

Bail rejected, BNP leader Amanullah Aman lands in jail in graft case

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Online Desk: A Dhaka court on Sunday sent BNP leader Amanullah Aman to jail rejecting his bail petition in a case filed over acquiring wealth beyond known income source. Judge of Dhaka Special Judge Court-1 Abul Kashem passed the order after the BNP leader surrendered before the court upon directives from the High Court (HC) with a bail petition.

The court turned down the bail plea and sent Amanullah Aman to jail, defendant's counsel Syed Nazrul Islam told media on the court premises. Additional members of law enforcement agencies were deployed in and around the court area to ward off any untoward incident.

Though BNP supporters gathered on the court premises police drove them out. The Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) on March 6, 2007, filed the case with the city's Kafrul police station against Amanullah Aman and his wife Sabera Aman.

On June 21, 2007, a court sentenced Aman to 13 years imprisonment and his wife to three years jail in the case. Later, they filed an appeal challenging the lower court order.

On August 16, 2010, the High Court acquitted them. The Anti-Corruption Commission submitted a petition to the Appellate Division challenging the HC order

On May 26, 2014, the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court asked the High Court to re-hear the petition.

On May 30, the High Court upheld the lower court order that had sentenced Aman to 13 years jail and his wife Sabera to three years. It also asked them to surrender before the court within 15 days of getting the text of the verdict.

On September 3, Aman's wife Sabera Aman surrendered before the trial court in the same case and the court sent her to jail rejecting the bail plea.

On September 5, the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court granted bail to Sabera Aman in the case.