

NARSINGDI SADAR HOSPITAL Staff shortage, poor facilities disrupt services

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The Narsingdi Sadar Hospital has long been grappling with a severe manpower shortage and poor infrastructure.

Although it was upgraded to a 100-bed facility years ago, it still runs with the staff structure of a 30-bed hospital, leaving doctors overwhelmed by the rising number of patients seeking care every day.

Hospital sources said only one medical officer is posted at the emergency department, which receives around 600 patients daily. In the outpatient department, about 2,000 patients visit each day across medicine, cardiology,

further straining services already hampered by staff shortages.

Laboratory and X-ray services remain severely constrained due to a lack of technologists. Several diagnostic tests are unavailable, forcing patients to go to private centres at higher costs.

The infrastructure is in disrepair, with plaster falling from ceilings, discoloured walls and rainwater leaking through the roof.

Although the hospital has two ambulances, there are no sanctioned posts for drivers, so the service is being operated through outsourced staff.

"We have to wait long hours



PHOTO: STAR

MADARGANJ IN JAMALPUR

School field turns into warehouse

Lease expired last year, but occupier still running sanitary business on playground

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The playground of Jorkhali Islamabed Wasim Uddin High School in Madarganj upazila of Jamalpur has been occupied for years by a sanitary business, despite repeated notices from the school authorities asking the businessman to vacate the land.

On the southwest side of the school, a tin-shed structure has been erected, filled with sanitary materials that are also scattered around the playground, as seen by this correspondent during a

recent visit.

Locals said M/S Alomgir Enterprise, owned by Alomgir Kabir, has been running the business there for several years after renting the space from the school's former managing committee. The previous committee reportedly leased the spot on a temporary basis for Tk 1,500 per month. The lease agreement expired in 2024.

"Whenever we play on the ground, we often get

hurt by hitting the sanitary materials," said Hasan Murtuza, a ninth grader.

Ninth grader Nabir Hossain said, "Sometimes we can't even enter the field as the space remains occupied by the sanitary items."

Headteacher Azaharul Islam said, "The lease agreement has already expired. Moreover, it clearly mentioned that the space must be vacated whenever the school needed it. We have already issued three formal notices to the business

owner to vacate the space."

He said the school is preparing to take legal action if the place is not vacated soon.

Contacted, Alomgir Kabir said, "The former committee leased me the space under a three-year agreement. The lease agreement expired last year. The school has sent two notices. I'll try to extend the lease if possible."

Sanuar Hossain, upazila secondary education officer in Madarganj, said, "Playgrounds of educational institutions cannot be used for any other purpose. We will investigate the matter and take necessary steps if a complaint is filed."

Girl dies by suicide after rape

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gopalganj

A 14-year-old madrasa student died by suicide in Muksudpur, Gopalganj, on Thursday, after allegedly being raped by the director of the madrasa.

Mohammad Mahmudul Hasan Shikdar, 51, director of Ayesha Siddiqua Women's Madrasah and imam of the local mosque, has been accused of raping the teenager.

Following the death, villagers detained Mahmudul and beat him before police rescued him. He is currently receiving treatment at Rajair Upazila Health Complex in Madaripur.

Mahmudul was named in a complaint filed by the victim's mother at Muksudpur Police Station. Teacher Khadija Begum was also accused as an accomplice.

The victim's mother told reporters that Mahmudul had asked her daughter to sweep his room after class, and he raped her there with Khadija's assistance on November 26. The girl later confided in her mother.

The mother said after the rest of the family learned of the incident, she took her own life.

Inspector Shital Chandra Pal of Muksudpur Police Station confirmed that the complaint had been received and a case was being filed. He said the body has been sent to morgue for post-mortem.

Police confirmed that both Mahmudul and Khadija have been detained.

Man confesses to raping

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Citing Dulal's statement, the OC said the incident took place on the night of December 2. Dulal called the child, a class III student and his neighbour, to his home.

He then took her to a nearby abandoned house, raped her, and strangled her to death when she tried to scream.

Dulal told the court that he killed the girl, fearing

that she would disclose the incident, said the OC.

The next morning, locals spotted the child's body and police was notified.

The same day, the victim's father filed a rape and murder case against unnamed suspects.

Later, teams from the Criminal Investigation Department, Police Bureau of Investigation, and Rapid Action Battalion began probing the killing.

Dulal was arrested on Thursday noon as his behaviour also appeared suspicious in the aftermath of the incident, said the OC. Sub-Inspector Mahbub Alam Sarkar, the investigation officer, said the child's body was sent to Brahmanbaria 250-bed General Hospital morgue for autopsy, and the exact cause of death will be known once the report is available.

Families struggle

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31 in Chattogram, 24 in Mymensingh, 20 in Rajshahi, 20 in Rangpur, nine in Dhaka division and two in Sylhet division.

In terms of infections, the highest number of cases were reported in Barishal division (20,865), followed by Dhaka division (16,435), DNCC (15,692), Chattogram (13,875), DSOC (13,730), Rajshahi (5,552), Khulna (5,138), Mymensingh (3,919), Rangpur (1,030) and Sylhet (391).

Medical experts say early hospitalisation for high-risk groups – including elderly people, pregnant women and patients with chronic diseases – could significantly reduce deaths. Patients with complications such as severe bleeding, multi-organ failure, or illnesses like diabetes, kidney disease or heart problems face a much higher risk.

"Those with multi-organ failure or comorbidities have a much higher mortality rate," said HM Nazmul Ahsan, associate professor at Shaheed Suhrawardy Medical College Hospital.

He advised patients at home to drink plenty of fluids, including oral saline, coconut water, soups, rice starch and fresh fruit juice

to prevent dehydration.

Experts also blamed delayed hospital admission as a major reason behind the high death toll, as many critically ill patients are referred from outside the capital.

Nazmul Ahsan also said most deaths occur among patients who reach hospitals in an extremely critical condition.

"Many die within a few hours of arrival," he said. "They usually come in severe shock – with almost no blood pressure, no pulse, cold limbs and chest fluid. At this point, treatment often becomes ineffective." Public health expert Mohammad Mushtuq Husain said early detection and decentralised healthcare are essential to reducing dengue fatalities.

"If affordable dengue testing were available near people's homes, cases could be detected earlier," he said.

Many patients who only need observation are being admitted, while critically ill patients wait four to five hours for a bed. Without decentralisation, the death toll will not fall, he warned.

Lioness escapes enclosure

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she was put back in her cage," he said at 7:20pm.

According to the director, the lioness wandered into an area that is also covered by the zoo's netted safety system.

All visitors who were

inside the zoo were evacuated at the time, he confirmed.

Asked how the lioness managed to get out of its enclosure, the director said the gate may have been left unlocked.

"There is no broken or

PRAYER TIMING DECEMBER 6


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| AZAN 5-15 | 12-45 | 3-45 | 5-19 | 7-00 |
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HIGH COURT DIVISION
(STATUTORY ORIGINAL JURISDICTION)
COMPANY MATTER NO. 1433 OF 2025
In The Matter of:
An application under sections -81(2) and 85(3), read with section 396 of the Companies Act 1994.
In The Matter of:
Khandaker Md. Quamrul Ahsan. -And-Petitioner
-VERSUS-Respondents
Bay Harbour Limited and another
Notice is hereby given that the Petitioner above-named filed and moved an application under Section 81(2) and 85(3), read with section 396 of the Companies Act 1994, whereupon the Company Bench of the Hon'ble High Court Division, presided over by His Lordship Mr Justice Ahmed Soheli was pleased to pass an order by admitting the same on 14.08.2025. If any related concern or anybody is interested to oppose the said application, he is entitled to do so by an advocate or in person. Copy of the said application may be obtained from the office of the undersigned upon payment of prescribed fees.
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The schedule containing detailed Terms & Conditions may be collected from the Common Services Division, Level-5, NCC Bank PLC. Head Office, Dhaka and submit the same under sealed envelope to the Tender Box placed at Common Services Division (CSD). The Price of the RFP document (for Item 3) is Tk. 3,000/- (Taka Three Thousand) only in the form of Payment Order (non-refundable) favoring National Credit and Commerce Bank PLC. by any scheduled bank of Bangladesh. The Price of the RFP documents (for Item 1 & 2) is Free of cost. Manipulation or any kind of unusual approach or failure to submit offer within the stipulated time frame will be treated as "Disqualified" for the bidding. The Bank authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposal without assigning any reason whatsoever

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Invitation e-Tender Notice No :01/2025-26.

MEMO NO: 46.02.2662.000.18.015.25-476 Date: 04/12/2025

e-Tender is invited in the National e-GP system portal (<https://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) for the procurement of works;

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