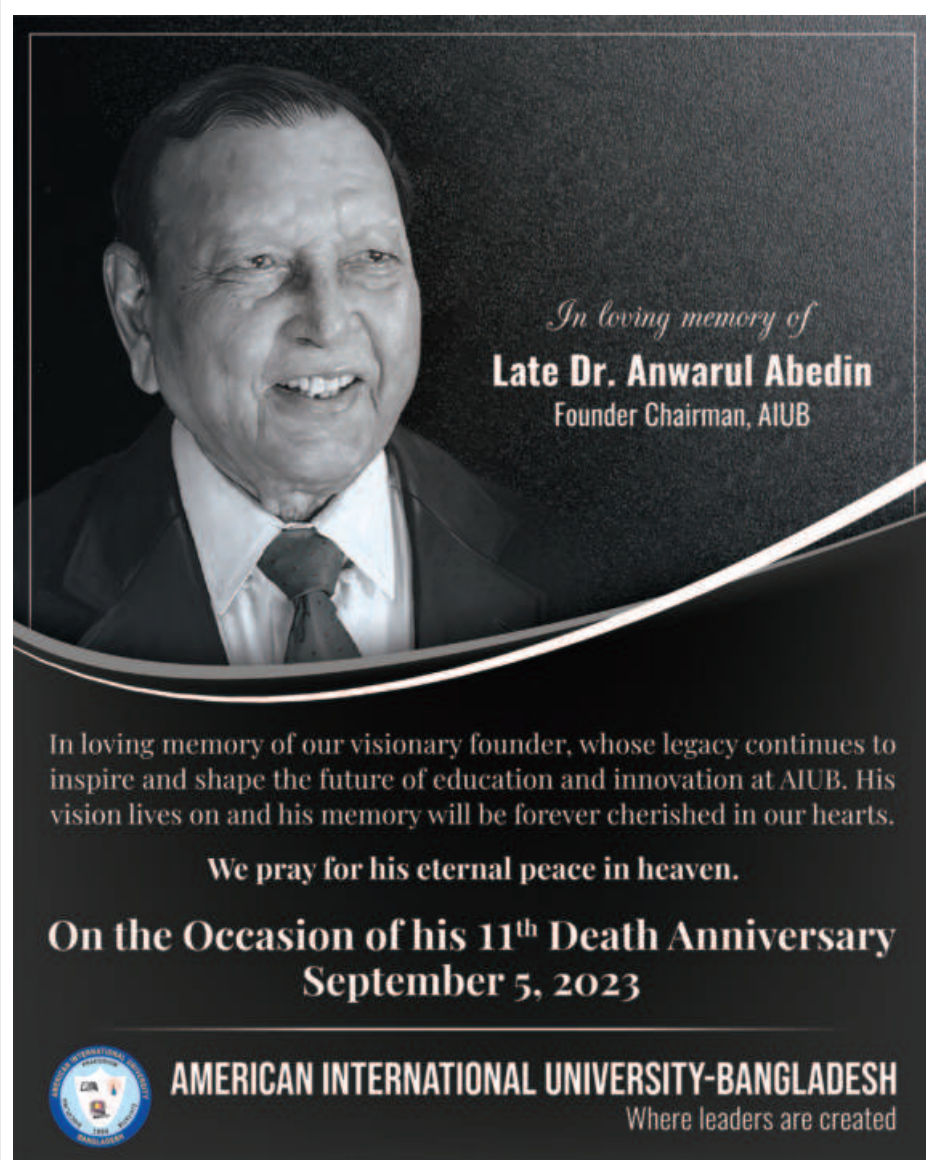
As per the proposed law, immediately

after the birth, any Bangladeshi national will be given a unique number or birth certificate, which would remain unchangeable.

The Election Commission will prepare the voter lists with the nationals aged above 18 years.

According to the bill, if a citizen intentionally or knowingly provides any false information or conceals information while obtaining a national identity card shall be deemed to have committed an offence under this law and shall be liable for such offence and shall be punished

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