Sohel, Swapna Get Death Penalty in Ramisa Murder Case



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A Dhaka court has sentenced Sohel Rana and his wife Swapna Khatun to death in the rape and murder case of child Ramisa in Pallabi, the capital. The court also fined them Tk 500,000.

The verdict was delivered on Sunday (June 7) by Judge Masrur Saleqin of the Dhaka Metropolitan Tribunal for the Prevention of Violence Against Women and Children.

According to the court, evidence proved that Sohel Rana raped Ramisa before killing her. In his confessional statement, he also admitted involvement in the crime. The judge further stated that Swapna Khatun assisted him in escaping after the incident.

Tight security measures were taken around the court premises ahead of the verdict. Both accused were brought to court in the morning. Earlier, after concluding arguments last Thursday, the court had fixed June 7 for delivering the judgment.

On May 19, the body of second-grade student Ramisa was recovered from the house of neighbor Sohel Rana in Pallabi. Police later arrested the accused and submitted the charge sheet to the court within just six days. A total of 16 witnesses testified in the widely discussed case.