

Man dies as train hits him in Faridpur

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Faridpur

An elderly man died after being hit by a train at Baliyachara village in Bhanga upazila of Faridpur yesterday morning.

The victim, Soleman Kazi, 70, was a resident of the village. He had hearing impairment.

The incident took place around 8:00am. Soleman and his wife were en route to visit their daughter in Saltha upazila, and were walking along the rail track. A Khulna-bound Jahanabad Express train hit Soleman from behind, leaving him dead on the spot.

Confirming the incident, Sakib Akand, station master at Bhanga Railway Junction, said Rajbari Railway Police are working on necessary legal procedures in this connection.

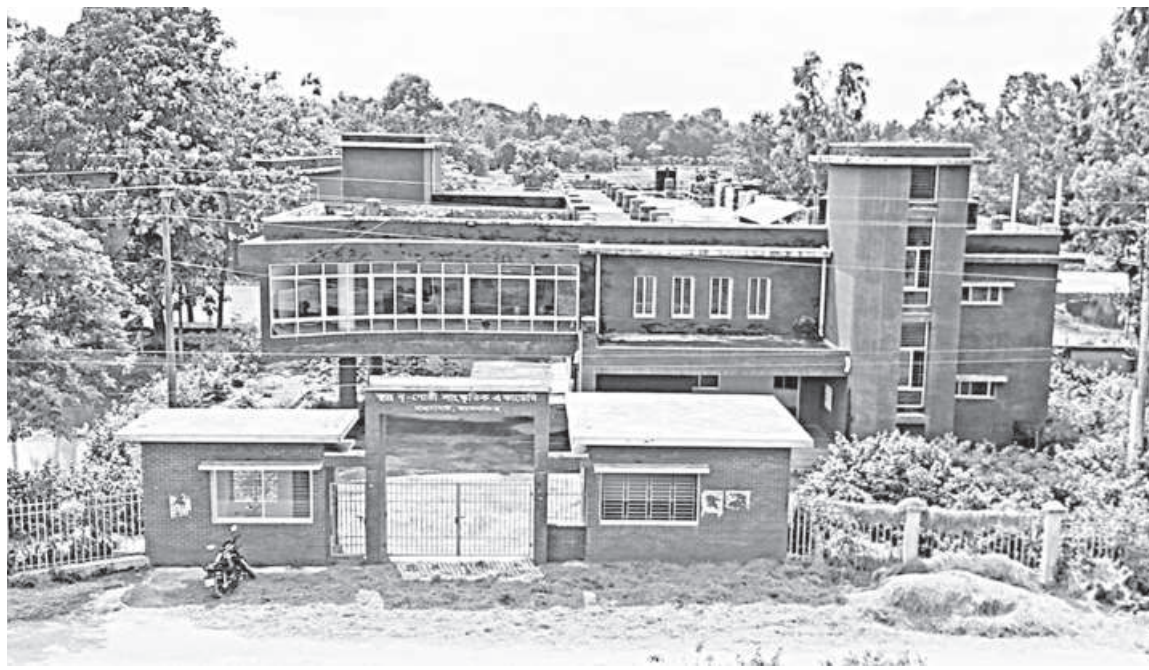
Elephant found dead in Sherpur

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

A female elephant, aged approximately 20 years, was found dead in Katabari area under Sherpur's Nalitabari upazila yesterday.

The elephant likely died from electrocution early yesterday after coming in contact with electric wires set up by farmers to protect their crops from elephants, said Md Dewan Ali, range officer of Madhuti Range in Nalitabari.

On information, forest officials went to the spot and are investigating the incident for legal action, the range officer added.



Located in Rangrapara village in Mymensingh, the academy aims to promote and preserve the culture and heritage of ethnic communities in the country's plain land, contributing to the enrichment of the mainstream national culture. The photo was taken recently.

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ETHNIC CULTURAL ACADEMY

Tk 10.81cr facility lies unused since inauguration

MD AMINUL ISLAM, Mymensingh

The Ethnic Cultural Academy in Haluaghat upazila of Mymensingh has remained non-operational for the past six years since its inauguration.

Constructed at a cost of Tk 10.81 crore under an initiative of the Ministry of Cultural Affairs and implemented by Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy and the Public Works Department from July 2013 until its inauguration in 2019, the academy now lies in a state of neglect and disrepair.

The academy, located in Rangrapara village in Sadar union under the upazila, aimed to promote and preserve the culture and heritage of the ethnic communities in the country's plain land and enrich the mainstream national culture.

The centre includes a 300-seat

auditorium, a 500-seat open air stage, and a training centre.

Despite the advanced facilities, the academy has not seen any active operations. The building has had no electricity connection for the past two years. Due to prolonged lack of use and maintenance, much of the equipment has deteriorated.

"Shortly after the inauguration, the ministry handed over the facility to Shilpakala Academy. Since then, no activities have taken place. The site is now overgrown with weeds, and many parts of the structure have been damaged due to years of neglect. Without electricity for the last two years, all electrical installations have already become unusable," said Bhodro Mrong, a freedom fighter and president of the Tribal Welfare Association's Haluaghat upazila unit.

"The academy was meant to be a platform for future generations to learn about the culture and traditions of ethnic communities. However, it is now uncertain when it will become functional," he added.

Contacted, Haluaghat UNO Alinur Khan said no manpower structure had been prepared for the academy yet. Once it was approved, necessary staff would be appointed to run the centre, he added.

He said the ministry concerned was informed about the situation and urged to take necessary steps last year, but no response had been received yet.

Abdullah-Al-Mamun, district cultural officer in Mymensingh, said he had recently joined the post and would gather detailed information about the academy to look into the matter.

MURADNAGAR 8 arrested over triple murder, case filed

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Cumilla

Law enforcers yesterday arrested eight persons in a case filed over the brutal murder of three members of a family in Cumilla's Muradnagar.

According to a press release issued by Rab-II, the elite force conducted drives in different locations and arrested four accused from Dhaka's Banasree area, and two others from Cumilla.

The arrestees are: Bachchu Mia, 55; Robiul Awal, 55; Atiqur Rahman, 42; Md Bayez Master, 43; Dulal, 45; and Akash, 24. All of them are residents of Karoi Bari village in Muradnagar upazila.

During the drives, four mobile phones and a flashlight were recovered from the arrestees, said Lt Col HM Sajjad Hossain, commander of Rab-II.

The arrestees will be handed over to Bangra Bazar Police Station for further legal proceedings, the Rab official added.

Earlier on Friday, a special team led by the army conducted an overnight raid and arrested Sabir Ahmed and Nazim Uddin Babul from Akubpur area of Muradnagar in connection with the murder.

Roksana Akter Rubi, her daughter Taspiya Jonaki, and son Russel - were hacked to death in broad daylight in the village of Karoi Bari at around 9:00am on July 3. Roksana's two other daughters - Rikta and Ruma, were also injured in the incident.

Rikta yesterday filed a murder case with Bangra Bazar Police Station, accusing 33 named and 25 unnamed individuals, said Mahfuzur Rahman, officer-in-charge of the station.

Submerged road puts locals in peril

MINTU DESHWARA, Moulvibazar

A section of the Bashipur-Bazarchali road in Paschim Juri Union under Juri upazila of Moulvibazar has remained submerged for years, severely disrupting the daily movement of locals, particularly school- and college-going students.

Although the 2 kilometre road was upgraded in two phases - one kilometre about six to seven years ago and the remaining stretch around four years ago - poor soil conditions and lack of proper groundwork have led to significant portions of the road sinking shortly after construction.

On July 2, at least 200 metres of the road in the Krishnanagar area were found under knee-deep water, with surrounding low-lying lands also inundated. Around 10-15 school and college students were seen wading through the submerged stretch to reach their institutions.

"This place goes underwater every year around this time," said Bidya Rabidas, a ninth grade student of Bashipur-Krishnanagar High School



and a resident of the Dhamai Tea Garden area. "When it rains heavily, we have to cross by boat, paying Tk 10 each time."

Locals also depend on the road for everyday commute and access to the upazila headquarters. Shadhon Paul, a local, said although the initial work brought some relief, the road's condition deteriorated again within a few months of the second phase being completed. The affected portion has since remained vulnerable to waterlogging during the monsoon.

Ashok Ranjan Paul, headteacher of Durgapur Government Primary School, echoed him.

Contacted, LGED upazila engineer Jonay Alam said, "I have visited the site recently. The soil beneath the road is not suitable for construction. Ideally, the clay layer - 20 to 25 feet deep - should have been removed and replaced with sand before construction. But such work is costly and couldn't be done with the available allocation."

"There are no plans for repair at the moment. If we receive further funding, we'll carry out the necessary work," he added.

Commercial establishment in a residential

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shopping mall was constructed around 2001 or 2002.

He said they received approval from Rajuk for an eight-storey building along with a basement and semi-basement, claiming that the basement can accommodate about 50 cars.

Additionally, the newly built 19-storey Finance Square Building (House 22/A, Road 102) - located in the same alley - offers parking for just 24 cars, which experts deem insufficient.

Mine Uddin, manager of Finance Square, said they obtained approval from

Rajuk in 2016 for a 19-storey commercial building with four basement levels, completing construction in 2022.

A Rajuk official said the fee for converting residential plots to commercial use was Tk 50 lakh per katha in areas like Gulshan, Banani, and Baridhara, and Tk 25 lakh in Uttara.

However, the new guidelines enacted in 2023 have doubled the fee, while prohibiting commercial conversion in these areas unless the adjacent road is at least 100 feet wide.

During another visit, around 50 cars were seen parked along the southern

part of Road 103, worsening the congestion. The Dhaka North City Corporation had previously designated this area for on street parking, but the service has been absent since the mass uprising of August 5, 2024.

GULSHAN SOCIETY VOICES CONCERN
Barrister Omar Sadat, president of the Gulshan Society, said Pink City has converted part of its parking area into shops, worsening the parking crisis and traffic congestion in Gulshan.

"We've filed complaints with Rajuk about unauthorised commercial buildings in residential areas. We believe these establishments should be removed," he said.

Sadat further pointed out the growing trend of commercial buildings mushrooming across Gulshan's lanes and by-lanes, often allegedly with Rajuk's approvals.

"You'll even find a 20-storey building surrounded by six storey residential structures here. Traffic congestion will undoubtedly worsen due to these new commercial developments," he said.

Md Sumon, a private car driver, said, "There is a huge shortage of parking facilities. Customers of Pink City, visitors to nearby schools, and people going to the Youth Club playground all park their vehicles here."

He added that the DNCC earlier charged Tk 30 for unlimited parking but stopped after August 2024. **EXPERTS SLAM RAJUK'S ROLE**

Urban planning expert Mohammad Fazle Reza Sumon criticised Rajuk's role, saying, "As far as I know, Road 103 is not a commercially declared road, yet Rajuk approved at least two commercial buildings here."

He alleged that approvals were often granted in exchange for money, without necessary planning assessments or

public consultations.

"The media have been reporting on these issues for years, but nothing changes. Rajuk's actions are deepening the traffic crisis and affecting residents' rights, such as access to sunlight," he said.

"Without institutional governance, citizens' suffering will have no end," he warned, adding, "Before granting conversion, Rajuk should conduct environmental clearances, traffic impact assessments, and public hearings - none of which are being followed."

Adil Mohammed Khan, president of the Bangladesh Institute of Planners, shared similar views. He said Rajuk approves conversions based on landowners' requests, with no planning or analysis.


"Gulshan plots were meant for six-storey buildings, but after conversion, 12- to 14-storey structures are common now," Adil said. Allowing such commercial constructions is harming efforts to decentralise the city, he added.

"Such an approach economically benefits a handful of plot owners, but causes immense suffering for the general public," Khan said.

He said while auxiliary services like small shops or schools could have been tolerable, large shopping malls and banks - which attract heavy footfall - significantly worsen traffic congestion.

"In developed countries, traffic impact assessments are mandatory before such approvals. Here, no such procedure is followed," he said.

RAJUK'S RESPONSE
Contacted, Rajuk Chairman Md Rezaul Islam said, "We're taking action against illegal buildings. Operations are underway, and complaints - including establishments behind Gulshan Pink City - are under investigation. Action will follow."



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