

3 children rescued, teacher held

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Police rescued three children and arrested a female teacher in connection with alleged kidnaping at Shantinagar in the city on Saturday.

The rescued children are Soma (8), Chhabi (8) and Mother Teresa, and the arrested teacher is Marzina Begum alias Hiran, wife of Hafizur Rahman, resident of 107 Shantinagar under Motijheel police station. She is also a senior teacher of Motijheel Model High School.

A case has been lodged against the lady teacher under Women and Child Repression Act.

Senior police officials said the woman might be victimised by somebody. If she is found guilty of abduction, Marzina Begum

would suffer life term imprisonment.

Police said Soma, daughter of Abdul Hai, a rickshaw puller and Nasima (7) daughter of Badsha, both were residents of a slum beside AGB Colony. They were picked up by Marzina when they went to a bazaar at Motijheel near to their house on May 21.

Nasima was crying after she was taken to the teacher's home and she let her go in the night but kept Soma in her house. After being free Nasima began cry being failed to recognise her house, a rickshaw puller took her to the Sutrapur police station.

After a brief enquiry, Sutrapur police handed over Nasima to (See Page 15 Col. 4)

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Motijheel police.

Meanwhile Soma's parents were searching for their missing child and after being informed that Nasima was freed, they along with police took Nasima to show the residence where she was taken.

Nasima was able to recognise the woman who picked up them (Soma and Nasima) on the way to AGB colony. The parents of the abducted children caught the woman and informed the police. Police arrested the woman on the spot and later rescued two more children from her house.

Police claimed that they raided the house at 107 Santinagar at a flat in the fourth floor and rescued three children and arrested the alleged "abductor".

A huge amount of cash and other valuables were recovered from her possession. Police claimed that they seized Taka 1,45,000 from her possession but the woman said the amount was Taka 95,000 only.

Police were interrogating the suspect till the time of writing this report on Saturday night.

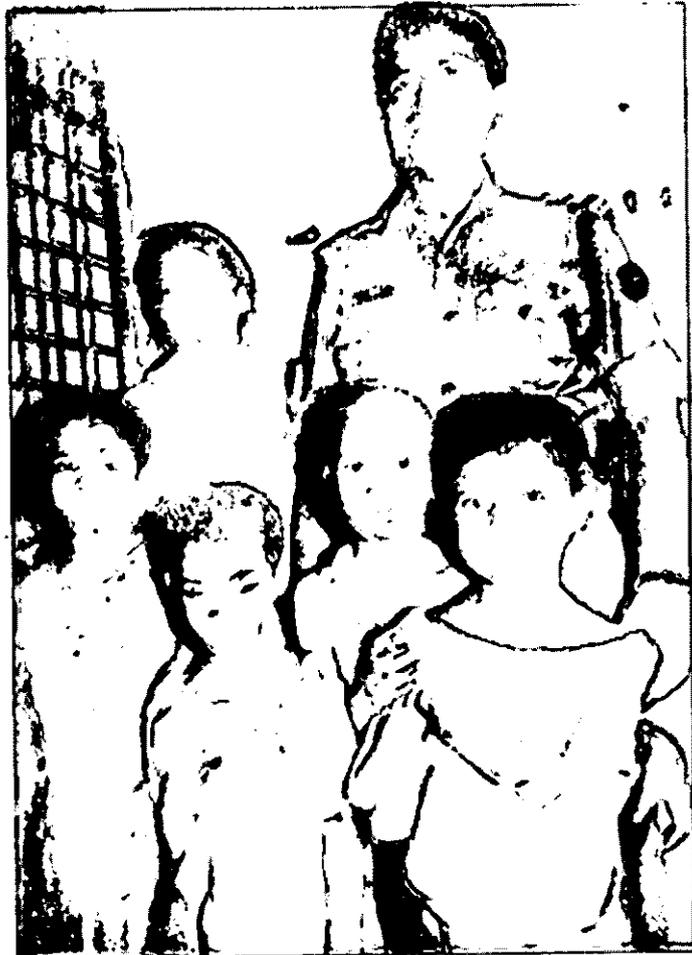
Marzina said to a group of newsmen at police custody that she had completed Master's in Sociology and B.Ed and was living at the said residence over last 11 years. She has been separated from her husband about a decade ago. She had no child during the wedlock and was living a lonely life.

She became custodian of two disadvantaged children Chhabi and Mother Teresa when they were one year old. She refuted the allegation and said that there was no cause to kidnap Nasima or Soma.

Marzina claimed that she was very much known among the residents of AGB

Colony includes the parents of Nasima and Soma.

She said the money which was seized by the police had been drawn from the bank to be given to a businessman. She is also the owner of a garment shop at Mouchak market.



Police rescued three allegedly abducted children and arrested Marzina Begum, a lady teacher of Motijheel Model High School on Saturday.

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