

3 of a smuggling ring held in Dhaka

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

With the hope of a better future, Nurunnabi of Jashore went to the United Arab Emirates on August 20, but failed to get a good job there and decided to return home.

But he didn't have the money for plane fare, and taking advantage of the situation, an organised gang offered him a free plane ticket to Bangladesh in exchange for carrying some luggage for them.

The 22-year-old accepted the offer and received an air ticket to fly to Dhaka on October 9. The gang members in Bangladesh were informed that Nurunnabi's father, Syed Ali Mandal, 65, would come to receive him at the airport.

As Nurunnabi's father came to Hazrat Shahjajal International Airport on October 9 to receive his son, the gang members abducted him. They held him hostage at a house in the capital's Shantinagar to prevent Nurunnabi from getting away with the bag loaded with gold ornaments and other

valuable goods worth around Tk 15 lakh.

Khandaker Al Moin, director of Rab's legal and media wing, disclosed this at a briefing yesterday at its media centre in Karwan Bazar, a day after they rescued Nurunnabi's father by raiding that Shantinagar house.

They also detained three local members of the gang from there and recovered gold ornaments, laptops, mobile phones, and foreign products, including cosmetics of different brands worth Tk 60 lakh.

Moin said they started an investigation after Syed Ali's son-in-law filed a general diary with Mirpur Model Police Station on October 10, failing to trace him.

Rab said the gang has 12-15 members in the country and overseas, with Abu Yusuf, an expatriate in a Middle Eastern country, being its ringleader. They have been smuggling valuable products into the country through different passengers by persuading them with free tickets.

They sell those items to unscrupulous traders at markets in Gulistan and Paltan.



The sale of clay pots has increased in Barishal and its adjacent areas marking the upcoming Durga Puja, the biggest religious festival of the Hindu community. Artisans are now busy making pots of various shapes and designs. They sell the pots for Tk 30-50. The photo was taken in Jhalakathi.

PHOTO: TITU DAS

Harun Al Rashid passes away

STAR REPORT

Harun Al Rashid Nizam, father of Bangladesh Cricket Board



Director and CEO of Beximco Sports Obeid Rashid Nizam, passed away in Dhaka on Thursday. He was 80.

He left behind his wife, two sons, two daughters, five grandchildren, and many well-wishers. He was laid to rest in the Banani graveyard after two namaz-e-janazas.

Nizam established himself as a successful businessman both at home and abroad. The family requested all to pray for his departed soul.

USIP discusses Indo-China relations with AL

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A delegation of the United States Institute of Peace (USIP) discussed the Indo-China relations and Indo-Pacific strategy of the Awami League-led government at a meeting with an AL delegation yesterday.

AL International Affairs secretary Shammi Ahmed, a member of the AL delegation, said this after the meeting held at the AL president's Dhanmondi political office.

"They were interested in Indo-China relations. There was also discussion about the Indo-Pacific strategy, and Bangladesh's relations with Europe, America," he said.

"The political tension in this sub-continent and the role of Bangladesh in these issues, what Awami League is thinking about, were discussed," Shammi Ahmed told reporters.

"They wanted to know about our relations with India and China, and with other countries in the sub-continent. We have stated our stances. We emphasised on the foreign policy

of Bangladesh -- friendship with all, enmity with none -- as given by our Father of the Nation," she added.

She also said there was no talk about the upcoming elections in the meeting.

"They didn't ask any question, we didn't say anything either," Shammi said.

"We said we do not interfere in anyone's internal affairs, nor talk about it. We respect the ideology of other countries. What is happening in India, in China, is a matter of the people of those countries respectively," she said.

The three-member USIP delegation included USIP visiting expert for South Asia Region Geoffrey Macdonald, its senior adviser Dan Markey, and research analyst Isha Gupta.

AL advisory council member Inam Ahmed, presidium member Muhammad Faruk Khan and its international affairs secretary Shammi Ahmed, among others, were present at the meeting.

No compromise with BNP: Quader

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Narayanganj

People will resist BNP if the party resorts to violence under the guise of a movement, said Awami League General Secretary Obaidul Quader yesterday.

"If you [BNP] engage in protests, we understand, but if you incite violence, we will respond firmly. There will be no compromise."

Quader made these remarks at a "development and peace rally" organised by the Narayanganj district unit of the AL, held beside Dhaka-Chattogram highway in Kanchpur area.

"We will no longer show leniency towards BNP. Fakhrul [BNP secretary general] threatened to block Dhaka, but instead, people will react in the same manner towards BNP," he added.

"Awami League does not treat BNP as an enemy even though they do. Politically, we see them as an opposition party," Quader said.

He also urged people to remain vigilant.

Quader expressed concerns that if Sheikh Hasina is not re-elected, the country may face challenges.

He hoped that the prices of essential goods will stabilise soon.

Quader dismissed the notion of restoring a caretaker government system, asserting that even the US does not advocate this.

Meanwhile, a long tailback was seen on the road for hours following the rally.

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Youth killed in train accident

BSS, Dhaka

An unidentified youth was killed as a train, which was going to the airport road station from Kamalapur, hit him in Tejgaon Nakhalpara Pulpar area yesterday.

The victim was taken to the DMCH where the duty-doctors declared him dead around 9:00am, police sources said.

Bachchu Miah, in-charge of DMCH police outpost, said the body was kept at the morgue for autopsy.

He said they have informed the police station concerned in this regard.

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High price, low quality

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nutrition and hygiene.

When asked about the increased prices, Prof Abdur Rahim, provost of Shaheed Sergeant Zahurul Huq Hall, said the price chart is approved by the authority.

"We've set a standard for food prices. If canteen owners charge more, we will address it," he said.

Vice-Chancellor A k h t a r u z z a m a n acknowledged students' challenges and said, "Students are facing hurdles due to market inflation, but they are resilient. I salute their

resilience."

"Prices are high, but we have no other option," said canteen owner Dalim Sarker of Jatir Janak Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Hall.

Prof Selim Raihan, from the Department of Economics and executive director of the South Asian Network on Economic Modeling (Sanem), said, "University authorities should promptly address price increases, regularly monitor food quality in dorms, and increase government funding for education in response to rising prices."

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and safe environment," Prof Chandranath said.

"Last year, there were 32,168 Durga Puja mandaps in the country. This year, the number has increased to almost 32,408. In Dhaka city alone, there are 245 Puja mandaps this year, three more than in last year," he said.

Reading out a written statement, he made some demands to the government, including prompt implementation of government initiatives to recover and preserve donated properties, declaring a special security law for religious minorities while recognising them as vulnerable ahead of the upcoming 11th National election, forming a National Minority Commission, prompt administrative measures to combat communalism and ensure exemplary punishment to wrongdoers through swift trials, announcing a 3 day holiday during Durga Puja, and the establishment of Hindu Foundation in place of Hindu Religious Welfare Trust.

JL Bhowmick, president of the parishad, also spoke at the press conference.

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