

# 5 Bangladeshis, including 2 children, die in road accident in Saudi Arabia

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**Online Desk :** Five people, including four members of the same family from Laxmipur, tragically died in a road accident on their way home to Saudi Arabia after performing Umrah Hajj. The incident has cast a shadow of grief over the area. The deceased are – Saudi expatriate Mizanur Rahman Mizan (40), his wife Farzana Akhter Sumi (30), their school-going daughter Meher Afroz (12), one-and-a-half-year-old daughter Subha Akhter and the driver of the same car Md. Jilani Babar (30).

Baharul Alam, the elder brother of the deceased Mizan, confirmed the matter to reporters on Monday afternoon. Mizan's middle daughter Faiza Akhter (11) was seriously injured in the incident and is undergoing treatment at a hospital in Jeddah city. The deceased Mizan was the son of Shaheed Ullah of Oshim Uddin Bepari Bari of Nalchara village of Bhatra union in Ramganj upazila of Lakshmipur. The deceased Meher Afroz was a sixth-grade student of the local Tuuri High School. The deceased driver, Md. Jilani Babar, was the son of Abul Hossain Patwari Khoka of Patwari bari in Bishnupur village of the same union.

The elder brother of the deceased Mizan, Baharul Alam, said that Mizan had been living in Saudi Arabia for a long time. On February 3, he left for Umrah with his wife and three daughters. They were killed in a terrible road accident on Sunday night while returning home from Jeddah after Umrah. The accident occurred around 3 am Bangladesh time.

Rifatul Islam, the cousin of the deceased Mizanur Rahman, said that they confirmed the death of five people including Mizan through Parvez Bhuiyan, a Saudi expatriate from a neighboring village. The injured Faiza is currently undergoing treatment at the hospital.

Ramganj Upazila Nirbahi Officer (UNO) Farashid Bin Enam said, "Five people have been reported killed in a road accident in Saudi Arabia. The incident is very tragic. The administration has expressed deep condolences to the bereaved family." He said that all necessary assistance will be provided to bring the bodies back to the country.