

**District roundup**

**JHENIDAH**

**Nephew injures uncle, dies in hospital**

Oct. 11: A man injured by his nephew died here at Sadar thana health complex on Saturday morning, reports UNB.

Family sources said nephew Abdullah of Huda Surat village in Sadar thana attacked his uncle Akul (50) with a bamboo stick following a family dispute over a trifling matter on Friday.

Akul was immediately admitted to nearby health complex on Friday.

A case has been filed with the local police.

**RANGPUR**

**Lathi charge on procession: 30 hurt**

Oct. 11: At least 30 people were injured when police resorted to lathi charge on a violent procession of motor sramik workers union in the town on Saturday, reports UNB.

According to witnesses, motor sramik workers brought out a big procession protesting the alleged police torture that caused death of Joyal Abedin (40), Assistant Secretary of local Truck Sramik Union at Rangpur Medical College Hospital on Friday.

Police arrested Joyal Abedin Wednesday on some specific charges. During police custody he became seriously ill and was admitted to the hospital where he succumbed on Friday.

Hospital sources said he died of stomach damage caused by excessive drinking of alcohol.

At one stage the processionists turned violent at Shapla cinema hall area and damaged one jeep, a fire brigade van and a private car. Police then rushed to the spot and resorted to lathi charge to disperse the mob. They also picked up 19 persons from the spot.

**SIRAJGANJ**

**Decomposed body recovered**

Oct. 11: Police recovered a decomposed body from Sharatol village under Belkuchi thana of the district recently.

The identity of the victim could not be ascertained immediately.

On getting information, police recovered the floating body from a Marshy land. Police sources said, the man was killed at least one week ago.

A case has been lodged and the body was sent to the Sadar Hospital for autopsy.

**JESSORE**

**BDR seize contraband goods**

Oct. 11: Bangladesh Rifles (BDR) seized contraband goods worth Taka 3 lakh 22 thousand and 1190 from various areas of the border recently under 'Raghab Boal' operation, according to BDR sources.

The BDR also nabbed 15 persons from different borders while they were trying to cross the border without passport.

All the 15 persons including women and children were handed over to the local police station.

**SYLHET**

**Valuables worth about Tk one lakh looted**

Oct. 11: Valuables worth about Taka one lakh were looted by a gang of miscreants in two separate incidents in Sylhet Sadar thana recently.

According to the reports, on the midnight of the incident, a gang of miscreants armed with deadly weapons attacked the residence of one Abdul Matin in D' Block of Hazrat Shahjalal Upashahar.

They entered into the house by breaking open the collapsible gate.

The miscreants took away valuables worth about Taka Eighty thousand from the house at gun-point.

In another dacoity at village Amanatpur under Mogaigaon union of Sylhet Kotwali thana in the same night a gang of miscreants made their way into the house of one Jahir Ali forcibly. They took away valuables worth about Taka forty thousand from the house.

A case in this connection had already been registered with the police.

**CHUADANGA**

**Durga Puja celebrated**

From Our Correspondent  
Oct. 11: The five-day-long 'Durga Puja', the biggest religious festival of the Hindu Community was observed throughout the district with due religious fervour and gaiety.

The five day festival drew large number of visitors at the Puja pandals of Chuadanga town as well as throughout the district.

As many as 15 puja mandaps were set up in four thanas of the district like Chuadanga Sadar, Alamdanga, Damurhuda and Jibannagar.

Hundreds of men, women and children wearing festive dresses thronged different puja mandaps in the evening seeking blessings of the Goddess Durga in all the five days of the festival.

The puja pandals were decorated with colourful festoon, banners and were illuminated in the evening.

The images of the Goddess Durga at Chuadanga were immersed in the local Mathabhangra river in the evening in presence of a huge gathering.

**KISHOREGANJ**

**Cattle lifting creates panic among farmers**

From Our Correspondent  
Oct. 11: Rampant lifting of cattleheads has created panic among the poor farmers of Nandail thana of Mymensingh district.

The farmers alleged that the cattle lifters are stealing the cows and peeling off their skins.

According to the sources, 90 cows were stolen and skin of seven others were peeled off during the last two weeks.

As a result, the panic-stricken farmers are compelled to pass their nights in the cowsheds to protect their cattleheads.

It is further learnt that the thieves break open the doors and locks of the cowsheds to steal the cattle.

Farmers suspect that an organised gang of lifters backed by some influential quarters has been carrying on this heinous activities in the bordering villages.

Moreover, cattle lifters even demand ransom from the owners for releasing their cattle through their agents.

**BRAHMANBARIA**

**Rat killing workshop ends**

From Our Correspondent  
Oct. 11: One day rat killing workshop was held here at Mogra Union Parishad auditorium organised by Akhaura Thana Agriculture Department recently.

Mogra Union Parishad Chairman Munir Hossain presided over the function while Akhaura Thana Agriculture Officer Shahidullah attended it as the chief guest.

The workshop conducted by Md. Kabir Hossain and Plant Protection Inspector Md. Abu Taher.

Later, a number of Bishtup packets named as Anticolon-40 were distributed among the farmers to control the rats.

**BARGUNA**

**Sale of notebooks unabated**

From A Correspondent  
Oct. 11: The sale of banned note-books is going on in full-swing in all thanas of the district.

It may be mentioned that the government banned the sale of all note-books up to class eight to reduce the dependence of the students on prepared answers. Some guardians complained that booksellers had been selling the note-books openly along with board-published text-books.

It is learnt that numerous unauthorised book dealers are publishing sub-standard note-books in fictitious names of authors and publishers and these books are full of errors and distortion of facts.

**SATKHIRA**

**Three held under Special Powers Act**

Oct. 11: Police arrested three persons under Special Powers Act on Monday in the district, reports UNB.

The arrested were identified as Alauddin, Asimuddin of Tala Sadar and Gaffar of Assauri thana.



SIRAJGANJ: The women and children of the erosion affected families have gathered at Kazipur for receiving relief goods. — Star photo

**Diarrhoea kills 40, attacks 1000 in Chandpur**

**From Our Correspondent**

CHANDPUR, Oct. 11: Diarrhoea has so far claimed forty lives in different thanas of the district during the last two weeks. About one thousand people were also attacked by diarrhoea.

It is learnt that many people were admitted to different thana Sadar hospitals. Everyday many people are admitted to Matlab ICDDR,B hospital.

According to civil surgeon office, 56 medical teams have been working in the affected areas. The badly affected areas are: Hazigonj, Matlab, Shahrastra and Faridganj.

Consumption of adulterated food and taking of impure water were said to be the main reasons behind the outbreak of diarrhoea.

Local people reported that scarcity of oral saline packets and life saving drugs has been prevailing in the affected areas.

The students of Chandpur Women's College have been suffering for want of adequate

**From Our Correspondent**

number of teachers and accommodation problems.

The college was established in 1964 and nationalised in 1984. The college is facing multifarious problems hampering the educational atmosphere.

The college has not been provided with requisite number of teachers. There are only twelve teachers in the college. There are some departments without any teacher. In some departments there is only one teacher.

Students are facing problems due to shortage of accommodation. Facility Department has started the construction of a new building. But the construction work remains incomplete for a long time.

There is no quarters for Principal, Vice Principal and teachers. There is also no sufficient instruments in science department. The college is facing shortage of staff and

**Notes from Barisal**

From Our Correspondent  
BARISAL, Oct. 11: The Red Crescent Society of Barisal unit recently distributed relief goods among the erosion affected people of Char Kana areas under Sadar thana.

The unit distributed 75 pieces of sarcons, 50 pieces of trousers, dry foods and some old cloths.

Golam Salek Ratan, Chairman, Red Crescent Barisal unit and Saha Alam Khan, Chairman Char Kana Union Parishad were present on the occasion.

**Two pirates held**

Bangladesh Navy personnel arrested two pirates, Samser Ali and Abbas Ali with various looted articles of about ten lakh taka and a trawler from Nilganj river of Kalapara PS under Patuakhali district recently.

The operation was conducted by Sahin Rahman of 'BNF Rangamat'. During operation navy personnel recovered one engine spare parts, fishing nets and some other articles with the trawler 'FB Ibrahim'.

**Tk 26,000 goods looted**

A gang of so-called Sarbahara Party members looted away wealth of more than twenty-five thousand taka and ransacked the houses of Jitendra Nath Haldar, Nital Chandra, Anil Chandra, Sukharganj, Dulah Datta, Jiban Krishna Datta, Upendra Nath and Rajendra Nath of Madarshi village of Wazir Pur thana under Barisal district.

They beat the inmates of the houses mercilessly. Sarbaharas took away Nital Chandra on their way back whose almost unconscious body was recovered later from a paddy field.

**College union poll on Nov 9**

The election of Brojomohan University College Students Union (BUCSU) will be held on November 9, 1992.

This decision has been taken in a meeting held at the college recently. The meeting was presided over by Professor Mohammad Hanif, Principal of B M University College while the head of the departments of different subjects including V P, GS and AGS of the present BUCSU were present.

**One Sarbahara partyman arrested**

One Aslam (24), Sarbahara Party member was arrested by Uzirpur police recently from Bamraol area.

A case was lodged against him with Uzirpur police. It is learnt that Aslam was a active member of Sarbahara Kamrul group of that area.

**Barisal division starts from Jan 1**

As the administrative offices of Barisal division will be ceremonially opened on January 1, 1993. Meanwhile, works for selecting sites for different offices have been started.

It is learnt that the Public Works Department (PWD) will start works of renovation of the main portion of the old Sadar Hospital from October for the temporary accommodation of the divisional Commissioner and Deputy Inspector General (DIG) of Police.

The site selection committee has already decided to establish the permanent commissioners offices for the newly created 5th divisional headquarter at Ichakathi, outskirts of the Barisal town.

**Father fined for son's crime**

MADARIPUR, Oct. 11: A father has been fined Taka 6,000 for a social crime committed by his son at Dhakurdi village in Madaripur thana, reports UNB.

Nabin Mondol, son of Anil Mondol of Shamandi village in Kalkini thana in a village arbitration had been accused of seducing a divorced woman on the false promise of marriage.

**Rival groups of Motor Malik Samity clash, 10 injured**

RANGPUR, OCT 11: At least 10 persons were injured in a clash between the rival factions of Rangpur Motor Malik Samity on Friday at South Juptapara in the town, reports UNB.

Witnesses said the clash ensued in the general meeting at its office over the selection of leaderships of the samity. Five to eight rounds of pistol shots were fired in the clash.

Moshiur Rahman, a leader of the samity was admitted to the hospital.

Kotowali police arrested three persons in this connection and recovered 50 rounds of pistol bullets from the spot. Tense situation is prevailing

in the town. A case has been filed with the police.

About one thousand villagers of Horidevpur union have demanded inquiry and punishment of the persons responsible for misappropriation of rice given under Test Relief Programme.

They brought out a procession and submitted a memorandum to the Deputy Commissioner blaming the union parishad chairman and two members for the misdeed.

The chairman and the members, however, filed a case accusing the villagers of looting rice from union parishad godown.

**Tornado hits Thana Hqs, 3 hurt, shops damaged**

MADARIPUR, Oct. 11: A severe tornado lashed villages under Shibchar thana Monday blowing off shops, houses and injuring three persons, reports UNB.

About 15 shops on Arialkha Ferry Ghat were blown away. Several kancha houses were ravaged at Bhachamara village. Standing crops on a vast areas of land have been damaged and a large number of trees were uprooted.

The injured persons were identified as Abdur Rauf (16), Abdul Mannan(25) and Rafique (23).

About 20 to 22 families were affected by the storm. They urged the authorities to provide them with relief materials without further delay.

The Madaripur Doonovan Girl's High School, the only government institution for the girls here, has been beset with manifold problems, reports UNB.

School sources said about 1,000 students of the school were facing transportation problem as its only vehicle, a mini-bus, remained out of order for a long time.

The students urged the concerned authorities to take immediate steps to solve the problems of the school.

Bangladesh Krishi Bank (BKB) filed 116 certificate cases to realise Taka 18 crore 87 lakh 81 thousand of outstanding loan from the farmers in the district.

The BKB distributed about Taka 11 lakh as agricultural loan through 14 branches in the district during the first three months of the current fiscal year, a sources said.

The Bank recovered Taka 39.87 lakh of outstanding loan during the period, the sources added.

**Orphanage celebrates 50th founding day**

COMILLA, Oct. 11: Baraigaon orphanage celebrated the 50th year of its founding on Tuesday, with a discussion meeting, reports UNB.

The meeting was held at the orphanage at Laksam thana, 20 miles south of Comilla town. Fazlul Huq, Thana Social Welfare Officer presided over the meeting while Abul Kalam Majumder, former MP was the chief guest.

It was addressed, among others, by its founder Upashangharaj of Bhuddist Community Venerable Jytipal Mahathero and SMI Bhadra Vickku.

Speakers including Dharma Rakkhit Mohathero, Dhir Sen Sinha, Arun Kumar Sinha and Shadhan Mitra Sinha highlighted the achievements of the complex since its founding 50 years ago.

It was stated at the meeting that, Baraigaon orphanage complex was now running a Baudha Bihara, a girls high school, a junior high school, a weaving training centre, 'Palt Pariban', a library, knitting centre, Radio and TV repairing training centre, type writing training centre and a beer rearing centre.

Chandina police has arrested a young man for possessing a forged certificate and marksheet of HSC examination of the Comilla Board.

**Most small, cottage industries in Barisal facing closure**

BARISAL, Oct. 11: A considerable number of small and cottage industry units is facing closure due to financial constraints, concerned sources alleged, reports UNB.

According to a survey conducted here, there are 1,586 small scale industries and 9,776 cottage industry units in Barisal district where 7,635 workers had been employed.

Many of these workers rendered unemployed at present, have taken to begging in the southern districts of Patuakhali, Borguna, Bhola and Jhalakathi.

It is alleged that banks or other financial institutions were reluctant to advance loans to several of the industrial units for various reasons.

The Barisal Unit of Bangladesh Red Crescent Society distributed 1700 kgs

**Bamboo output in dist declines**

BARGUNA Oct. 11: Bamboo production in the district has diminished considerably due to lack of proper maintenance and new plantation, reports UNB.

Once rich in bamboo production, the district has now turned a deficit area and the price of bamboo has gone up manifold.

No effort has been made to protect the bamboo clusters, being destroyed for sale as fire-wood.

Bamboo crisis has also been affecting cottage industries using bamboo as raw material. Local people urged the concerned authorities to save the bamboo clusters from destruction.

of rice among the slum dwellers of Bhatarkhel, Balur Math, ice mill and other areas.

Chairman of the Barisal Unit of Red Crescent Society Mahmood Golam Salek was present on the occasion.

The distribution was made in accordance with the appeal of the slum dwellers who have been suffering from food crisis.

The slum dwellers urged the authorities to take necessary scheme to create job opportunities to maintain their livelihood.

**4550 tonnes of wheat for uplift projects**

BARISAL, Oct. 11: The government has sanctioned 4,550 metric tons of wheat for implementation of over 3,600 projects in ten thanas of Barisal district under-food-for-work programme for the country dry season, reports BSS.

According to an official source, the projects to be implemented include the construction and reconstruction of roads, culverts, bridges and embankments, repair of educational institutions and excavation or re-excavation of canals.

Of the total, 486 metric tons of wheat have been sanctioned for Agailjhara thana, 446 metric tons for Gournadi, 371 metric tons for Hizia, 575 metric tons for Mehendigonj, 394 metric tons for Muladi, 370 metric tons for Babugonj, 642 metric tons for Bakergonj, 456 metric tons for Barisal Sadar, 528 metric tons for Wazirpur and 352 metric tons for Banarpura thana.



CHANDPUR: Work on the town protection is on progress by dumping boulders along the banks of the river Meghna. — Star photo

**Adulterated foodstuff being sold openly in Kushtia**

KUSHTIA, Oct. 11: Adulterated foodstuff are being sold freely in the markets of the district causing health hazards of the people, some consumers alleged, reports UNB.

Oil, milk, flour, bread and biscuits are found adulterated in most shops and bazars, and rotten food are being sold in hotels and restaurants, they said.

It is reported that substandard and expired medicines are also being sold by some

dishonest businessmen. Local people demanded immediate action against the dishonest businessmen.

Islamic University will hold its classes at the original campus, Santidanga-Dulalpur from November 1, it was learnt.

With the completion of the 1st phase of work in the campus, all the offices and class rooms including hostel are being shifted from October, 15.

University authorities have completed all the formalities for admission of students of 1st year honours class in this academic session.

An amount of Taka 35 crore has been allocated for construction work under the second phase. The construction work is likely to be completed in the month of June, 1993, a PWD source said.

Law and order situation in Kushtia has improved to a great extent with the promulgation of anti-terrorism ordinance and action taken by the law enforcers, officials claimed here.

Deputy Commissioner of Kushtia Md Abul Khair has

sought the cooperation of the people in curbing crime and help establish violence-free society.

He met the journalists of Kushtia Zila Press Club recently and exchanged views on the law and order situation of the district.

He expressed his determination to remove terrorism from the soil of Kushtia with the help and cooperation of the law abiding people.

**Fateha Yajdaham observed in Jamalpur**

JAMALPUR, Oct. 11: Fateha Yajdaham was observed in the district with due solemnity and religious fervour, reports BSS.

The programme of the day included mlid mahfil. Quran khani and discussion on the life and teachings of the great saint Hazrat Abdul Kadir Jilani (R).

Programmes were held in different mosques of the town and Islamic institutions.



NETRAKONA: The Laka Primary School under Kendua thana was damaged by a storm recently. — Star photo