

Man hacked to death in Jhenaidah

Family, locals say he was an AL activist

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A man was hacked to death by unidentified criminals at the Kotchandpur upazila of Jhenaidah district early yesterday.

Kawsar Lashkar, 52, was from Chanpara village.

He was an activist of Awami League, although he did not hold any official party position, said family and locals.

Speaking to The Daily Star, Kawsar's wife, Ozula Begum, shared that Kawsar had gone into hiding after the fall of the AL government on August 5 but had returned home a few days ago.

She recounted that a group of 10-12 individuals, claiming to be policemen, knocked on their door. When they opened it, the group forcefully took Kawsar away, and she could not identify any of them.

About an hour later, Kawsar was found lying on a road near a rail line in the same village, brutally stabbed but still alive. The villagers and police were alerted, Ozula added.

Police took him to a nearby health complex where he later died, confirmed Kabir Hossain Matubbar, officer-in-charge of Kotchandpur Police Station.

Man detained with Yaba at Dhaka airport

UNB, Dhaka

The Airport Armed Police Battalion (APBn) detained a man with 2,009 pieces of yaba tablets concealed inside his body yesterday.

The detainee was identified as Md Shah Alam Sheikh, 41.

Acting on a tip-off, an APBn team conducted a drive in the northern area of the Balaka Building at Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport and detained him.

During interrogation, he admitted that he was carrying the yaba tablets. Later, 2,009 pieces of yaba were recovered from inside the rectum of the detainee.

He was transporting the yaba tablets on a domestic Bangladesh Airlines flight (BG-434) from Cox's Bazar to Dhaka.

A case was later filed against him under Section 36(l), Subsection 10(b) of the Narcotics Control Act 2018 at the Airport Police Station.

Authorities said that Alam Sheikh has been involved in drug trafficking and sales for a long time.



A little bee meticulously extracts nectar from a marigold flower. This delicate process is just the beginning of the remarkable journey in crafting honey. The photo was taken at Alankarkathi village in Pirojpur recently.

PHOTO: TITU DAS

They took turns in beating Tofazzal

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The charge sheet is now pending a court hearing, scheduled for February 2.

According to the charge sheet, the incident began around 2:00pm on September 18 with a cricket match on the Fazlul Haque Muslim Hall field, during which six mobile phones were stolen. Later that evening, during a football match, Tofazzal arrived at the field around 7:45pm.

Suspecting him of being the thief, the students started punching and kicking him. They then took him to the guest room of the hall's main building, as mentioned in the charge sheet.

TOFAZZAL ASKED FOR FOOD

In the guest room, Yamuzzaman and Imran slapped and punched Tofazzal indiscriminately.

At one point, Tofazzal, extremely hungry, asked for food, said court sources citing the charge sheet.

In response, the accused Wajibul, Suman, and Yamuzzaman took him to the hall canteen and gave him rice to eat. While Tofazzal was eating, the other accused gathered in the canteen to discuss their plans.

After the meal, the accused took the victim back to the guest room.

There, Ratul brought a cricket stump, while Yamuzzaman and Sakib brought bamboo sticks. They then asked Tofazzal to provide the contact numbers of his relatives. He gave them the numbers of his sister-in-law and uncle.

The accused called his uncle and demanded money. When his uncle refused, the torture escalated. The beatings continued until Tofazzal lost consciousness, police mentioned in the charge sheet citing investigation findings.

IGNORED HOUSE TUTOR'S INTERVENTION

Upon hearing about the incident, house tutors Zahir Raihan, Mahbub Alam, Shafiqul Alam, and Alamgir Hossain arrived at the guest room and attempted to stop the accused. However, their intervention was ignored, stated the charge sheet.

When Tofazzal became unconscious due to the beating, the accused brought him back to the guest room. There, they took turns in beating him with cricket stumps, targeting his legs, thighs, waist, and back, causing severe bleeding and injuries.

They tied one of the victim's hands to a window with a rope, pressed his right hand underfoot, and beat him all over the body with cricket stumps, according to the charge sheet.

They also cut his hair with a scissor, it added.

When the university's proctorial team arrived, the house tutors insisted that Tofazzal be taken to the hospital. However, the accused delayed putting him into the proctorial team's vehicle, police investigation found.

The unconscious Tofazzal was eventually transported to Shahbagh Police Station by the accused -- Mostaqin, Sazzad, Wajibul, and Suman -- along with the house tutors, using the proctorial team's vehicle.

Police, seeing the victim's critical condition, advised immediate medical treatment.

The accused then took Tofazzal to Dhaka Medical College Hospital, where the on-duty doctor pronounced him dead after

examination.

OMISSIONS AND ADDITIONAL CASE

Police dropped the names of Roki, Saqlain, Robotic Sohag, Parvez, Ashraf Munshi, Abu Raihan, and Rabbikul Riyad from the charge sheet, despite their involvement being mentioned in the confessional statements of the six accused, according to court sources.

Police stated in the charge sheet that no evidence was found to prove these individuals' involvement.

The charge sheet also did not mention anything about the proctorial team or the hall house tutors.

When asked about it, Inspector Asaduzzaman said multiple incidents took place on campus

at the time, delaying the proctorial team's response to the scene.

Separately, on September 25 last year, Asma Akter, a cousin of Tofazzal, filed another case with the court accusing Prof Shah Md Masum, former provost of Fazlul Haque Muslim Hall, and 14 students.

However, the investigation into this case

has yet to begin, as the court ordered to stay the proceedings under section 205 (D) of The Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898.

It stated that the magistrate shall stay the proceedings of such inquiry or trial and call for a report on the matter from the police officer conducting the investigation on the same offence.

Khaleda's liver

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transplant issue, he said everything depends on the medical reports and her fitness. She is under the supervision of renowned liver specialist Prof John Patrick Kennedy.

He said physicians from various fields including nephrology, hepatology

and liver transplantation are examining her daily and that specialist physicians from Johns Hopkins Hospital in the US will come to London if needed. "Once she gets the discharged, she will directly go to Tarique Rahman's residence, where she will stay for some days," he said.

Destiny MD Rafiqul

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50 others on August 24, 2016. They were charged for misappropriating funds through Destiny Tree Plantation (DTPL) project from Destiny Multipurpose Cooperative Society Ltd (DMCSL), according to ACCC.

On May 12, 2022, the

same court sentenced all 46 accused, including Rafiqul Amin and Harun, to different terms of imprisonment in another money laundering case.

Among them, Rafiqul Amin was sentenced to 12 years' of imprisonment and Lt Gen (retd) Harun-Ar-Rashid to four years.

Elect Ducusu president

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JCD recommended that if the executive committee election is not held within the specified timeframe, the Advisory Council will take over the committee's responsibilities and organise the election as soon as possible.

Instead, all decision-making and operational authority should rest with the elected members of the Ducusu executive committee.

Other suggestions included incorporating the Ducusu election into the university's calendar with a fixed annual date, revising the maximum age limit for candidates (currently 30 years), and renaming various editorial positions within Ducusu.

PRAYER TIMING JANUARY 16

Fazr Zohr Asr Maghrib Esha
AZAN 5:30 12:45 4:00 5:36 7:00
JAMAAT 6:05 1:15 4:15 5:40 7:30

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আটোসের্সিং প্রক্রিয়া জনবল সরবরাহের উন্মুক্ত দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি			
জনশক্তি কর্মসংস্থান ও প্রশিক্ষণ বুরোর আওতাধীন ০৩ (তিনি)টি কারিগরি প্রশিক্ষণ কেন্দ্র (টিপিসি শীর্ষক, গোচারভা ও থানসামা) এ ৩৯ (তিনিশিলি)টি পদে আটোসের্সিং প্রক্রিয়া জনবল সরবরাহের লক্ষ্যে অভিজ্ঞ ক্লিকার/প্রতিক্রিন্দনের নিকট হতে সিলেক্ষনেরমুক্ত দরপত্র আহবান করা যাচ্ছে।			
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০২. সংস্থা	:	জনশক্তি কর্মসংস্থান ও প্রশিক্ষণ বুরো	
০৩. দরপত্র আহবানকারী প্রতিক্রিন্দনের নাম ও ঠিকানা	:	জনশক্তি কর্মসংস্থান ও প্রশিক্ষণ বুরো, ৮৯/২, কার্কাইল, ঢাকা-১০০০।	
০৪. সেবা / কাজের বিবরণ	:	আটোসের্সিং প্রক্রিয়া সেবা গ্রহণ নীতিমালা, ২০১৮ অনুযায়ী সেবামূল নির্ধারণ হচ্ছে;	
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২	স্ট্রাইক ওয়ার্কার	৬	ক্যাটাগরি-৪
৩	ল্যাবরেটরী / ওয়ার্কশপ সহায়ক	৩	ক্যাটাগরি-৫
৪	ইলেক্ট্রোশিয়ান	৩	ক্যাটাগরি-১
৫	কুক (বার্টি)	৩	ক্যাটাগরি-৪
৬	সিকিউরিটি গার্ড (নিরাপত্তা প্রহরী)	৯	ক্যাটাগরি-৫
৭	গার্ডেনার (বাগানকারী)	৩	ক্যাটাগরি-৪
৮	ক্লিনার (পরিচ্ছন্নতা কর্মী)	৯	ক্যাটাগরি-৫
০৫. জনবলের শিক্ষাগত যোগাযোগ ও অভিজ্ঞতা	:	সিডিউলে উল্লিখিত শিক্ষাগত যোগাযোগ ও অভিজ্ঞতা (সিডিউলে বিস্তারিত উল্লেখ আছে)।	
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১০. দরপত্র দলিলের মূল্য	:	১,০০০ (এক হাজার) বাংলাদেশ বাণ	