

Two Shanti Bahini men surrender

CHITTAGONG, June 28: Two tribal insurgents surrendered to security forces at Ruma in Chittagong Hill Tracts on June 25, an official source said here today, reports BSS.

So-called corporals Ratan Chakma and Oshim Kumar Chakma surrendered to the security forces while they were on a night patrol. They also surrendered one SMC, one A R rifle, and 25 rounds of ammunition.

The two insurgents said they were disillusioned with the activities of the so-called Shanti Bahini, the members of which were engaged in rivalry and quarrel among themselves.

Comptroller of Sonargaon Hotel dead

Comptroller of the Sonargaon Hotel Ferdous R. Aolad, the eldest son of late Aolad Hossain of "Pari Mahal" 35, Mirpur Road, Dhaka died on June 26 following a massive heart attack on June 19 whilst attending a Management Course at Cornell University, New York. He was 49, says a press release.

Educated in the United Kingdom, Aolad joined Sonargaon Hotel in 1981 as Credit Manager. He was later appointed as Comptroller of the hotel.

He left behind his widow, four sons, mother, one brother, three sisters and scores of friends, colleagues and well-wishers to mourn his death. The management and staff of Sonargaon Hotel held a Milad-Mahfil Thursday in the hotel's Ballroom.



Date and time of Namaz-i-Janaza and the burial will be informed as soon as the body arrives in Dhaka.

His body will arrive Dhaka on Sunday morning by Bgo04 and the Namaz-i-Janaza will be held on the same day at the Baitul Mamur Mosque of Elephant Road after the Johr Prayer.

Chelum of Ilias held

Milad mahfil and Quran Khwani marking the chelum of Awami League leader and ex-MP Ilias Ahmed Chowdhury were held at his Dhanmondi residence Friday, reports UNB.

Speaker Abdur Rahman Biswas and Leader of the Opposition in Parliament Sheikh Hasina were among others present on the occasion.

Awami League central leaders and workers, friends and relatives of the deceased also attended the milad mahfil held after Asr prayer and prayed for the salvation of the departed soul.



Workers are unloading hides and skin, brought in from different areas of the country, for processing at Hajaribagh tannery in the city on Friday. — Star photo

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By Staff Correspondent

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PROGRAMME Asiatic Society

The monthly general meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bangladesh will be held today (Saturday) at 5 pm in the seminar room of the Society at 5, old Secretariat Road, Nimali, Lufar Rahman Sarkar, Executive President, Islami Bank Bangladesh Ltd will deliver a talk on "Problems and Prospects of Banking Sector in Bangladesh".

Discussion on Madhusudan Bangla Academy in observance of death anniversary of poet Michael Madhusudan Dutta will hold a discussion today (Saturday) at the academy seminar room at 4 pm.

Manjure-Maola will present a key-note paper while Prof. Mamtazuddin Ahmed and Dr Siddika Mahmuda will take part in the discussion.

'BJP hatching conspiracy to ignite anew communalism'

A Hindu organisation and two political parties have strongly condemned the renewed pledge of Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) to build Ram Mandir on the site of historic Babri Mosque at Ayodhya of India, reports BSS.

Sudhir Chandra Sarker, President of Bangladesh Tafshil Jati Federation, in a statement on Thursday said that BJP was now hatching a conspiracy to ignite anew communal riots in traditional democratic and secular country of India by its pledge to building Ram Mandir on the historic Babri Masjid site.

"The minority Muslims as well as the Harijans and other scheduled castes are always victims of casteism in India," he said adding that the high-caste Hindus were leading these people into an impasse by various atrocities depriving them of equal democratic rights.

Sarker expressed his deep concern at this renewed step of the fundamentalist BJP and said this party was out to destroy the traditional democratic values of India in collaboration with the foreign hands to hit the sentiment of the Muslims.

He urged the new Prime Minister P V Narashima Rao to ensure all protection to the Muslims by taking all-out measures on an emergency basis in this hour of renewed threat given by the BJP. He also urged the Indian government to protect Babri Mosque from any attack by the Hindu revivalists.

Secretary General of Jamaat-e-Islami, Bangladesh, Moulana Matiuur Rahman Nizami, MP, in a statement said that the BJP had challenged the "Iman-Aquida" of the world Muslims by its renewed threat to build Ram Mandir on Babri Masjid site.

"This suicidal decision is clearly an evil design engineered by the Hindu revivalist BJP to ignite communal riots all over India," Nizami, who is also the Leader of the Jamaat Parliamentary Groups, said.

He urged the Indian government to keep BJP away from such a heinous design, stop atrocities on Kashmiri Muslims and comply with their "demand for independence."

Wahiduzzaman, Secretary General of Pragatishil Ganatantrik Shakti, in a statement said that the decision to build Ram Mandir on Babri Masjid site was a cruel design of BJP to an axe blow on the sentiments of the world Muslims.

He urged the Indian government to stop such a conspiracy to erase the Muslim history and tradition from the soil of India. He also sounded a note of caution that the world Muslims would never stand silent in the face of any attempt to destroy the Babri Mosque.

Zaman also expressed his deep concern at the killing of two others by firing by the members of Border Security Force of India at Meherpur.

He said that killing and looting by the BSF men in the border areas had become almost order of the day.

He demanded of the Bangladesh government to take effective measures to stop such aggressive activities in the border areas.

Our Staff Correspondent adds: Nur Alam Jiku and Prof Humatun Kabir, President and General Secretary respectively of Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal (JSD-Rob) expressed concern at the renewed promise of revivalist political party Bharatiya Janata Party to replace the ancient Babri Mosque by a temple in a town of Uttar Pradesh.

In a joint statement issued on Friday they urged all the peace-loving people of India to resist such violent action.

Bangladesh Hindu, Boudha, Christian Oikya Parishad Friday unequivocally condemned the renewed promise of Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) to build Ram Mandir on the site of the historic Babri Masjid at Ayodhya in India.

"We are afraid that such a step will increasingly flare up communalism and fundamentalist activities on the soil of secular India," the parishad said in a statement issued in Dhaka Friday.

The parishad also hoped that the Indian government and other democratic and secular forces there would be able to resist such a heinous move of the BJP. "We believe that all problems like religious conflicts or tension could be solved through democratic process," the parishad said in the statement.

It also urged upon the government and other democratic secular forces here to remain alert against creation of any communal tension on this excuse.

Chittagong Regional Branch Jatiyotabadi Samik Dal President, A M Nazim Uddin and General Secretary Anwar Hussain today expressed grave concern over fresh move to build Ram Mandir at the historic Babri Masjid site at Aydha by Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP).

In a statement here, they said the move is a conspiracy to damage communal harmony.

First return flight of Hajis arrives

The first return flight of ballottee Hajis arrived in Dhaka Friday with 301 Hajis including a large number of women, reports BSS.

Secretary of Religious Affairs, AZM Shamsul Haque, and senior functionaries of Haj office received the Hajis. All the Hajis were hail and hearty except one.

This year 1277 ballottee Hajis performed Haj under government supervision. The Religious Affairs Secretary asked the Hajis to give in writings their comments on government management of Haj and advise how to improve it further both to Haj office and the ministry.

Most Hajis mentioned that arrangements were better this year than the past, but added that there were scope for further improvement.

The first flight with ballottee Hajis left Dhaka on June 1.

Apex Foundation distributes books

Apex Bangladesh Foundation distributed different text books worth about Taka 15,000 among 62 distressed students who lost their books when a tornado hit some upazilas of Gazipur district recently, says a Press release.

The foundation members collected the amount from themselves, Md Shahidullah, President of the ABF, Mostafa Maksudur Rahman VP of National Bank Dilkusha Branch and member of ABF and Md Mahfujur Rahman, Treasurer of ABF distributed 62 sets text books among 62 distressed students of village Naogore in Gazipur district.

BRCS city unit executives

Mir Moqbul Hossain and Mahibul Alam Swapan were elected Vice-Chairman and Secretary of the Executive Committee of Dhaka City Unit of Bangladesh Red Crescent Society at its general meeting held in Dhaka.

Other members of the committee elected for the next year are: Alhaj Nazir Hossain, Abul Kashem, Mostafa Kamal, Begum Rashida Qoraisy, and Mr Nurunnabi.

The Mayor of Dhaka City Corporation Mirza Abbas is the ex-office.

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Members of Chandina Lions Sangha, Daudkandi, brought out a truck procession in the city on Friday in protest against the attack on Nuruzzaman, a social worker — Star photo

BNP constitution to be amended

State Minister for Information Md Nurul Huda has said BNP was amending its party constitution in favour of parliamentary democracy to pay due respect to hopes and aspirations of the people and political parties, reports UNB.

Addressing the inauguration ceremony of a fish project at Shikirchar in Matlab Friday, he said the government will place the constitution amendment bill before the Sangsad in this regard within four days.

Huda said BNP wanted development of the country through making best use of the available limited resources and urged the unemployed youth of the society to come forward with self-employed projects with local resources.

The fish project, first of its kind in the country, is situated on the embankment side of Meghna-Dhonaogad project covering an area of about 44 acres of land.

Constructed by the Fisheries Department on experimental basis, the project has all elements for normal growth of fish.

Joint Chief of Planning Division of Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock, Lokman Ahmed, presided over the inauguration function which was addressed, among others, by Alam Khan MP and Md Atiqullah, President of Matlab upazila unit of BNP.

Publication ceremony

By Staff Correspondent

The publication ceremony of 'Prescription', a magazine on health and medical science will be held today (Saturday) at Hotel Sheraton at 5 pm.

Minister for Education and Culture, Prof Badruddoza Chowdhury, will be the chief guest of the function.

Barrister Motul Hossain, Minister for Health, Chowdhury Kamal ibne Yusuf, State Minister for Information, Md Nurul Huda, President of BPUJ Reazuddin Ahmed and Managing Director of Philips, Bangladesh Ltd L P C Lukar will be the special guests.

Tk 1.11 cr donated to PM's Relief Fund

Different organisations and individuals donated Taka 1,10,62,791 to Prime Minister's Relief Fund, reports BSS.

Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia received the donations at her Sugandha office Friday evening.

Those, donated included the Bahai International Community, Gabtali Degree College, Kathakali Sangeet Biddayalay, Upazila Parishad, Utirpur, Bangladesh Merchant Marine officers Association, Dr. Sheikh Akbar Ali and Messrs A. R. Qureshi, Noor Ahmed and S. Sufilar.

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SMCH..... 505194-8	Airport Customs 894485
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Holy Family... 325150-4	Air France 251900
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	259594
DMP Exchange 410061-5	Air India 500070-1
Control Room... 509922	Alitalia 238144
Telephone Inquiry Central..... 239900	Biman 240151-10
	254656
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Brunei people have good feeling for Bangladeshis

State Minister for Labour and Manpower Barrister Rafiqul Islam Mia Friday stressed the need for exploring the possibilities of job opportunities for Bangladeshis in Brunei, reports BSS.

In a meeting with the visiting Deputy Minister for Culture Youth and Sports of Brunei Darussalam Haji Selamat Bin Haji Munap in Dhaka, the State Minister added that Bangladesh has sufficient skilled and semi-skilled manpower to export.

Salamat who is leading an 18-member delegation to Bangladesh said that Brunei people had good feeling for Bangladeshis working in Brunei.

Barrister Islam thanked the government of Brunei through Munap for its assistance to Bangladesh.

Haji Selamat assured the State Minister that he would convey the message and try to help in taking Bangladeshi workers to Brunei.

The meeting was attended, among others, by Maj General Muzammel Hussain.

Sales-Purchase-Tender & Employment News

Tender

(1) General Manager (Procurement), Bangladesh Textile Mills Corporation, Procurement Department, Bastra Bhaban, 7-9 Kawan Bazar, Dhaka —1215, invites sealed tenders from C&F agents for clearing and forwarding of Raw Cotton Bales, Machinery, Spares and Other Stores imported by BTMC through Chittagong Port. Tender documents available from Office of Chief Accountant, BTMC, Bastra Bhaban, 7-9 Kawan Bazar, Dhaka and General Manager, BTMC Shipping Office, Jahan Building, 79, Agrabad C/A, Chittagong. Tenders will be received upto 11.00 am of 15.7.91.

(2) Engineer-in-Chief/East, Bangladesh Railway, Chittagong invites sealed tenders from only "C" Class Contractors of Bangladesh Railway for Earth work of Rail Line connection between Railway Training Academy, Haliahahar, Chittagong and Chittagong Port yard under CIDA Rail-II Programme. Tender documents available from the office of the Executive Engineer/Project/Chittagong and Executive Engineer/Project/Bridge/Dhaka upto 15.7.91. Tenders must be dropped in the tender boxes of aforesaid offices on 16.7.91 within 12.00 hrs.

(3) Gafra-Habib Limited, Barabkunda, Chittagong invites sealed quotations from bonafide Carrying Contractors for carrying of materials from different points of the city. Tender schedule available from Controller of Accounts and Finance, Bangladesh Jute Mills Corporation, Adamiye Court, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka; General Manager (A&F), Bangladesh Jute Mills Corporation, Chittagong Zone, 99-Agrabad C/A, Chittagong and Manager (A&F), Gafra-Habib Ltd., Barabkunda, Chittagong. Last date of submission of quotation 15.7.91 upto 2.30 pm.

(4) Deputy General Manager, Janata Bank, Head Office, Computer Division, 110, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka invites sealed tenders from reputed manufacturer/supplier/dealer for supply, installation and commissioning of Micro-Computer, alongwith customised application software package for automation. Tender schedule available from the above office from 6.7.91 to 11.7.91. Tenders must be submitted within 2.00 pm of 31.7.91.

(5) Development Design Consultants Ltd., 23, New Eskaton Road, Dhaka-1000 invites applications in prescribed form from Contractors for prequalification of Contractors for Construction of Bridges and Culverts in Nagarkanda, Madhukhali, Balisakandi, Alamdanga, Shaikupa, Sreepur, Gournadi, Rajpur and Bhoi Sader upazilas under 1980-1983. Prescribed form available from the above office upto 19th July, 1991 and will be received upto 3.00 pm of 21st July, 1991. Same office.

(6) Managing Director, Polish Fertilizer Factory Ltd., Polish, Narsingdi. Tenders will be received upto 11-00 am of 17.7.91.

(7) Amin Jute Mills Ltd., Solehaer, Chittagong invites sealed tenders from bonafide business-men/manufacturers and suppliers for supply of Spare Parts of Motor Vehicles. Tender documents available from the office of (1) Controller (Accounts), B.J.M.C., Head Office, Dhaka; (2) Additional General Manager (A&F), B.J.M.C., Chittagong Zone, Agrabad Satter Chamber, Chittagong; (3) Deputy General Manager (A&F), Amin Jute Mills Ltd., Solehaer, Chittagong. Tenders should be dropped in the tender box kept at B.J.M.C., Chittagong Zone, 2nd floor Satter Chamber and Deputy General Manager (Admin.) at Mill Office upto 2.30 pm of 7.7.91.

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Office of the Project Director, Beel & Baor
Fisheries Dev. & Management Project
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Tender No. 19/1990-91 Dated: 19/7/91
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Notice Inviting Tender

1. Sealed Tenders in B.D. Form No. 2911 are hereby invited from the reputed Govt./Semi Govt. or autonomous bodies enlisted class-I contractor/firms for the undermentioned works. The Tender documents will be received by the undersigned as well as Director, Department of Fisheries, Matshya Bhaban, (Implementation Section), Dhaka upto 12.00 Noon on 31.7.91 and will be opened on the same day at 12.30 P.M. in presence of the tenderers or their authorised representative who may like to remain present. Each tender shall be in a sealed cover with the name of work superscribed on it.

Name of work	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Time of completion
Construction of H.B.B. pavement and pipe culvert on approach road Benapole High-way to Bahadurpur Baor, Upazilla-Sarsa, Jessore.	85,02,727.00	1,70,055.00	5 (five) months

2. Contract documents consisting of Notice Inviting Tender, B.D. Form No. 2911, schedule of items, conditions of contracts, specification etc. can be seen and obtained from the office of the undersigned as well as Director, Department of Fisheries, Matshya Bhaban Implementation Section, Dhaka during office hour on all working days on payment of Tk. 750/- (non-refundable) upto 28.7.91 production of the following documents duly attested by the 1st class gazetted officer.

(a) Enlistment letter/book as contractor of the department renewed upto 30.6.91.

(b) Work order and successful completion certificate of similar nature of work costing at least Tk 35.00 lakh during last 5 yrs.

3. Earnest money as mentioned in S1 No 1 in Bank Draft/Pay Order/C D from any schedule Bank pledged in favour of the undersigned must accompany each tender.

4. Rate quoted in the tender, quotation of rates which is less by more than 5% of schedule of rates, must be furnished 5% special security of estimated cost in addition to earnest money as performance security in the form of the Bank Draft/Pay Order from schedule Bank in favour of undersigned along with the tender failing which his/their tender will be declared informal and will be summarily rejected.

5. The authority reserve the right to accept any/or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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