

## Eight killed in road crashes in 4 districts

STAR REPORT

Eight people were killed and at least 15 injured in road accidents in Mymensingh, Dinajpur, Tangail and Patuakhali yesterday.

In Mymensingh's Muktagachha upazila, four passengers of a CNG-run auto-rickshaw were killed in a head-on collision with a sand-laden truck on the Mymensingh-Tangail road yesterday morning.

The deceased are Chowdhury Hosne Ara Ranu, 65, a lawyer; Farzana Akter Sheuly, 38; her daughter Khushnur Jannat Rinti, 11; and Tushar Das, 18, said Muktagachha Police Station OC Kamrul Islam.



In Dinajpur's Birganj upazila, a pedestrian was killed after being hit by a car while she was crossing a road around noon. Tahura Begum of Nijpara village died on the spot.

Locals detained the driver, Arafat Jannatul Ferdous, 24, and handed him over to police, said OC Saiful Islam of Birganj Police Station.

In Tangail, two people were killed and two others injured in a collision between a truck and a pickup on the Dhaka-Tangail-Jamuna Bridge highway.

The deceased were pickup driver Mohammad Shakil, 22, and his helper Papan Kumar Paul, 26.

In Patuakhali's Bauphal upazila, a Dhaka-bound bus plunged into a roadside ditch early yesterday, killing one person and injuring at least 10 others.

Bauphal Police Station OC Sirajul Islam said efforts were underway to identify the victim, who is believed to be a bus staffer.

## Harvest hopes fading

Moulvibazar records 530mm rainfall in April as flash floods hit villages, Boro fields

MINTU DESHWARA

Heavy rainfall and upstream hill runoff have triggered flash floods in parts of Moulvibazar, breaching embankments, inundating villages, and damaging crops and rural infrastructure.

In Kamalganj upazila, at least two villages in Adampur union were flooded after an embankment on the Lawachhara canal collapsed under pressure from continuous rain and hill runoff.

Adampur Union Parishad member Roshan Ali said around 40-50 households in Bhanubil and Chhangaon villages were affected and several village roads were damaged.

Kamalganj UNO Md Asaduzzaman said, "The administration is monitoring the situation and will take necessary steps to support the affected people."

Residents said the flooding happened suddenly.

Neel Moni Singh, a local resident, said parts of Bhanubil and Chhangaon went underwater within hours, while brick-paved roads were cut off by the rising water.

Another resident, Mostafiz, said floodwater entered homes suddenly, damaging furniture and stored goods.

In the haor areas under Juri and Kulaura upazilas, farmers are struggling to harvest and protect Boro paddy as water levels continue to rise.

Md Khaled Bin Olid, BWDB



executive engineer in Moulvibazar, said the district received about 530mm of rainfall in April against an average of 300mm.

Nearly 300mm of rain fell in the last three days of April alone, he said, terming the situation "concerning". Sreemangal weather office observer Anisur Rahman said 53mm of rainfall was recorded in 24 hours from 6:00am on May 2, following 34mm in the previous 24 hours.

Farmers said they are facing severe losses.

In Hakaluki Haor, farmer Sukomol Roy said he could not harvest much of his paddy in time.

"More than two bighas are still submerged. The rain is not stopping, and we are running out of options," he said.

Across the haor region, many farmers reported similar conditions.

In some areas, farmers were seen cutting paddy from submerged fields and transporting it by boat. Others tied bundles and left them floating in water before collecting them later.

Kulaura Agriculture Officer Muhammad Jasim Uddin said 8,720 hectares were cultivated, of which about 380 hectares are already inundated.

## Ensure safer newsrooms for women journalists

Say speakers

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Speakers at an event yesterday called for a transparent and accountable media environment, practical gender policies in newsrooms, and stronger measures to ensure the safety of women journalists.

They made the call at the inauguration of the "Strengthening Actions for Media Accountability through a Transformative Approach for Women Journalists (SAMATA)" project, organised by VOICE at the YWCA Auditorium in Dhaka.

The project, supported by the International Programme for the Development of Communication under Unesco Dhaka, was formally inaugurated by Dr Susan Vize, Unesco representative to Bangladesh.

"Ensuring the safety of women journalists is not only a matter of protection, but a prerequisite for

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## Trade deal with US challenged at HC

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A Supreme Court lawyer yesterday filed a writ petition with the High Court challenging the legality of the Reciprocal Trade Agreement signed between Bangladesh and the United States of America on February 9.

Advocate Mohammad Maidul Islam Polok submitted the petition through Advocate Subir Nandi Das, saying that the "impugned" agreement is manifestly unreasonable, structurally unequal, and detrimental not only to the national interest of Bangladesh but also to the public at large.

In this context, the petition sought judicial intervention to protect broader public interest.

**ওয়েস্ট জোন পাওয়ার ডিস্ট্রিবিউশন কোম্পানি লিমিটেড (ওজোপাডিকো)**  
**WEST ZONE POWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY LIMITED**  
(An enterprise of Bangladesh Power Development Board)

Memo No: 27.22.4785.007.74.009.26.762 Date: 03/05/2026

**e-Tender Notice (NCT)**

E-Tender for the office of the Superintending Engineer (P&S) invites in the National e-GP system Portal ([www.eprocure.gov.bd](http://www.eprocure.gov.bd)) for the procurement of following Physical Services:

Sl	Tender ID	Name of Tender
1	1268511	Distribution support service (DSS) through Out Sourcing for 2(two) years under Resident Engineer (RE), Borhanuddin Electric Supply (ESU).
2	1268512	Distribution support service (DSS) through Out Sourcing for 2(two) years under Resident Engineer (RE), Charfesson Electric Supply (ESU).

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(Engr. Md. Shaiful Islam)  
Superintending Engineer (P&S), WZPDCL, Khulna.

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## Defence

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Inu is the sole accused in a crimes against humanity case over the killings of six people in Kushtia during the July uprising.

Referring to one of the three witnesses, the defence said the claim that Inu directed Hasina to use lethal force was baseless. It sought to play two audio recordings, arguing there was no evidence that Inu incited violence and claiming he had supported the student movement.

The defence also said another witness incorrectly claimed Inu was elected MP in the 2024 elections, which was later acknowledged as inaccurate by the investigating officer during cross-examination. A third witness referred to an interview on "Mirror Now" in Bangla, while the submitted version was in English.

The hearing continued for the seventh day and was adjourned until today.

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কর অঞ্চল-ফরিদপুর  
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৩০ এপ্রিল, ২০২৬ খ্রিঃাব্দ

**নিয়োগ বিজ্ঞপ্তি**

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০৪	সীটমুদ্রাকরিক-কাম-কম্পিউটার অপারেটর	২৩ টি
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**ইস্টার্ন রিফাইনারী পিএলসি**  
**Eastern Refinery PLC**  
(A Subsidiary of Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation)

**e-TENDER Notice No: ER/TN/e-GP/C-16/2025-2026**

**Open Tendering Method (OTM)**

e-Tender has been invited in the National e-GP portal ([www.eprocure.gov.bd](http://www.eprocure.gov.bd)) for the procurement of work as stated below:

Sl. No.	Tender ID No.	Tender Package No. & Description	Tender Publication Date and Time	Tender Last Selling/ Downloading Date and Time	Tender Closing & Opening Date and Time
01	1265453	28.25.0000.147.31.0004.26// ER/C-24/2025-2026 INSTALLATION OF A RAW WATER PUMP (DEEP TUBEWELL) INSIDE EASTERN REFINERY.	03 May, 2026 15:00 Hrs	17 May, 2026 15:00 Hrs	18 May, 2026, 15:00 Hrs

This is an online Tender, where only e-Tender will be accepted in the National e-GP portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted. To submit e-Tender, registration in the national e-GP system portal ([www.eprocure.gov.bd](http://www.eprocure.gov.bd)) is required.

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**Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh**  
**Planning Division**  
**Improvement of Public Investment Management System (IPIMS) Project**  
Sher-E-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207  
Website: [plandiv.gov.bd](http://plandiv.gov.bd)

**E-Tender Notice**

Ref. No: 20.00.0000.404.014.01.25(part 1).03 Date: 04/05/2026

This tender has been invited in e-GP system portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) for Hiring of Two Microbuses under Improvement of Public Investment Management System (IPIMS) Project of the following description:

Tender ID	Description	Tender Publication Date & Time	Tender Document Last Selling Date & Time	Tender Closing/ Opening Date & Time
1270212	Hiring of Two Microbuses for the Project Office	05-05-2026 09:00 hours (BST)	19-05-2026 17:00 Hours (BST)	20-05-2026 15:00 Hours (BST)

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Water Resources Planning Organization  
72, Green Road, Dhaka-1215  
[www.warpo.gov.bd](http://www.warpo.gov.bd)

**WARPO**  
পানি সম্পদ পরিকল্পনা সংস্থা

Memo No. 42.02.0000.000.004.14.0006.25-52 Date: 04/05/2026

**Request for Expression of Interest (REOI) for Selection of Consulting Firm to Conduct Hydrogeological Investigation and Mathematical Modeling (Re-Tender)**

e-Tender is invited in the National e-GP System Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) for the following procurement:

Tender/ Proposal ID	Tender/ proposal description	EoI publication date & time	EoI closing date & time	Procurement method
1269738	Selection of Consultant Firm for Hydrogeological Investigation and Mathematical Modeling in South-West Hydrological Region of Bangladesh.	Date: 04/05/2026 Time: 15.00	Date: 20/05/2026 Time: 16.00	Quality Cost Based Selection (QCBS)

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