

After wearing a deserted look for the last few days, a long tailback was seen on Mirpur Road in the capital's New Market area amid blockade yesterday afternoon. PHOTO: PRABIR DAS

Transparency vital

Song Yang, economic and

commercial counsellor of Chinese embassy in Dhaka. said China will soon be the largest foreign direct investor in Bangladesh.

CA Executive Director Prof Dr Imtiaz Ahmed said Chinese projects are linked to

"Whenever BRI projects are considered, there should be an extra focus on the benefits for locals and how quickly and country can meet the repayment conditions," he

He also said there should be more interaction with civil society bodies, to make them aware of the pros and cons of the projects, so that no group can politicise it for their own interests.

"The only way to debunk the 'debt trap theory' is by making BRI investments demonstrably helpful and profitable to the people of the receiving country," Prof Imtiaz said.

Не noted that Bangladesh can be an

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cooperation between BRI and US' Indo-Pacific Strategy members.

Prof Rashed Al Mahmud Titumir of the Department of Development Studies at Dhaka University said in the context of global powers competing in the infrastructure Indo-pacific region, all need to be careful so that there is no zero-sum game.

"China will have to ensure that political, civil and human rights are respected as it comes up and how quickly and with more investments efficiently the receiving under BRI," Prof Titumir said.

there is growing As nationalism in the major Asian powers, has to practice more internationalism as it goes ahead with the global plan of development and peace, he added.

International Relations Prof ASM Ashraf Ali said it is time to see how BRI projects are planned and implemented, if the benefit analysis is done, how transparent the bidding process is and if there is corruption.

"Ensuring governance is a must for ideal place for ushering the success of BRI," he said.

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'He paid each person Tk 150 for sabotage'

Says DB about Janata Adhikar Party chairman after arrest

Dumuria booming

with early winter

beans

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Detective Branch of police on Sunday arrested Tarequl Islam, chairman of unregistered Janata Adhikar Party, for his alleged involvement in sabotage, vandalism, and attacks on law enforcers during BNP's October 28 rally.

Cyber and Special Crime Division (north) of DB police arrested Tareq, 35, from the capital's Ramna area after analysing CCTV footage.

Harun Or Rashid, additional commissioner (DB) of DMP, confirmed the arrest while addressing reporters at the capital's Minto Road yesterday. "While analysing video footage during

investigation, Tareq was seen leading the attacks on police, vandalising, and setting fire to vehicles," he said.

Tareq used to contest polls in different areas of the country, said Harun.

Tareq contested as an independent candidate from Feni-1 constituency in 2018 national polls, in mayoral election

DIPANKAR ROY, Khulna

to make a good profit.

Hundreds of farmers nursing plants

with freshly grown early winter beans

- this is what this correspondent saw

during his recent visit to Gutudia

village in Khulna's Dumuria upazila.

early winter bean cultivators in the

village are elated with yield, hoping

Over 80 percent of the village's

A similar situation was found in

Kharnia, Rajibpur, Jabra, Bandha,

Taltala, Bhulbaria, and Baratia

beans from plants grown along the

edges of fish enclosures before piling

them into sacks and taking them to

season variety, which usually takes

place around November, is worth

around Tk 50 crore. Already, 12

This year's harvest of this off-

Most farmers were seen picking up

residents cultivate these beans.

villages.

local markets.

Following favourable weather.

of Feni municipality in 2020, and as an independent candidate in the by-polls of Dhaka-17 constituency this year, said the

'Tareq used to hire people for Tk 150 each for vandalising. He presented them as party leaders and activists. He also paid them Tk 100 for food allowance,"

Tareq used to play an active role in various programmes with BNP senior leaders, he said.

Later, Tareq carried out pre-planned sabotage activities like attacks on the police, attacks on the chief justice's residence, bus, government establishments, and arson of police boxes, said police.

preliminary Referring to the interrogation, Harun said many senior leaders of BNP and affiliated organisations have close relations with Tareq.

As part of pre-planning with the BNP leaders, they divided into small groups and led sabotage activities at various places, he said.

wholesale markets have been set up,

benefiting about 400 bean farmers,

who plant seeds on edges of fish

"I pick up over 20 maunds every

week from my seven-bigha plantation,

selling per kg for Tk 40-55. I spent Tk

17,500 per bigha on seeds, irrigation,

and labour, so the price is quite good

compared to investment," said Ismail

Sheikh of Gutudia, who has already

Cultivating beans on edge of

six bighas of fish enclosure in July,

Tobarok Mia's produce was ready

for harvest within just a couple of

"It is possible to do so with

proper care and regular use of

vermicompost," said the Bhulbaria

village-based cultivator, who is currently selling 300-350 kg beans

Md Inshad Ibne Amin, the upazila

agriculture officer, said over 690

hectares of land in 14 unions have

been brought under early variety

bean cultivation, and 8,992 tonnes of

beans worth around Tk 50 crore are

expected to be harvested this season.

director of Department

Kazi Zahangir Hossain, deputy

Agricultural Extension in Khulna,

said off-season beans are more

profitable than winter beans.

"Also, heavy rain never affects the

production as it grows on high lands

for Tk 45-55 per kg every week.

sold beans worth Tk 3.2 lakh.

nonths.

enclosures, said agriculture officials.

48th death anniv of MA Rab

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Rab, Uttam. He was also the chief of staff of Liberation Forces and first honorary managing director of "Mukti Joddha Kalyan

Trust", said a press release. Relatives and wellwishers are requested to pray for the salvation of his departed soul.

Death anniv of Akhtaruzzaman STAR REPORT

Today is the fifth death anniversary of Akhtaruzzaman



deputy general manager of Janata Bank, said a press

On the occasion, food will be distributed among the destitute at Eidgah Mosque in Dhanmondi, Dhaka.

All are requested to pray for the salvation of the departed soul.

Appeal for help STAR REPORT

Rexona Begum, from Gopalganj, is fighting for life after she suffered



two brain strokes, said a press release. Currently,

undergoing treatment at the National Institute of Neurosciences and Hospital in Dhaka.

Earlier, she received treatment at Khulna Medical College Hospital.

According to the suggestion of the doctors at the national institute, she should be operated on immediately, which would cost more than Tk 5 lakh.

But, the family alone cannot afford the treatment ns Rexona's husband is a rickshaw-van puller.

Therefore, they requested the well-off of the society to come forward with financial help.

Aid can be sent to SM Hasibul Haque (patient's in-law), Savings Account No-0123001002563, Sonali Bank, Sonargaon Hotel Branch, Dhaka; or bKash No-01717438961.



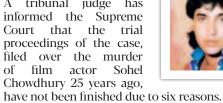
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SOHEL CHY'S MURDER Judge cites reasons for failure to finish trial

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A tribunal judge has informed the Supreme Court that the trial proceedings of the case, filed over the murder of film actor Sohel Chowdhury 25 years ago,



The failure of the prosecution to produce witnesses can be identified as one of the main reasons for the delay," M Ali Ahmed, judge of the Speedy Trial Tribunal-2 of Dhaka, said in a written explanation during hearing of a petition yesterday.

On December 18, 1998, Sohel Chowdhury was shot dead at Trumps Club in Abedin Tower, in

On October 29 this year, the SC issued a show cause notice upon the judge of the tribunal asking him to explain why his court could not finish the trial proceedings.

On February 7 this year, the SC directed the lower court concerned to finish within six months the case's trial proceedings. Yesterday, the apex court ordered the tribunal judge to finish it in the next six

Butcher shop employee hacked to death in Dhaka

UNB, Dhaka

Miscreants hacked a butcher shop employee to death in Adam Ali Market of Dhaka's Dakkhinkhan area early yesterday, said police. The deceased was identified as Khairul Islam, 27,

of the capital's Badda area. Siddiqur Rahaman, officer-in-charge of

Dakkhinkhan Police Station, said there were several injury marks on his body. Excessive bleeding might led to his death, he

The body was sent to the Surawardhy Medical

College Hospital morgue for an autopsy. The OC also said no one has so far been detained in this connection. He said they have collected CCTV

footage of the area to identify the killers.

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The deceased are passengers of the auto-rickshaw Dadon Sarkar, 32, and his son Hossain Sarkar, 4.

Three others, including Dadon's wife, were injured in the incident.

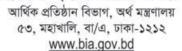
Deceased Dadon Sarkar returned home from Malaysia on vacation 10 days ago, said Munshiganj

In Shariatpur, a college student died in an accident involving his motorcycle and a sand-laden trolley near a brickfield in Upargaon area around 9:00am.

Howlader, 20, a honours' student Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Govt College. Amal was on his law at a hospital, who earlier

In Savar, a lorry driver was killed and two others were injured in a road accident on the Dhaka-Aricha highway. The deceased is Shohel Rana, 45.

বাংলাদেশ ইনসিওরেন্স একাডেমি



of fish enclosures," he added.



'এসোসিয়েট অব বাংলাদেশ ইনসিওরেন্স একাডেমি' (এবিআইএ) অক্টোবর-২০২৩ পর্বে ভর্তি সংক্রান্ত'

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Eleven killed FROM PAGE 5

Sadar OC Aminul Islam.

The deceased is Amal

first-year Bangabandhu way to visit his brother-ingot injured in a separate road accident, said police.