### **Rastro Songskar Andolon calls** upon international community

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Rastro Songskar Andolon, a political organisation, vesterday urged the international community to help the country bring back its laundered money.

The calls were made at a press conference held at Jativa Press Club. The event was moderated by Sayed Hasib Uddin Hossen, media and publicity secretary of the organisation.

Stressing the fact that power holders use state machinery to loot public money and launder it abroad, Hasnat Quaiyum, chief coordinator of the organisation, said, "That's why we urge the international community to extend their help in bringing the money back to the country, alongside their continuous effort to ensure a free and fair election in the country," he added.

He also said that the current government has changed the true meaning of democracy.

"Democracy is supposed to mean 'for the people, by the people, and of the people,' but this government has turned the definition into 'by the mafia, for the mafia, and of the mafia.' We are trying to free the country from their clutches and hand it over to the people," he said.

"We welcome the international community's concern over democracy, voting rights, human rights violations and good governance in the nation's current context." he added.

Referring to three money laundering reports published in 2013, 2015 and 2018 by Global Financial Institute (GFI), Faridul Haque, political coordinator of the organisation. said around US \$62 billion was laundered from Bangladesh during 2006-2015.

According to Farid, around US \$14 billion is expected to be laundered annually if this trend continues.

"We have Financial Intelligence Unit to stop money laundering. Instead of taking swift actions, the unit stopped sharing data on the import and export with global organisations since GFI's last publication in 2018," he said.

The organisation came up with a four-point demand, including putting an end to looting and laundering, and ratification of international convention to prevent money laundering.



Salma Begum tends to her red amaranth bed at the Sher-e-Bangla Road divider in Nirala area of Khulna city. After sowing the seeds, Salma harvests the plants when they are ready, some of which she keeps for herself while selling off the rest for a little extra income. The photo was taken yesterday. PHOTO: HABIBUR RAHMAN

# **FINANCIAL GRANTS FOR 5TH-GRADERS Co-curricular activities,** alongside results, will be key

#### STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government will conduct various competitions, including olympiads, to encourage students to prioritise co-curricular activities alongside academics for financial grants, said Farid Ahmed, primary and mass education secretary, yesterday.

the The secretary made comments at a press conference

organised by Ministry of Primary and Mass Education at the secretariat, marking International Literacy Day (September 8).

the Earlier in August, government announced scrapping scholarship exams for fifth graders and hinted on introducing an alternative assessment method for evaluating high-achieving students. Farid said the government

is considering options such as mathematics olympiads and cultural activities to assess Class V students.

"No private primary school will be permitted to operate without proper registration and academic accreditation. All existing private primary schools must undergo the registration process," stressed the

secretary.

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### University student, another lose lives in road accident

#### UNB, Pabna

Two individuals have lost their lives, and three others sustained injuries in a tragic incident where a bus collided with a CNG-run autorickshaw in Tebunia farm area of Pabna Sadar upazila yesterday

The accident occurred on the Pabna-Ishwardi highway when a bus collided with the autorickshaw. Jahangir Hossain, sub-inspector of Pakshi Highway Police Station, confirmed that the collision resulted in the immediate death of the two.

The deceased were identified as Rifat Al Sifat, 21, from the Juna Ramchandrapur area in Sujanagar upazila, and Rumman, 20, from Mohela area in Chatmohar upazila, as confirmed by the officer.

Sifat was a student in the economics department at Khulna University. The injured individuals were admitted to Pabna General Hospital for medical treatment. Following the incident, the bus was seized, but its driver and helper fled the scene, according to SI Jahangir.

### Woman found dead at house

#### UNB, Khulna

A 53-year-old woman was found dead at her house at Paschim Tutpara Farid Molla intersection in Khulna city on Wednesday.

Anima Das along with her grandson Tirtho. 8, resided at the house as her son Shubhendu, a police constable, lived in Sonadanga for work, said Sadar Police Station OC Hasan Al Mamun.

Getting no response from Anima after repeated phone calls, Subhendu's sister informed him. Later, Subhendu went to the house and found

her dead on her bed.

Police suspected that miscreants killed her after looting her jewelry as those were missing.

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## Hilsa production booming in Khulna

### UNB, Khulna

Hilsa production in Khulna has increased by almost 22 times, in the last 15 years, thanks to various steps taken by the district fisheries office.

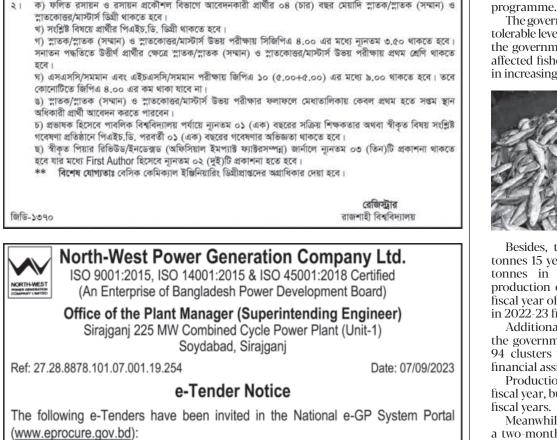
Production of shrimp, fish -- including carp, catfish, crab, kuchia -- and dried fish also increased during this period, said experts.

According to sources at Khulna District Fisheries Office, the production of hilsa has increased because of effective steps taken by the government over the last 15 years. As a result, the district is playing an important role in supplying fish all over the country, after meeting the demands in the locality.

Sources said 115 tonnes of hilsa was produced in 2006-2007 fiscal years, but now the number stands at 2,555 tonnes in the 2022-23 fiscal years.

Khulna District Fisheries Office claim that fish production has increased greatly resulting from successful implementation of mother hilsa conservation campaign and jatka conservation





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The government also took steps to keep fishing at a tolerable level during Covid-19. During the pandemic, the government provided Tk 14,79,45,000 to 9,863 affected fishermen, which played an important role in increasing hilsa production.



Besides, the production of shrimp was 18,255 tonnes 15 years ago, while it now stands at 25,375 tonnes in the current fiscal year. Similarly, production of carp was 66,265 tonnes during the fiscal year of 2006-07 and is now at 1,21,750 tonnes in 2022-23 fiscal year.

Additionally, to increase production of shrimp, the government introduced a cluster system, with 94 clusters already set up in Khulna district for financial assistance.

Production of crab was 4,250 tonnes in 2006-07 fiscal year, but is now at 7,860 tonnes in the current fiscal years.

Meanwhile, every year, the government imposes a two-month ban on fishing in the Bay of Bengal, from May 20 to July 23, to ensure smooth breeding of fish, which is also an effective measure to boost fish production.

Joydeb Pal, district fisheries officer, said the government has taken steps for the development of the fisheries sector and the pilot project in shrimp cultivation is gaining popularity.

### Ward councillor held on rape charge

**OUR CORRESPONDENT,** Savar

Police arrested a ward councillor yesterday morning in a case filed over the rape of a woman in Savar.

The arrestee is Mahfuz Sarkar, 45, councillor of Ward-7 of Singair Municipality of Manikganj, confirmed Nayan Karkun, inspector (investigation) of Savar Model Police Station.

The victim filed a case against him with Savar Model Police Station early yesterday, said the police official.

According to the case statement, Mahfuz raped the 35-year-old victim on Wednesday night.

After arresting him from Savar's Rajfulbaria area, police produced Mahfuz before a court yesterday, he added.

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