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Two university students die as bus rams bike

Journo killed in another accident

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Two students of Jatiya Kabi Kazi Nazrul Islam University (JKKNU) died after a Mymensingh-bound bus hit the motorcycle they were riding from behind yesterday evening at a bypass intersection on the Dhaka-Mymensingh highway near the university in Mymensingh's Trishal upazila.

Meanwhile, the daily Bajrashakti's Jessoré bureau chief, Arifur Rahman, 42, of Bére Narayanpur village in Benapole port thana, died after the motorcycle he was riding collided head-on with an improvised three-wheeler at Navaran Bazar on Benapole-Jessore road in Jessoré's Jhikargachha upazila on Sunday night, reports our Benapole correspondent.

Mahfuzur Rahman Asif, 20, was a third year student while Abdullah Al Mamun, 18, a first year student of computer science and engineering.

They were going towards the Trishal upazila headquarters from the campus when the bus of Shahjalal Paribahan hit the motorcycle around 7:00pm. Trishal Police Station's officer-in-charge quoted the local sources as saying.

Moniruzzaman also said Abdullah died on the spot while Mahfuzur on way to Mymensingh Medical College Hospital.

Police seized the bus but the driver managed to flee. Fellow students barricaded the highway for an hour before police cleared the spot.

JKKNU suspended classes and exams today and announced hoisting a black flag and holding a *milād mahfil* and "gayebana janaza".