

## Mustafa Monwar on life support

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Eminent cultural personality Mustafa Monwar, 89, has been on life support at Square Hospital since Saturday night.

He has been suffering from respiratory problems and other old-age complications.

He was placed on life support following complications from a stroke and brain haemorrhage, according to family sources.

Monwar received Ekushey Padak for his contributions to fine arts.

His influence extends beyond his work. As a teacher and mentor, he has nurtured generations of artists.

As a former director general of Bangladesh Television, he played a crucial role in the resistance to Pakistani rule and participated in the independent struggle as an active personality in the Bangladesh Betar programmes in 1971 from Kolkata.

He was jailed in 1952 for drawing anti-Pakistan cartoons during the Language Movement.

Monwar graduated from Kolkata Art College before migrating to Dhaka and joining the Dhaka Art College as a lecturer. He is widely lauded as a puppeteer dedicated to children's educational entertainment.



## Golam Rabbani new law secretary

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government yesterday appointed Md Golam Rabbani, joint secretary (administration-I) of the law and justice division under the law ministry, as secretary to the law and justice division.

The ministry issued two separate gazette notifications to this effect yesterday saying that the orders will come into effect immediately.

## False news against Kuet VC protested

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

Students and teachers of Khulna University of Engineering and Technology (Kuet) yesterday staged a protest against the spread of false news and propaganda targeting the university's newly appointed Vice-Chancellor, Prof Dr Mohammad Mashud.

They organised a human chain and a march as part of the protest in response to what they described as fabricated and baseless reports disseminated by a newspaper and on social media platforms. They urged media outlets to verify facts thoroughly before publishing and to uphold responsible journalism standards.

## Abeda Muzammel passes away

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Abeda Muzammel, wife of Maj Gen (retd) Muzammel Hussain, resident of House: 498/A, Road: 33, Mohakhali DOHS, Dhaka passed away at the Combined Military Hospital in Dhaka on September 7. She was 82, said a press release.

She is survived by her three daughters - Rumesa, Tania and Suzy - and a host of grandchildren, relatives and well-wishers to mourn her death. Her namaz-e-jama was held at Mohakhali DOHS Mosque following the Asr prayers yesterday. She was buried at the Banani Army Graveyard.



## Workplace safety still

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There are currently 56 operational shipyards employing between 22,000 and 50,000 workers, according to a study conducted by Young Power in Social Action and the World Bank in 2019.

Bangladesh dominates the global ship recycling market, handling 70-80 percent of ocean-going vessels, according to the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development's 'Review of Maritime Transport 2019'.

Although Bangladesh ratified the Hong Kong Convention for the safe recycling of ships in 2023, only four shipyards have obtained green certificates under the convention.

Fazlul Kabir Mintu, coordinator of the Bangladesh Institute of Labour Studies, said most accidents in the sector stem from explosions, falls, and strikes by falling objects due to the negligence of yard authorities.

"Deaths from safety lapses can be prevented if the sector's stakeholders take proper action," he added.

When asked why workplace safety remains overlooked in ship recycling, Kamal Uddin Ahmed, former vice president of the

Bangladesh Ship Breakers and Recyclers Association, downplayed the issue, claiming accidents are infrequent.

However, he added that efforts are being made to improve safety standards.

**EXPLOSION CAUSED BY LACK OF INSPECTION** While workers and witnesses cited the absence of safety protocols, SN Corporation officials claimed the blast was unavoidable.

During a visit to the yard on Sunday, a blasted pipeline used for unloading oil was found on the ship.

Barkat Ullah, CEO of SN Corporation, claimed that the explosion occurred during a safety inspection. However, records revealed that 10 of the 12 injured workers were not part of the safety team.

Jamal Uddin, a former cutter man and workers' rights activist, attributed the accident to the improper inspection of the pump room.

On Sunday, the Department of Environment suspended the environmental clearance of SN Corporation and ordered the cessation of shipbreaking activities, while the Chattogram district administration formed a probe body to investigate the incident.

## Dhaka Bank MD Emranul Huq no more

STAR REPORT

Dhaka Bank Managing Director and CEO Emranul Huq passed away yesterday at a hospital in Kolkata after fighting against cancer.

He was 61, said a press release. He left behind his wife, a son and two daughters.

Emranul became the managing director and CEO of Dhaka Bank in February 2020.

He had joined the bank in 1998 and served in various key positions, including deputy managing director for business banking, head of corporate banking, and branch manager of several corporate branches.

Before joining Dhaka Bank, Huq worked at Eastern Bank Ltd and Credit Africa Bank Ltd in Zambia, holding various positions.

With more than three decades of professional banking experience both at home and abroad, Huq began his career in 1986 as a management trainee at Bank of Credit and Commerce International in Dhaka.



## ACC asked to produce all prosecution

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conclude recording of the witnesses' statements.

Lawyer Zakir told the court that the prosecution has failed to produce any of its witnesses for the last

three consecutive dates. So, recording statements of the witnesses should be concluded, he added.

Khaleda, who stands accused in over 30 other cases, was earlier acquitted

of Zia Orphanage and Zia Charitable trust graft cases on presidential mercy. She was also acquitted of five defamation cases filed during the immediate past Awami League rule.

The ACC filed the case with Tejgaon Police Station on December 9, 2007, for abusing power in signing a deal with the Canadian company Niko for exploring and extracting gas.

## Patenga beach falls

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Contacted, Wahidul Alam alias Wahid Master, president of the Patenga Beach Shop Owner Association, refuted the allegations of extorting shop owners.

"We are members of this association. So, we are saving money jointly for ourselves and this is not extorting," he claimed.

Hawkers Association convener, Nur Mohammed alias Nur Boli claimed they don't take any money from their members. Nur Mohammed claimed that all of them were real shop owners of this beach area before being evicted during the renovation.

Saleh Ahmed, a local ward councilor and member

of the beach management committee, admitted they failed to save the beach from encroachment.

"Syndicates are managing everything using bribes. We are helpless," he added.

Israfil Mazumder, in charge and inspector of the tourist police (Patenga Zone), told this newspaper that influential people built these structures using the power of politics.

"We have evicted these illegal structures many times. But by abusing political power, the occupiers rebuilt these structures," he added.

He said they will evict these structures again after the situation is normal.

## Steps to be taken

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"The crimes occurred across all fifty-six thousand square miles of Bangladesh. In each instance, the common instruction was to shoot and kill. Collecting and compiling evidence of these crimes is a significant challenge, specially as the main accused, including Hasina, have fled the country," he said.

He expressed concern that many accused individuals are still in Bangladesh, occupying official positions, and could attempt to destroy evidence. Tajul said his office's top priority is to preserve and protect the evidence while ensuring swift action in presenting it before the tribunal.

The ICT chief prosecutor called on victims, particularly students, to come forward with any evidence they may have and assist the investigating agency or the prosecution team.

Tajul said the trial would be conducted with justice in mind, ensuring that victims and their

families feel that justice has been served.

"The accused will not face oppression, but the perpetrators will not be spared," he said.

Regarding potential amendments to the International Crimes (Tribunal) Act, 1973, Tajul said, "We have just taken office. We will sit with the government to discuss and make decisions on this matter."

He also confirmed that the ICT and its investigative team would need to be reconstituted, as the previous judges and investigators, appointed by the former government, have stepped down following the interim government's formation after the fall of the Hasina-led government.

At least 11 separate cases have been filed with the ICT against Sheikh Hasina, who is currently in India, for allegedly carrying out massacres across the country between July 5 and August 5. These cases are under investigation, according to ICT sources.

## One worker

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condition and are being treated in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) of the Burn Institute," said Nazmul Islam, a worker from the yard who accompanied the injured to Dhaka.

The explosion occurred at a shipbreaking yard in Sitakunda around 11:40am on Saturday, according to Mohammad Solaiman, superintendent of Industrial Police, Chattogram.

After the explosion, 12 workers were rushed to Chattogram Medical College Hospital.

As the condition of eight deteriorated, they were shifted to the burn unit of Dhaka Medical College Hospital later in the afternoon, said authorities.

In response to the incident, the Bangladesh Environmental Lawyers Association yesterday issued a legal notice to halt operations at SN Corporation, the company operating the yard where the blast took place.

They also demanded a thorough investigation into the explosion and called for compensation for the deceased's family, as well as rehabilitation and treatment cost for the injured workers.

## 631 lives lost, 19,200

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who may have been treated in private clinics in the Barishal, Khulna, Mymensingh, and Rangpur divisions.

Dhaka Division recorded the highest number of injuries, with over 11,000 people. Chattogram had the second highest number of injuries, with over nearly 2000 people hurt in the clashes.

Meanwhile, Dhaka division had the highest number of fatalities, with 477 deaths, while the Barishal reported the lowest, with one death.

Chattogram and Khulna reported 43 and 39 deaths, respectively.

Among those hospitalised, 3,048 sustained serious injuries, requiring surgery, and at least 525 people were left with permanent physical disabilities as a consequence of their injuries.

Health ministry officials said the Management Information System (MIS) under the Directorate General of Health Services is preparing a list of those injured and killed in the movement.

## Asaduzzaman

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Metropolitan Police (DMP) commissioner Habibur Rahman, along with other Awami League leaders and activists, have been accused in the case.

According to the first information report, Sajid was shot in an attack by AL members during a mass protest in Mirpur-10 on August 4.

He passed away while receiving treatment at the intensive care unit of the CMH on August 14.

Advertorial

**Taufika Foods and Lovello Ice-cream PLC (LOVELLO) Plans to expand its capacity with BDT 150cr. investment**

Taufika Foods and Lovello Ice-cream PLC (DSE: LOVELLO) has recently completed approval for the investment of BDT 150 crore to set up its 2nd (second) unit of the ice cream manufacturing plant. The investment will help Lovello increase its production capacity, allowing the company to meet the growing demand for its products in the region.

As part of the expansion, Lovello has purchased approximately 59.16 decimals of land adjacent to the existing plant located in Bashile, Valuka, Mymensingh. The company plans to enter into contracts with international suppliers including Tetra Pak Southeast Asia Pte Ltd (Singapore), MEC Group (China), Teknoice (Italy), and Yantai Moon co. Ltd. (China) for the acquisition of capital machinery necessary for the construction of the facility.

"This investment represents a significant milestone in the growth of Lovello" Said the company's CS. "With this expansion, we aim to more than double our production capacity and cater to larger market segment. This development aligns with our goal of increasing market share."

The new plant is expected to more than double Lovello's current production capacity with an estimated daily output of 250,000 liters of ice cream once operational. The project is scheduled to be completed and commence production by June 2025.

This expansion is a strategic move to strengthen our position in the market," said a senior executive. "We believe that this will allow us to better serve our customer and continue our growth."

Lovello plans to fund the investment through a combination of internal resources and bank financing. Further details on the progress of the expansion and its financial impact will be discussed in the company's upcoming earning call.

**PRAYER TIMING**

SEPTEMBER 9

Fazr	Zohr	Asr	Maghrib	Esha
AZAN 4:35	12:45	4:30	6:20	7:45
JAMAAT 5:10	1:15	4:45	6:25	8:15

SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION

**OFFICE TO-LET**

House-12/A, Road-8, Gulshan. 2 Apt is available for rent from November/December. Each 2500 sft, 4 Bed room Apt. Other Apartments are Occupied by Local & Foreign office/office cum residence.

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**বিক্রয় হইবে**

- ১। ভাসমান Crane Boat বাজসিহ ৭০০ সিরিজের E-Crane
- ২। ১৫০ টন ক্রলার জেন (Zoomlion)
- ৩। মেটারিয়াল হেভেলার (SANY)
- ৪। এলেকট্রিক
- ৫। ডাম্প ট্রাক (১০ চাকা TATA Prima)
- ৬। ডাম্প ট্রাক (১০ চাকা TATA 25.16)
- ৭। ডাম্প ট্রাক (১০ চাকা AMW)

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**e-Tender Notice**

This is to notify all concern that the following tender is invited in the National e-GP Portal.

SL. No.	Tender ID No.	Name of work	Publishing date & time closing date & time
01	1013194	Procurement of Unnatamaner Mashur Dal (Mota) to Jamalpur District Jail for the period of 01 October-2024 to 31 March-2025.	03-Sep-2024 20:00 18-Sep-2024 12:00
02	1013195	Procurement of Unnatamaner Mashur Dal (Saru) to Jamalpur District Jail for the period of 01 October-2024 to 31 March-2025.	03-Sep-2024 20:00 18-Sep-2024 12:10
03	1013196	Procurement of Unnatamaner Cholar Dal to Jamalpur District Jail for the period of 01 October-2024 to 31 March-2025.	03-Sep-2024 20:00 18-Sep-2024 12:20

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 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](mailto:helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd)).

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Network Asia

**Invitation for Tender**

Sealed tenders are invited from qualified bidders for the following procurement, as detailed in the tender documents. All submissions must adhere to the terms and conditions specified below.

Project Name	DGBP & PoV-Tex		
Invitation reference No	SNA/DAC/PR/09.24.324		
Prerequisite of Tenderer	The tenderer is required to submit the following updated documents: Trade License, Business Identification Number (BIN), Tax Identification Number (TIN) & Tax Return Certificate, VAT Registration Certificate. The tenderer is required to provide an updated bank solvency certificate, issued in favor of the designated organization/vendor. The tenderer should be submitted the related previous work experience documents.		
Group	Item Name	Qty	Item Specifications
A	Laptop Category -1	5	Outlined in the annexure of the tender schedule.
	Laptop Category-2	3	
	MS Office	8	
B	Projector	1	
	Projector Screen	1	
C	Printer-Multi-functional	2	
	DSLR Camera	1	
D	PABX System one set and Installation	One set with all installation materials	
E	Motorcycles	8	
F	Executive Chair for office use	20	
Date, Time & Place for Collecting Tender Documents.	From 9th September 2024 to 19th September 2024, the tender schedule is available 10 AM to 4:30 PM at Apartment # A1, Merrydale, 1st Floor, House # 32, Road # 10A, Dhanmondi, Dhaka-1209. Mr. Probir Kumar Biswas- Contact Number: 01771599638.		
Tender Closing Date and Time	The tender will be closed on 22th September 2024, at 12.30 PM.		
Tender Opening Date & Time & Place	The tender will be opened on 22th September 2024, at 2.30 PM, Solidaridad Network Asia, at Apartment # A1, Merrydale, 1st Floor, House # 32, Road # 10A, Dhanmondi, Dhaka-1209.		
Others Terms and Conditions	Tenderers may submit price quotations either for individual groups or for all groups combined. Solidaridad reserves the right to modify or cancel the tender schedule at any time, without prior notice.		

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No-58.01.0000.102.99.019.24-686 Date: 08/09/2024.

**Corrigendum**

Subject: Amendment of DIP Tender no. 58.01.0000.102.99.019.24-570, 19-08-2024 for Selection of service provider for the supply of manpower.

Tender No. & Date	Description	Existing	Amended As
58.01.0000.102.99.019.24-570, 19-08-2024	At Serial No. 14 Application Closing Date and Time	09/09/2024 at 1:00 PM (BST).	17/09/2024 at 1:00 PM (BST).

All other terms and conditions shall remain unchanged.

08.09.2024  
(Md Al Amin Mridha)  
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For Director General.

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