

Floods deal severe blow to Pirojpur papaya growers

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pirojpur

Papaya farmers in Pirojpur incurred huge losses after the recent flood damaged a large number of fruit-bearing papaya trees.

According to the Department of Agricultural Extension (DAE) in Pirojpur, papaya was planted on 245 hectares of land in the district where matured papaya trees, along with fruits, on 25 hectares sustained damage in the recent flood this year.

Besides, the flood also damaged TK 11.44 crore worth of vegetables on 691 hectares of land in Pirojpur.

Farmer Zakir Hossain from Baro Jujkhola village in Pirojpur Sadar upazila said all the 600 papaya plants he planted in his orchard last year bore fruit this year, but now half of the trees are ruined by the flood.

The damage will cost him at least Tk 2 lakh, he also said.

A mature papaya tree produces fruits for over four years, with a harvest of around two maunds each year.

A maund of papaya usually sells for around TK 800 at wholesale markets, but during the floods, they were compelled to sell the fruit for Tk 450 a maund at the most, said papaya farmers.

While green papaya is a popular vegetable that grows all year round and sells for around TK 35 to Tk 40 each kilogram, ripe papaya is also high in demand.

Alamgir Hossain, from Sikdermollik

village in Sadar upazila, said he planted 100 papaya plants in his orchard as profit from its sale is quite satisfactory.

The yield was also good, but before the mature fruits could be harvested, the trees and the fruits were damaged by floodwaters that remained in the orchard for nearly a week, he added.

Most farmers cultivated papaya on high land as they are well aware that it grows well on high land.

According to Pirojpur DAE, papaya was planted on 245 hectares of land where matured papaya trees, along with fruits, on 25 hectares sustained damage in the recent flood.

But the land considered high in the area was also inundated this year by the worst flood in 15 years, said Rafikul Islam, another farmer from the same village. "We had no idea that the water level might rise so high."

Agriculture Officer Shipon Chandra Ghosh, stationed at Pirojpur Sadar upazila, said papaya plants cannot withstand water stagnation. "The roots of the plants rotted as the plants remained submerged in water for a long time."



These women, like many others in Rangpur's Gangachara upazila, collect grass from different char villages so they could earn some extra income and feed their families better. The photo was taken from Gangachara's Laxmitari village recently.

PHOTO: KONGKON KARMAKER

Man to die, 5 get life term for murder

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jamalpur

A court here yesterday sentenced a man to death and five others to life term imprisonment for killing a youth over land dispute in Sadar upazila in 2007.

Jamalpur District and Sessions Judge Md Zulfiquer Ali Khan tried all the convicts in absentia and fined the lifers Tk 10,000 each.

The death sentence awardee is Ansar Ali Pramanik, 53, of Kumargati village, while the lifers are Kalam Pramanik, 58, his wife Shai Banu, 53, their sons Shahin, 36, and Saidul, 32, and Ansar's wife Shabnaz, 46.

According to the prosecution, Ansar in cooperation with other convicts killed his elder brother Roich Uddin's son Momin, then 22, over demarcation of their ancestral land in June 2007.

Held hostage by illegal toll collectors

A gang collects Tk 10 to Tk 30 from each vehicle on Kalapara-Kuakata alternative road

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Patuakhali

A gang of extortionists has been collecting toll illegally from vehicles on Kalapara-Kuakata alternative road.

The extortionists are collecting toll from the vehicles by setting up wooden planks on the under-construction sluice gate in Tulatali area of the road.

Tk 10 to Tk 30 is being collected from each of the vehicles including motorcycle and battery-run auto-rickshaw. Every day over 200 vehicles ply this alternative road in Kalapara upazila.

Locals said a foreign company named China Seiko Company is constructing three-sluice gates from Alipur to Chapli Bazar on the Kalapara-Kuakata alternative road for drainage under the Coastal Embankment Development Project. Over 200 vehicles, including motorbikes and auto-rickshaws, plying the road got damaged due to lack of bricks on the under-construction sluice gates.

The gang, led by Kabir Panchayat, Halim, Md Sagir and his son Al Amin, have been collecting Tk 10 to Tk 30 as toll from each of the vehicles, alleged local people.

Md Rubel Khan, a motorcyclist, said he has to move from Kuakata to Kwar Char and Payra Port with tourists and local people almost all the time. He has to pay Tk 10 every time.

He added that "I had to pay more than Tk 2,000 in the last two months to cross the area. If we don't pay, we are not allowed to ply the road."

Auto-rickshaw driver Shahin said if he does not pay the money, the extortionists do not allow him to use the road and misbehave with him.



Motorcyclists and auto-rickshaw drivers fall prey to illegal toll collection on Kalapara-Kuakata alternative road in Patuakhali.

PHOTO: STAR

Another motorcyclist Rubel Mollah said they fell prey to illegal toll collection. The authority should look into this matter immediately.

Al-Amin, a member of the gang, said they have spent Tk 40,000 to set up the wooden planks on the road and facilitated the movement of vehicles. What is wrong with that?

Some local journalists told this correspondent that former union parishad (UP) member Md Shahalam Biswas said local Awami League leaders, police and Water Development Board (WDB) officials knew about the toll collection. None of them ever asked about it. Nobody has the power to stop the toll collection.

Contacted, Latachhapli UP Chairman Anshar

Uddin Mollah said he will not allow anyone to collect toll illegally from the vehicles by setting up wooden planks on the muddy road.

The chairman further said that he does not know anything about it.

Md Mojibur Rahman, engineer of the Coastal Embankment Development Project, said it is not their concern who collects tolls from vehicles here by setting up the planks of wood.

Md Moniruzzaman, officer-in-charge (OC) of Mohipur Police Station, said he is not aware of the illegal toll collection. There is no place for extortionists in the police station area.

Action will be taken against the culprits after investigation, said the OC.



After floodwaters receded, many of the fruit-bearing papaya trees started to die. The photo was taken recently in Jujkhola village of Pirojpur Sadar upazila.

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Invitation for Tenders

1	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Education		
2	Agency	University Grants Commission/ National University		
3	Procuring Entity Name	Principal, Kumira Mahila Degree College		
4	Procuring Entity Code	N/A		
5	Procuring Entity District	Dhaka		
6	Invitation for	Goods		
7	Invitation Ref No	Kmdc/cdp/33/G-03		
8	Date	09/09/2020		
KEY INFORMATION				
9	Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method (National)		
FUNDING INFORMATION				
10	Budget and Source of Funds	Development Budget (Government & IDA Credit)		
11	Development Partners	International Development Association (IDA), World Bank		
PARTICULAR INFORMATION				
12	Project Code	224017200		
13	Project Name	College Education Development Project (CEDP)		
14	Tender Package No.	G-03		
15	Tender Package Name	Procurement of Furniture and fixtures for The Classrooms, Library and Laboratories.		
16	Tender Publication Date	09/09/2020		
17	Tender Last Selling Date	28/09/2020		
18	Tender Closing Date and Time	29/09/2020 at 2:00pm		
19	Tender Opening Date and Time	29/09/2020 at 2:45pm		
20	Name & Address of the office			
	Selling Tender Document	Kumira Mahila Degree College		
	Receiving Tender Document	Kumira, Patkelghata, tala, Satkhira.		
	Opening Tender Document			
21	Place /Date/Time of Pre - Tender Meeting (Optional)	Will not be held		
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER				
22	Eligibility of Tenderer	1. The minimum years of general experience of the tenderer in the Supply of goods and related services as supplier is 03 (three) years. 2. The minimum Specific experience as Supplier in supply of similar goods of at least 01 (One) Contract successfully completed within the last 5 (Five) years with a value of at least TK. 15,00,000/- (Fifteen Lac). 3. The minimum amount of liquid assets i.e working capital or credit line(s) of the Tenderer shall be Tk 15,00,000/- (Fifteen Lac). 4. Other requirement mentioned in TDS and PCC.		
23	Brief Description of Goods or Works	Procurement of Furniture and fixtures for Seminar rooms, ICT Lab, Library, Laboratories, Classrooms and Departmental office rooms		
24	Brief Description of Related Services	Related service shall be in accordance with Section 4: Particular Conditions of Contract, Section 5, Section 6: Schedule of requirements, Section 7: Technical Specification		
25	Tender Document Price	BDT 1,500.00 (One Thousand Five Hundred)		
26	Tender Name	Location	Tender Security Amount(Tk)	Completion time in Months
	Procurement of Furniture and fixtures for The Classrooms, Library and Laboratories.	Kumira Mahila Degree College	50,000.00	8 weeks
27	Name of Official Inviting Tender	Lutfun Ara Zaman		
28	Designation of Official Inviting Tender	IDGM		
29	Address of Official Inviting Tender	Kumira Mahila Degree College, Kumira, Tala, Satkhira		
30	Contract Details of Official Inviting Tender	Tel: 01711383226	Tel: 01720529262	Tel: 01712447292
31	The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.			

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Sl. No.	Package No.	Tender ID	Name of work	Tender document last selling date & time	Tender closing date & time	Tender opening date & time
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	IUIDP-2/FUL/P-6	469570	Construction of RCC Drain, Cover Slab and outfall from Mymensingh Keshoregonj main road Valukjan Bazar Islamia Filling Station to Akhalia river at Ward No. 06 under Phulbaria Paurashava, District-Mymensingh (Ch. 00m-375m).			
2	IUIDP-2/FUL/P-7	471340	a) Rehabilitation of Carpeting Road from Chander Bazar Karaitola Road to Jabal-E-Nur Jame Masjid at Ward No. 5 under Fulbaria Paurashava, District-Mymensingh (Ch. 00m-500m). (b) Construction of RCC Road from Chander Bazar Dhamor Road Bilane Enamul's shop to Mostofa house at Ward No. 05 under Fulbaria Paurashava, District-Mymensingh (Ch. 00m-250m).			
3	IUIDP-2/FUL/P-8	471342	Construction of RCC Road from KI Senior Madrasa to late Rashid Member Road at Ward No. 08 under Fulbaria Paurashava, District-Mymensingh (Ch. 00m-410m).			
4	IUIDP-2/FUL/P-9	471344	(a) Improvement of Carpeting Road from Mohammad Ali house to Gouripur Purbo Para-Panjekhana Masjid at Ward No. 7 under Fulbaria Paurashava, District-Mymensingh (Ch. 00m-600m). (b) Rehabilitation of Carpeting road from Choudar main road to Hospital Main Gate at Ward No. 3 under Fulbaria Paurashava, District-Mymensingh (Ch. 00m-220m) [Salvaged amount Tk 4,84,979.00 will be deducted from bill].	29 September 2020 17:00	30 September 2020 13:00	30 September 2020 13:00
5	IUIDP-2/FUL/P-10	471345	(a) Construction of RCC road from Late Abdul Halim house road from Mr. Monju Mia house to Nuru Faraji house at Ward No. 02 under Fulbaria Paurashava, District-Mymensingh (Ch. 00m-95m). (b) Construction of RCC road from Late Abdul Halim house road from Moksed Ali Khan house to Fazul Haque house at Ward No. 02 under Fulbaria Paurashava, District-Mymensingh (Ch. 00m-100m). (c) Construction of RCC road from Ujanpara Jame Masjid to Abu Bakkar Siddik house at Ward No. 02 under Fulbaria Paurashava, District-Mymensingh (Ch. 00m-95m). (d) Rehabilitation of Carpeting Road from Bot Tola Krishi Bank Road to Post Office Road Girls' School Moar at Ward No. 03 under Fulbaria Paurashava, District-Mymensingh (Ch. 00m-240m) (e) Rehabilitation of Carpeting Road from Poschim Bazar Moar to New Paurashava at Ward No. 03 under Fulbaria Paurashava, District-Mymensingh (00m-400m). [Salvaged amount Tk 1,98,283.00 will be deducted from bill].			

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