

Upazila roundup

GAZIPUR

Erratic power supply

May 26: Irregular power supply and voltage fluctuation in the town have been hampering productions in mills and factories and causing untold suffering to the dwellers, reports UNB.

Many deep tubewells and power pumps remain inoperative most of the time due to frequent power failure and load shedding. As a result, production has come down to an alarming proportion.

In the absence of proper irrigation facilities due to the disruption vast irri-boro croplands are worst affected.

Guardians also complained that frequent power disconnection and load shedding have been hampering the study of the ongoing SSC examinees greatly.

Another report adds: About 400 shallow tubewells in Kali-akor Upazila have been rendered inoperative owing to unusual fall in ground water level due to persisting dry spell.

As a result, scarcity of drinking water has become acute in the district. People are forced to collect water from ponds and canals to meet their household needs.

SATKHIRA

Tagore's birth anniversary observed

From Our Correspondent May 26: The 131st birth anniversary of poet Rabindranath Tagore was observed here recently.

To mark the occasion, Satkhira Nazrul Academy arranged a discussion meeting and cultural function at its office premises.

Hafizur Rahman presided over the function while Sheikh Akbar Hossain, Principal, Satkhira City College, was present as chief guest. Prof Abdul Hamid and Advocate Abdur Rouf also spoke on the occasion.

After the discussion meeting, Satkhira Sangskritik Parishad arranged a cultural function. Tithi, Laila Bashir, Laxmi, Shampa, Runa, Snigdha, Salma, Bachchu, Monju and Jahangir participated at the cultural function.

SYLHET

One killed in clash over harvesting paddy

From Our Correspondent May 26: One was killed in a clash at village Baliai under Chhatak Upazila of Sunamganj district over harvesting of paddy recently.

According to the reports, at about 10 am on the day of incident, Habibur Rahman went to his land for harvesting and saw some part of the land being harvested earlier. Then he asked the owner of the adjacent plot about the matter and there ensued an exchange of hot words. At one stage, the opponent person hit him with a lethal weapon on his abdomen.

He was immediately taken to the Kattak Health Centre and later he was sent to the Sylhet MAG Osmany Medical College Hospital. There he died.

A case in this connection had been registered with the Chhatak police station. Post-mortem on the body had been performed in the Sylhet MAG Osmany Medical College Hospital.

COMILLA

Father kills daughter

From Our Correspondent May 26: An agitated father killed his daughter (6 months) at village Amarpur under Chandina Upazila of the district recently.

According to the report, on the day of incident he took his baby from his wife forcibly and killed her near the house.

It is learnt that he killed her baby because he did not want any more daughter where he had other three daughters. Police recovered the body and arrested him. A case has been lodged with Chandina PS in this regard.

Another report adds: One Mariam Bibi (18), wife of Abdur Razzak of village Chaikut under Chandina Upazila of the district allegedly committed suicide by hanging herself from a tree recently.

The reason behind the suicide is yet to be ascertained immediately. A case has been filed with Chandina police station in this regard.

MANIKGANJ

Erosion renders 750 families homeless

May 26: About 750 families of two upazilas of Manikganj and Tangail districts were rendered homeless due to continuous erosion of the river Jamuna over the last one week, reports UNB.

According to official sources, standing crops on about 400 acres of land of these areas were devoured by the river during the period.

About 400 families of Borotiya, Amtali and Lawtara villages of Daulatpur Upazila of Manikganj district were rendered homeless.

The rampaging river rendered 350 families destitute by swallowing their homesteads at Doctorpara, Fuchpur and Dartyar villages in Nagarpur Upazila of Tangail district.

The homeless people urged the authorities to take necessary measures for their early rehabilitation.

FARIDPUR

3 held with revolver

From Our Correspondent May 26: Three persons were arrested with arms from Dhaka-bound Khulna bus recently.

The arrested persons were Sirajul Islam Biplob (25) of Nayatola, Dhaka, Nazrul Islam (24) of Boalmari Upazila of Faridpur and Khakchi Lion (26), a Myanmar national. Police said an India made revolver was recovered from their possession.

Another report adds: One Mihir Mondol (30) allegedly committed suicide by taking sleeping pills at local residential hotel recently.

It is learnt that the victim was a photographer and owner of a photo studio.

The body was sent to Faridpur General Hospital for post-mortem. A case was registered with police in this regard.

CHANDPUR

AL council unit meet held

May 26: Awami League leader Zillur Rahman alleged that the BNP government was maintaining close entente with the anti-liberation forces in the country, reports UNB.

He was addressing the biennial council of the district Awami League at the town hall here Sunday.

He blamed BNP for rehabilitating the razzaks who opposed the independence of the country in 1971. Zillur Rahman said the present government failed to combat terrorism in the country and questioned how the Shibir activists got rocket launchers.

He said the ruling party is trying to tarnish the image of Awami League. He asked BNP leaders to explain what type of conspiracy is being hatched against the present government.

NARAYANGANJ

BSD rally held

May 26: Bangladesh Samajtantrik Dal (BSD) leader Khalequzzaman Bhuiyan urged the government to implement the March 26 verdict of Gano Adalat (people's court) recently, reports UNB.

"Gano Adalat is internationally recognised... such a court becomes inevitable when a government fails to try war criminals," he told a rally of the district unit BSD at the Diamond Square here this morning.

Criticising the present government, he said it is carrying on a planned propaganda against the Gano Adalat which pronounced that Golam Azam is punishable to death for his war crimes in 1971.

Presided by local BSD leader Abdul Mannan, the rally was also addressed by Hazlur Rashid Foroz, G M Faruque and Mahbubur Rahman Ismail.

JAMALPUR

9 kg ganja recovered

From Our Correspondent May 26: Police recovered nine kgs of ganja worth about Taka fifty thousand from Bakshiganj Upazila of the district, recently.

Acting on secret information, police launched an operation at Misapara village and arrested two persons with 9 kgs of ganja.

A case has been filed in this connection. Another report adds: McLandah thana police arrested two cow-lifters from village Beltoli recently.



SYLHET: A religious procession was brought out at the town by the devotees during the two-day long Urs Mubarak of the great saint Hajrat Shahjalal (RA). — Star photo

Urs of Hajrat Shahjalal ends

From Our Correspondent

SYLHET, May 26: The two-day-long Urs mubarak of the great saint Hajrat Shahjalal (RA) commemorating his death anniversary was concluded here on Sunday with due respect and religious fervour.

The two-day-long programmes include, Ziarat of Majar, Quran Khwani, Milad Mahfil, Fateha Khani, Zikir-Ajker, Placing of Oilaf, Special prayers and distribution of tobarak.

The programmes concluded with the Akheri Munajat at about 3 am and distribution of tobarak after fazar prayer.

Thousands of people from different parts of the country attended the various programmes at the premises of the majar, and adjacent mosque.

Neglected upazilas of Jamalpur dist

From Our Correspondent

SHERPUR, May 26: The five upazilas of the district are beset with manifold problems causing immense sufferings to the people.

Inadequate educational facilities, lack of proper utility services, civic amenities, and communication facilities, absence of irrigation and flood control programmes obstructing the overall development of the district.

According to the former DDC of the Greater Jamalpur District and present Member of Parliament from Sreebordi-Jeenaigathi Constituency, Dr Shtrajul Haque, the district is lagging behind absence of any pragmatic development programme.

Sherpur district having agricultural potentialities and some other natural resources contributes significantly to the national economy. The district produces high qualities of jute, various paddy and others quality rubrics.

Building materials like boulders, various quality of stones, silicon sands and hard stone come from Nalitabari and Jeenaigathi upazilas. Moreover, these upazilas are also famous and rich in forestry. The five upazilas are famous and rich in fishery and agricultural resources.

Problems in the Education Sector of the district are very acute. The existing primary and secondary school lack adequate facilities and equipment and most of them are in urgent need of repairs.

No new road has yet been built and most of the existing roads badly need repairs.

Known faces involved in crimes

From Our Correspondent

JAMALPUR, May 26: About 100 miscreants of the district are involved in crimes like smuggling, hijacking, kidnapping, robbery, killing, clashes, extortion of money and eve teasing.

According to sources, the police sometimes arrest some of the miscreants but for want of witnesses and evidences the accuseds can not be charged with specific charges. The influential quarters often interfere regarding the criminals for which the police fail to take appropriate steps against them.

Thus, the criminals are encouraged and continuing their anti-social and unlawful activities. Consequently, the peace-loving people of different areas pass days under uncertainty.

Influential quarters use miscreants. Some dwellers of the town informed that miscreants are given shelter by the influential quarters who often use them for their interest. The miscreants are hired by the influential quarters to take possession of vacant land and abandoned houses.

Hijacking and kidnapping have increased in the district.

Miscreants take shelter of clubs. About one hundred illegal clubs and societies are there in different areas of the district and the miscreants often take the shelter of these organisations. It is informed.

A reliable source said that no effective step was taken as yet to stop these clubs by the concerned authorities.

It is further informed that the gangs of miscreants find the business centres in the district convenient for collecting tools. Regular extortion of money is one of the main source of their income.

When contacted, a high police official said over telephone that they are aware of the anti-social activities of the miscreants. According to him, about 100 miscreants were arrested recently for crimes including hijacking, robbery and extortion of tools. The police officer claimed that they had launched a drive against the miscreants for which crimes had declined in the recent months.

Cooperation needed to curb crimes. The task of bringing the miscreants to book would be much easier if the influential quarters extend cooperation, a police source expressed.

A Commissioner of Jamalpur Purashava said that the rate of crime has gone up in the district town. He said that cases of snatch has increased abnormally in the town.

A reliable source informed that the criminals work within a network where protection is assured. Over 12 hijackings took place in the town during the last two months.

Several dacoities were also committed recently in Jamalpur.

When asked a police source informed that they had arrested over 300 people in the last two weeks for their alleged involvement in various crimes.

Teachers' council executives

From Our Correspondent

BARISAL, May 26: The annual general meeting and elections of the Teachers' Council and Teachers' Club of Brojomohon University College were held at the college premises on Thursday, reports BSS.

The annual general meeting was presided over by Professor Md Hanif, Principal of the college.

Professor Saidul Islam, Chairman of the Political Science Department was elected General Secretary of the Teachers' Council for next one year term while Mr Himangshu Bhusan Misra, Associate Professor of Economics, and Mr Fazlul Huq, Lecturer of Soil Science, were elected Joint Secretaries.

Besides, Mallik Amjad Hussain, Associate Professor of Mathematics and Khan Habibur Rahman, Assistant Professor of Zoology, were elected Vice-President and General Secretary respectively of the Teachers' Club for a period of one year.

Woman trafficker arrested

DINAJPUR, May 26: A woman trafficker was arrested in the town following a complaint, police said, reports UNB.

The trafficker, Nurjahan of Baluadanga in the town allured poor girl Montaz Begum (14) of the same area promising a good job and took her to Mymensingh. She finally sold her to a brothel there.

However, Montaz managed to flee from the brothel and came back to her house with the help of GRP police. Police later, arrested Nurjahan.

The authority issued tender for the construction of said school houses last year but the works could not be started as yet for unknown reasons.

The children have been suffering much for want of school house and attending classes under open sky.

Out of the total, three schools are at Sunderganj, Palashbari and Shaghata two schools are at Gobinda and Fulchari.

2 killed in road mishap

TANGAIL, May 26: Two passengers Abu Hanif of Ghatail upazila and Habibur Rahman of Ikalpur were killed and twenty seven passengers of a minibus were injured yesterday near Pungli bridge on Tangail-Jamalpur Highway, reports BSS.

The accident occurred when a minibus bound for Jamalpur from Dhaka fell into roadside ditch.

Six injured persons were admitted to Tangail Sadar Hospital and the rest were given first aid.

Over one lakh ponds in N-dists need early renovation

From Our Correspondent

GAIBANDHA, May 26: Over one lakh derelict ponds in northern districts have been lying uncultivated due to lack of renovation and proper maintenance.

According to an official source, a total of one lakh 11 thousand 224 derelict ponds in northern region lying almost uncultivated. There is no programme from any quarter for the cultivation of fish in these derelict ponds.

Out of the total, 37.18 per cent are under joint ownership, 18.9 per cent are khas, 12.16 per cent are vested property and the remaining 32.57 per cent ponds are under private ownership.

Ponds under joint ownership remain uncultivated due to long standing ownership crisis. The co-sharers did not take any initiative to bring the derelict ponds under cultivation. They could not form co-operative society to cultivation fish for their internal dispute.

Besides, the concerned department could not take possession of many khas ponds and vested lands. Such ponds went under the possession of local influential quarters.

According to a report, there are 13,728 khas ponds but only 2,923 are under the government possession. The influential quarters have taken possession of the maximum ponds preparing fake documents.

According to the local fishermen, huge fishes could be produced in these derelict ponds if the government could take initiative to recover the ponds and prepare a master plan to bring the derelict ponds under cultivable.

18 schools need early construction. About 18 abandoned school house in different upazila of the district are yet to be renovated due to negligence of concerned authority.

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Two minor brothers drowned in Faridpur. FARIDPUR, May 26: Two minor brothers were drowned on May 23 in village Shamaherpur under Sadar upazila of the district, reports BSS.

According to the victims family source, five-year-old Zafar and four-year-old Siraj, sons of a poor daylabourer slipped into a ditch near their house and drowned. As the news spread, a pale of gloom overcast the village.



SIRAJGANJ: Country boats are used in ferrying vehicles to cross Karotola river in Shahjadpur upazila. — Star photo

One to die for murder

From Our Correspondent

SYLHET, May 26: The Additional District and Sessions Judge, Sunamganj, Abdus Sattar Bhuiyan while passing his judgement in a murder case found two persons guilty and sentenced one person to death and the other to suffer imprisonment for life recently.

The prosecution of the case is that the morning of May 7 of 1989 the accused persons, Khalilur Rahman and Habibur Rahman of village Atgaon under Shulla upazila of Sunamganj district attacked Sikim Ali of the same village in his house with sharp weapons.

The incident took place as a sequel to the dispute over a road near their dwelling house. Sikim Ali sustained serious injuries on his person and was rushed to the hospital where he died.

A case in this connection was registered with the police station, on the next day. Police after holding investigations submitted charge-sheet against the accused persons.

The court after examining the records and witnesses found the accused persons guilty and sentenced the accused Khalilur Rahman to death and Habibur Rahman to suffer imprisonment for life and to pay a fine of Taka, 10,000 in default to suffer rigorous imprisonment for another six months.

The APP Faruque Ahmed conducted the prosecution of the case while Advocate Abdur Rouf and Advocate Shamsunahar Begum Shahana. Pleaded for the accused persons.

Pisciculture projects inaugurated

COMILLA, May 26: The pisciculture projects of four landless cooperatives were formally inaugurated on May 19 in a brief function held at the project site, reports UNB.

The function was presided over by Afaq Hossain, President, Landless Co-Ordination Committee while Major (Retd) Noab Ali Mia Majumder, President "Sheba", Comilla was the chief guest, Messers Rezaul Karim and Md Salauddin were special guests.

These landless samities were allied organisations of "Sheba Manabik Unnyaan Kendra."

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