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স্বাভাৱে দ্বিগুণ লাভ...**

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'JU failed to take measures against sexual violence'

UGC forms 3-member committee

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

University Grants Commission has formed a probe body to review actions taken by Jahangirnagar University authorities over the rape of a woman inside the campus.

The three-member committee will also look into why such a heinous crime took place, according to a press release issued by UGC yesterday.

UGC Chairman (Additional Charge) Prof Muhammad Alamgir informed about the committee formation during a workshop on grievance redressal mechanism and GRS software, states the release signed by Shamsul Arefin, director of Department of Public Relations and Right to Information of UGC.

The press release did not include the names of the committee members.

The members are scheduled to visit JU campus today.

The JU authorities have failed to take visible and effective measures against sexual violence and other misdeeds, he said about the recent incident of rape.

"It is necessary to investigate why such incidents are happening in this university and take immediate action," he added.

It is also necessary to look into how JU is admitting students without ensuring their residential facilities and how non-students are staying inside the campus day after day, the chairman also opined.

Six people, including at least four members of JU Chhatra League of Jahangirnagar University, raped or abetted the rape of a woman on the campus on Saturday night after confining her husband to Mir Mosharrar Hossain Hall. Four of them were arrested on Sunday.



Winter brings a busy time for Atiar Rahman, a molasses maker in Choykhada village of Jhenaidah's Kotchandpur. Waking up at dawn, he sets up to collect fresh date juice from the trees which he later transforms into a rich syrupy goodness through traditional methods. The process requires constant stirring of the juice while it cooks on low flame for at least two hours. Once cooled, the molasses are sold for Tk 300-500 per kilogramme at local markets.

PHOTO: HABIBUR RAHMAN

AL staying in power by appeasing regional powers

Alleges Gayeshwar

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

BNP standing committee member Gayeshwar Chandra Roy yesterday said the Sheikh Hasina-led government is staying in power with support from India, China, and Russia, which they secured by providing them with "illegal economic and geopolitical" benefits.

"Bangladesh is now disconnected from the democratic world under this regime," he said at a press conference organised by BNP standing committee at the party chairperson's Gulshan office.

The BNP leader said the party aims to restore democracy in Bangladesh.

"With public uprisings on the streets, democracy will soon be restored under BNP's leadership," he said.

Gayeshwar alleged that the current unselected government has deprived

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ELEVATED EXPRESSWAY

Man dies after steel frame falls on him

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A man was killed after a steel frame from the Dhaka Elevated Expressway fell on him in Moghbazar area yesterday morning.

The deceased was identified as Matiur Rahman, 50, a hawker.

The accident took place around 9:00am when he was selling mats made of Rexine in Ditu Road area.

Part of a steel frame from the under-construction expressway dislodged and fell on him, leaving him critically injured, said Sub-inspector Al Amin of Hatirjheel Police Station.

He was rushed to Shaheed Suhrawardy Medical College Hospital where doctors declared him dead, he added.

The body was kept at the hospital morgue for autopsy.

Speaking to The Daily Star at the morgue, Muhib Sabbir, an administrative officer of the expressway, said they are considering the demands of the victim's family for compensation.

On May 29 last year, a 12-year-old boy died after an iron rod fell on him from the under-construction Dhaka Elevated Expressway in the capital's Mohakhali area.



The sister of the victim breaks down in tears after hearing the news of his accident.

PHOTO: STAR

DEATH OF HOUSE HELP

Flat owner, wife sent to jail

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday sent Executive Editor of The Daily Star Syed Ashfaqul Haque and his wife Tania Khondoker to jail in a case over the death of a teenage house help who fell from their residential building in the capital's Mohammadpur on Tuesday.

Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate Md Hasibul Haque passed the order rejecting the bail appeal filed by defence lawyer Ashraf Ul Alam.

The court also rejected the police petition for a five-day remand to interrogate the couple in custody.

However, the magistrate asked Sub-inspector Nazmul Hasan of

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Govt unable to curb road accidents

Admits Quader, says won't allow anymore Rohingyas to enter country

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Road Transport and Bridges Minister Obaidul Quader yesterday admitted the government's failure to control the growing number of road crashes and deaths in the country.

"We are unable to control the growing number of road accidents and deaths," Quader said at a press briefing following his meeting with a delegation of World Bank at Setu Bhaban regarding a road safety project jointly funded by WB and the government.

He also expressed discontent over the progress of the Tk 4,988 crore project jointly implemented by Roads and Highways Department, Bangladesh Road Transport Authority, Bangladesh Police, and Directorate General of Health Services.

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RESERVED SEATS

AL sells 1,332 nominations in two days

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Awami League has sold a total of 1,332 nomination forms for reserved seats for women in the 12th Jatiya Sangsad in two days since Tuesday.

The party has generated a revenue of Tk 6.66 crore from the sale of nomination forms so far.

It sold 810 forms on Tuesday and another 522 forms yesterday, said AL office secretary Barrister Biplab Barua yesterday at the party's Bangabandhu Avenue central office.

AL started selling the nomination papers at its central office from 10:00am on Tuesday, and will continue till tomorrow.

Earlier, the 62 independent MPs have given AL President and Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina the power to elect members of the reserved seats on their behalf. It means AL can place 48 MPs in reserved seats, while Jatiyo Party will have two.

On the second day, a total of 167 nominations were sold in Dhaka division, 78 in Chattogram, 22 in Sylhet, 60 in Rangpur, 36 in Barishal, 68 in Khulna, 44 in Rajshahi, and 47 in Mymensingh.

Government to welcome constructive criticism
Says Arafat

BSS, Dhaka

State Minister for Information and Broadcasting Mohammad Ali Arafat yesterday urged journalists to advise or criticise the government if there is any mistake in governing the country.

"We will welcome any constructive criticism over the government's error in running the state," he said at a meeting with Editors Guild, Bangladesh leaders at his ministry's conference room in the Secretariat.

Noting that the mass media is enjoying full freedom and the government is firmly committed to protecting the freedom of the press, he said, "If any media makes constructive criticism, we will be able to correct our mistakes and try to do better."

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Over five lakh posts vacant in govt offices

Public admin minister tells JS

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Public Administration Minister Farhad Hossain yesterday in parliament said there are around 5.33 lakh vacancies across different departments of the government.

The minister said this while responding to a query from Awami League MP Mamunur Rashid Kiran from Noakhali 3.

According to "Statistics of Civil Officers and Staff 2020", the total number of posts in various government departments is 19,13,502, meaning more than one-fourth of the total posts are vacant.

In a written reply, the minister said, according to the Public Administration's latest document titled "Statistics of Government Servants 2022," there are 5.33 lakh vacancies in the posts of officers and employees of all ministries, departments and directorates.

Meanwhile, appointments took place for 3.58 lakh posts between 2019 and 2023, the minister also said.

He also said the regular process of filling the vacancies is ongoing as per the rules.

In view of the needs of various ministries, along with departments and agencies under them, the vacancies in ninth grade (previously first class) and 10th to 12th grade (previously second class) are filled through the Public Service Commission.

According to the instructions of prime minister, the recruitment process is ongoing in the ministries and departments, he said.



Buses, rickshaws, and other vehicles line up on a narrow stretch of a road in Old Dhaka's Nayabazar area yesterday. The road has been under construction for the last three months, leaving vehicles with no choice but to travel beside gaping holes dug up on the road. Moreover, there is no safety measures taken by the authorities other than a flimsy yellow tape.

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