

Why did they shoot my boy?

Asks mother of Ziaul, 20, who sustained bullet wound

SIFAYET ULLAH, City

"If my son had committed any crime, they (police) could have arrested him, but why did they shoot my boy?" said Khorsheda Begum while sitting beside her son Ziaul Hoque, 20, on his bed at the orthopedic ward of Chattogram Medical College Hospital yesterday.

Ziaul had sustained a bullet wound in his right leg while going to his brother's house in the port city's Bahaddarhat area during a clash involving law enforcers, Chhatra League activists, and protesters demanding reform to quota system in government jobs, on July 18.

The youth from Chakaria of Cox's Bazar, who works in a factory in the port city besides studying at Chittagong College, is now groaning with pain in his leg and in risk of becoming crippled for the rest of his life.

"The physicians removed the bullet surgically on Saturday, and told me that the condition of my son's leg isn't good. I am worried about his future," she added.

In the same ward, Yeash Sharif, 17, a college student, was also seen being treated. He was shot in his leg by unidentified people during a clash in Bahaddarhat area on July 18.



Just around a month back, Yeash's mother Ruby Akter passed away after suffering from several ailments. His father, Aziz Khan, who has been attending his son at the hospital, was found sleeping on the hospital floor.

"I did not approve of him joining the protest, but he did so nonetheless. My sons are the lone reason why I live," Aziz said later.

A total of six people died and five others are being treated at CMCH after being wounded in clashes at different areas in port city since July 16, said Alauddin Talukder, sub-inspector of Chattogram district police attached to the hospital.

"We are providing all facilities to those injured in the clashes as per instruction of the health directorate," said Brigadier General Taslim Uddin, director of CMCH.



Heaps of trash and food waste, collected from various areas, are dumped right next to the entrance of Khulna University, creating not only hindrance for students but also commuters.

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Waste being dumped near KU's main entrance

DIPANKAR ROY, Khulna

In the vicinity of the main entrance of Khulna University, merely 200 metres from the four-lane Sher-e-Bangla Road, an important thoroughfare in Khulna stretching from Zero Point to Moilapota intersection, awaits an abominable sight -- a waste dumping ground.

According to locals, some of the neighbouring areas, including Mohammad Nagar, Sachibunia, Hanna Sarak, Zero Point, and Hall Road, fall outside the jurisdiction of Khulna City Corporation.

Over the past few years, household wastes from these areas, as well as wastes from the city's largest kitchen market located in Mohammad Nagar, have been collected by local waste collectors.

They then discard those at the spot near the KU entrance.

Later, KCC collects the wastes from the spot once in a while and dumps those in Thikraband area.

Visiting the spot recently, this correspondent observed that around a 200-metre stretch along the Sher-e-Bangla road in front of KU campus was full of waste, which got mixed with rainwater and spilled all over the place. Pedestrians and commuters were seen passing while covering their noses and holding their breath.

A dormitory for KU's male students is located just 40 metres from the spot, while the Sheikh Russel Children's Training and Rehabilitation Centre lies barely 20 metres away. Besides, an office of additional project director of Sustainable Marine Fisheries Project is just a yard away from the spot.

Abu Bakar, a local filling station staffer, informed that KCC did not collect wastes from the spot recently.

Addullah Al Mamun, a second-year student of KU's English department, said, "It is just unimaginable that a waste dumping spot can be found near the main entrance of a university. We cannot walk along the newly constructed footpath due to bad odour."

Md Munna Sheikh, a waste collector, said, "I collect wastes from 150 houses and dump it on the spot near Khulna University as per instructions of the waste management committee of Mohammad Nagar."

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Crops worth Tk 63cr damaged in Sirajganj flood

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Crops worth around Tk 63 crore have been damaged in the ongoing flood in Sirajganj district, according to the Department of Agricultural Extension.

The damaged crops are of different varieties including paddy, jute, pulses, vegetables, banana, and green chilli, among others.

"The floodwaters inundated 6,525 hectares of cropland across the district's five upazilas since early this month. Even though water started receding since mid-July, crops on at least 3,185 hectares of land were completely damaged," said Babul Kumar Sutradhar, deputy director of DAE in Sirajganj.

"The estimated damage to crops is worth Tk 62.78 crore," he also said.

"I had cultivated pulses on 4 bighas of land, which was not ready for harvest when floodwaters inundated the cropland, and hence all of it was damaged," said Afsar Bhuiyan, a farmer of Bonnir Char (shoal) under Sirajganj Sadar upazila.

Mazeda Khatun of Kawakola village had cultivated jute on 10 bighas of land after taking a loan of Tk 20,000.

"All the jute saplings were damaged in the flood. I am now worried how to pay back the loan, and whether I will be able to cultivate the land again in Bangla 'Kartik' month after floodwaters recede completely," she said.

Many other farmers across the vast shoal areas in the district faced a similar plight.

Babul Kumar said they have listed the names of flood-affected farmers to provide them support including seeds in the upcoming crop season.

According to Bangladesh Water Development Board, Jamuna's water has been receding since July 14 and is now flowing below danger level.

"A total of 336 sq km area across 34 unions in five upazilas of Sirajganj has been submerged under floodwaters. Many shoal areas are still inundated and may remain so longer," said Md Nazmul Hossain, sub-divisional engineer of BWDB in Sirajganj.



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Despite ban, a makeshift three-wheeler plies the highway in Khulna. Such slow moving vehicles are often involved in accidents with cars and buses going at high speed. The photo was taken in Beel Pabla area yesterday.

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1	e-Tender/LAX/SAD/UDF/2023-2024/W-38	990409	25-August-2024 15:00	25-August-2024 15:00
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1	1005059	UIIP-BC/PCO/W-624	A) Improvement of Existing BC Road by starting from Nagarkasba Ayna Cinema hall more to Mirkadim bazar Mosque (Ch0.0-1+290m) in ward No 07,08, & 09 under Mirkadim Paurashava (Salvage Amount Tk1,06,236.00). B) Improvement of Existing damaged brick drain beside road starting from Nagarkasba Ayna Cinema hall more to Mirkadim bazar Mosque with RCC (Ch0.0-0+110m) in ward No 07, 08 & 09 under Mirkadim Paurashava (Salvage Amount Tk98,843.00).	13.08.2024 Time: 13:00

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Local Press Tender Notice

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Sealed tenders are hereby invited from Genuine Importers/Reputed and Related Suppliers for Supply of following Chemicals for WTP (Potable Water), Boiler Softner and Feed Water Tank at EDCL, 3rd Plant Gopalganj on urgent basis:

S.L No.	Tender No. Date	Name of the Item	Cost of Tender Schedule	Last date of Closing & opening
01.	EDCL/PUR/Chem/PT/ 2024/310 Dt. 30/07/2024	01. Sodium Chloride (NaCl) 02. Sodium Hypochlorite (NaOCI) 03. Anti Scalant (Details as per Tender Schedule)	Tk. 500.00/set Non-refundable	Closing: 11/08/2024 at 12.00 PM Opening: 11/08/2024 at 12.30 PM

Tender schedule will be sold from the Accounts Department of Essential Drugs Company Limited, Dhaka on payment as stated above during office hours on all working days (except Friday, Saturday and Govt. Holidays). No tender schedule will be sold on the opening date of the tender.

The Tender will be accompanied by a amount of Earnest Money mentioned above in the form of Bank Draft/Pay order from any schedule Bank of Bangladesh in favour of "Essential Drugs Company Ltd" without which the Tender will be considered as non-responsive.

EDCL authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever

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General Manager
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For: Managing Director.