

Ambulance carrying injured man fired upon in Khulna

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

An ambulance carrying a man shot in Khulna came under gunfire while transporting him to Dhaka early yesterday.

The injured -- Raju Hawlader, 38, of Shipyard area -- is accused in multiple cases, including murder and robbery, with several arrest warrants against him, police said.

He had sustained a gunshot wound to the abdomen in Labanchara on Monday and was admitted to Khulna Medical College Hospital. As his condition worsened, doctors decided to transfer him to Dhaka.

Around 12:30am, when the ambulance crossed Khan Jahan Ali Bridge and reached Kudir Bottola in Rupsha upazila, unidentified assailants opened fire.

Driver Md Faruk said bullets hit the vehicle, prompting him to rush to a nearby police station for safety.

Katakhal Highway Police Station OC Md Zafar Ahmed confirmed they were informed of the incident and provided security to ensure safe passage.

Labanchara Police Station OC Syed Mosharef Hossain told The Daily Star, "We are not sure who shot him or when. We learnt about the matter later through various sources."

He added that Raju faces at least four cases, including two for robbery and two for murder, with arrest warrants issued. "I am not aware of the attack on the ambulance," the OC said.



A trader transports straw on a nosim to sell to markets and cattle farms during the harvest season. Farmers also earn extra income by selling straw on the side. Each bundle of straw is sold at Tk 3-4. The photo was taken on Bypass Road in Khulna city yesterday.

PHOTO: HABIBUR RAHMAN

SHAPLA CRACKDOWN Parties demand fresh probe, justice marking 13th anniv

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Different political and student organisations observed the 13th anniversary of the killings during a Hefajat-e-Islam rally at Shapla Chattar in the capital's Motijheel on May 5, 2013, through discussions, photo exhibitions, and human chains yesterday.



Opposition Jamaat-e-Islami Ameer Shafiqur Rahman issued a statement demanding an independent, neutral, and credible probe commission to uncover the truth behind the "horrific massacre".

He called for the facts to be revealed and for exemplary punishment of those responsible.

"This is a sorrowful and shameful chapter in the country's history. The brutal operation against the 'Tawhidi' people that day deeply shook the nation's conscience and went against humanity, justice, and democratic values," he said.

He also expressed regret that no fair and acceptable trial has taken place even after so many years, stressing the need to ensure accountability and prevent such incidents in the future.

Khelafat Majlis Ameer and Hefajat e-Islam Bangladesh Joint Secretary General Mamunul

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Recognition gaps, social bias keep

FROM PAGE 3 Organised by Research Initiatives Bangladesh (RIB) at a city hotel, the seminar presented findings from a research project titled "Hazardous Sanitation Labour: Connecting the Past, Present and Future of Manual Scavenging in Bangladesh".

Presenting the keynote, Ruhi Naz, programme manager at RIB, said sanitation workers -- particularly from the Harijan community -- are routinely exposed to life-threatening conditions, including toxic gases, lack of protective equipment, and unsafe entry into septic tanks and sewer systems.

These risks are worsened by limited access to healthcare, social protection, and alternative livelihood opportunities, she said.

The study examines the lived realities of manual scavengers in Satkhira, Khulna, Rangpur, and Nilphamari, showing how colonial

legacies, infrastructure systems, and deep-rooted discrimination continue to shape their lives.

It identifies housing insecurity, health risks, educational barriers, job insecurity, and family well-being as major challenges.

According to the findings, community members demand dignity and equal citizenship rather than just material support.

They also seek permanent housing, secure land ownership, and protection from forced eviction. Many young people want alternative, dignified livelihoods, although government jobs remain the most stable option.

Antar Bhaskar, a member of the Harijan community, highlighted severe housing problems across the country, saying many families live in overcrowded and unsafe conditions with poor sanitation and limited facilities.

He noted that despite cleaning cities, they live in unhealthy environments and often face sudden eviction from government land without rehabilitation.

Sanjay Bhaskar from Rangpur called for mainstream recognition of the Harijan community, saying there is significant untapped talent in education, sports, and other sectors, but a lack of opportunities holds them back.

Uttam Kumar Bhakta, president of the Bangladesh Dalit and Excluded Rights Movement, said wage discrimination remains a major issue. Salaries vary widely -- around Tk 24,000 per month in Dhaka, compared to about Tk 2,400 in Rangpur and as low as Tk 1,200 in Srimangal.

He called for a standardised pay scale and better benefits.

Bijon Kanti Sarker, special assistant to the prime minister, mentioned corrupt practices such

as ghost labour in DCC and urged the Harijan community to move beyond traditional practices and adapt to changing demands.

Sanjida Islam Tulee, a reserved-seat lawmaker, said internal conflict within the community is also a challenge.

She assured that she would raise the issue of improving the lives of Harijans with the prime minister.

Dr Sally Cawood, lecturer of economic geography at Lancaster University, stressed the need for a holistic approach to improve the lives of Harijan people.

The session was chaired by Prof MM Akash, a board member of RIB.

Hameeda Hussain, vice chairperson of RIB; Alsana Binte Amin of NETZ Bangladesh; Kartik Ram Rauth of Harijan Oikyo Porishad, Khulna; and Dalit rights activist Kailash Chandro Rabidas also spoke.

PM stresses transparency in spending

FROM PAGE 3 The prime minister also emphasised the need to conduct performance audits alongside compliance audits to assess whether public funds are being used effectively.

He made the remarks when Bangladesh's

Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) Md Nurul Islam presented 38 compliance and performance audit reports to him.

The audit reports cover 17 ministries and divisions, as well as various directorates, offices, institutions, and projects under them.

During the

presentation, the CAG apprised the prime minister of the issues highlighted in the reports and the reform measures taken by the audit and accounts department.

Officials concerned said compliance audits examine whether financial rules and

procedures are followed in government offices, agencies, and projects.

Performance audits, on the other hand, assess whether the objectives of government projects and activities have been achieved and whether public funds have been used effectively.

75 journo harassed

FROM PAGE 3 In the labour sector, 80 incidents left 13 workers dead and 116 injured. Furthermore, 64 workers died in workplace accidents

attributed to unsafe conditions.

"The human rights situation in Bangladesh is becoming increasingly sensitive in the context

of recent political realities and public safety concerns," said HRSS Executive Director Ejazul Islam.

He warned that

continued harassment of journalists, mob violence, and restrictions on freedom of expression could further deteriorate the situation.

PRAYER TIMING MAY 6

Fazr	Zohr	Asr	Maghrib	Esha
AZAN 4-15	12-45	5-00	6-34	8-00
JAMAAT 4-50	1-15	5-15	6-38	8-30

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01.	1266830	Procurement of Transport Service on Monthly Rental Basis	14.39.0000.00 0.012.07.0003 23.164 (T) Date: 26.04.2026	06-May-2026 Time: 10:00 (AM)	20-May-2026 Time: 17:00(PM)	21-May-2026 Time: 17:00 (PM)

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4. Supplying & installation of Safe Deposit Lockers at Uttara Bank PLC. Narayanganj Branch, Narayanganj.

Please visit www.uttarabank-bd.com/home/tender for details.

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SL No.	e-Tender ID & Package No.	Package Description
01	ID-1268871, CE-e-GP(OTM)-13/CUCE-2719/EDU-RAB/2025-26	OTM-153/CUCE-2719/EDU-RAB/2025-26 Construction Work of 06 (Six) Storied Annex Building for Jamal Nazrul Islam Research Center of Mathematical and Physical Sciences at the University of Chittagong.

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1	1269421	JB/IT-Proc-37/OTM/PPS3/Managed Call Centre/2026	Tender for Procurement of Managed Call Centre Service for Janata Bank PLC.	21/05/2026 03:30pm
2	1269648	JB/TIPSCMD/IT-Proc-81/Antivirus/2026	Tender for Procurement of Kaspersky Next EDR Optimum for Janata Bank PLC.	21/05/2026 12:00pm
3	1270718	JB/IT-Proc-43/Staff/2026 College/Wifi/LAN/OTM/2026	Procurement of Hardware, Installation & AMC for Wi-Fi coverage area extension and LAN setup at Janata Bank Staff College, Dhaka.	19/05/2026 12:00pm

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প্রধান কার্যালয়
মতিঝিল, ঢাকা-১০০০

বাংলাদেশ সিলেকশন কমিটি সচিবালয়

বিজ্ঞপ্তি নং- ১৫৬/২০২৬ তারিখঃ ২১ শেখা, ১৪৩৩
০৪ মে, ২০২৬

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Ref: CU/HEAT/GES/PIN-12368/Gen-41 Date: 05/05/2026

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01	220779, 1269586, CU/12368/G4	Procurement and installation of ICT items for the Dept. of Geography and Environmental Studies, CU	NCT, OTM	Dept. of Geography and Env. Studies, University of Chittagong, Chattogram-4331	04-MAY-2026 17:10	25-MAY-2026 15:00

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