

Missing vessel
staffer found
dead in Ctg

STAFF CORRESPONDENT,
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The body of a lighter
vessel staffer, who went
missing on Sunday night
in Chattogram, was
recovered from the bank
of Karnaphuli in Kalarpole
area yesterday.

The deceased is Fazul
Karim Shakil, 25, an
operating assistant of
Taribun Nezat-3.

Police said the vessel
used to carry sugar
from S Alam Refined
Sugar's mother vessel in
Chattogram port's outer
anchorage.

Shakil's brother in law
Belayet Hossen alleged, "On
Sunday night, the company's
security guards raided the
lighter vessel on suspicions
of its staff's involvement
in stealing sugar from the
mother vessel. They
assaulted the lighter vessel's
staff, and forced them to
jump into the river."

"We found injury marks
on Shakil's body," he
claimed.

Md Nurussafa, security
in charge of S Alam Sugar
Factory, said, "We caught
five persons while stealing
sugar and handed them
over to police. Few others
jumped into the river. We
did not torture anyone."

OC Akram Hossain of
Sadarghat River Police
Station said Nurussafa
lodged a case against 12
persons including Shakil
with Bakalia Police Station
on Monday.

Police are investigating
the incident. The body
was sent to a hospital for
autopsy, he added.

WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY
The grim reality of Pabna
mental hospital



OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pabna

The 500-bed Pabna mental
hospital is struggling to
provide quality services to
its patients due to
manpower crisis and lack
of modern equipment.

Out of a total 31 posts,
only 14 doctors are working
at present, while 17 positions
have long been vacant.
The hospital is also facing
shortages of nurses and
technical persons,
including occupational
therapists.

Shafquat Waheed, the
director of the hospital, told
The Daily Star, "This is a
500-bed specialised
hospital, but we have no
scope to give quality
medical services to the
patients due to a lack of
doctors, nurses, and
efficient manpower."

Furthermore, the
hospital lacks essential
equipment for advanced
treatments, he said.

Meanwhile, even when
modern equipment is
present, there is a lack of
qualified personnel

to operate them, such as
an electroencephalogram
(EEG) machine, which
remains unused for the
last two decades.

The hospital also lacks
research facilities, limiting
the scope for advanced
treatments, he said.

Besides, patients often
need multiple admissions
at the hospital due to a
lack of proper treatment.

A patient's family member
from Radhanagar village in
Pabna Sadar upazila said,
"Due to the lack of proper
medical services, patients
do not recover fully. That's
why we need to admit our
patients several times."

Around 300 patients
from different parts of the
country receive services at
the outdoor unit of the
hospital daily and a good
number of staffer is
needed to manage them,
Waheed said.

Ahsan Habib Ahmed,
chief assistant officer of the
hospital, said, "There are
discussions at the

health ministry about
upgrading the facility to an
1,100-bed hospital. While
the project hasn't been
officially approved yet, the
project proposal has been
submitted to the Ministry
of Finance via the PWD
[Public Works Department]."

He hoped that the
project would receive
approval next year, which
would greatly improve their
current conditions.

Rights activist Kamal
Ahmed Siddique said
mental patients become
victims of negligence at
various levels.

Apart from the poor
medical facilities, the
patients mostly do not
get support from society
and even from families,
which further hinders
their recovery, he said.

"And when they go to
the hospital, they are also
deprived of proper
treatment," Kamal added.

He called for a change
in mindset to ensure
rights and proper
treatment to the mentally
ill persons.

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Five workers hurt
in gas explosion

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Five workers suffered
burn injuries in a gas
explosion while digging
soil in Namapara area in
Dhaka yesterday morning.

Siyam, 20, Mehedi, 23,
Juel, 21, Mumin, 22, and
Delowar, 24, were taken
to National Institute of
Burn and Plastic Surgery
for treatment.

This incident occurred
around 7:00am when
they were digging soil for
a Wasa line.

During the work, gas
started leaking from an
underground line. As one
of the workers attempted
to ignite a lighter, an
explosion took place
causing the fire. Cantonment
Police Station has been
informed of the incident
for further probe as the
area falls under it.

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EASING TRAFFIC CONGESTION

CCC to start paid parking in port city

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Chattogram now ranks as the 12th slowest city in the world, according to a study published as a working paper by the US-based National Bureau of Economic Research.

Poor traffic movement, prolonged gridlocks on major roads in the port city, and lack of parking spaces are largely the reasons leading to this situation.

Commuters, especially office goers and students, are the worst sufferers due to haphazard parking on roads, which often leads to gridlock on major thoroughfares.

City dwellers have long been demanding the authorities to take measures to overcome the port city's traffic management woes.

Against this backdrop, Chattogram City Corporation and the traffic department of Chattogram Metropolitan Police have taken a joint initiative to ease the suffering of commuters by introducing a paid parking system and marking parking and no parking zones on busy roads.



CCC Mayor Rezaul Karim Chowdhury and CMP officials have agreed to a proposal in this regard, said CCC sources.

The move came after some ward councillors expressed concerns over public sufferings due to traffic mismanagement and vehicular congestion on the port city roads during the 32nd CCC general meeting on September 27.

High officials of CMP traffic department later called on the mayor at his office on Sunday, where he asked them for a combined initiative to ensure traffic management.

"We sought cooperation from the city corporation to free the footpaths and ease traffic congestion on roads," said Tareq Ahmed, deputy commissioner (traffic-west) of CMP.

"The mayor has given us a proposal to introduce a paid parking system in the city. We will work together in this regard," he added.

Confirming the matter, the mayor said both CCC and CMP officials would work jointly to this end. "We will introduce a paid parking system for the first time in the city along with designated parking and no parking zones," he said.

"We expect the city will soon come under a good traffic system following the initiative," the mayor added.

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