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## 7SCHOOLGIRL SUICIDE \\ Prime accused arrested

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Chandpur

FOUR teachers and staff of Bagadi Gani High School in Chandpur Sadar were sued Monday night for allegedly instigating Class VIII student Sathi Akhter of the school to commit suicide.

Sathi's father Delwar Hossain of village Madhya Bagadi filed the case with Chandpur Police Station, accusing assistant headmaster Md Alauddin, assistant teachers Md Jakir Hossain and Jahangir Hossain and office assistant Faterna Begum.

Sathi hanged herself allegedly after assistant headmaster along with the other accused punished her by forcing her to go up and down by holding ears and kept her standing in the sun on the school premises for about an hour on Sunday for failing to pay only Tk 80 as due examination

fee on Monday, Delwar complained in the case.

Delwar also alleged that Sathi committed suicide as she could not bear the humiliation.

Chandpur Model Police Station officer-in-charge Md Waliullah told New Age that they were investigating the matter and the prime ac-cused, Md Alauddin, was arrested in the afternoon.

On Tuesday morning, Chandpur deputy commissioner Abdus Sabur Man-dal, superintendent of police Shamsunnahar and education department officials visited the victim's family and assured them of punishing the culprits.

The deputy commissioner at the school told reporters that the administration had formed a three-member committee, led by Chandpur Sadar upazila nirbahi officer Udayan Dewan, and asked the committee to submit the report within three working days.