

Upazila roundup

MYMENSINGH

Training course on agricultural journalism ends

From Our BAU Correspondent
June 21: The two-week long training course on agricultural journalism concluded yesterday (Thursday) at Graduate Training Institute, Mymensingh.

MUNSHIGANJ

Long-term plan to combat river erosion

June 21: Agriculture, Irrigation, Water Development and Flood Control Minister M Majid-ul-Haq yesterday said short and long-term programmes will be taken up from the onset of next dry-season to combat river erosion all over the country, reports BSS.

BOGRA

200 dwellings washed away

June 21: About 200 dwelling houses at Sariakandi upazila were washed away by the continuous erosion of the river Jamuna over the last four days, reports UNB.

COMILLA

Smuggled medicines recovered

June 21: Police recovered six hundred bottles of Indian Phenyldyle Syrup worth about Taka 10,000 from the Badsha Mia bazar in the town, reports UNB.

NARAIL

Chicken pox breaks out

June 21: Chicken pox has broken out in an alarming proportion in the town here creating panic among the people, reports UNB.

Kutchra latrines

Lack of sewerage system or sanitary latrines causing health hazards to the people of the pourashava area.

There are innumerable kutchra latrines constructed by the side of the public roads which have no service facilities provided by the pourashava.

GAZIPUR

New HYV cotton, maize developed

June 21: Bangladesh Agricultural Research Institute (BARI) has developed and approved two High-Yielding Variety (HYV) of cotton and maize named Cotton 'Ava' and Maize 'Mohar' recently.

It is gathered that about 41,000 bales of cotton are produced every year in the country and 3.50 lakhs bales are imported per year.

SHERPUR

Flood grips two Uz

June 21: Fresh flood gripped again Jhenaidah and Sreebordi upazilas with the rise of water level in the river Shumeswari, Maharoshi and Kornajura due to heavy downpour and onrush of hilly waters, reports UNB.

Meanwhile, prices of essentials have shot up due to heavy downpour. A section of unscrupulous businessmen have allegedly been creating artificial scarcity of essentials to earn maximum profit.

KHULNA

Cyclone shelters in Sundarbans demanded

June 21: Thousands of fishermen and wood cutters have been living in Sundarbans without the security of life in time of cyclone and tidal surge, reports UNB.



Only two days are left for Eid-ul-Azha. Cattle markets are yet to be crowded with adequate sacrificial animals. The price is higher than that of the last year due to stringent measures taken by the government to stop smuggling along the border.

Engineer sued by overseas job seeker

From Our Correspondent
KISHOREGANJ, June 21: A case has been filed against two persons including the Executive Engineer, Local Government Engineering Bureau (LGEB), Kishoreganj with the Sadar upazila Magistrate Court for their alleged involvement in embezzling money by cheating one Shahjahan Saju of Tarapasha in Kishoreganj town on May 29 last.

Teacher-guardian cooperation to check copying sought

From Our Correspondent
MAULVI BAZAR, June 21: A meeting of Principals of different Colleges under greater Sylhet district was held at Sylhet Government Women's College auditorium on June 14.

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The meeting also stressed the need for maintaining a congenial academic atmosphere in all educational institutions to ensure proper pursuit of learning by the students.

The rich urged to help orphans

RAJSHAHI, June 21: State Minister for LGRD and Cooperatives Kabir Hossain today called upon the elite of the society to come forward with help for the distressed orphans for making them worthy citizens of the country, reports BSS.

Traffic jams hamper business activities

KHULNA, June 21: The normal business activities in the town faces a jolt when chaotic traffic creates frequent jams at different points, reports UNB.

Notes from C'nawabganj

From Our Correspondent
CHAPAINAWABGANJ, June 21: About 400 cases are lying pending in the courts of Nanchoul upazila due to shortage of judges and magistrates for the last two years.

Titas Gas goes to Mymensingh in Sept

From Our BAU Correspondent
MYMENSINGH, June 21: Mymensingh town will get Titas Gas supply from September this year with the completion of Brahmaputra Basin Project now being executed at a cost of Taka 322 crores, according to the Titas Gas and Transmission source.

Satkhira Maternity centre needs care

From Our Correspondent
SATKHIRA, June 21: Satkhira Maternity and Child Welfare Centre is beset with manifold problems since long. As a result expectant mothers and children are being deprived of proper medicare.

Prices of building materials up

BARGUNA, June 21: Construction of new houses and repair of old ones here are being hampered in five upazilas of the district due to acute shortage of building materials, reports UNB.

Housewife beaten to death for dowry

JHENIDAH, June 21: A family discord over dowry brought the tragic end of a housewife at Bankira village in Sadar upazila, police said here on Tuesday, reports UNB.



Finance and Planning Minister M Saifur Rahman addressing a public meeting at Sreemangol on Wednesday last.

Mismanagement in all key sectors cause of losses: Saifur

MOULVIBAZAR, June 21: Minister for Finance and Planning M. Saifur Rahman yesterday said that the sense of responsibility and accountability should be established in all key sectors to change the lot of common man through implementing various welfare programmes of the government, reports BSS.

He said different key sectors like railway, electricity and jute were incurring loss of crores of Taka every year because of mismanagement and lack of responsibility. Besides, he said, corruption had been rooted deep everywhere to cripple the national economy.

The Minister said the present government was pledged to establish a government accountable to the people. The government puts due emphasis and priority on education, health, village based development, agriculture and

industries, the Minister said adding that specific provisions were kept in the new budget for these purposes.

Earlier, the Minister visited the Manu barrage and the flood affected areas here and distributed relief materials among the affected people. He also visited the local Mahila College and the old and new collectorate buildings.

Two jailed
The District and Sessions Judge Azizur Rahman in a recent judgement awarded Parul and Piroz 10 years rigorous imprisonment and a fine of taka ten thousand each in default to suffer another one year imprisonment for robbery.