

RU TEACHER'S DEATH

Colleague shown arrested

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INVESTIGATION into the death of Rajshahi University mass communication and journalism department teacher Professor Aktar Jahan Joly, who reportedly committed suicide on September 9, took a new turn on Saturday with the arrest of her fellow Atikur Rahman Raza.

'Atikur Rahman alias Raza was shown arrested in Aktar Jahan Joly murder case on Saturday afternoon as we found his involvement in the provocation murder case after primary interrogation,' Rajshahi Metropolitan Police assistant commissioner (detective) Al Amin told New Age.

Earlier on Thursday evening, detective detained Atikur Rahman from Talaimari of the city for interrogation.

He said on the basis of information found from Aktar Jahan's call lists after her death and after the primary interrogation it was clear that Atikur Rahman had a close relationship with Aktar Jahan for long.

'He (Atikur) also confessed that he had relation with Aktar Jahan, and if he had tried, he could have stopped Joly from committing suicide,' Al Amin added.

However, police did not find any involvement of Tanvir Ahmed in this case still now.

Sources said Professor

Aktar Jahan, her former husband Professor Tanvir Ahmed and Assistant Professor Akikur Rahman were colleagues at RU mass communication department.

Before taking up the job at the department, Aktar Jahan had married Tanveer Ahmed but their marital discord reached its peak in 2010 after Tanvir Ahmed came to know about the illegal relation between Aktar Jahan with Atikur Rahman.

Though, from then they started to live separately, they divorced in 2013. Tanveer married another woman, who is also teacher of the same department by the end of last year.

On September 9, police

found Aktar Jahan dead inside her dormitory at Zuberi Bhaban, a guesthouse-cum quarter for teachers living single on the campus. On that night police and his colleagues found a 'suicidal note' under a laptop in her bedroom.

The note reads, 'No one is responsible for my death. I committed suicide due to physical and mental pressure.'

Aktar Jahan's brother Kamrul Hasan Raton filed a case with Motihar Police Station stating that she was forced to commit suicide. The plaintiff, however, did not mention any name who had forced her to commit suicide.