

One dies of dengue star report

One person died from dengue while 114 others were hospitalised in the last 24 hours till yesterday

morning.
With the latest, the death toll rose to 573 while the number of cases reached 1,01,130, according to the Directorate General of Health Services.

Currently, 655 dengue patients are undergoing treatment across country. Of them, 384 are from outside Dhaka.

A total of 99.902 patients have so far been released throughout the country.

As Bangladesh braces for another year with the threat of dengue looming, experts have urged the government to adopt comprehensive and year-round strategies to curb the spread of the mosquito-borne disease.



After gathering water lilies from a nearby pond, nine-year-old Surja ties them into bundles for sale. He plans to use the money from selling these water lilies to buy his favourite food. With schools closed, rural children spend a lot of time playing in nearby waterbodies and fields. The photo was taken in the Saraitala village of Khulna's Dumuria upazila yesterday. PHOTO: HABIBUR RAHMAN

EXTORTION

Nine, including JCD, Swechchasebak Dal leaders, arrested

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Police have arrested nine men, including leaders of Swechchasebak Dal and Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal, for extorting money by posing as police.

The incident occurred early Sunday on the Kuakata-Patuakhali highway, where they blocked a fish-loaded pickup van with a barricade on the Kuakata-Patuakhali highway

A case has been filed with Kalapara Police Station in this connection.

Kalapara Police Station OC Mohammad Jewel Islam confirmed they were sent to jail following a court order yesterday after they were arrested from Rajopara's Bishkani area of Kalapara upazila on Sunday.

The arrestees include Chhatra Dal's Tiakhali Union President Md. Imran (28), Swechchasebak Dal's Joint Convener Jewel Rana (32), and their associates Shakil Golam Rabbi (22), Md. Roni (19), Md. Sohan (25), Nuruzzaman (35), Nani Ghosh (25), Abdullah Al Noman (24), and Emon Sikder (25).

At least 15 maunds of Shaplapata fish and a private car used by the arrestees were seized.

The seized fish was later buried in the groud by forest

According to police, the pickup was transporting fish to Barisal from Mahipur Fish Landing Station. The accused stopped the vehicle, posing as police, and demanded Tk 2lakh, claiming the fish was illegal. When the money was not paid, they beat the driver and lineman and looted fish worth Tk 50,000. They also threatened the fish owner over the phone. Police arrested the group after receiving a tip-off.

Locals said the group, led by Jewel Rana and Imran, has been involved in robbery and extortion in the area.

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Women rights groups

December 28, revealed that the victim, a UP member from Wards 1, 2, and 3 of Maijpara Union Parishad, was abducted on December 24 while returning home after distributing TCB goods. Local youth Rajibul called her with a promise to only to gang-rape her

Chanchal, and Shafiqul. particularly those in remote The perpetrators filmed the assault and demanded a Tk 2 lakh ransom. When she threatened to report them, they forced poison into her mouth, and she later died at Jessore General Hospital.

committee highlighted that such called for national unity resolve a financial issue, brutal acts undermine the security and working with accomplices Faruk, environment for women,

areas, and called for a swift, fair investigation. They urged the administration to take immediate action to prevent similar incidents and ensure a safe environment for women in

politics. platform also to combat violence against empowerment.

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and his mobile phone. They demanded the PINs for his ATM and

mobile payment accounts out found no funds, prompting further assault, he added.

The gang eventually demanded Tk 500,000 for his release. After negotiation, the ransom was settled at Tk 200,000.

The abductors contacted

numbers for bKash and Nagad transfers. The family paid the ransom through nine transactions.

ransom, the kidnappers abandoned Bashar, blindfolded and bound, near the Bailey Bridge in Trishal around 10:00pm.

 $They warned \, him \, against$ reporting the incident to anyone, Basher said.

Bashar was rescued by Bashar's brother-in-law, an auto-rickshaw driver Abul Kalam Azad, who who helped him reach hopeful of achieving a said he received multiple Trishal Bus Stand, from breakthrough soon," he SMS messages, providing where he boarded a bus to added.

Mymensingh, he said.

He sought primary treatment at emergency department After receiving the of Mymensingh Medical College Hospital.

Police have started an investigation into the allegations, but no arrests have been made so far, the OC said.

"We have traced the locations of the nine mobile numbers used for the transactions and are

ACC to probe BB reserve heist

The Criminal Investigation (SWIFT) Department with the was tasked investigation but has yet

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Investigators flagged this decision as criminal. RTGS is specialised system connection of the Real- enabling instant fund Time Gross Settlement transfers between banks.

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systems would reduce congestion at toll plazas, thereby minimising the risk of collisions," Raihan said.

Experts said unhealthy competition among drivers and negligence further compound the risks.

said these Bosunia behavioural issues are primary culprits. "Improper road markings or design flaws are not the main problems, it's the recklessness and lack of awareness among drivers," he said.

Efforts to educate have drivers been initiated, but changing entrenched habits remains a formidable challenge, he added.

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stays and activities at Kakrail Mosque on Fridays, while instructing Maulana Zubayer's followers to avoid gathering there on the

Earlier, on 26 December, the Home Ministry instructed the followers of Maulana Saad Kandhalvi to refrain from staying overnight at Kakrail Mosque and from carrying out Tabligh activities on Fridays until further notice.



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Judiciary determined to protect rights **CJ tells Chinese envoy**

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Chief Justice Syed Refaat Ahmed yesterday reiterated his commitment to establish rule of law in the country, saying that the judiciary is determined to provide the highest

protection of human rights in the country.



He said this at a meeting with a threemember delegation including Yao Wen, Chinese ambassador to Bangladesh.

The delegation made the courtesy call at the chief justice's Supreme Court office.

The chief justice assured the Chinese delegation of extending full cooperation from Bangladesh Supreme Court in enhancing mutual relations between the judiciary of both countries.

"He [chief justice] particularly mentioned that the judiciary of post-revolutionary Bangladesh in July-August... is committed to providing the highest protection of human rights in the country, said an SC press release.

The Chinese ambassador praised the various initiatives taken by the chief justice of Bangladesh in the recent past regarding the institutionalisation of the country's judiciary.

Yao Wen expressed his hope that the strong leadership of the current chief justice of Bangladesh will play an important role in establishing good governance.

He informed the chief justice that China is ready to provide all-out cooperation to Bangladesh in building a strong judiciary.

In particular, he expressed interest in implementing special training programmes in collaboration with judges from both countries to create mutual interaction in the judicial systems of the two countries and invited the chief justice of Bangladesh to visit China. In addition, the Chinese ambassador informed Chief Justice Syed Refaat Ahmed that his country has provided Bangladesh with necessary medical equipment for the treatment of those injured in the mass uprising that took place in July and August.

AMASSING ILLEGAL ASSETS ACC sues former Barguna-2 MP Rimon

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The Anti-Corruption Commission has filed a case against former MP Hasanur Rahman Rimon of the Barguna-2 constituency on charges of amassing illegal assets worth around Tk 36 crore.

The case was filed at the ACC's integrated office in Dhaka-1 on Sunday, said the ACC's Deputy Director Md Akhtarul Islam.

According to the case, Rimon has acquired Tk 35.98 crore in movable and immovable assets, while the amount of liabilities and debts found in his name is Tk 15.24 crore. Rimon's assets, excluding liabilities and debts,

stand at Tk 20.73 crore.

The ACC case statement states that his total family expenses from the 1994-1995 fiscal year to the 2023-2024 fiscal year were shown to be Tk 16.35 crore.

His acquired assets amounted to Tk 37.8 crore, while his acceptable income was found to be Tk 1.11 crore, leaving Tk 35.96 crore unaccounted for.

The ACC's intelligence report also revealed that Rimon owns significant assets both in Bangladesh and abroad.

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