

Appeal for help

STAR REPORT

Dr Md Shahadat Hossain Shibly, a decorated physician from Bangladesh known for his service, intellect, and unwavering compassion, is now waging the most personal and painful battle of his life -- against an aggressive form of recurrent metastatic squamous cell carcinoma.

For over a decade, Dr Shibly, an alumnus of Chattogram Medical College and a fellow of the Bangladesh College of Physicians and Surgeons (FCPS in Internal Medicine), has been a symbol of healing for thousands, said a press release.

He is a member of the American College of Physicians and a junior consultant in the 33rd BCS health cadre.

Currently admitted to Rajiv Gandhi Cancer Institute & Research Centre in New Delhi, Dr Shibly is undergoing intensive treatment for a rare and aggressive cancer that has resurfaced after years of surgeries, chemotherapy, and radiotherapy.

The current protocol includes six cycles of costly immunochemotherapy -- each costing an estimated Tk 8-10 lakh -- followed by potentially curative



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RU to announce Rucusu polls schedule July 28

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Rajshahi University administration yesterday set July 28 to announce the election schedule for the Rajshahi University Central Students' Union (Rucusu).

A notice signed by Rucusu Chief Election Officer Amzad Hossain confirmed this information.

The election schedule was supposed to be announced on June 30, but the university authorities failed to do so.

Speaking to this correspondent, Amzad said, "We held a meeting today [Wednesday] and made this decision during the discussion. There was no external pressure influencing our decision."

Earlier in the day, RU unit Islami Chhatra Shibir staged a protest rally on the university campus, demanding the announcement of the Rucusu election. The protest was held in front of the RUCSU building.

TIB slams govt over failure

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only sets an unfortunate precedent but also reflects a concerning indifference to the government's promise of ensuring free flow of information and protection of human rights.

"It directly contradicts the core mandate of the interim government, which was entrusted with state reform. This vacuum has effectively undermined citizens' access to information and the basic avenues for redress in cases of human rights violations," the statement reads.

It also questioned whether

Iftekharuzzaman.

In the press release, TIB called for the immediate formation of the Information Commission and the Human Rights Commission to uphold the state's commitment to democracy, good governance, transparency, and human rights.

Moreover, to ensure that both commissions function independently, effectively, and in a way that garners public confidence, TIB strongly urged for institutional and legal reforms.

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for students, patients, and farmers. "The temporary wooden bridge was our only hope. Now that too is gone," said Mahid Ahmed Chowdhury, a resident of Maijgaon. "We are practically cut off. There is no alternative road. We demand that a permanent bridge be built here without delay."

Farmers in the area are among the

worst affected, as they can no longer transport their produce -- particularly rice and vegetables -- to the local market, resulting in financial losses.

According to locals, the bridge had remained in a risky condition for years. Heavy rainfall over the past few days triggered a landslide that washed away the structure entirely.

When contacted, Chunarughat Upazila Nirbahi Officer Mohammad Robin Mia said, "The wooden bridge was in a risky condition and was washed away by a landslide. An estimate was sent in the last fiscal year for a permanent bridge. While approval is still pending, we hope to receive it soon. Construction will begin as soon as approval is granted."

In the meantime, residents are calling on authorities to take urgent action, as the banana raft remains their only lifeline.

Probe Arakan Army

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interviewed 39 Rohingya survivors -- including eight women -- who survived and witnessed AA abuses in 2024 and 2025. The group also reviewed photographic and video evidence supporting the allegations. The investigation documented multiple killings in villages and AA-run detention centres, including five reported beheadings.

The findings reveal a systematic pattern in which Rohingyas were abducted and tortured or killed in AA-controlled detention facilities and towns.

Survivors said they were detained after being falsely accused of links with

Rohingya armed groups or for refusing to join the AA.

Fortify Rights also highlighted earlier incidents, including a massacre near the Naf River in Maungdaw on August 5, 2024, and an arson attack on Rohingya homes in May 2024.

While the AA has denied the allegations, it publicly admitted in January 2025 that its soldiers had tortured and executed two prisoners of war -- an act considered a war crime under international law.

In 2018, the ICC granted its chief prosecutor jurisdiction to investigate crimes related to the forced deportation of Rohingya to Bangladesh and other related acts. Fortify Rights called on the prosecutor to include AA abuses in the ongoing investigation.

"The Arakan Army must end its campaign of torture and killings," said Ejaz Min Khant. "If it wants to be seen as a legitimate revolutionary force, it must follow international law, protect civilians, and be held accountable for its crimes."

PRAYER TIMING

JULY 24

Fazr Zohr Asr Maghrib Esha
AZAN 4-15 12-45 5-00 6-54 8-15
JAMAAT 4-50 1-15 5-15 6-58 8-45

SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION

'My son dreamt of becoming an engineer'

Says father of Ukkya Chaing who laid to rest after jet crash

RIKORS CHAKMA

Thirteen-year-old Ukkya Chaing Marma, a seventh-grade student of Milestone School and College, who died after a Bangladesh Air Force training aircraft crashed into his school, was laid to rest in his village in Rangamati's Rajasthani upazila.

His body reached his home in Collegepara of Bangalhalia union around 6:30pm on Tuesday, where his grieving family and neighbours broke down in tears.

Ukkya had been undergoing treatment at the National Institute of Burn and Plastic Surgery in Dhaka after suffering injuries in the crash. He died at 2:25am on Monday.

"Our son couldn't even see his parents one last time. We couldn't fulfil his wishes," said his mother, Dezipru Marma, before fainting.

His father, Usaimong Marma, said, "My son was good at his studies. He dreamt of becoming an engineer, but I, as his father, could do nothing for him."

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Farmers from various upazilas in Natore transport their bumper jute harvest to the Patul Beel area. As most local canals and wetlands have yet to fill with water, they are bringing their produce there to carry out the retting and washing processes

PHOTO: AZAHAR UDDIN

Bridge collapse leaves thousands isolated

MINTU DESHWARA

With the only wooden bridge in the area -- their only means of travel to nearby markets, schools, and health facilities -- washed away by recent torrential rains, residents of Maijgaon in the Raniganj Union of Chunarughat upazila in Habiganj are now relying on a makeshift banana raft to cross the river.

About 6,000 people living in the area have been left stranded since the collapse of the bridge recently. The bridge, constructed earlier by a local union parishad chairman, had long been in a precarious condition, according to residents.

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Man beaten to death in Demra

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A man was beaten to death by a mob on suspicion of theft in Dhaka's Demra area yesterday.

Quoting locals, Demra Police Station Sub-inspector Kakon Mia said the man, still unidentified, was caught and beaten while allegedly trying to steal construction materials from an under-construction building near Shapla Chhatar around 10:00am.

A police team rescued the unconscious man and took him to the Dhaka Medical College Hospital, where doctors declared him dead around 1:00pm, he added.

The police official said the man, aged around 25, was wearing a black T-shirt and jeans.

The body has been sent to the hospital morgue for autopsy.

Woman killed for protesting granddaughter's harassment

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bagerhat

An 80-year-old woman was killed after protesting the harassment of her granddaughter in Bagerhat's Chitalmari upazila, police said.

The incident took place at Umjuri village under Kalatala Union yesterday afternoon, said SM Shahadat Hossain, officer-in-charge of Chitalmari Police Station.

The victim, Aleya Begum, was the widow of Sultan Hawlader of the same village, the OC said.

According to locals, Aleya's granddaughter, a third grader, had gone to fetch water from a nearby tubewell when Kawsar Babna, 28, son of Asmat Babna from the same village, physically harassed her.

The girl informed her family, prompting Aleya to confront Kawsar and demand an explanation. Enraged, Kawsar and his younger brother Ansar

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**INDEPENDENT UNIVERSITY,
BANGLADESH (IUB)
VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT**

**Department of Physical Sciences
School of Engineering, Technology and Sciences (SETS)**

Associate Professor, Astronomy and Astrophysics
 Assistant Professor, Statistics
 Assistant Professor, Mathematics

**Application Deadline
Wednesday, August 6, 2025**

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STATUTORY NOTICE

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BANGLADESH
HIGH COURT DIVISION
(STATUTORY ORIGINAL JURISDICTION)

COMPANY MATTER NO. 1259 of 2025

An application under Section 81(2) and Section 85(3) & 396 of the Companies Act, 1994.

MD. FAIZ ULLAH TUTUL Petitioner

NASCO USA PTE LTD and another Respondents

Take Notice that an application US- 81(2), 85(3) and 396 of the Companies Act, 1994 was filed before the Hon'ble High Court Division of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh for condonation of delay in holding the AGM for the year 2021 to 2024 of NASCO USA PTE LTD. Upon hearing of the application on 20.07.2025 Hon'ble Judge Mr. Justice Ahmed Sohel has been pleased to admit said application. In the said order, the Hon'ble Justice directed to publish advertisements in the newspaper, and submit affidavit-in-compliance on or before 24.08.2025.

If you are interested to oppose the said application you may appear before the Hon'ble Court either in person or through an Advocate. Copy of the said application may be obtained from the under mentioned advocate on payment of prescribed fees.

Asifur Rahman Surya

Advocate, Supreme Court of Bangladesh

SS Bhaban (Ground Floor), 70/D Green Road, Dhaka-1205, Phone: 01917399260

The Registrar of Joint Stock Companies and Firms

....Respondent.

A n d

In the matter of: Evince Design and Fashions Ltd. Petitioner.

V e r s u s

The Registrar of Joint Stock Companies and Firms Respondent.

Notice is hereby given that the Petitioner above named filed and moved an application under Section 12 read with

Section 13 of the Companies Act.

The Hon'ble High Court Division of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh

presided over by His Lordship Mr. Justice Mohammad Ahmed Sohel was pleased to admit the same on 20.07.2025.

If anybody is interested to oppose the said application he/she may do so by an Advocate or in person. Copy of the application may be obtained from the office of the undersigned upon payment of prescribed fees.

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Bangladesh Supreme Court

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