Teen drowns in sea at Inani beach

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Cox's Bazar*

A 12-year-old madrasa student drowned after being swept away by waves while bathing at Inani beach in Cox's Bazar's Ukhiya yesterday. Fifteen others were rescued.

The body of Shanto, a resident of Dhaka's Keraniganj, was recovered from the sea around 12:30pm by Coast Guard members, Tourist Police and beach workers following a search operation.

Mahbub Alam, supervisor of beach workers deployed by the district administration, said 16 students from two Dhaka madrasas went into the sea to bathe in the morning. They were swept away by waves, but all except Shanto were rescued.

Kazi Atiur Rahman, officer-in-charge of the Inani Tourist Police outpost, said the group, including teachers and students from the two madrasas, arrived in Cox's Bazar on Wednesday and went to the beach the following morning.

The group included students from a madrasa in Tejgaon and Faizul Ulum Madrasa in Dhanmondi, he said.

COX'S BAZAR

Plastic monster statue raises pollution awareness

MOKAMMEL SHUVO

A 50-foot-tall monster sculpture made from plastic waste has been installed on Cox's Bazar beach to raise awareness of plastic pollution, drawing visitors who stop to look at it and ponder its environmental impact.

Set up between Sugandha and Seagull points by Bidyanondo Foundation in collaboration with the Cox's Bazar district administration, the installation was opened to visitors on October 12 by Deputy Commissioner MA Mannan.

Standing before the giant monster near Sugandha Beach, tourist Aminur Rahman from Lalbagh, Dhaka, was explaining the dangers of plastic pollution to his nine-year-old daughter, Sumaiya Akter.

Like Aminur and his daughter, many visitors have been gathering around the sculpture to take photographs and learn about the harmful effects of plastic waste.

Saiful Islam, a tourist from Natore, said he had visited Cox's Bazar two years ago but had not seen as much polythene, plastic cups and bottles scattered across the beach as he did during his latest visit.

He warned that the growing number of tourists and the resulting increase in waste could lead to a serious environmental crisis in the coming years.

Mohammad Rana, a member of Bidyanondo Foundation, said the monster is holding an uprooted coconut tree to symbolise the damage plastic pollution causes to biodiversity.



The plastic monster holding an uprooted coconut tree symbolises the damage plastic pollution causes to biodiversity. PHOTO: MOKAMMEL SHUVO

A special theatre has also been set up beside the sculpture to screen films promoting responsible tourism. Visitors must bring two discarded plastic bottles to enter and watch the films.

The initiative aims to combine entertainment with a message about collecting and recycling plastic waste.

Jamal Uddin, director of Bidyanondo Foundation, said people often enjoyed the sea's beauty without considering their own contribution to its pollution.

Organisers said the sculpture was made from five tonnes of plastic waste collected from the sea and surrounding areas.

Artists from the Faculty of Fine Arts at the University of Dhaka spent 20 days creating the installation using plastic waste collected from the beaches of Inani, Teknaf and Saint Martin's Island.

Power outage halts BRTA services in Ctg

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, *Ctg*

A power disconnection over Tk 85,000 in outstanding bills halted services at the Bangladesh Road Transport Authority (BRTA) office in Chattogram's Natunpara area for three hours yesterday, leaving hundreds of service seekers stranded with their vehicles, according to a BRTA official.

The disruption came on the last day for updating vehicle documents without paying fines, inconveniencing people who had travelled from different areas to avail themselves of the services.

It also caused severe traffic congestion on the adjoining road.

Md Sanaul Haque, deputy director of the BRTA's Chattogram office, told The Daily Star, "When the power went out around 11:00am, we initially thought it was a routine outage. Later, when we contacted the PDB's Sholoshahar office, they informed us that the line had been disconnected due to Tk 85,000 in outstanding bills."

"After we contacted higher authorities, the power supply was restored at 2:00pm," he added.

BRTA officials called for an investigation into the disconnection and accountability for the inconvenience caused to the public.

The Daily Star tried to contact Mohammad Sanaullah, executive engineer of the Power Development Board, by phone and text message for comment, but received no response.

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Two shot dead in Pabna

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Pabna*

Two people were shot dead by a group of armed men at an office at Ataikula haat in Pabna yesterday.

The deceased were identified as Md Abdus Salam, 45, of Pushpopara village, and Md Ripon, 40, of Dharmagram village in Pabna Sadar upazila.

Salam was involved with the Shramik League, while Ripon was associated with BNP politics. Salam was the leaseholder of the haat, according to police.

Pradip Kumar Shaha, inspector (investigation) of Ataikula Police Station, said the two were sitting in Salam's office at around 7:00pm when five to seven armed men opened fire.

"Both were critically injured and were rushed to the hospital, but they died on the way," he said.

Police were investigating the incident, and the situation in the area remained tense.

The inspector said officers were at the scene and had yet to establish the full details of the incident.

Locals said tensions had reportedly been simmering over the haat's lease tender.

6 more die of dengue, 1,886 get hospitalised

STAFF CORRESPONDENT



Six more people died of dengue and 1,886 were hospitalised in the 24 hours until 8:00am yesterday, raising the death toll to 415 and the total number of cases to 1,32,105, according to the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS).

Of the latest deaths, two each were reported in Dhaka and Chattogram divisions, while Khulna and Rangpur reported one each.

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Mr. Rahat Kamal, shareholder and Managing Director, **Shilpo Technic (Pvt.) Ltd** of 199, Tejgaon Industrial Area, Dhaka-1208. ----------**Petitioner**
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Take notice that an application under section 81(2), 85(3) read with section 396 of the Companies Act 1994 was filed before the Hon'ble High Court Division of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh on behalf of the above named petitioner for condonation of delay in holding Annual General Meeting of **Shilpo Technic (Pvt) Ltd** for the calendar year 2024 & 2025 and to give necessary direction for holding the said Annual General Meetings. Upon hearing the application on 11.10.2026 the Hon'ble Company Judge **Mr. Justice Syed Mohammed Tazrul Hossain** was pleased to admit the application. Interested person may appear before the Hon'ble Court on or before the date fixed for hearing of the matter. Copy of the application may be obtained on payment of necessary cost.

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