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Netrakona man killed over land 2 more found dead within six hours

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Three unnatural deaths were reported within six hours in Kalmakanda upazila of Netrakona yesterday.

At Nazirpur, Mosharraf Hossain, 46, was allegedly killed by his younger brother, Mozammel Hossain, following a dispute over ancestral land.

According to police and family members, an argument broke out between the two brothers during land measurement and escalated into a scuffle. Mosharraf collapsed after being pushed and was taken to Durgapur Upazila Health Complex, where he was declared dead.

Meanwhile, the body of Rabiqul Islam, 37, was found hanging inside his room at Chinahala village.

Earlier in the same morning, a two-year-old child, Sani, son of Jalal Mia, drowned in a pond at Baroindu village.

According to police and family members, he was declared dead at Kalmakanda Upazila Health Complex.

Kalmakanda Police Station Officer-in-Charge Md Siddiq Hossain told The Daily Star that the bodies of Rabiqul and Mosharraf were sent for autopsy while the child's body was handed over to the family.

Democratic reform

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In its opening statement, the alliance said despite Bangladesh's birth through the Liberation War in 1971, people's aspirations remain unfulfilled even after 54 years.

It blamed successive governments -- both military rulers and elected regimes -- for failing to establish genuine democracy and for allowing corruption, repression and inequality to deepen.

The manifesto strongly criticised the past 15 years of rule, saying state institutions were destroyed by corruption, enforced disappearances, killings and vote rigging.

Referring to the July uprising, in which more than a thousand people were killed and thousands injured, the alliance said the people are still waiting for justice and meaningful change.

Among its key pledges, Gonotantrik Juktajfront promised to restore democratic rights, including freedom of speech, assembly and political activities.

It vowed to repeal repressive laws, ensure an independent judiciary, reform the police and make the Anti-Corruption Commission fully independent.

The alliance also proposed major electoral reforms, including restoring paper ballots, scrapping electronic voting machines, introducing the right to recall lawmakers and ensuring voting rights for expatriates.

On the economy, the manifesto focused

Manisha banks

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According to her affidavit, Manisha declared movable assets worth Tk 31.28 lakh, including Tk 12.64 lakh in cash, Tk 4.64 lakh in bank deposits, Tk 5 lakh in fixed deposits with financial institutions, five bhoru gold, and Tk 69,000 invested in the stock market. She owns little to no immovable property. She also declared annual income of Tk 3.29 lakh through earnings from her medical practice and bank interest.

While she claimed that there has not been any major violations of the electoral code of conduct, Manisha alleged that BNP activists held a meeting at a school under Ward 24, and hurled communal remarks during campaigning.

Committed to ensuring

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Yesterday afternoon, Rezaul addressed a public rally in Jatrabari as the chief guest in support of Islami Andolan's Dhaka-5 candidate Md Ibrahim.

"We are committed to ensuring the fundamental rights of the people and building a humane and just society. A just society cannot be established without Islamic principles," he said.

Calling on voters to support the hand fan symbol, he said casting ballots in its favour would "fulfil people's expectations" and "establish peace".

In an apparent reference to Jamaat, he said, "Driven

by colourful dreams of power, a party has drawn up a blueprint to deceive the people. Those who can betray their own allies cannot be trusted with Islam or the country."

He also said Islami Andolan had refused to take an easy path to power by compromising with injustice.

Earlier, addressing another rally in the Hariharpura area of Panchabati under Narayanganj-4 constituency, Rezaul said, "Keeping the country, Islam and Sharia in mind, we have placed one box -- the hand fan. There is no other box in favour of Islam."

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