

Teacher murdered

Students stab him for not allowing unfair means

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A schoolteacher was stabbed to death by an SSC candidate yesterday allegedly because the teacher obstructed him from copying during the examination the previous day at South Keraniganj on the outskirts of the capital.

The deceased, Mostafa Bhuiyan, 35, was an English teacher of Chunkutia Girls' High School in South Keraniganj.

Riyad, a secondary school certificate examinee, stabbed Mostafa in the chest



around 7:30am in his flat on the second floor of a six-storey building at east Chunkutia, Shakhawat Hossain, officer-in-charge of Keraniganj Police Station, said quoting local people.

Mostafa was waiting with some students in the balcony of his flat, as he used to give tuition

in batches, Mostafa's wife Lucky Begum told reporters. Riyad knocked the door and told Mostafa to come out when he opened it. Then he stabbed Mostafa and ran away hurriedly, Lucky added.

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Mostafa was rushed to Mitford Hospital in Old Dhaka where duty doctors declared him dead, the OC said.

Riyad, who is a student of Oriental Textile Mills High School at Subhadda in South Keraniganj, has been taking SSC exams at Chunkutia Girls' High School.

The teacher had not let him copy in the mathematics exam and Riyad might have killed him to avenge that, the OC said.

Shakhawat, however, said police were trying to unearth the motive behind the killing.

Police could neither recover the knife Riyad had used nor arrest him till the filing of this report at 11:00pm.

The student and his family members ran away, locking their residence immediately after the incident, police and neighbours said.

Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid visited Sir Salimullah Medical College morgue to see the body sent there for autopsy.

He expressed grief and offered his condolences to the bereaved family.

Meanwhile, protesting the murder, students and teachers of Chunkutia Girls' High School and local people barricaded Dhaka-Mawa highway at Chunkutia for five hours from 9:00am.

The blockade was withdrawn after local political leaders and police assured the protesters of arrest and trial of the killer soon.