

Upazila roundup

SIRAJGANG

5 more BCL activists held on murder charge

Oct 25: Police arrested five more activists of Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) on charges of killing constable Shakhawat Hossain and ransacking Government office and property on October 18, reports UNB.

BARISAL

NSB plan to sell certificates worth Tk 15.75 cr

Oct 25: National Savings Bureau (NSB) of Barisal district has taken up a programme to sell different saving certificates worth about Tk 15,75,85,000 in ten upazilas of the district during the current fiscal year, reports BSS.

MYMENSINGH

Diarrhoea breaks out

Oct 25: Diarrhoea has broken out in all the upazilas of the district, reports BSS. The badly affected upazilas are Phulpur, Hahlaghat, Gouripur, Iswarganj, Nandail, Mymensingh Sadar, Fulbaria, Trishal and Muktagacha.

Hospital source here said 1011 diarrhoea patients were admitted to hospital during the last three weeks. Twenty nine patients died.

SATKHIRA

BDR personnel asked to curb smuggling

Oct 25: Director General of Bangladesh Rifles Major General Abdul Latif called upon all concerned to resist smuggling, reports UNB.

The Director General was addressing a gathering of BDR officers and jawans at the local Battalion Ground Thursday.

He urged them to gear-up anti smuggling drive saying it paralysed our national economy and also asked to prevent the smugglers calling them national enemy.

Among others, Director of Operation Col. Shamsuzzaman, Khulna, Sector Commander Col. Anwar Hossain and District Commanding Officer/ Major Monish Dewan attended the gathering.

JHENIDAH

6 arrested for misappropriating fund

Oct 25: Police arrested six people on charges of misappropriating fund of Taka one lakh of Moheshpur Pourashava Wednesday, reports UNB. The arrested persons are two sitting Commissioners — Likat Ali and Moktar Hossain and four ex-commissioners — Siddiqur Rahman, Abdul Mannan, Abdul Hakim, Ayub Hossain and Paura employee Amjad Hossain.

JAMALPUR

Ganja recovered

Narcotics department of the district recovered a huge quantity of ganja worth Tk. 80 thousand from Dewanganj upazila recently, official sources said, reports UNB. Acting on a tip, a team of the department rushed to Mokirchor village and recovered 30 kilograms of ganja along with a ganja plant. A case was registered with local police but no one arrested so far.

MANIKGANJ

One to die for murder

Oct 25: District and Sessions Judge M. A. Rashid awarded death penalty to a man on charges of murdering his paternal father-in-law, court sources said, reports UNB. According to prosecution story, Abul Kalam Azad of Nawabganj upazila of Dhaka killed Tofazzel Hossain of village Ramnagar under Shibbalay upazila on December, 1989 following family enmity. A case was registered and after investigation, police submitted chargesheet against the accused.

COMILLA

Hijacker held

Oct 25: Police caught red handed a hijacker from Zila Parishad gate here Tuesday, reports UNB. The accused Jamal (28) was nabbed while he was hijacking money from a pedestrian at dagger point.

KUSHLIA

Contraband goods seized

Oct 25: Customs department recovered a large quantity of contraband goods from a train at Jagati railway station on Tuesday, reports BSS.

Departmental officials under a Magistrate raided a Goalundo bound train from Darsana and recovered Indian made cloths, five hundred fortyseven kilogram of sugar, two thousand eight hundred seventy five kilogram of salt etc. In this connection three persons were arrested.

Improvement of sanitation system stressed

BARISAL, Oct 25: State Minister for Education Principal Mohammad Eunus Khan yesterday emphasised the improvement of sanitation system for prevention of diarrhoea and health status of the rural people, reports BSS. The State Minister was speaking at a workshop on "Improvement of sanitation system through educational institutions" here. Jointly organised by UNICEF, Directorate of Education and Public Health Engineering, the function was addressed by senior programme officer of UNICEF Dr. Delwar Ali Khan, Kadoruzzaman and Deputy Civil Surgeon A.B.M. Jahangir Alam, Deputy Commissioner of Barisal Nurul Alam Khan presided.



RANGPUR: The recent devastating flood has left a trail of devastation in the district. Though the government has geared up relief work many a uprooted people have resorted to begging for their sustenance. Photo shows a hungry woman hugging her child in deep sleep at Rangpur Railway station. — Star photo

Relief operations geared up in Rangpur

RANGPUR, Oct 25: The District Administration has geared up relief and rehabilitation work in the flood and diarrhoea affected areas of the district, according to the Deputy Commissioner, Rangpur at the Press conference held at his conference room recently. He said that 620 metric tons of G.R. rice have already been distributed and 1475 metric tons of wheat are under quick distribution among the destitutes in the district. Test relief works have been started all over the district to create job opportunities for the unemployed people. In this connection 2700 metric tons of wheat are being spent. A sum of Taka 8,25,000 has been received so far as G.R. cash and another sum of Taka 15,50,000 as house building grant has also been disbursed. On the other hand, 1607 cartons and 6006 packets of dry Saudi food have also been distributed in the flood affected areas, he added. Besides, these normal V.G.D. programme is continuing with 31,350 kilos of wheat per month to the 15,146 card holders while a special V.G.D. programme for 43,485 destitute families is also under operation.

From Our Correspondent

Tk 2 lakh among 4,000 families. Under special VGD programme, 405 metric tons of wheat was distributed among 15,000 families with 31 kg per head. Earlier, the district VGD programme began the relief operations distributing 200 metric tons of wheat among 4,000 families. It has completed disbursing relief goods of 22,500 metric tons of rice, 13,500 metric tons of potatoes and 1,500 metric tons of dal among 18,000 families.

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2 awarded life-term for murder

From Our Correspondent

GAIBANDHA, Oct 25: Two persons were sentenced to life transportation for killing a cloth trader Aftabuddin. Another two persons were awarded 10 years R.I. and fined Tk 5,000 each in default to suffer one year R.I. more. The judgement was delivered by Additional District and Sessions Judge Mr N A Shahidur Rahman recently. Three persons were acquitted of the charge of murder.

25 injured in Magura road accident

MAGURA, Oct 25: At least 25 passengers were injured here when a speeding bus fell into a road side ditch on the Magura-Jessore road Saturday, reports UNB.

Durga Puja celebrated

Bijoya Dashami the greatest festival of the Hindu community concluded with the immersion of goddess Durga. The devotees paid last respect before the immersion of the image. A total of 12 images were erected in different parts of Gaibandha pourashava. Besides, innumerable mandaps were erected in remote areas of the district.

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On Dashami Day a puja fair was held adjacent to Ghagot bridge.

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All the injured were admitted to Magura, Salikha and Jessore hospitals. The driver managed to escape immediately after the accident.

Majority rural people don't use sanitary latrines

SATKHIRA, Oct 25: A large number of inhabitants of Satkhira district do not use sanitary latrines due to ignorance about health and hygiene. Due to absence of sanitary latrines rural people respond to the call of nature in the open polluting the environment. According to the UNICEF survey reports, about 50 per cent people suffer from diseases caused by insanitation. Almost all rural people defecate in the nearby bushes, canals, beels, rivers and roadside places. Diseases like typhoid, para typhoid, cholera, bacillary dysentery and other infectious diseases spread fast in these areas.

Pabna pourashava beset with problems

PABNA, Oct 25: Pabna pourashava is beset with manifold problems depriving the dwellers of basic civic amenities, reports UNB. The pouira area is plagued with the problems like deplorable condition of roads, inadequate street lights, absence of proper drainage system, shortage of accommodation, lack of proper sanitary arrangements, mosquito menace, frequent power failure and absence of recreational facilities.

Notes from Rajbari

From Our Correspondent RAJBARI, Oct 25: Stray dogs are on the rise in the town creating panic among the dwellers. The dogs with scabby skin and various diseases are seen roaming every where in Rajbari town. Pedestrians can hardly avoid their contact while walking through roads and lanes. Besides, school going children become panicky when these dogs follow them for food. Local people alleged that despite repeated appeals to the pourashava authorities nothing has been done in this respect.

Fish disease

Fish disease have broken out in an alarming proportion in four upazilas of the district. Fishes like kot, shol, magur, shing, puti have been largely affected by the disease known as ulcerative syndrome.

Power failure

Frequent power failure and load sheddings have become a regular feature in Rajbari town and its adjoining areas causing inconveniences to the dwellers and loss to the businessmen.

Snake bite

Abdur Rahim Mondal (10), son of Md Abdur Rahman and Md Jalal Mondal (7), son of Md Ramzan Mondal of the same residence of Bahadurpur under Pangsua upazila in Rajbari district died from snake bite recently.

No street lights

Lack of adequate number of street lights in the pourashava areas of Rajbari town is causing much inconvenience to the dwellers. Most of the light posts have no bulbs creating problems to the pedestrians as well as to the vehicular movement.

Two shot dead by dacoits in Cox's Bazar

From Our Correspondent

COX'S BAZAR, Oct 25: Two persons were shot dead and another six injured when armed dacoits opened gunfire after being encircled by villagers in Chokoria upazila late Tuesday night.

Pesticides, fertilizer prices mark rise

MAULVIBAZAR, Oct 25: Prices of fertilizers and pesticides have registered a sharp rise affecting the farmers in the district, reports UNB.

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According to police, the house of one Shahidullah of Mochkabanga village was gheraoed by a group of armed dacoits at around 11pm. When the dacoits were trying to flee with several cows from the house, the villagers encircled them. The heavily armed dacoits opened random gunfire killing two persons on the spot and seriously injuring six villagers.

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Another message adds: Public Health Engineering Department (PHE) has sold 37,237 sets of low-cost latrines for Tk 86,44,240 in 11 southern districts of Barisal circle under 'rural health development programme' during the 1990-91 fiscal year.

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The districts are: Barisal, Jhalakati, Bhola, Pirojpur, Patuakhali, Barguna, Faridpur, Gopalganj, Rajbari, Madaripur and Shariatpur. According to an official source, 6,014 sets were sold in Barisal district, 1,942 sets in Jhalakati, 2,326 sets in Pirojpur, 3,899 sets in Bhola, 4,201 sets in Patuakhali, 4,383 sets in Barguna, 4,489 sets in Faridpur, 1,947 sets in Rajbari, 2,778 sets in Madaripur, 3,414 sets in Shariatpur and 1,844 sets in Gopalganj districts.

District admn office gheraoed

RANGPUR, Oct 25: About one thousand poverty stricken people mostly women gheraoed the District Administration office Wednesday demanding relief.

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BARISAL, Oct 25: The government has sanctioned Tk 1.39 crore for the development of primary training institute (PTI) of Pirojpur district during the current fiscal year, reports BSS.

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According to an official source, the Facilities Department of the Ministry of Education will implement the scheme.

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Of the total, Tk 74 lakh will be spent for the construction of women's hostel. Tk 11 lakh for the construction of residence of the Superintendent, Tk 7.75 lakh for the extension of administrative building and about Tk 47 lakh for water supply, electrification, sanitation etc.

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