

Gaan Bangla's Taposh, Shomi Kaiser land in jail after remand

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Online Desk : Private television channel, Gaan Bangla's chairman Koushik Hossain Taposh and actress Shomi Kaiser have been sent to jail by a court in an attempt to murder case filed with Uttara East Police Station.

Dhaka Metropolitan Magistrate GM Farhan Ishtiaque passed the order on Saturday (November 9). Earlier they were brought at court by police. Then investigation officer (IO) of the case and Uttara East Police Station sub-inspector Md Mohibullah pleaded to the court to keep the accused in jail for the fair probe into the case.

On the other hand, counsels of the defendants pleaded to the court to grant their clients bail. However, the state side opposed the bail. After the hearing was over, the judge ordered to send the accused to jail. A court placed them on a three-day remand each on November 6 last. Earlier, Taposh was arrested from Vatura in the capital at night of November 3, while actress Shomi Kaiser was arrested from Uttara at night of November 5.

Martyred intellectual Shahidullah Kaiser's daughter Shomi Kaiser is a member of the Awami League's Liberation War Affairs sub-committee and former president of e-Commerce Association of Bangladesh (e-CAB). She is active in Awami League politics and was a nomination seeker of the party in the last general election.

The case information reveals that during an anti-discrimination protest on July 18, businessman Ishtiaque Mahmud and others took part in the programme. At one stage, Awami League, Jubo League, and Chhatra League activists allegedly attacked and fired shots at them in front of Nawab Habibullah High School in Sector 4, Azampur, Uttara East Police Station. Ishtiaq sustained a gunshot wound in his belly and was treated at Evercare Hospital, after which he filed a case. Taposh and Shomi Kaiser are named as the 9th and 24th accused in the case, respectively.