

32 bhoris of stolen gold recovered, two held

STAR REPORT

Police have recovered 32 bhoris (11.66 grammes to a bhor) of gold stolen from a house in Dhaka's Adabar and arrested two individuals in connection with the theft that took place late last month.

They were held early yesterday, according to SM Jahangir, officer-in-charge of Adabar Police Station.

The theft occurred between December 28 and 30, during which 45 bhoris were stolen from a locker.

The thieves gained access to the residence while the family members were away, he added.

The residents filed a case on January 3, prompting Adabar police to launch an investigation. This led to the arrest and recovery.

"The arrested individuals are currently under interrogation, and efforts are underway to recover the remaining gold," the OC said.

[As of December 18, 2024, the price of gold in Bangladesh is Tk 1,40,586 per bhor]

Russian woman

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of Building 9. According to preliminary findings, Kesoni had a quarrel with her husband shortly before the incident, the OC said.

Security personnel at Green City rushed her to the project's medical facility, where she was pronounced dead by doctors.

Police retrieved her body from the facility early yesterday and sent it to Pabna General Hospital for an autopsy. Police are looking into the incident, the OC added.

Students should focus on their studies Say BNP leaders

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BNP leaders have called on students to unite and focus on their studies to build a prosperous and discrimination-free Bangladesh, while reflecting on the lessons from the downfall of autocratic regimes. They emphasised the need for knowledge and dedication to lead the nation towards a brighter future.

Speaking virtually at a rally organised by the Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (Thakurgaon district unit) marking its 46th founding anniversary, BNP Secretary General Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir urged students to remain united and prioritise education.

"At this moment, everybody should remain united. Students should also focus on their studies to come out successfully and become self-reliant," he said.

Fakhrul called on students to work for the wellbeing of the country, adding, "An opportunity has come before

the nation after the fall of the fascist Awami League regime. BNP aims to free the country from corruption and protect democracy, freedom of speech, and freedom of the press."

He accused the Awami League government of destroying the country's education system, economy, and electoral process while violently suppressing anti-discrimination movements.

Meanwhile, BNP Standing Committee member Abdul Moyeen Khan, speaking at a civic reception in Morrelganj, highlighted the lessons from the student-led revolution that ended autocratic rule.

"Sheikh Hasina and many Awami League leaders were forced to flee in the face of the mass revolution," he said, urging politicians to learn from such events.

Moyeen praised students' sacrifices during the revolution but urged them to return to their studies. "They will undoubtedly lead the country in the future and take up key leadership roles," he added.

Journo's parents attacked at home

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Faridpur

Three people -- including the parents of a journalist -- were injured when a miscreant attacked them after breaking into their house in Faridpur on Friday night.

The incident occurred at Purbapara in Domain village of Madhukhali upazila, said police and locals.

The injured are Shyamlendu Basu, 65, and Kakoli Basu, 60, parents of Ajker Patrika staff reporter Sougato Basu, and their 15-year-old neighbour.

All three are undergoing treatment at Faridpur Medical College Hospital, said doctors.

Sougato Basu was not at home at the time of the incident.

Jibon Kumar Mondal, a member of Domain Union Parishad, said the family was watching TV when the incident happened.

Shyamlendu said he noticed someone was inside the house and chased him.

The intruder suddenly struck him on the head with a sharp weapon, he further said.

As others came to help, the criminal attacked them as well before fleeing the scene.

Shoilen Chakma, additional superintendent of police in Faridpur, said law enforcers are investigating the matter.

AL accepted Indian subservience to 'secure power'

Says Sarjis

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

The younger generation should understand that India's participation in Bangladesh's Liberation War was primarily to protect its own interests, particularly the Seven Sisters region, said Sarjis Alam, chief organiser of Jatiya Nagorik Committee, yesterday.

He also said the Awami League accepted Indian subservience to secure power.

Speaking at a roundtable organised by Islami Andolan Bangladesh at Railway Pologround Field in Chattogram, he said, "Power was more valuable to the Awami League than the country, the people, and the sovereignty of Bangladesh."

He further alleged that the AL had introduced India as Bangladesh's patron.

Sarjis criticised India for its cultural aggression, accusing it of controlling Bangladesh's media landscape. "India does not allow a single Bangladeshi channel to broadcast, yet 90 percent of foreign channels in Bangladesh are Indian," he said.

Aamir Mufti Sayed Muhammad Rezaul Karim of Islami Andolan Bangladesh echoed the sentiments, stressing the need for national unity in resisting Indian influence.

"We must fight against Indian aggression to bring peace to the country," he said.

Ardhendu Shekhor Roy's death anniv today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Today is the 25th death anniversary of Ardhendu Shekhor Roy, former deputy registrar (judicial) of the Cooperative Department in Rajshahi region.

On the occasion, religious rituals -- including prayers -- have been organised at his ancestral home in Ektarpur village of Khoksa upazila, Kustia, and in Faridpur.

On this day in 2000, he passed away after suffering a brain stroke.

Ardhendu Shekhor Roy was the father of Amresh Roy, senior reporter of the Daily Samakal; Ashokesh Roy, copy editor of Views Bangladesh; and Abhijit Roy, Faridpur correspondent of the Daily Janakantha.



Cold bites, warmth eludes

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upazila, Noor Islam, a 55-year-old farm labourer, shared how he and others are forced to warm their bodies by burning straws in the morning and evening due to the lack of blankets.

"We have no choice but to resort to such measures," he said.

Similarly, in the Char Chinatuli on the Teesta river at Rajpur Union in Lalmonirhat Sadar upazila, Sahidar Rahman, a 65-year-old farmer, said he attempts to work in the fields despite the cold but cannot endure it for long.

In Char Bhagabatipur on

the Brahmaputra riverbed in Kurigram Sadar upazila, 60-year-old day labourer Amjad Hossain echoed similar struggles.

Contacted, Bablu Rahman, the chairman of Begumganj Union Parishad in Ulipur upazila, Kurigram, highlighted the inadequate allocation of blankets for his union, which is home to 40 chars in the Brahmaputra river basin.

While there is a demand for more than 8,000 blankets, only 300 have been provided by the government. He said donors are often unwilling to bring aid to the impassable chars.

Abdul Hai Sarkar, the district relief and rehabilitation officer of Kurigram, said the ministry does not make special allocations for char dwellers. He said government aid for cold-affected poor people is distributed through district and upazila administrations and public representatives, but this does not adequately address the needs of char residents.

Protest on Jan 10, confce on Jan 25

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effective measures, we will announce our next course of action at the conference."

He also said, "We believe that if justice had been served for those killings in 2018, the incidents of December 2024 would not have occurred. If they are spared again, it may lead to even greater disasters in the future."

Hefazat Ameer Shah

Mohibullah Babunagari blamed Saad followers for the December 18 clash and criticised their actions.

Mamunul Haque, general secretary of Bangladesh Khelafat Majlish, demanded an immediate ban on all activities of the Saad faction of Tabligh Jamaat.

Asked about the presence of Hefazat and Khelafat Majlish leaders

in the pro-Zubair faction, Mamunul replied, "They are not here as leaders of Hefazat but as Islamic scholars (ulema). The ulema have attempted to mediate the disputes between the two Tabligh factions..."

He further said, "Three people were killed at the Tongi Ijtima field. The perpetrators must be punished. If everyone works together, the issues

can be resolved."

He also said the first phase of the Ijtima will take place on January 31, and preparations are ongoing as scheduled.

He, however, added, "Saad followers' involvement in the [December 18] attack" disqualifies them from arranging the second phase of Ijtima, which is scheduled for February 7-9.

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Additionally, 512 were killed and 315 were injured in 497 rail-related incidents, said the

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Bridge work

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all the materials from the construction site," said Abu Hossain Mollik, a local of Goperhat area.

Roksana, a resident of Chal Pukhuria village, said, "Every day, we have to cross the canal on boats amid much risk to commute to Pirojpur town and other neighbouring areas. The boats are not available all the time, adding to our hassles."

Md Towhidul Islam, another local, said if

someone needs to cross the canal at 8:00pm for any emergency reason, it would not be possible as boats would not be available before next morning.

Contacted, Harashit Sarkar, upazila engineer in Pirojpur Sadar, said they have contacted with the construction firm for completing the work.

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