

100 days on, no headway in IU student murder probe

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Kushtia

A hundred days after Islamic University (IU) student Sajid Abdullah was found dead, his classmates staged a protest carrying a symbolic coffin yesterday, demanding progress in an investigation that remains stalled.

Despite repeated appeals from the university and Sajid's family, the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) has yet to make any headway.

"They haven't found any clues or shared anything specific yet. We're repeatedly pressing them to speed up the process," said IU Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Nakib Mohammad Nasrullah, adding that official letters have been sent seeking updates.

At a meeting with CID officials on campus yesterday, it was decided that investigators would be allowed to question anyone -- teachers, officials,

employees, or students -- in connection with the case.

CID Kushtia Special Superintendent Abu Tarek admitted difficulties in the investigation, citing the absence of CCTV footage and an apparent unwillingness among students to speak. "It's an incident inside the campus. That makes it difficult. But now the university has asked everyone to cooperate," he said.

Sajid's father, Ahsan Habibullah Delwar, expressed frustration. "Whenever we call the CID, they say it will take time -- but they can't say how long," he told The Daily Star. On July 17, police recovered Sajid's body from a pond beside Shah Azizur Rahman Hall. Though initially reported as a drowning, a later viscera report confirmed he was strangled to death. The case, filed on August 4, was later handed over to the CID, but no arrests have been made so far.



Credible polls, peaceful

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would help implement BNP's 31-point reform agenda, which includes forming several commissions.

"The interim government's commissions were insufficient. We will restructure them and open the process to public input," he added.

Jamaat-e-Islami Naib-e-Ameer Syed Abdullah Muhammad Taher said if the election is not fair, the chief adviser should cancel it and announce a new one. "Any deviation will be noticed by the public," he said.

Taher stressed that the election must be transparent and meet international standards.

He also urged all parties to follow the election code of conduct and criticised past governments for corruption and negative activities that thwarted opportunities for change.

Akhter Hossen, member secretary of the National

Citizen Party (NCP), said peaceful power transfer has rarely been seen in the past. "Those who come to power tend to focus on staying there for long. We want to break that cycle," he said.

Stressing the need for peaceful power transfer, he linked it to greater youth and women's participation in elections.

Former caretaker government adviser Rasheda K Chowdhury expressed concern over the lack of trust in the electoral process, particularly regarding women's rights. She urged political parties to ensure women's safety during and after the polls and called for improvements in education and governance.

Kazi Maruful Islam, professor of Development Studies at Dhaka University, said parties must adhere to the election code of conduct and define how they will respond to violations.

He also urged the Election Commission to monitor and report breaches regularly.

Mahrulhik Mohiuddin from the Women's Political Rights Forum said they had officially rejected the July charter for failing to ensure adequate female representation.

Indigenous rights activist Sanjeeb Drong stressed the need to continue reserved seats for women in parliament.

Abdullah Kafi Raton, general secretary of the Communist Party of Bangladesh (CPB), and Mojibur Rahman Manju, president of the AB Party, also spoke at the event, among others.

Mariam Nessa, women's rights lead at ActionAid Bangladesh, presented recommendations from similar discussions held in nine districts.

The session was moderated by ActionAid Bangladesh Country Director Farah Kabir.

Shaathi, Gold Kinen host breast cancer awareness event



Participants at the breast cancer awareness programme at OBHIZATRIK School in Mirpur, Dhaka yesterday.

PHOTO: COURTESY

CITY DESK

Shaathi Bangladesh Ltd, in partnership with Gold Kinen, organised a breast cancer awareness programme yesterday at OBHIZATRIK School in Mirpur, Dhaka, marking Breast Cancer Awareness Month 2025, said a press release.

The event aimed to educate underprivileged women and girls on early detection, prevention, and breast health.

Dr Shahara Kumkum, conducted an interactive session inspired by this year's global theme, "Every Story is Unique, Every Journey Matters".

Around 30 mothers and 10 students participated, gaining vital knowledge and an open space to discuss health issues -- an often-neglected topic due to stigma.

Gold Kinen, the event's sponsor, reaffirmed its commitment to empowering communities through health and social initiatives.

Will reduce duty

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duties -- and that equal working hours for mothers and others are "unjust".

He added that his party would "secure the rights of mothers and their children".

Online reactions to Shafiqur Rahman's statements were mixed. Some praised the proposal as a "noble idea," while others warned it could lead to confining women to domestic roles.

Many working women suggested that, instead of shorter hours, efforts should focus on improving

workplace facilities such as daycare centres, breastfeeding corners, and safer transport.

At the reception, the Jamaat chief said, "We are being unjustly criticised -- people say that if we come to power, we will lock women up at home..." He added, "Ninety percent of the women [in Dhaka's industrial areas] go out dressed modestly. Have we ever told them to wear burqas or hijabs? We have not."

He also said many garment workers adopt certain clothes to "protect their honour".

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Information	Date
Schedule Selling Starts	28/10/2025
Schedule Selling Ends	04/11/2025
Last Date for Submission	03:00 PM 05/11/2025

The tenders will be opened on the same day at 03:30 PM in the presence of the participating bidders (if any). NRBC Bank PLC. reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders in full or in part without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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01	1164246	Supply of Wall Calendar with Envelope-2026	(OTM)	10-11-2025 12:50 PM	10-11-2025 14:30 PM	10-11-2025 15:30 PM

Tender reference: BDBPLC/PRD/OTM/2025/01

These are online tenders, where only e-Tenders will be accepted and no offline/hard copies will be accepted. To submit e-Tender, registration in the National e-GP Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) is required. The fees for downloading the e-Tender Documents from the National e-GP System portal have to be deposited online through any registered Banks' branches up to banking hours on.

Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP System Portal and from e-GP help desk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd) (01762625528-31). (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>).

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দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি

১। প্রতিষ্ঠানের নাম : ২৭ আর ই ব্যাটালিয়ন, যমুনা সেলানিবাস।
২। কাজের বিবরণ : ২০২৫-২০২৬ অর্থ বছরের বাজেট "কোড নং ১১৯০৩০১১০৪২৩৩/৪১২৫১০১ অলিগাভুক মালামাল (ইনস্ট্রাক্টরীজ) খাতে বরাকৃত অর্থ ঘরা ২৭ আর ই ব্যাটালিয়ন এর প্রশিক্ষণের প্রয়োজনীয় ব্যবসায়ী (Unit Std Trg Egmt/Item) জমা ও মেয়ামত এবং এতদসকলকে বিবিধ ব্যয় নির্বাহে বারদ"।

৩। দরপত্র বিক্রয় করার তারিখ : ২৮ অক্টোবর ২০২৫।
৪। দরপত্র বিক্রয়ের শেষ তারিখ : ৩১ অক্টোবর ২০২৫ (১২০০ ঘটিকা)।
৫। দরপত্র জমা দেয়ার তারিখ : ৩১ অক্টোবর ২০২৫ (১২০০ ঘটিকা)।
৬। দরপত্র খোলার তারিখ : ৩১ অক্টোবর ২০২৫ (১৪০০ ঘটিকা)।
৭। বিস্তারিত তথ্যের জন্য ভিজিট করুন : www.army.mil.bd

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GD-2263

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BANGLADESH HIGH COURT DIVISION (STATUTORY ORIGINAL JURISDICTION) COMPANY MATTER NO. 1502 OF 2025

IN THE MATTER OF:

1. Prantik Consortium LimitedTransferee Petitioner
-VERSUS-
2. Prantik Marine Services Limited
3. Faststream Logistics Limited
4. Dosh Shipbuilding & Engineering Limited Transferor-Petitioners

Notice is hereby given for all concerned that the Petitioners have filed the above-mentioned application under Section 228 & 229, read with sections 12 & 13 of the Companies Act, 1994, (Act XVIII of 1994) for amalgamation of the companies amongst the Transferee Petitioner - Prantik Consortium Limited and Transferor-Petitioners- Prantik Marine Services Limited, Faststream Logistics Limited and Dosh Shipbuilding & Engineering Limited. Upon hearing the application, the Hon'ble Company Bench of the High Court Division of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh presided by Mr. Justice Ahmed Sohel was pleased to admit the aforesaid application on 24.08.2025. As per the direction of the Hon'ble Court, the Petitioners are to hold a meeting with the Shareholders/members of the Transferee and Transferor on 12th November, 2025 at 11.00 AM; and a separate meeting with all the creditors of all four companies is to be held on 12th November 2025 at 02.00 PM at the registered office Portland MAM Tower, 7th and 8th Floor, 226, Strand Road, Bangla Bazar, Shadarghat, Chattogram for approval of the scheme of amalgamation. As such, all concerned shareholders and creditors are hereby requested to appear in their respective meetings and may raise any objection to the said scheme of amalgamation on the date mentioned above. A copy of the said scheme of amalgamation and the Court's Order is available for inspection by any shareholder or creditor of the companies at the registered office of the Transferee Company.

Sifat Al Fatema
Advocate, Supreme Court of Bangladesh, DCLE, Flat 10C, USH, House 30, Road 14/A Dhanmondi, & Room 402 SCBA Main Building, Ramna, Dhaka.

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POWER GRID BANGLADESH PLC

(An Enterprise of Bangladesh Power Development Board)

Grid Bhaban, Avenue-3, Jahurul Islam City, Aftabnagar, Badda, Dhaka-1212 Web: www.powergrid.gov.bd

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Power Grid Memo No. & Date	27.21.0000.101.07.433.25.4979, October 27, 2025
Loan No. and Title	ADB Project Number (57232-001) - BAN: Power Transmission Strengthening and Integration of Renewable Energy Project.
Contract No. and Title	OCB NO. POWERGRID/ADB/PTSIREP/Package-3 Design, Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of 132/33 kV AIS Substation at Paikgacha and 132/33 kV AIS Substation at Mathbaria including associated 132KV bay extension at Sathkhira 132/33kV grid substation & at Bhandaria 132/33kV grid substation on turnkey basis (Package-3)

- The People's Republic of Bangladesh has applied for financing from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) toward the cost of Power Transmission Strengthening and Integration of Renewable Energy Project. Part of this financing will be used for payments under the contract named above. Bidding is open to all bidders from eligible countries described in the section 5 of Volume 1 of the Bidding Document.
- The Power Grid Bangladesh PLC (Power Grid), ("the Employer") invites sealed bids from eligible Bidders for the **"Design, Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of 132/33 kV AIS Substation at Paikgacha and 132/33 kV AIS Substation at Mathbaria including associated 132KV bay extension at Sathkhira 132/33kV grid substation & at Bhandaria 132/33kV grid substation on turnkey basis (Package-3)"** (herein after referred to as "the Works"). The Works under this turnkey contract shall have to be completed within 900 (Nine Hundred) days from the effective date of the contract.
- Open Competitive Bidding (OCB) - International** will be conducted in accordance with ADB's **Single-Stage: Two-Envelope** bidding procedure and is open to all bidders from eligible countries as described in the Bidding Document.
- Bidders shall meet the following minimum requirements along with other requirements as mentioned in the bidding document:
Participation as a Contractor/JV Partner in at least three contracts that have been successfully completed within the last 10 (ten) years, and those are similar to the proposed contract, where the total cumulative value of these contracts must be at least: USD 25.0 M (Twenty-Five Million USD), among those one (01) contract value must be at least USD 10.0 M (Ten Million USD).
The similarity of the Bidder's participation shall be based on the physical size, nature of works, complexity, methods, technology or other characteristics as described in Section6 (Employer's requirements).
The scope of each contract must include design, supply, installation, testing & commissioning of 110/X kV or higher voltage rated AIS/GIS substations with a minimum of three (03) bays including one (1) power transformer of 110/X kV or above voltage rating.
For the above contracts executed during the period stipulated above, a minimum experience is required in the following key activities:
 - At least one contract shall be a new 110/X kV or higher voltage rating AIS substation.
 - At least one contract must be in successful operation for a minimum of three (3) years before the bid submission deadline.
 - At least one contract must be completed either in Bangladesh or outside the Bidder's own country.
 - At least one contract must be completed with a new 110/X kV or higher voltage rating transformer with capacity of 75 MVA or higher.The qualification criteria of the bidders have been given above. The bidders are advised to inspect the bidding document in details by visiting the Power Grid website <http://www.pgcb.gov.bd>.
- Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information and inspect the bidding documents at the office of the Company Secretary, Power Grid Bangladesh PLC (Power Grid), Avenue-3, Jahurul Islam City, Aftabnagar, Badda, Dhaka-1212, Bangladesh; Tel: +88 02 226600936-39, Fax: +88 02 226600925;; Email: share.cs@pgcb.gov.bd, se.contract@pgcb.gov.bd, xen1.contract@pgcb.gov.bd. The complete bidding documents are also available for download from Power Grid's website <http://www.pgcb.gov.bd>. Eligible bidders who download the bidding document from the Power Grid's website shall inform Power Grid in writing (and provide their contact details) at the address given above, failing which Power Grid shall not be responsible if the bidder does not receive clarifications and amendments, if any. **In case of any discrepancy between the documents downloaded by the prospective bidder and the Bidding Document (hard copy) of Power Grid, the latter shall prevail.**
- A complete set of bidding document in English language, may be purchased by interested bidders upon submission of a written application to the Company Secretary, Power Grid at the above address, from 29 October, 2025 up to one day before the bid submission deadline and upon payment of a nonrefundable fee of USD 300.00 (United States Dollar Three Hundred only) or BDT 36,000.00 (Bangladeshi Taka Thirty-Six Thousand only) in the form of Pay Order/ Demand Draft in favour of the Power Grid Company of Bangladesh Limited. The Bidding Document may be sent through a courier for an additional fee of BDT 14,400.00(Bangladeshi Taka Fourteen thousand four hundred only) for local delivery or USD 120.00 (United States Dollar One hundred twenty only) for international delivery in the form of Pay Order/ Demand Draft in favor of Power Grid Bangladesh PLC (Power Grid). No liability will be accepted for loss or late delivery of the Bidding Document.
- A Pre-Bid meeting will be held at **11:00 Hours** Local Time on **17 November 2025** at the head office of Power Grid Bangladesh PLC (Power Grid), Avenue-03, Jahurul Islam City, Aftabnagar, Badda, Dhaka-1212, Bangladesh.
- Deliver bids:
 - To the address below:
Company Secretary,
Power Grid Bangladesh PLC (Power Grid),
Head Office, Avenue-03, Jahurul Islam City,
Aftabnagar, Badda, Dhaka-1212, Bangladesh.
 - On or before **11:00 Hours** Local Time on **11 December 2025**.
 - Together with a Bid Security for the amount of: USD 350,000 (United States Dollar Three hundred fifty thousand only) or BDT 42,700,000 (Bangladeshi Taka Forty-two million seven hundred thousand only) as described in the Bidding Document.
Late bids will be rejected.
- Technical bids will be opened at **11:05 Hours** Local Time on **11 December 2025** at the head office of Power Grid Bangladesh PLC (Power Grid), Avenue-03, Jahurul Islam City, Aftabnagar, Badda, Dhaka-1212, Bangladesh in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend, whereas the Financial Bids shall remain sealed and unopened and shall be placed locked. The Financial Bids of only Technically Responsive and Qualified Bidders shall be opened after Technical Bid Evaluation, whereas, the Financial Bids of those Bidders whose Technical Bids are not responsive and qualified shall be returned unopened after the contract is awarded.
- When comparing bids, ADB's Domestic Preference Scheme will be applied in accordance with the provisions stipulated in the Bidding Document.
- Power Grid will not be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred by bidders in connection with the preparation or delivery of bids including costs and expenses related to participation in pre-bid meeting and site visit/s.
- Power Grid reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, and to annul the bidding process and reject all bids at any time prior to contract award, without thereby incurring any liability to Bidders.

Md. Jahangir Azad
Company Secretary