

Man dies after falling down the staircase at CMCH

STAFF CORRESPONDENT,
Chattogram

A man died after falling down a staircase in the main building of Chittagong Medical College Hospital on Sunday night.

The deceased is Jahangir Alam, 65, of Hathazari upazila in Chattogram, said police.

The incident occurred around 10:00pm in front of the hospital's Gynaecology Ward.

CMCH sources said, Jahangir Alam was visiting a relative undergoing treatment in the ward on the fifth floor of the hospital. He suddenly fell while descending the stairs from that floor and sustained severe injuries.

"He was declared dead at the emergency department," said Alauddin Talukdar, in-charge of CMCH Police Camp.



PHOTO: RAJIB RAIHAN
Radishes grown on riverine chars along the banks of the Sangu River in Chandanaish, Chattogram, being transported to Dohazari for sale to wholesalers. Winter vegetables -- including radishes, eggplants and beans -- are now in high demand at markets across the port city. The photo was taken yesterday.

DEMAND FOR PRO-VC'S RESIGNATION

CU students lock admin building

CU CORRESPONDENT

Students of Chittagong University yesterday padlocked the university's administrative building, demanding resignation of Pro-Vice Chancellor (Academic) Prof Shamim Uddin Khan over his remarks about the martyred intellectuals of 1971.

Two pro-VCs were confined to the building. Demonstrators under banner "Sarbodaliyo Chhatro Oikko", comprising leaders and activists of Jatiyatabdhi Chhatra Dal and the Democratic Student Council, had said they would not unlock it until their demand is met.

The gates were padlocked around 12:30pm and were still locked till filing of this report in the evening. A standoff ensued, with JCD activists taking positions in front of the main gate, while Chhatra Shibir activists occupying both sides of the building. Both groups were chanting slogans, while members of CU's security department stood between the two sides to prevent escalation.

CU JCD general secretary Abdullah Al Noman termed it a moral obligation to



protest the pro-VC's disrespectful remarks.

"The pro-VC must resign," he said. CU VC Prof Muhammad Yeahia Akhter said he was attending a programme at the time and declined to comment.

The controversy arose from a discussion meeting at the CU VC's conference room on Sunday, marking the 54th Martyred Intellectuals' Day, where Prof Shamim said he finds it "utterly absurd that Pakistani fighters would kill Bangladeshi intellectuals".

Meanwhile, the CU's History department issued a statement, saying it remains uncompromising on the spirit of the Liberation War, and truth.

It also said the pro-VC had distorted the history with his "brazen and deeply offensive" remark in an attempt to justify the Pakistani forces.

Similarly, CU's English department also expressed deep concern and strong condemnation, calling the pro-VC's remarks irresponsible, unethical, and wholly condemnable.

In a latest update, the students has withheld their demonstration for today marking Victory Day, campus sources said.

VICTORY DAY CELEBRATIONS

Delegations from Bangladesh, India pay reciprocal visits

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

To mark Victory Day and commemorate the Liberation War, delegations from Bangladesh and India are making reciprocal visits.

A 20-member delegation from Bangladesh is visiting Kolkata to attend India's Victory Day celebrations on December 16, at the invitation of the Indian Army.

The delegation includes Brig Gen Md Lutfor Rahman, director at the Education Directorate of the General Staff branch of the Army Headquarters; Major Sher-E-Shahbaz of the Bangladesh Military Academy; eight freedom fighters; and members of their families.

Indian Army officials from the Eastern Command formally received the delegation upon its arrival at Kolkata airport on Sunday.

Yesterday, the delegation attended a programme titled "Military Tattoo" at the Mangal Pandey Military Training Centre in Barrackpore, in West Bengal's North 24 Parganas district.

Today, the delegation is scheduled to take part in the main Victory Day celebrations at Fort William in

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Dr Mohd Serajul Islam passes away

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Dr Mohd Serajul Islam, former director of the National Tuberculosis and Leprosy Programme and vice president of the National Heart Foundation, died on December 14, aged 93, said a press release.

He is survived by his children -- Dr Rezwan Islam, Tanvir Islam and Nabila Islam -- their spouses, six grandchildren, and many relatives and well-wishers.

He was laid to rest following a namaz-e-janaza at Uttara Sector 4 Cemetery.

His father, the late Kismat Ali, was a prominent attorney, while his brothers, Amirul Islam and Nazrul Islam, were founding members of ABC Ltd.

Starting with Tk 500, Rajbari man now runs multiple ventures

SUZIT KUMAR DAS, Rajbari

Zahid Hasan Tapu, 35, of Bhimnagar village in Rajbari's Baliakandi upazila, grew up amid extreme hardship -- so much so that he had to drop out of school in eighth grade.

His sister's cancer treatment and his father's inability to work after an accident had further pushed the family to the brink. However, the challenges gave Zahid the determination to rebuild his life from scratch.

In 2008, with just Tk 500 borrowed from his mother, he began selling peanuts, corn, betel leaves and cigarettes at Sonar Mor of Rajbari town. Later in 2010, he borrowed Tk 8,000 from an uncle and began selling broiler chickens, earning Tk 33,000 in profit. The success encouraged him to expand into broiler chicken farming, eventually setting up five sheds and multiple rented shops.

His turning point came in 2014 when he launched a cosmetics and flower shop in front of Baliakandi Upazila Parishad and earned Tk 17,000 on February 14 alone from flower sales. However, transporting flowers from Jashore's Gadkhali proved costly and risky, prompting him to grow them himself.



PHOTO: STAR

After receiving training from the Department of Youth Development, Zahid leased a 100 decimal land in 2018 and started cultivating marigold and tuberose, and earned Tk 60,000 in profit in the first year. He now supplies flowers across Rajbari and Faridpur.

In the same year, he bought two Haryana goats for Tk 9,200. Last year alone, he sold 20 goats for a total of Tk 3.5 lakh and now maintains a parent stock of around 15 goats. He also leased nearly 10 bighas of additional land for farming.

He now cultivates paddy on 100 decimals, winter vegetables on another 10 decimals, and farms fish in an 84 decimal pond. "I have seen poverty up close, so I worked hard and never gave up. I started with Tk 500. Today I run three shops, a goat farm, a fish farm, and flower and crop cultivation on over 18 bighas of land, earning around Tk 60,000-70,000 after monthly expenses," Zahid said.

He added that 8-10 people from struggling families are employed across his ventures.

Rahima Begum, who works in his flower garden, said, "After my husband's death, I had no financial support. I now earn Tk 8,000-10,000 a month, which helps me run my household."

Md Shahidul Islam, deputy director of the Department of Agricultural Extension in Rajbari, said, "Zahid is a hardworking and enthusiastic young entrepreneur. We are providing him with all the necessary support."

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Request for Expressions of Interest	
1. Ministry/Division/Agency/Entity	Bangladesh Bar Council
2. Procuring Entity Name	Bangladesh Bar Council
3. Expression of Interest for Selection of	Request for Proposal (RFP) for ERP System Implementation
4. EOI Ref No	BBC/ERP/2025/ 3676
5. Date	15 December 2025
KEY INFORMATION	
6. Procurement Method	Quality and Cost Based Selection Method
FUNDING INFORMATION	
7. Budget and Source of Funds	Own Fund
PARTICULAR INFORMATION	
8. EOI Opening Date	22 December 2025
9. EOI Closing Date	06 January 2026
10. Name & Address of the office(s)	Bangladesh Bar Council, Bar Council Bhaban, 3 Shahid Captain Mansur Ali Sarani, Shahbag, Dhaka-1000
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER	
Scope of Work: Bangladesh Bar Council, (a statutory autonomous body of the government) representing and regulating advocates, invites sealed proposals from qualified and experienced ERP solution providers for the design, development, customization, implementation, and maintenance of a comprehensive Integrated Digital Management System.	
1. Core Objectives: Centralize data, optimize fund use, improve efficiency, enable analytics, ensure security, support localization, allow scalable modules, and boost productivity with user-friendly training.	
2. System Design & Customization: Conduct requirement analysis, design modular architecture with role-based access and approvals, customize per Bar Council protocols, and ensure scalable system support for future needs.	
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6. Project Duration: Total duration for implementation and post-rollout stabilization: Up to 6 months.	
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8. Submission Instructions: Proposals must be submitted in sealed envelopes (hard copy) to: Secretary, Bangladesh Bar Council, Shahbag, Dhaka-1000. Subject Line: "Proposal for ERP Implementation. BBC/ERP/2025/3676".	

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EOI No. SBL/Proc/EOI/2025/46

Request for Expression of Interest (EOI)

Procurement of User Interface/User Experience (UI/UX) Design for Sonali e-Wallet, Sonali e-Sheba and Sonali Insaf app of SONALI BANK PLC

1. Ministry/Division/Institution	SONALI BANK PLC	
2. Procuring entity	Information Technology Division (IT Procurement & Maintenance)	
3. Procuring entity district	Dhaka	
4. Invitation of Interest for Selection of	Consulting / Software Firm (National)	
5. EOI Ref. No.	2025/46	
6. Date	11/12/2025	
KEY INFORMATION		
7. Procurement method	Quality & Cost Based Selection (QCBS) Method	
FUNDING INFORMATION		
8. Budget and source of funds	Own fund	
9. Development partner (if applicable)	Not applicable	
PARTICULAR INFORMATION		
10. Project name	Procurement of User Interface/ User Experience (UI/UX) Design for Sonali e-Wallet, Sonali e-Sheba and Sonali Insaf app of SONALI BANK PLC	
11. EOI closing date and time	29/12/2025 up to 12.00pm	

All compatible bidders are requested to collect details EOI from Sonali Bank PLC's website.

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