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200-year-old twin temples in sorry states

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

The two-century-old twin temples, Shree Shree Anandamoyee Shiva and Kali Mata Mandir, in Mymensingh's Muktagachha upazila is in dilapidated state for decades, thanks to the indifference of the authorities concerned.

Built in 1820 by Shreemoti Bimola Devi, mother of zaminder Maharaja Shashikanta Acharya Chowdhury, the twin-temple is awaiting the loss of its architectural beauty as any steps are yet to be taken to renovate it.

Another such temple is located in Kolkata of West Bengal, said Nayan Kumar Dey, president of the temple committee.

Located outside the palaces of Muktagachha zaminders in Kalibari area, the temple is also known as "Dhaksinashar Mandir" where religious functions including Durga Puja and sacrificial activities on the occasion of Kali and Monosha puja are held. It is oblong in shape with conical shape tops and small corridors on a high basement which is connected to the staircase leading to a large pond.

Special puja is also held during every full moon and new moon and on the occasion of

Pahela Baishakh, said Nayan.

But it is the sign of utter negligence of authorities concerned for decades as the country's lone historic twin-temple has not been renovated yet, said Alok Saha, a member of the committee.

Plants have also grown on the temples and there is no initiative even to clean the temples and cracked developed on the temples' roof in recent years, said devotee Alok, 65.

The Department of Archaeology (DoA) under the Ministry of Cultural Affairs in 1993 listed the temple as an archaeological site for its proper preservation but nothing has been done yet.

DoA has taken charge of the temples but it had not taken a single step in the last 27 years, alleged local devotees.

On April 5 in 2006, the department has put up a signboard only to show its presence, said 71-year-old Dilip Saha, another member of the temple committee.

"We saw the temple in fine state in our boyhood where worships were held in flamboyant style but the present sorry state

really saddened us much", said 72-year-old Dipak Kundu, also a member of the temple committee.

Devotees from home and abroad visit the temple on different occasions like Durga Puja, Kattiyani Puja, and Kali and Manasha Puja every year. Local people belonging to Hindu community, both male and female who throng to the pond for taking bath all the day also perform their daily worship at the temples.

As the present state minister for Cultural Affairs KM Khalid Babu is from Muktagachha, they are very hopeful of early renovation of the temple, said the local devotees.

According to sources, there are also some other ancient temples in and outside the district. These temples are also in pity state but no renovation work is done yet.

The temples include 'Tin Shib-er Mandir', 'Rajrajeswari Mandir' and the 'Bura Shib-er Mandir' in Muktagachha.

Contacted, Rakhi Roy, regional director of Department of Archeology, said a team of the department visited the temples on July 6. The renovation work may start this year.

Remains of warplane recovered in Lalmonirhat

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Lalmonirhat

Some metal parts of a warplane have been unearthed while a farmer was digging his farmland in Lalmonirhat Sadar upazila on Friday.

The spot where from the remains of the warplane have been recovered is about one kilometre off the unused airfield at Mahendranagar and Harati in Lalmonirhat Sadar upazila. Locals from different villages have been gathering there to see the recovered parts of warplane.

Additional police have been deployed there to control the crowd, said Shaha Alam, officer-in-charge (OC) of Lalmonirhat Sadar Police Station.

Farmer Rezaul Islam said he went to dig his land for cultivation in Budhar Bansheral area of Mahendranagar union on Friday afternoon and some remains of the warplane were unearthed as he continued digging.

Later, he informed the local administration, police and air force in this regard, said Rezaul.

The air force has started digging the plot to recover the rest parts of the wreckage warplane. Curious crowds are flocking to see the recovered parts of the warplane.

There was British air base about one kilometre away from the spot, which was



set up on eleven hundred acres of land during World War II and is no longer being used. It is assumed that the warplane had crashed during the war in the area.

Bangladesh Air Force (BAF) sources said they were digging the plot to unearth the remains of the warplane. The area will be kept under the control of BAF.

Hundreds of people from different areas have been gathering at the site to have a look at the remains of the warplane, said police.

Police personnel have been deployed in the area to keep the curious crowds at bay and maintain law and order situation, said the OC.

The remains of the warplane unearthed so far are now in custody of BAF, he added.



A metal part of the warplane, above, recovered in Lalmonirhat Sadar upazila on Friday. Bangladesh Air Force was digging the farmland to unearth the remains of the warplane.

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People of different villages surrounding the Burir Bandh (dam) area in Thakurgaon Sadar upazila catch fish in a festive mood. The photo was taken on Saturday.

PHOTO: QUAMRUL ISLAM RUBAIYAT

Body recovered

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Benapole

Police recovered the body of a homeopath doctor from Chitra river in Jashore's Bagharpara upazila of the district early Saturday.

The deceased, Khairul Islam, 45, was son late Ahmed Ali of Lebutala area in Sadar upazila.

Victim's son Raihan Hossain said his father went out of his house on Friday afternoon and did not return home.

Police said a pedestrian spotted Khairul's body floating in the river and informed them.

One to die, 2 get life term for murder

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jamalpur

A Jamalpur court yesterday sentenced a man to death and two others to life term imprisonment in a case for killing a youth in 2011.

The death row convict is Mahbubur Rahman, son of Nabab of Koraitar village in Islampur upazila, while the lifers are Monir, son of Nur Mohammad of Majhbanda village, and Babu, son of Sultan of Gobindapur village in Melandah upazila.

According to the prosecution, Mahbubur called Ziaul Haque, who used to drive motorcycle on rental basis and a resident of Dharmakura village in Islampur, out of his house on October 5 in 2011.

The following morning, Ziaul was found dead at a paddy field at Charailard village in Melandah upazila.

Victim's wife Beauty Begum filed a murder case Melandah Police Station the same day. Later, police detained Mahbubur, who confessed his involvement in the murder.

Drug addict kills father

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Tangail

A drug addict youth killed his father allegedly for money in Ghatail upazila on Saturday night.

The deceased, Somes Uddin, 55, was a resident of Hengarchala village.

Police detained the alleged killer Hasu Miah.

Locals said Hasu, who was tied to a pole by his family members, used to torture his parents for money.

Hasu entered his father's room around 9:00pm and killed him with a sharp weapon, police said.

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 Contract No. and Title: Framework Agreement(s): Procurement of Medicines

Sl. No.	Bid Document Reference	Amendments
1.	Clause ITB 1.2 (m) or (u) of Section 2: Bid Data Sheet: The Procuring Agency intends to conclude a Framework Agreements with a minimum number of Bidders 10 for each item(s)	'The Procuring Agency intends to conclude a Framework Agreements with a minimum number of Bidders 10'
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3.	Invitation for Bids: Deadline for Submission of Bids: 22 October 2020 at 14:00 hours (Bangladesh Standard Time)	Deadline for Submission of Bids: 12 November 2020 at 14:00 hours (Bangladesh Standard Time)

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Girl rescued in unconscious state

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bagerhat

Police rescued a female student in an unconscious state, with her hands and legs tied, from a roadside bush near SM Sultan Complex in Kurigram area of Narail town on Saturday night.

The 23-year-old victim, also a third-year student of Accounting Department at Narail Government Victoria College and a resident of Chanchuri union under Kalia upazila of the district, is now undergoing treatment Narail Sadar Hospital the same night.

After gaining her consciousness yesterday morning, the girl told police that she boarded on a rickshaw-van from Rupganj area around 12:00pm on Saturday to go home.

Later, all she remembered is someone touched a handkerchief to her face and she became senseless, Officer in Charge of Sadar Police Station Illias Hossain said.

The girl's father filed a case with Sadar Police Station in this connection accusing some unidentified people the same night.

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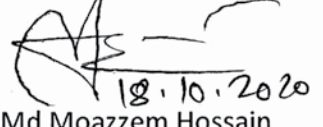
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