

# Man remanded over threats to DU teacher

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court has placed Aman Ullah, a furniture store manager, on a two-day remand in a case filed under the Cyber Security Ordinance for allegedly issuing threats to a Dhaka University teacher online.

Metropolitan Magistrate Md Mahbubur Rahman issued the order yesterday after the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) sought a three-day remand for interrogation, said a sub-inspector at the court.

The case was filed on June 29 with Dhanmondi Police Station by Anwar Hossain, manager of Essa Garden CNG Filling Station in Cumilla, accusing five to six unidentified individuals of posting derogatory remarks about DU professor Chowdhury Saima Ferdous on Facebook and issuing threats via WhatsApp.

Saima is the daughter of BNP leader and former Cumilla-9 MP Monirul Haque Chowdhury. According to the case documents, she owns the Cumilla filling station.

CID officials said Aman, 28, who is originally from Chandpur, was arrested in the Sonaimuri area in Noakhali on the same day the case was filed.



Garbage being openly burnt by the roadside at Dhaka's Rayerbazar, worsening air pollution in the residential area. Despite the health hazards, the practice continues unchecked. The photo was taken recently.

## Protesters block

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"When I finally reached Karwan Bazar, I realised the journey had taken me more than two and a half hours -- a trip that usually takes about one and a half," he said.

According to witnesses, protesters began gathering in the Shahbagh area after 10:30am, urging the National Consensus Commission to finalise the charter without further delay.

By 11:00am, several

hundred demonstrators had blocked the intersection, bringing traffic in the area to a standstill.

Although their numbers declined when rain began, the protesters continued occupying the intersection as of the time of reporting.

Police did not intervene to disperse the crowd but diverted traffic at Matsya Bhaban, Bangla Motor, and Katabon due to the blockade, forcing vehicles and commuters to take alternative routes.

## Need effective

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common perspective on national priorities.

"The course is designed to equip participants with the ability to understand national issues, exercise effective leadership, and prioritise national interest," he said.

Addressing the graduating fellows, the army chief said, "Throughout your in-depth analysis of the country's challenges and opportunities, you must

have realised that while we've made significant progress over the past five decades, substantial challenges remain. As strategic leaders, you must now confront those challenges and contribute to national advancement."

He urged participants to remain proactive and constructive in their roles, saying, "I have full confidence that you will lead by example when entrusted with responsibility."

## 20 parties

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Bangladesh Jatiyatabadi Andolan-BNM.

The remaining ten parties have neither submitted their audit reports nor applied for an extension, the EC report states.

These are: Krishak Sramik Janata League, Bikalpa Dhara Bangladesh (BDB), Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal (JSD), Zaker Party, Bangladesher Samajtantrik Dal (BSD), Bangladesh Muslim League, Gono Front, Bangladesh National Awami Party (NAP), Trinamool BNP, Bangladesh Samajtantrik Dal (Bangladesh JSD), and Ganosamhati Andolon.

Under the Representation of the People Order (RPO) of 1972, all registered political parties are required to submit audited financial reports of the previous calendar year to the EC by July each year.

## DNCC

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Azaz said, "If we put up these boards now, anyone looking to buy plots here will see that the government has officially declared the area a reservoir. As a result, general buyers will refrain from purchasing plots built on illegally filled wetlands."

Rajuk Chairman Md Riazul Islam was also present at the event.

PRAYER  
TIMING

AUGUST 1

Fazr	Juma	Asr	Maghrib	Esha
AZAN 4-20	12-30	5-00	6-47	8-15
JAMAAT 4-55	1-15	5-15	6-50	8-45

SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION

## Must tackle internal divides

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At the same time, he noted, Bangladesh cannot afford poor relations with China, a major supplier of raw materials, or with India, which surrounds the country.

"So, we have to equally balance two of these powers with delicacy," he said.

Maj Gen (retd) ANM Muniruzzaman, president of the Bangladesh Institute of Peace and Security Studies (BIPSS), outlined several key priorities for Bangladesh's foreign policy, including defending human and labour rights, tapping into maritime resources, ensuring maritime security, and engaging in effective water diplomacy.

"We must enhance our capabilities in cybersecurity. We need to acquire new skills in technology. We must think about how to align ourselves with all countries," he said.

He also called for incorporating private sector input into diplomacy, strengthening climate diplomacy, and

bolstering Bangladesh missions abroad to better protect expatriate interests.

He emphasised the need to revitalise Saarc.

Muniruzzaman said the revolutionary aspirations of the country have not been reflected in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and called for the removal of those who collaborated with fascist regimes.

Former ambassador Munshi Faiz Ahmad stressed the importance of consensus among political parties on foreign policy, which he said must reflect the people's aspirations.

He warned that Bangladesh is not adequately prepared to navigate the challenges of graduating from LDC status next year.

Zahir Uddin Swapon, member of the BNP Chairperson's advisory council, called for a shift in political culture to bring harmony in foreign policy.

He said the Bay of Bengal is a key strategic zone within the Indo-Pacific region and a crucial economic corridor for the eastern sphere, making

Bangladesh's position vital.

"Whoever comes into power in the next elections needs to keep all of these things in mind in designing their foreign policy," he said.

Former ambassadors M Shafiullah, Munshi Faiz Ahmad, and Shahidul Islam; Adviser to the BNP acting Chairperson Mahdi Amin; Jatiya Party Secretary General Shameem Haider Patwary; AB Party Chairman Mojibur Rahman Monjur; BIPSS Senior Research Fellow Shafigat Munir; Centre for Non-Resident Bangladeshis Chairman M S Shekil Chowdhury; Gonosamhati Andolon Chief Coordinator Zonayed Saki; and Gono Odhikar Parishad President Nurul Haq Nur also spoke at the event, which was moderated by CGS President Zillur Rahman.

## Political clashes

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The MSF also mentioned the Air Force jet crash at Milestone School and College, which left 34 people, mostly students, dead, as well as an attack on Hindu houses in Rangpur in the report.

The report said at least 352 incidents of violence against women and children occurred in July, slightly fewer than the previous month.

At least 56 incidents of rape were reported in July, including 18 gang rapes. At least seven victims were killed after the assault, it added.

The report also said at least six Bangladeshis were killed and another injured by the Indian Border Security Force (BSF) last month.

## Dengue deaths

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Medical College Hospital, said there has been a rise in patients suffering from Expanded Dengue Syndrome (EDS) this year.

"Patients with EDS often die suddenly due to severe complications involving multiple organs such as the liver, brain, heart, kidneys, and central nervous system," he said.

Those with underlying conditions -- such as diabetes, hypertension, or chronic lung and kidney diseases -- are particularly at risk.

"Many patients fail to

recognise warning signs such as severe abdominal pain, difficulty breathing, bleeding, extreme fatigue, or a sharp drop in urination or platelet count. By the time they reach the hospital, their condition is often critical," Dr Ahsan said.

He advised immediate hospitalisation for anyone showing such symptoms.

"Many patients from outside Dhaka arrive too late, often without proper fluid management during transport. Early intervention could have saved many of them," he said.

## Why would we hide

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the footage how they carried children out, used cloth to cover them, and did everything they could," said the MOD director.

Nazim said, "We don't do this for the cameras. We don't seek credit. We simply do our duty. Today you see us speaking, but we won't always be here to explain. Please judge us by our actions."

At one point during the rescue, 29 army members were injured, and three are still undergoing treatment at the Combined Military Hospital.

Nazim also condemned those who filmed the tragedy instead of helping. "One child was dying, and instead of helping, people were making videos. The price of water went up to Tk 50 a bottle. Where is our humanity?"

He praised the courage of students -- particularly members of the BNCC,

Scouts, and other volunteers -- who assisted with the rescue alongside the fire service.

Paying tribute to the deceased Air Force pilot, Nazim said, "From what I can understand, he tried till the last moment to steer the aircraft away from the main building. Had he ejected earlier, he might have survived, but he stayed in to minimise the damage."

He urged journalists to consider the broader context. "Please don't focus only on scuffles or rumours. Look at the sacrifice. We're not doing this to be seen. If someone took off their uniform, it was to use it as a cover for a child -- not for display."

"We continue working despite criticism. But a little appreciation goes a long way. It gives us strength. Just like you need encouragement, we do too," he said.

### We Deeply Mourn

**Capt. Nazmul Haq**, a retired pilot of Biman Bangladesh Airlines, passed away on July 28 at a local hospital in Dhaka. "Inna lillahi wa inna ilayhi raji'un". He was 89. He left behind his wife, three sons, one daughter and seven grandchildren. He was buried at Sector-12 Graveyard, Uttara, Dhaka. Relatives, friends, colleagues and well-wishers are requested to pray for the departed soul.

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## Trust Bank PLC.

A Bank for Financial Inclusion

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Price Sensitive Information (PSI)

This is for information of all concerned that the Board of Directors of Trust Bank PLC. in its 368 (06/2025) meeting held on 31 July 2025 commencing from 02.30 p.m. has adopted, among others, **Un-Audited Financial Statements for 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter (Q2) ended on 30 June 2025.** The Board of Directors also disclosed the following:

**Financial Results (Amount in BDT):**

Particulars	Consolidated				Solo			
	Jan 01 to June 30, 2025	Jan 01 to June 30, 2024	April 01 to June 30, 2025	April 01 to June 30, 2024	Jan 01 to June 30, 2025	Jan 01 to June 30, 2024	April 01 to June 30, 2025	April 01 to June 30, 2024
Profit before Tax	3,172,077,564	3,472,942,018	1,854,855,435	2,227,474,407	3,209,035,257	3,465,777,488	1,848,081,820	2,219,923,415
Net Profit after Taxation	1,353,167,342	1,399,209,963	1,059,394,892	1,082,262,536	1,396,443,811	1,420,678,462	1,055,511,265	1,090,197,274
Earnings Per Share (EPS)	1.46	1.53	1.15	1.17	1.51	1.54	1.14	1.18
Net Operating Cash Flow Per Share (NOCFPS)	28.41	22.35	14.59	15.25	26.44	20.51	14.29	14.59

**Financial Position (Amount in BDT):**

Particulars	Consolidated		Solo	
	30-Jun-25	30-Jun-24	30-Jun-25	30-Jun-24
Net Assets Value (NAV)	26,881,856,421	24,497,140,419	26,625,782,760	24,092,954,625
Net Assets Value (NAV) Per Share	29.07	26.49	28.79	26.05

**Note:** The details of the Un-audited Financial Statements for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter (Q2) ended on 30 June 2025 will be available in the website of the Bank at: [www.tbld.com](http://www.tbld.com)

By order of the Board of Directors,  
Sd/-  
**Unmesh Ray Himel**  
Company Secretary (Acting)

Dated, Dhaka  
31 July 2025

## ESSENTIAL DRUGS COMPANY LIMITED

395-397, Tejgaon Industrial Area  
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Ref.No. EDCL(Dhaka)/PUR/EOI/Consultant /2025/290      Dated: 31.07.2025

REQUEST FOR EXPRESS OF INTEREST (EOI)

APPOINTMENT OF AN EXPERT PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANT

Essential Drugs Company Limited, 100% share owned by the Government of the people's Republic of Bangladesh is interested to appoint an expert Consultant through EOI for selection of Consulting firm for preparing Master Plan, Layout, Detail Engineering, Drawing, Design, Machineries & Equipment List, Documentation, URS, Price Schedule, Estimated Cost, Tender Documentation and Top and Full time Supervision at EDCL, Dhaka Plant. Interested firms those who are specialist in this field having sufficient working back ground for preparing Master Plan, Layout, Detail Engineering, Drawing, Design, Machineries & Equipment List, Documentation, URS, Price Schedule, Estimated Cost, Tender Documentation and Top and Full time Supervision for the following manufacturing and Utility Buildings considering all parameters of cGMP as per US-FDA and Pic/s guidelines (Details as per Tender Schedule) Interested Consultancy firms are invited for submission of offer in two envelopes. The one envelope containing the all relevant papers (Company profile, Trade License, VAT Certificate, E-Tin certificate with current Income Tax payment confirmation certificate) reference completion certificate with Work Order of related project in last five years, Project in hand work orders (if any) and other related papers (if any) must be marked as the "TECHNICAL OFFER " The other envelope containing price offer (as per our tentative scope of works) must be marks as "FINANCIAL OFFER".

Interested firms may be requested to collect a schedule with scope of works from Procurement department of Essential Drugs Company Limited, Dhaka during office hours on all working days.(except Friday, Saturday and Govt. Holidays).

Interested firms may drop their competitive offer to the tender box kept in our Procurement department within 3.00 PM which is open on 3.15PM at 14/08/2025.

EDCL authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.

**Deputy General Manager  
Procurement (CC)  
For : Managing Director.**

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