Protests grow in India over abuse of two

minors Schools, internet shut in a town near Mumbai

REUTERS, Mumbai

Internet services were cut off and schools were closed for a second straight day in a town near India's financial capital Mumbai yesterday, as protests over the alleged sexual abuse of two, four-year old girls intensified, media said.

The protests in Badlapur, about 50 km from Mumbai, come amid nationwide demonstrations over the rape and murder of 31-yearold doctor in Kolkata.

A janitor was arrested for allegedly sexually abusing the students in a school in Badlapur on the weekend.

Angry protesters railway tracks blocked for hours on Tuesday, demanding justice for the children, echoing similar protests across the country by doctors and women's groups.

Tanker adrift after multiple attacks in Red Sea: agency

REUTERS, Dubai

A Greek-flagged oil tanker was adrift in the Red Sea yesterday after repeated attacks that started a fire on the vessel and caused the ship to lose power, the UK maritime agency said.

Sounion first attacked by two small boats and hit by multiple projectiles about 77 nautical miles west of Yemen's port city of Hodeidah on Wednesday the morning, Greek ministry the UK Maritime Trade Operations (UKMTO) said.

There was a brief exchange of small arms fire during the incident, the UKMTO said, adding in a later update that the ship had reported a renewed attack. That caused the fire and led the vessel to lose engine power and its ability to manoeuvre.



Medical professionals and students holding placards shout slogans during a protest against the rape and murder of a doctor in India's West Bengal state, in New Delhi, India yesterday.

Death 'only certainty' for people in Gaza

Says UN official as Israeli strikes continue in enclave

AFP, Jerusalem

In Gaza, death appears to be the "only certainty" for 2.4 million Palestinians with no way to escape Israel's relentless bombardment, a UN official said Tuesday, recounting the growing desperation across the territory.

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"It does feel like people are waiting for death. Death seems to be the only certainty in this situation," Louise Wateridge, a spokeswoman for the UN agency for Palestinian refugees, also known as UNRWA, told AFP from Gaza.

For the past two weeks, Wateridge has been in the Gaza Strip, witnessing the humanitarian crisis, fear of death and spread of disease as the offensive rages on.

"Nowhere in the Gaza Strip is safe, absolutely nowhere is safe. It's absolutely devastating," Wateridge said from the Nuseirat area of central Gaza -- a regular target of Israel's aerial

sraeli forces have pounded the besieged

reducing much of it to rubble.

Now in its eleventh month, the offensive has created an acute humanitarian crisis, with hundreds of thousands of people, most of whom have been displaced several times, running out of basic food and clean drinking water.

"We are facing unprecedented challenges when it comes to the spread of disease, when it comes to hygiene. Part of this is because of the Israeli imposed siege on the Gaza Strip," Wateridge said.

Israel's military campaign has killed at least 40,223 people, according to the health ministry in the Hamas-run territory. Most of the dead in Gaza are women and children, according to the UN human rights office.

Tens of thousands of people have taken refuge in schools across the Gaza Strip, an increasingly regular target of Israeli missiles. Israel's military Since fighting broke out in October, says these schools have been used as command and control centres by territory from the air, land and sea, Hamas, a charge the group denies.

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510 Turkish lira, 200 British pounds, a pistol, two magazines and 50 bullets were recovered during the raid," Anisur Rahman, inspector (investigation) of Banani Police Station, told The Daily Star.

The staffers alleged that the raid was conducted when no staffers were present there.

However, police said the staffers did not cooperate, forcing them to seek assistance from the fire service to break open the vaults.

Youth and Sports Adviser Asif Mahmud Sajib Bhuiyan, Additional District Magistrate of Dhaka AKM Hedaitul Islam, coordinator of Anti-Discrimination Student Movement Sarjis Alam, another coordinator Hasnat Abdullah, and Gono Odhikar Parishad President Nurul Haque Nur were present during the

On Tuesday, Bangladesh Financial Intelligence Unit (BFIU) ordered the freezing of bank accounts of several individuals, including Nasrul and former Dhaka Metropolitan Police joint commissioner Biplob Kumar Sarkar.

Meanwhile, the BFIU yesterday asked banks to freeze the accounts of former lawmaker Shamim Osman, his brother and former lawmaker AKM Salim Osman and their family members.

The banks were also instructed to suspend the locker facilities for the members of the families for the

Besides, the banks were asked to suspend the transactions through their privately owned institutional accounts. The BFIU sought an update on the accounts in the next five working days.

3 more cases filed with ICT against Hasina

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Besides Hasina, 76 others were accused including AL General Secretary Obaidul and ministers.

Asaduzzaman, Sheikh Shahriar Bin Matin, who, according to capital's Mirpur on July

Mirpur.

Hasina and 49 others, including top leaders of AL, were accused in the complaint.

The same lawyer filed another complaint on father of Asif Iqbal, a small trader from Sreepur Upazila of Magura.

As per the complaint, Asif was "shot dead by police" at the capital's Mirpur-10 intersection on July 19.

Hasina and 71 others, including top leaders of the parties under the AL-led alliance, former ministers, leaders and activists, were accused.

10 MORE CASES

Two murder cases were filed with Badda Police Station against Hasina and 189 others over the killing of Sumon Sikder and Abdul Jabbar on July 19.

Sumon's mother Masuma filed the case Hasina against and 178 others, including former home minister Asaduzzaman Khan and Bashundhara Group Managing Director Sayem Sobhan Anvir.

Jabbar's mother Nazma Begum filed the other case against Hasina and eight

Sharmin Ahkter, widow husband during protests in a BNP procession.

Rampura on July 19.

The court ordered the officer-in-charge of Rampura Police Station to register the complaint as a

The former prime an SC lawyer, filed a minister and 38 others complaint on behalf of were sued in a case filed Abdul Matin, father of with Uttara East Police Station over the killing of Fazlul Haque on August the complaint, was fatally 5. The victim's brother shot by police in the Anwar Hossain filed the case.

Hasina and 47 were He was an HSC examinee sued for the killing of of Ishwardi Ideal College in Tauhidul Islam, a student of Kabi Nazrul Government College on August 4.

The victim's elder of the parties in the brother Tariqul Islam AL-led alliance, former filed the complaint with ministers, police officers another Dhaka court that and leaders and activists asked the Tejgaon Police Station OC to register it as an FIR.

Hasina, former chief iustice ABM Khairul Haque behalf of MA Razzaque, and three others were sued over the killing of Firoz Talukder who was shot from a helicopter on July

> Firoz's wife Reshma Sultana filed the case with a Dhaka court that asked Mirpur Police Station OC to register it as an FIR.

A murder case was filed against Hasina and 44 others over the killing police officers, and AL of Roman Mia, 17, in Narayanganj's Rupganj upazila on August 5.

Roman's aunt Rina filed the case with Rupganj Police Station.

In Gazipur, a murder case was filed last night against 139 including Hasina over the death of Noor Alam, 22.

Another murder case was filed against Hasina and 79 others yesterday with Fatuallah Police Station over the killing of a bus driver.

Sahida Begum, mother of deceased Abul Hossain Mizi, who was shot dead at Signboard area on July 19, filed the case, said Fatullah OC Nure Azam.

In Sylhet, Chhatra Dal of Russel Miah, filed a leader Juber Ahmed filed complaint with a Dhaka a case against Hasina, her court, accusing Hasina sister Sheikh Rehana and and 27 others of killing her 85 others for an attack on

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1	Tender ID: 1007558 WD-01/SFD/RAJ/ 2024-25 Construction of 2 m wide & 2150m length C.C Road at Altadhighi.	20-Aug-2024 Time: 16:00	03-Sep-2024 Time: 16.00	04-Sep-2024 Time: 12:00
2	Tender ID: 1009463 WD-02/SFD/RAI/ 2024-25 Bill Board with RCC Foundation and MS Angle 5 nos, Construction of Altadighi Ghat 02 nos, HBB at Car Parking Area, Main Gate with toilet, ticket counter and rest room & RCC Seating 30 nos.	20-Aug-2024 Time: 16:00	03-Sep-2024 Time: 16.00	04-Sep-2024 Time: 12:00
3	Tender ID: 1009469 WD-03/SFD/RAJ/ 2024-25 Construction of Dustbin (2mX2mx2m) 6nos, Over Head Tank (OHWT), Gol Ghor (5nos), RCC Umbrella for 8 nos & Supplying and fitting of Steel Cradle (Dolna) 4 nos.	20-Aug-2024 Time: 16:00	03-Sep-2024 Time: 16.00	04-Sep-2024 Time: 12:00
4	Tender ID: 1009473 WD-04/SFD/RAJ/ 2024-25 Construction of 2 m wide & 1100m length HBB Road at Sonadighi only & Protection work and Land development work at Sonadighi.	20-Aug-2024 Time: 16:00	03-Sep-2024 Time: 16.00	04-Sep-2024 Time: 12:00
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7	Tender ID: 1009438 GD-05/SFD/RAJ/ 2024-25 Supply of IPS, Purchase & Installation of Generator, Air Conditioner	20-Aug-2024 Time: 16:00	03-Sep-2024 Time: 16.00	04-Sep-2024 Time: 12:00
8	Tender ID: 1009457 GD-07/SFD/RAJ/ 2024-25 Furniture (Office Building, Restroom) (Cots, Secretariat Tables, Half Secretariat Tables, Arm Chairs, Armless Chairs, Tables, Wooden Racks, Steel Cupboards, Steel File Cabinets, Wooden Tools, Wooden Benches, etc.)	20-Aug-2024 Time: 16:00	03-Sep-2024 Time: 16.00	04-Sep-2024 Time: 12:00
9	Tender ID: 1009458 GD-08/SFD/RAJ/ 2024-25 Other tools and equipments (Nursery equipments-fountains, spades, buckets, spades, scissors, rakes, shovels, rakes, spray machines, scissors etc.; purchase of crockery, door and window screens and other equipments, jeep car (4 dows) CSG conversion expenses etc.)	20-Aug-2024 Time: 16:00	03-Sep-2024 Time: 16.00	04-Sep-2024 Time: 12:00
10	Tender ID: 1009460 GD-09/SFD/RAJ/ 2024-25 Supply of Various Materials for Free delivery, purchase of polypropylene bags for filling voids in strip, palm and other gardens, purchase of soil, dung, chemical fertilizers and other equipment for	20-Aug-2024 Time: 16:00	03-Sep-2024 Time: 16.00	04-Sep-2024 Time: 12:00

maintenance of strip gardens. This is an online Tender, where only e-Tender will be accepted in the National e-GP Portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted. To submit e-Tender registration in the National e-GP system portal (http://www.eprocure.gov.bd) is required. Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP system portal and from e-GP help desk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd).

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