Verdict in High-Profile Ramisa Murder Case Set for June 7

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The verdict in the widely discussed rape and murder case of child victim Ramisa will be delivered on June 7. The court fixed the date after completing hearings within only a few days of formal charges being framed. Prosecutors have demanded the death penalty for the accused.

On Thursday, Judge Masrur Saleqin of the Dhaka Metropolitan Women and Children Repression Prevention Tribunal announced the verdict date following the conclusion of final arguments.

During the hearing, state prosecutors argued that the charges were proven through testimony from 16 witnesses and the confession of the main accused, Sohel Rana. They told the court that the brutality of the crime warrants the highest punishment under the law.

Defense lawyers appointed by the state, however, claimed the evidence was not strong enough to justify capital punishment. They argued that life imprisonment would be a more appropriate sentence in the case.

The trial officially began on June 1. The following day, the court recorded statements from 16 witnesses, including Ramisa's family members, eyewitnesses, doctors, police personnel, and investigation officers. Later, Sohel Rana and his wife Swapna Khatun presented their defense before the court.