

Kazi Fazlur Rahman
passes away

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Kazi Fazlur Rahman, an educationist, administrator, and social worker, died on December 13, aged 93, said a press release.



He was an adviser to the first caretaker government. He held the positions of secretary to the Ministry of Petroleum and Mineral Resources and the Ministry of Education. He also worked as the chairperson of the Radda MCH-FP Centre from its inception.

3 martyred brothers'
death anniv today

CITY DESK

Today is the 54th death anniversary of three martyred freedom fighter brothers - Badiuzzaman, Shahjahan, and Mullukjahan, said a press release.

The three, who took part in the guerrilla war during the 1971 Liberation War, were detained by the Pakistani occupation army and killed on December 15. Their bodies were later found at the Rayer Bazar killing field in Dhaka.

Quazi Azher Ali's
death anniv today

CITY DESK

Today is the 16th death anniversary of Quazi Azher Ali, an educationist, former vice-chancellor of Bangladesh University and founder of Mohammadpur Preparatory School and College, said a press release.



A milad and doa mahfil will be held, and food will be distributed among orphans. Qurankhwani and a doa mahfil will be arranged at the university.



PHOTO: COURTESY

The 23rd convocation of the American International University-Bangladesh (AIUB) was held on December 13 at the university's permanent campus. Eminent scientist Dr Abed Chaudhury presided over the ceremony. Prof Mohammad Anwar Hossen, a member of the University Grants Commission, was the special guest. Nadia Anwar, chairman and founder member of the AIUB Board of Trustees; AIUB Vice-Chancellor Prof Saiful Islam; and Pro-VC Prof Md Abdur Rahman also spoke on the occasion. Prof Habib Fardoun, executive committee member of the IREG Observatory on Academic Ranking and Excellence, Brussels, delivered convocation speech.

Rangpur sees 13 murders,
37 rapes in last 3 monthsOUR CORRESPONDENT,
Lalmonirhat

Concern is growing over the law-and-order situation in Rangpur, where 13 murders and at least 37 rape cases were reported over the last three months.

In total, 899 criminal incidents were recorded across the Rangpur metropolitan area and different upazilas of the district during the period.

The figures were presented at a district law and order meeting held at the conference hall of the deputy commissioner's office yesterday noon. Additional District Magistrate Khristopher Himel Rishil shared the data at the meeting.

He said a significant portion of the crimes took place outside the metropolitan area, particularly at upazila and rural levels, creating added challenges for the administration.

According to the information presented, six murders were

recorded in Rangpur district in September. During the same month, police documented 35 thefts, four abductions and nine rape cases. Twenty-eight people were victims of violence against women. A total of 304 criminal incidents were reported that month.

In October, five people were killed in the district. During the period, 32 thefts and three incidents of house-breaking were reported, along with three abductions.

Forty-one women and children were victims of violence. Of the 21 rape cases recorded that month, 20 occurred at the upazila level outside the city. One robbery incident was also reported in October. The total number of crimes during the month stood at 313.

In November, the number of murders dropped to two while the month saw 20 thefts and two incidents of house-breaking, along with three abductions.

Thirty-five women and children were victims of violence, of which 33 incidents took place outside the metropolitan area. Seven rape cases were recorded. In total, 282 criminal incidents were reported in November.

The meeting was chaired by Rangpur Deputy Commissioner Mohammad Enamul Ahsan. Among those present were Superintendent of Police Md Marulut Hossain, Civil Surgeon Dr Shaheen Sultana, senior officials of various law enforcement agencies, political leaders and representatives of civil society.

Speakers at the meeting stressed further strengthening law enforcement activities to curb crime and increase social awareness to prevent violence against women and children.

They also called for identifying crime-prone areas, ensuring special surveillance and guaranteeing speedy trials.

66.57% pass MBBS,
BDS entry tests

BSS, Dhaka

The results of the admission tests for public and private medical and dental colleges for the 2025-26 academic year were published yesterday.

A total of 81,642 candidates have passed the admission test. The total pass rate is 66.57 percent.

Prof Nazmul Hossain, director general of the Directorate General of Medical Education, said the results are available on the websites of the Directorate of Medical Education (www.dgme.gov.bd), and the Directorate General of Health Services (www.dghs.gov.bd) and <https://result.dghs.gov.bd>.

A Directorate General of Medical Education press release said 5,645 candidates were initially selected based on merit and preference, calculated from admission test scores combined with SSC/equivalent and HSC/equivalent GPAs.

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BANGLADESH
HIGH COURT DIVISION
(Statutory Original Jurisdiction)

COMPANY MATTER NO. 2165/2025

IN THE MATTER OF: An application under Section 12 read with Section 13 of the Companies Act, 1994

AND
In the matter of: IFAD MOTORS LIMITED.....Petitioner
Versus.....Respondent

The Registrar of Joint Stock Companies and Firms and others-Respondent. Notice is hereby given that an application under Section 12 read with Section 13 of the Companies Act, 1994 for obtaining permission for addition of the clauses 31, 32 and 33 along with amendment of Object Clause of the Memorandum of Association of the petitioner company, the matter has been amended admitted by Mr. Justice Ahmed Sohel, the Hon'ble Judge of the High Court Division of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh by an order dated 4th December 2025 and the same has been fixed for filing affidavit-in-compliance on 8th January 2026.

Any person interested in the aforesaid matter and/or desirous of supporting/opposing the same, may appear on the date fixed for hearing either in person or by a duly appointed Advocate. Copy of the application may be obtained from the undersigned on payment of usual charges.

(Muhammad Ahsan Habib)
On behalf of the Petitioner: Advocate, Supreme Court of Bangladesh
Room no.402(old) Mobile:01912311608
Supreme Court Bar Bhaban, Dhaka-1000

SENA KALYAN SANGSTHA
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Tender Invitation Notice

Sealed tenders from reputed and experienced suppliers for the supply of raw materials in Bulk required for cement production. Eligible bidders are requested to participate under the terms and conditions stated below:

User / Importer	Mongla Cement Factory, Mongla, Bagerhat, Bangladesh
Items for Cement Production	Clinker in Bulk 45,000 MT (+/-10%) Granulated Blast Furnace Slag (GBFS) in Bulk : 6,000 MT (+/-10%)
Price (CFR) up to Mongla, Factory Jetty	To be quoted in USD per MT basis. LC and Local separately
ETA	By 15 January 2026 up to factory Jetty
Origin	Clinker : Middle East, East Asia (Vietnam is preferable) GBFS : China/ Negotiable
Tender Submission	By 21 Dec 2025 at 10:00 AM
Tender Opening	Same day at 10:05 AM in presence of bidder (if any)
Tender Schedule :	Clinker : TK 5,000 /- GBFS : TK 2,000 /- (In cash, non-refundable), available at the above office.
Performance Guarantee :	2.5% of contract value to be submitted before LC opening from any scheduled bank of Bangladesh
LC opening and Bank	By 30 Dec 2025, from The Trust Bank PLC
Authority Rights :	Authority reserves the right to accept/reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever

The call that never came

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Last night, UN Secretary-General António Guterres called Chief Adviser Prof Muhammad Yunus to express his condolences. "I am calling to express my deep condolences. I am devastated," Guterres told Yunus, according to a release from the Chief Adviser's Press Wing.

Prof Yunus said he was also deeply saddened by the loss and urged the UN to facilitate the evacuation of the injured soldiers to top medical facilities, as well as to ensure the swift repatriation of the bodies.

The ISPR identified the other deceased as private Mominul Islam, from Kurigram; private Shamim Reza, from Rajbari; private Santo Mondal, from Kurigram; mess waiter private Jahangir Alam, from Kishoreganj; and laundry employee private Sabuj Miya, from Gaibandha.

It was also a day of mourning in Pakundia upazila of Kishoreganj, where the family of Jahangir Alam, 30, is struggling to cope with the loss.

Jahangir was the son of Hazrat Ali, a farmer from Tarakandi village in Jangalia union. He joined the army on October 14, 2014. He also left for Sudan on November 7.

Family members said Hazrat received the news of his son's death shortly after midnight on Saturday from Jahangir's elder brother, who lives in Saudi Arabia. The next morning, an army officer confirmed the news over the phone.

Inside their small tin-roofed house, Jahangir's wife, Rubaiya Akhtar, was found inconsolable. Their three-year-old child looked on helplessly.

In Gaibandha's Palashbari upazila, the death of Sabuj Miya, 27, has cast a shadow over Chhoto Bhagabanpur village.

His mother, Sakina Begum, 65, broke down upon hearing the news as villagers gathered at their home.

His cousin Palash Miya said Sabuj joined the army in 2010. He married in 2023 and was the sole earning member of the family, having lost his father in 2002.

He also went to Sudan on November 7.

Sabuj's wife, Nupur Akhtar, said she last spoke to her husband around 3:00pm on the day of the attack. "He told me to always be safe wherever I am. Now, he is the one who is gone," she said.

Shamim Reza, 28, from Hogladangi village in Rajbari's Kalukhali upazila, was the eldest son of Alam Fakir and Champa Khatun. Among his siblings, one brother works in Saudi Arabia, another remains unemployed at home, and their only sister studies at a madrasa. He married Arifa Khatun about a year and a half ago.

He also left for Sudan on November 7.

Shamim's father, Alam Fakir, a farmer, said, "I last spoke to him on a video call on Friday. He told me, 'Abba, stay well. I'm going on duty.' Those were his last words. My son went on duty and never returned."

Santo, 26, and Mominul, 38, were from Kurigram. Santo's father, late Nur Islam Mondal, was a former army member.

Santo joined the army in 2018.

His elder brother, Sohel Mondal, a lance corporal currently serving at Cumilla Cantonment, said Santo had married a year ago, and his wife is five months pregnant.

"He spoke to us on a video call on Saturday evening. Later that night, we learnt he had been killed in the attack."

Mominul is survived by

his parents, wife and two daughters. Family members said he left for Sudan around a month ago and spoke to them for the last time on a video call on Saturday afternoon. "My son was a good man and loved by everyone," his father said.

The ISPR statement reads that the attack has left eight other peacekeepers injured, who are receiving necessary medical treatment.

The injured are Lt Col Khondaker Khalekuzzaman, Sergeant Md Mostakim Hossain, Corporal Afroza Parvin Eti, Lance Corporal Mohibul Islam, Private Md Mezbaut Kabir, Private Umme Hani Akter, Private Chumki Akter, and Private Manazir Ahsan.

Among the injured, Mezbaut underwent successful surgery after his condition was reported as critical. He is currently under close observation.

The remaining seven have been evacuated by helicopter for advanced treatment and are now out of danger.

The Bangladesh Army strongly condemned what it described as a "brutal terrorist attack", saying that the sacrifice of the fallen peacekeepers would remain a proud testament to Bangladesh's commitment to global peace.

Earlier, in a statement on May 28, the ISPR said over the course of four decades of peacekeeping, Bangladeshi peacekeepers have successfully participated in 63 UN missions.

As of May this year, 5,818 Bangladeshi peacekeepers, including 444 women, are deployed in 10 UN missions and operations. With Saturday's casualties, a total of 174 Bangladeshi peacekeepers have laid down their lives in the line of duty to date.

[Our correspondents from Lalmonirhat, Bogura, Faridpur, and Kishoreganj contributed to this report.]

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Invitation for Proposals for Dedicated Virtual Cloud Hosting Service

The Institute of Bankers, Bangladesh (IBB), a national professional body dedicated to the development of human resources in the banking sector, invites proposals from eligible and experienced firms for providing Dedicated Virtual Cloud Hosting Services for IBB server management. Details of the proposal requirements, terms and conditions, and submission guidelines are available on the IBB official website: www.ibt.org.bd or email us bpexam@ibt.org.bd. Interested organizations are requested to submit their proposals within the stipulated deadline on 24 December 2025 at 2:30pm.

Additional Director General, IBB

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This is pursuant to the Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) notification No. BSEC/CMRRC/2009-193/37/Admin/132 dated 12th May 2022, we are pleased to inform you that the Emerging Credit Rating Limited (ECL) has assigned the rating of United Power Generation and Distribution Company Limited (UPGDCL) for the year 2025-26 (up to December 06, 2026) as "AAA" for long term and "ST-1" for short term in consideration of financials of the company.

Thanking You,

For United Power Generation and Distribution Company Limited

By order of the Board
Sd/-
Date: 14 December, 2025

Elias Howladar, ACS
Company Secretary

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পাওয়ার গ্রিডের জিএমডি, সিলেট দপ্তরের আওতাধীন নিম্নলিখিত দরপত্র e-GP পোর্টালে প্রকাশিত হয়েছে।

ID	Reference	Title of Works	Closing Date and Time
1192446	27.21.0000.449.07.007.25.850; Date: 08/12/2025	Repair Work of Chhatak Grid Substation Switchyard Cable Trench, Drain, Store Yard Repair and Mortaring, Grass Cleaning, Gravel Water Wash And Re-Laying Under GMD, Power Grid, Sylhet.	05 Jan 2026 at 15:00

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No. 54.01.1543.122.07.006.25
Date: 14.12.2025

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Tender ID	Package No.	Description of goods and tender method	Tender publication date and time	Tender document last selling/ downloading date and time	Last date and time for tender security submission	Tender/ proposal closing and opening date and time
1191987	54.01.154 3.122.07. 006.25	Procurement of Desktop Computer and Laptop. OTM (NCT)	15.12.2025 11:00	30.12.2025 16:00	31.12.2025 11:00	31.12.2025 12:00
1188674	54.01.154 3.122.07. 008.25	Procurement of Offset Paper and Gala. OTM (NCT)	15.12.2025 11:00	30.12.2025 16:00	31.12.2025 11:00	31.12.2025 12:30

These are online tenders, where only e-Tender will be accepted in the National e-GP Portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted.

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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.

Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP System Portal and from e-GP help desk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd).

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