

SHAYESTAGANJ UPAZILA  
Health complex out  
of reach for 1.5 lakh

MINTU DESHWARA, Moulvibazar

The 50-bed Shayestaganj Upazila Health Complex in Habiganj has remained non-operational for the past eight years due to unresolved land acquisition complications, leaving more than 1.5 lakh residents without access to essential healthcare services.

Although the hospital was approved in 2017, construction is yet to begin. In the absence of a proper facility, locals continue to rely on a small, under resourced sub-health centre operating out of two tin-roofed rooms on one acre of land in the Mahalul Sunam area.

The current setup offers no in-patient beds or surgical services. Patients with even minor ailments or injuries must travel to Habiganj District Sadar Hospital, around 20 kilometres away.

Despite the approval of 47 staff positions in 2017 by the health ministry, recruitment remains stalled due to the absence of a hospital building. In 2019, the Habiganj Civil Surgeon's Office proposed the creation of 111 posts, but appointments are still pending.

On paper, the health complex is supposed to have 10 doctors. In reality, only three are currently stationed there – an upazila health and family planning officer, a resident medical officer, and a medical officer. Of the remaining seven, four are serving on deputation in other districts, while

three have reportedly been absent without approval.

"For the past eight years, we've been running both the sub health centre and the upazila health complex from this limited space," said Dr Aditi Roy, upazila health officer. "Last year, a new tin shed was built, and we are trying to provide care within our limitations."

Patients say the existing setup fails to meet even the most basic medical needs. "There are no doctors, no X-ray facilities, and not even basic medicines," said Anowara Khatun of Barachar village.



Dr Mukhlisur Rahman Ujjal, deputy civil surgeon of Habiganj, said a proposal has been sent to the ministry for the appointment of 111 staffers. Once the land is acquired, construction of the 50-bed hospital can begin, he said.

Shayestaganj UNO Pallab Hom Das said a proposal for acquiring five acres of land was submitted to the health ministry several years ago, but it has not been finalised yet. He said construction is being delayed due to this land complication.

SUSHANTA GHOSH, Barishal

Potholes have formed at various points along the 20-kilometre highway from Bhurghata to Batajor Kobibari in Gournadi upazila under Barishal district, making the route risky for travellers.

This highway is the only gateway to the southern region, including Barishal, and drivers and passengers are facing extreme hardship as it now takes twice as long to cover a distance that should take 16 minutes.

A recent visit to the area revealed small and large potholes in multiple locations, including Torki, Gournadi, Ashokathi, Batajor, Kasba, South Palradi, South Bijoypur, Kashemabad, Bezhbar, Mahilara, and other bus stand areas along the Barishal Dhaka highway. The damage is attributed to the rising pitch, bitumen, and stones.

At least 86 local buses carrying passengers operate daily from Barishal Natullabab bus terminal to Bhurghata in Gournadi, Hosnabad, and Poysarhut in Agoijhara and Mostafapur of Madaripur.

More than 350 long distance passenger buses and over 300 microbuses ply from Barishal Bus Terminal to various highways connecting Dhaka, Khulna, Jashore, Kushtia, Benapole, Meherpur, Pabna, Rajshahi, Faridpur, Rangpur, Chittagong, and Sylhet throughout the day and night.

Additionally, more than 2,000 freight trucks and over 1,000 covered vans from different

parts of the country use this highway daily.

Since the commissioning of the Padma Bridge over the Padma River at Mawa Ghat in Shibchar, the importance of the Barishal-Dhaka highway, the only road connecting the southern regions, has greatly increased.

Although more than 4,000 to 5,000 vehicles travel this busy route daily, the highway remains risky as it has not been expanded to four lanes.

Bus driver Akbar Hossain said they have to drive cautiously due to the potholes formed during the monsoon season.

Drivers Tapash Pal, Nayan Boyati, Suman Fakir, and Bellal Akon echoed him.

They said their vehicles often get damaged after falling into the potholes, and water accumulated in the holes causes accidents and delays.

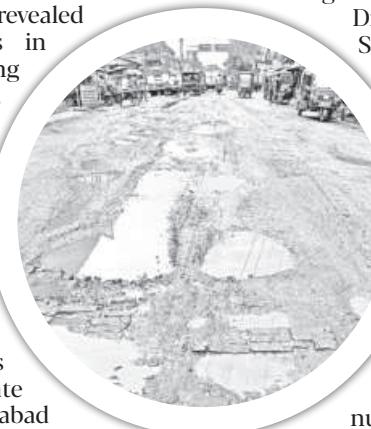
Amirur Rahman, in-charge of Gournadi Highway Police Station, said the monsoon rains have eroded the asphalt and stones on the highway, creating numerous potholes that cause daily accidents.

As a result, thousands of passengers suffer extreme hardship every day.

Motorcycle riders Manjur Alam Talukder said accidents on the road have become a common phenomenon due to the potholes.

Contacted, Masud Mahmud Sumon, executive engineer of the Barishal Roads and Highways Department, said work has begun to fill the potholes with bricks, bats, and stones.

He said once the rain subsides, full repairs will be carried out using stones and bitumen.



ICT trials of several cases may

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the killing of five protesters in Lakshmipur before the tribunal on July 28.

The order came after prosecutors filed a petition seeking their production.

The accused are Lakshmipur Sadar upazila AL president Humayun Kabir Patwari, Digholi

Union Parishad's former chairman Salauddin, and organising secretary of the district Chhatra League Shahin Alam. All three are currently behind bars in other cases.

The tribunal also ordered that public notices be published in two newspapers, asking eight

fugitive accused to appear before the court on July 28.

The case concerns the shooting of six student protesters in Ashulia on August 5 last year. Police then burnt five of the victims who were already dead, while another was still alive, according to the case.

Trade rivalry behind Sohag

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Nazrul added that following the political changeover on August 5, another group from the same area got involved in the trade, sparking a rift between the two sides that ultimately led to Sohag's murder. Both groups were already familiar with each other, he said.

"There was no attempt to disrupt the election... through this killing. It was purely due to personal and trade-related disputes," he added.

On July 9, Sohag was dragged out of his shop and beaten to death near the gate of Sir Salimullah Medical College Mitford Hospital. His battered and broken body was later left on the street as onlookers watched in horror.

Speaking at the briefing, DMP Commissioner Sheikh Md Sazzat Ali said upon receiving a call through the emergency helpline 999, police went to the scene within minutes. There, they found the attackers trying to incite a mob, chanting slogans such as "No place for extortionists, no fear for businessmen".

Soon after the incident, police arrested Mohin from the scene and Robin from a nearby area. Later, based

on CCTV footage analysis, seven more suspects -- including the two seen hurling concrete chunks -- were arrested. In total, nine people have been detained so far in connection with the killing.

The latest arrestee, Rizwan Uddin Ovi, who crushed the victim with large chunks of concrete to ensure his death, was arrested in Patuakhali on Tuesday night, he said.

When asked whether the arrestees have any political affiliations, the commissioner said any citizen may have a political identity, but it is irrelevant in this case. "Their political affiliation has nothing to do with the incident," he added.

He also said misleading information about the case statement has been circulated on social media and in some news outlets.

A copy of an FIR has gone viral on social media, but it was actually a draft prepared by the victim's ex-wife and stepbrother before the official case was filed. That draft included the names of 23 individuals.

Later, when the victim's elder sister, Manjura Begum, came to Kotwali Police Station to file the

case, her daughter took a photo of the draft FIR. Manjura then removed five names from the draft and added one new name, ultimately naming 19 accused in the final FIR, he added.

The deceased -- Raiyan Noor Abu Samim, son of Md Ismail from the city's Boidyaghona -- was a class eight student at Cox's Bazar Government High School. The incident occurred around 10:00am at the Shaibal Point of the beach.

School student drowns in Bay

UNB, Cox's Bazar

A school student drowned in the Bay of Bengal at Cox's Bazar yesterday morning, just nine days after three students of Chittagong University died in a similar incident.

The deceased -- Raiyan Noor Abu Samim, son of Md Ismail from the city's Boidyaghona -- was a class eight student at Cox's Bazar Government High School. The incident occurred around 10:00am at the Shaibal Point of the beach.

Raiyan drowned while he was bathing in the sea after playing football with his friends, said his brother Faiyan Noor Abu Ramim. Mohammad Osman, supervisor of Sea Safe Lifeguard, said swimming at Shaibal Point is prohibited and there are no lifeguards stationed in that area.

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IN THE MATTER OF: Origin Solutions Ltd., represented by its Managing Director Mr. Mahbubul Anam .....

-VERSUS-

The Registrar, Joint Stock Companies and Firms & others, TCB Bhaban (6th Floor), I Kawran Bazar, Dhaka-1215. .... Respondent Notice is hereby given that an application under Section 11 of the Companies Act, 1994 was filed before the Company Bench Hon'ble High Court Division, of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh for confirmation and permission to amend the objective clause of Memorandum of Association of the petitioner Company namely, **Origin Solutions Ltd.** Upon preliminary hearing on 10.07.2025 his Lordship Mr. Justice Ahmed Sohel presiding over the Company Bench has admitted the application and pleased to direct to publish notice in the newspapers and also directed to submit compliance or before 12th August, 2025. Any one desirous of opposing the said application may do so before the Hon'ble High Court either personally or through Advocate. Copy of the said application may be obtained from the undersigned on payment of nominal fees.

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Two more die of dengue, 321 hospitalised

UNB, Dhaka

Two more deaths were reported from dengue in 24 hours till yesterday morning, raising the number of fatalities from the mosquito-borne disease in Bangladesh to 60 this year.

During the period, 321 more patients were hospitalised with the viral fever, raising the total infected case to 15,906 this year, according to the DGHS. Last year, dengue claimed the lives of 575 people.

In 2023, 1,705 people lost their lives due to dengue, making it the deadliest year on record. The DGHS recorded 321,179 dengue cases and 3,18,749 recoveries in the same year.

Two more die in Sutrapur gas blast

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