# District roundup

TANGAIL

### 50 cataract patients operated upon

Nov 5 : Fifty cataract patients were operated upon and eight hundred eye patients were treated recently in Karatia eye camp, reports BSS.

A Dhaka-based Lions Club, local science club and Karatia High School jointly sponsored the camp.

It was inaugurated by the Deputy Speaker Humayun Khan Panni. Free medical aids were provided to the eye pa-

### **JESSORE**

### Massive scheme to cultivate T-aman

Nov 5 : Six lakh ninety-four hectares of land in 10 districts of Khulna division have been brought under transplanted aman cultivation during the current season, reports BSS.

About 4,65,300 hectares have been brought under High Yielding Varieties (HYV) of BR-10, BR-11 and 2,28,600 hectares under local varieties.

Of the areas 1,17,000 hectares fall in Jessore, 77,000 hectare in Jhenidah, 31,300 hectares in Magura, 11,000 hectares in Narail, 1,21,000 hectares in Khulna, 1,10,000 hectares in Bagerhat, 1,35,000 hectares in Satkhira, 45,000 hectares in Kushtia, 31,900 hectares in Chuadanga, and 14,000 hectares in Meherpur districts.

According to the Agriculture **Extension Department sources** 15,30,000 metric tons of aman paddy would be produced in these districts.

### B'BARIA

### Bid to kidnap foiled

Nov 5 : People of Kaitalia village in Nabinager thana foiled a kidnap bid and rounded up six miscreants, police sources said Tuesday, reports UNB.

According to the villagers, one Dulal Mia of the same village sent a proposal to marry Laily Begum (16). But the proposal was turned down by her father. Later, Laily got married with Farid Mia of Bidayakut village of the same thana.

At this Dulal Mia became furious and on October 21 he along with his accomplices swooped on Laily and tried to kidnap her while she was returning to her father's house with her husband.

On hearing the hue and cry, local people rushed to the spot rescued the couple and rounded up the miscreants.

They later banded over the hoodlums Dulul, Ruble, Naztr. Mubarak, Angur and Kabir to the police.

A case was filed.

### Rajshahi

### Mobile courts, police raids realise Tk 13 thousand as fine

Nov 5 : Taka 13 thousand was realised as fine through conducting 13 mobile courts and five police raids at different market places of the division during the last month against the users of illegal weights and measures, reports BSS

The operations were conducted by Bangladesh Standard and Testing Institution (BST), Rajshahi with the assistance of concerned administrations at different thanas of Rajshahi, Bogra, Nilphamari, Pabna, Natore and Gaibandha districts A total of 137 cases were

filed and 105 cases were settled on the spot realising the find during the drives.

About 30 maunds of old weight, 89 gallon finale, 17 yard sticks, 80 scales and 717 wooden sticks were seized during the raids.

### FARIDPUR

### Sandhani's executive committee formed

Nov 5: A new 17-member executive committee of 'Sandhani donor club', Faridpur has recently been formed with Dr Mostafizur Rahman Shamim and Md Zisanur Rahman Shimu as president and general secretary respectively, says

Other office bearers of Sandhani included Saifuddin Mana and Md Mashiur Rahman Masud, assistant general secretary and organising secretary

respectively The Sandhani, since its inception has been serving the needy patients and creating awareness among the people for voluntary blood donation.

### SAVAR

### Ganja, local made wine seized

Nov 5 : Police seized a huge quantity of ganja and loca made wine from two villages in Savar thana Tuesday, reports

Following a, tip-off police raided the Shembari and Pashurbari villages this (Tuesday) morning and recovered 90 litres of wine and 20 kgs of ganja.

A case was filed with Savar police.

#### COMILLA

### 15th anniversary of Jubo Dal observed

Nov 5: the 15th Founding Anniversary of Jatiyatabadi Jubo Dal was held here on Wednesday, says UNB.

District unit of the organisation celebrated the occasion through a colourful function which was inaugurated with 15 gun salutes at 6 am and hoist-

ing of national and party flags. A discussion meeting was also held with Anwar Hussain, vice-president, Comilla unit of Jubo Dal in the chair, while Begum Rabeya Chowdhury, MP

was present as the chief guest. Another report adds, Tree planting campaign conducted by Palli Unnayan Sangha, Nimshar, was concluded here on Wednesday.

A discussion meeting was held in this connection. Additional Deputy Commissioner (General) Comilla, Md Nur Hossain was present as the chief guest.

A seminar on the Role of Health Workers in Slum Development Project was held at Katabeel in the district on Wednesday.

A total of 16 health workers of different slum development projects participated in the seminar.

### BARGUNA

### Polythene bags pollute environment

Nov 5: Polythene bags, mostly used for shopping purposes, have been causing health hazards in the district, says

According to sources, the used bags are dumped helterskelter indiscriminately block ing the drainage system causing water-logging and polluting the environment.

The bags, which do not either dissolve in water or in ground, remain intact and even tually affect the environment.

Mentionable that over the years many factories were established to manufacture polythene bags in the district.

Local people urged the au thorities to ban the setting up of polythene manufacturing fac tory for the greater interest of the public health.

### BARISAL

### Rupali Bank officers' assoc committee formed

Nov 5 : A 19-member Rupali Bank officers' association committee, Barisal region, was formed unantmously at the regional Rupali Bank office premises on Friday, reports

S M Atique Rahman was elected president while Manjoor Rahman and A K Shamsul Azad as general secretary and trea surer respectively of the committee for next two years.

### Pabna

### JCD demands removal of public procecutor

Nov, 5: Local Jatiayatabadi Chatra Dal activists Saturday staged demonstration in front of DC's office demanding removal of the public procecutor, who is also the General Secretary of the district BNP, reports UNB.

JCD alleged that Advocate Shahjahan Ali used to misuse his position as Public Prosecutor and take bribes to settle cases. They also alleged that he was harassing party members as well as innocent clients in dealing with different

When contacted. Advocate Shahjahan told UNB that some 'terrorists and accused' wanted in different cases, in the name of the Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal.

were staging protest. He said he tried to bring them into party discipline and advised them to leave the wrong path of shatching tender boxes hijacking and other anti-party

activities. JCD activists later submitted a memorandum to the DC. demanding removal of Ali from the post of the PP within November 7.



MYMENSINGH: Prof Dr. Rafiqul Islam Sarker, Dean, Faculty of Agricultural Engineering and Technology of BAU conducting the oath of the newly-elected office-bearers of the faculty association held recently. - Star photo

# Kushtia-Daulatdia Highway

# Progress of work very slow

JHENIDAH, Nov 5: The construction of Kushtia-Daulatdia Asian Highway is progressing at a very slow pace completing only one fourth work in four years. Thousands of cargo as well as passenger vessels have been suffering extensive dam-

ages since the start of the work. According to reports, China National Complete Plant and Export Company won the work order following invitation of an international tender notice. The work is supposed to be completed at a cost of Taka 157,14 crore. The length of the highway is 145 kilometers, stretching from Rajbari to Kushtia dis-

The construction work started on October 23, 1989. To keep the entire length of the highway more or less straight, thousands of trees by the road side were cut down to clear the way. Old bridges and culverts

From Our Correspondent were broken down. Quite a number of diversion roads were built to make way for construction of larger bridges.

Besides such preparations. earthwork of some road areas are being proportionately done to extend the highway. This, however, has left very little space for two way traffic routes. As a result of such unplanned works at intervals, specially from Daulatdia to Rajbari routes, long distance journeys have suffered most along with reports of accidents.

According to plan and design of the highway which is being funded by the Asian Development Bank (ADB), the width of the road will be 7.33meter, 1.62-meter high containing a bypass throughout the length of the highway. Under the contract signed

between the government of

Bangladesh and the concerned company from China, the work was supposed to be completed by April 23, 1992. However, the progress of the work was too slow and the company had appealed for an extension.

The extension part of the work this time, was divided into two parts, one from Kushtia to Kamarkhali to be completed by October 1994 and the second part of the work from Kamarkhali to Doulatdia, to be completed by March 1995.

Unfortunately, only 22 per cent of the work has so for been completed.

An engineer expressing his personal dissatisfaction over the work on the highway said, poor quality construction materials are being used. Some experts have even expressed doubts over the completion of the work within the time limit extended to the company.

## Diseases kill 400 cattle, attack 5,000 more in Dinajpur From Our Correspondent

DINAJPUR. Nov 5: Cattle disease have claimed 400 and

attacked about 5000 more in all 13 thanas of the district. The most affected thanas are: Chirirbandar, Khansama,

Choraghat, Hakimpur and Nawabganj. It is informed that most of the animals are dying without treatment. The employees of the Livestock Department are not

visiting the effected villages af-

ter repeated requests. The em-

ployées said that they had no programme now it is alleged. Some of the owners of the disease-hif cattle are treating their cows at their own costs. The medicines are not also available in the market. Due to the non-supply of vaccine and other necessary drugs, almost 80 per cent of cattle are dying,

it is gathered. One Abdul Wahab of Kaugaon under Chirirbandar thana

### 7 jailed for killing old man to grab property

PABNA, Nov 5: Seven people were today sentenced to life term in jail for murdering an old man to grab his property, reports UNB.

Additional District and Sessions Judge Abdur Rahman Patwary also fined them Tk 10,000 each or suffer another year of rigorous imprisonment.

The convicted are Dulal Sarder, 30, adopted son of the murdered Israil Sarder, Bablu, 27, Abdur Razzak, 25, Abdul Khaleq, 29, Razzakul Islam, 32, Hazrat Ali, 23, and Jinnat Ali. 25, of village Deobhog in Bhangura thana of the district.

According to prosecution. the seven accused, led by Dulai. chopped Israil to death on August 26, 1991 to grab his

The verdict was given today after hearing 26 witnesses from both the sides.

told this correspondent that over 300 cattle are suffering from the diseases in the area but the Livestock Depart-ment employees expressed their inability to send any one of the staff to the affected areas.

### Adulterated foodstuff

The sale of adulterated foodstuffs throughout the district of Dinajpur is rampant and causing health hazards. With the increase of popula-

tion, the towns, bazars, hats, stations, ghats and other commercial places have been developed to cope with the demand. Most of the hotels of these

busy places are dirty and unhealthy. The owners of these hotels keep their items open. A very few owners have got licenses to continue their business, it is alleged. A consumer of Dinajpur

district town told this correspondent that it is very hard to collect pure edible oil and milk from the market. For more profit, the sellers mix low guilty oil with the mustard, soyabean oil, it is alleged.

It is reported that an organised group of dishonest people are engaged in this kind of criminal activities who are reportedly patronised by some well placed people of the dis-

The ignorant people buy these sort of adulterated items in their good faith. They are ultimately attacked by various diseases. The poor customers usually prefer the items which cost less.

Some people of the town complained that the employees of the Health Department are seen inactive. The law enforcing agency members are also indifferent regarding the matter.

### Irrigation hampered

Irrigation on about 9000 hectares of land in 23 thanas of three northern districts of Dinajpur, Thakurgaon and Panchagarh is being hampered

following irregular supply of power and continued loadshedding. It is learnt that due to erratic power supply the shallow and deep tubewells of the districts remain inoperative causing setback in boro and IRRI farming. A vast tract or boro and IRR

bandar, Gheraghat, Bochaganj and Parbatipur in Dinajpur district, Panchagarh Sadar, Thakurgaon Sadar, Boda, Ranisankail and Pirganj thana have been invaded by pests. Acute scarcity of pesticides

land in Dinajpur Sadar, Chirir-

has been persisting in the al fected areas. As such the farmers find it difficult to combat the posts, it is learnt.

### Body to resist closure of NGFF at Fenchugani

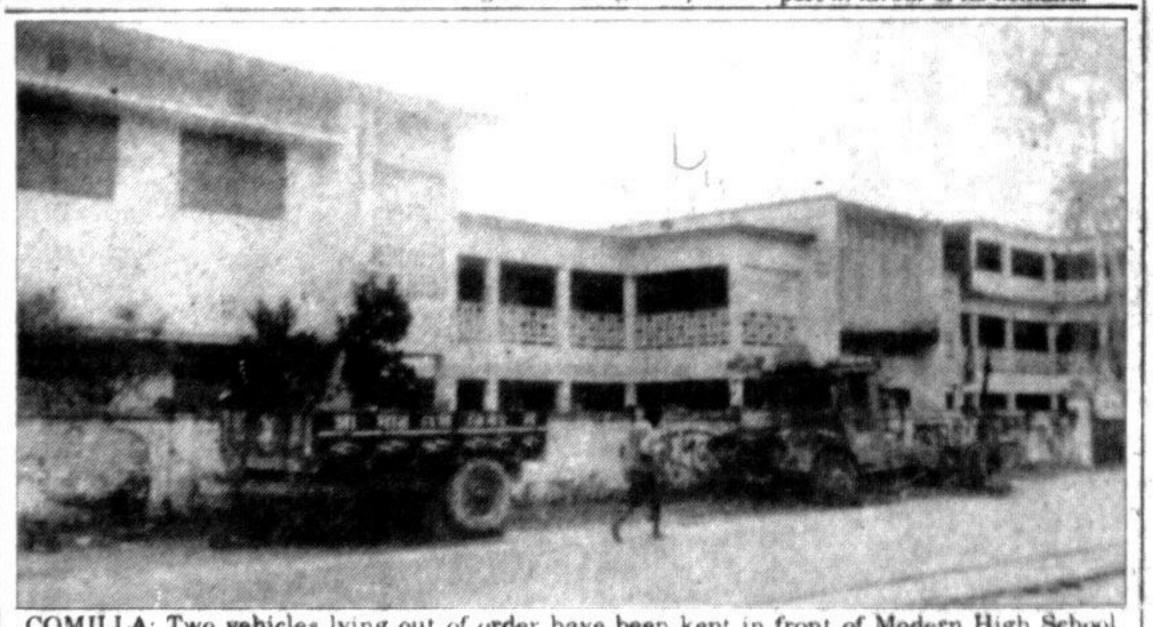
From Our Correspondent SYLHET, Nov 5: A non-political organisation here has demanded withdrawal of the government decision to shut down the Natural Gas Fertilizer Factory (NGFF) at Fenchuganj by December 4 next

The Greater Sylhet Ganadabi Parishad would, otherwise; declare fresh course of actions on December 5. The decision was taken yes-

terday at the public meeting held at the factory premises with Dr Minhajuddin in the

Earlier, the government had decided to close the factory, an enterprise of the BCIC, from December 31.

The parishad further decided to continue with its agitation programmes, including sending a memorandum to the Prime Minister and its copies to the Industries Minister, the Finance Minister and the MPs from four districts of the greater Sylhet region on November 9. It would also organise a fortnight-long mass contact programme from November 15 to drum up support in favour of its demand.



COMILLA: Two vehicles lying out of order have been kept in front of Modern High School for a long and this has been creating problems both, to the students and pedestrians of the - Star photo town.

### livered on October 25. Second largest women's cadet college to be set up in Feni

One awarded

life term for

killing his wife

MAGURA, Nov 5: Additional

District and Sessions Judge

Altaf Hossain has recently sen

tenced a man to life term rigorous imprisonment for killing his

According to prosecution,

Sawakat Ali of Harishpur vil-

lage in Salikha thana brutally

killed his wife Rulia Khatun (25)

on August 27 in 1992 and hid

Later, police recovered the

body from the pond and filed a

case against Ali and also

The learned judge after ex-

amining the witnesses and evi

and awarded him with the

punishment in a judgement de-

dences found the accused guilty

the dead body in a pond.

chargesheeted him.

wife, says UNB.

FENI, Nov 5: The second largest Women's Cadet College will be established in the aban doned area of the Feni Airport soon, official sources here said, reports UNB.

According to the sources, the demarcation of 75 acre of land for the proposed cadet college has already begun on last Sunday with the supervision of the district Land Revenue Department

The documents of the land have already been handed over to Defence Ministry. The abandoned airport comprises with a total 386 acres of land.

### Sea pirates loot fish, other valuables

BARGUNA, Nov 5: Sea pirates swooped on a trawler and looted fish and fishing materials worth about Taka three lakh in the Bay of Bengali, 80 km south off the sadar thana in the early hours Thursday, reports UNB.

The driver of the trawler, Abdul Mannan, told UNB that the gang, numbering about 20 men, raided the trawler SV Rishan, which was fishing in the Bay, and decamped with the booties- fish, fishing nets, spare parts and fuel.

The pirates, who came by another trawler, throw the resisting fishermen into the Sea and fled the scene. Another trawler fishing in the area rescued them.

No case was filed with the

### Mizan criticises Tinbigha accord LALMONIRHAT, Nov 5

Acting Chairman of Jatiya Party Mizanur Rahman Chowdhury on Tuesday termed the Tinbigha agreement with the Indian government as "face saving and disgraceful", reports UNB.

Addressing a rally at Bangerbari ground in Chitmahal Dahagram of Pargram thana, he criticised the present government and said the Tinbigha agreement was made only to get appreciation of the people.

### Tk 6.96 lakh robbed from Agrani Bank

NAOGAON, Nov 5: Robbers decamped with cash worth about Taka 6.96 lakh from the Agrani Bank branch in Patnitala thana of the district last week, says UNB.

Police said the robbers entered the strong room of the bank by breaking its grill and run away with the cash on October 21

Police arrested two guards of the bank for interrogation.

Tender No.

Name of work and group list

ast date and time of receipt of the tender

Date and time of opening the tender bid

Name of offices where tender documents

will be available during office hours and all

working days except Fridays & Govt holidays

Name of officers to receive the tender

GAZIPUR: The members of Leo Club of Dhaka Turag colouring the headlights of vehicles at Tongi bazar on the occasion of 'October Service Week'. - Star photo

### Construction of youth training centre nearing completion

Development Department has been constructing youth training centre at Bharpasha under Bakergonj than at a cost of about Taka one crore during the current fiscal year, reports BSS.

According to an official source, government has acquired five acres of land for the implementation of this project

at Bharpasha. The training centre will have three disciplines viz livestock. poultry and fishing, the source said. One hundred youths of both male and female will be trained up in these courses at

this centre quarterly. Work on and levelling, site development and boundary wall is being done in the project area. Work on the centre will be completed in June, 1994 next, the source added.

The government has undertaken ten similar projects, one each at Barisal, Rangpur, Savar, Sylhet, Rajshahi, Bargura, Feni, Mymensingh, Chittagong and Jessore, the source said. Three such training centres, one each at, Savar, Sylhet and Rajshahi have already been completed, the

### **Development projects** discussed

source added.

A meeting of the district de velopment co-ordination com mittee was held at the confer-

BARISAL, Nov 5: Youth ence room of the deputy commissioner on Wednesday.

Mamtaz Uddin, Deputy Commissi oner was in the chair. Heads of different district leve officers, paura administrate of and some elite of the district attended the meeting. The me et ing discussed various on-graing development works of the district, official sources said.

The meeting expressed statisfactions over the development activities of the district.

The neeting decided to include Rupatali housing areas and Ichliakati garden areas in paurash ava area.

### U plift schemes

Work on 143 development projects at a cost of Taka 3,51,92,671 in Barisal pourashava area has been progressing fast. According to an official

source, the projects are construction and reconstruction of 53 roads, repairing of 24 roads, town hall, graveyards, bridges. walls, construction of two-storied buildings for bazars, drains and culverts.

### Ans ar training camp

A 3-week Ansar training camp- 93 began at Barisal district Ansar and VDP office premises on Saturday.

According to an official source, a total of 160 Ansars representing all the thanas of the district have been participating in this camp.

### Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Ministry of Education Invitation of bids for

supplying paper boxes Secretary, Ministry of Education, Bangladesh Secretariat (Bhaban No. 6, 18th floor), invites sealed bids from eligible Bidders for the supply of PAPER BOXES of

various sizes and description. Interested Bidders may obtain further information from the office of the secretary, Ministry of Education, Bangladesh Secretariat (Bhaban No. 6, 18th floor), Dhaka, Bangladesh.

A complete set in duplicate of the Bidding documents may be purchased by any interested eligible Bidder on submission of a written application to the above and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Tk 100/- (Taka one hundred only).

All bids must be accompanied by a security of not less than 2% (two per cent) of Bid amount and must be delivered to the above office on or before 12.00 on 15th November, 1993.

Bids will be opened in the presence of Bidders' representative who choose to attend at 12.30 PM on 15th November, 1993 at the office of the Secretary, Ministry of Education.

> Secretary Ministry of Education Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka, Bangladesh Phones: 404162, 241113 (Office)

### Government of Bangladesh Office of the Executive Engineer, (RHD) Road Division, Khulna, Phone:20678 Notice Inviting Tenders

31 of 1993-94 of Khulna Road Division, Khulna

DFP(G) 17926-2/11

G-1499

Time allowed for Name of work with location Estimated Earnest Eligibility of Remarks Group money contractors completion of work Tk 8,20,199/-Tk 16.404/-50 (Fifty) "A" to "D" Sepaate tender with Providing brick pavement eparate earnest KM of Batiaghata-Baroaria money is to be Road under (RHD), Road submitted for Division. Khulna during the each group. year 1993-94 II/Two Providing brick pavement Tk 7.08.519/-HBB) work at 4th (P) & 5th (P) KM of Dacope-Nalian Road under (RHD), Road Division, Khulna during the year 1993-94. Providing brick pavement (HBB) at 7th(P) & 8th (P) KM of Nagorghata-Kamargati under (RHD). Road Division, Khulna during the year 1993-94

At 12:45 PM on 15-11-93 Eng.

Up to 12:30 PM on 15-11-93 Eng.

a) Addl. Chief Engineer, (RHD), Khulna Zone, Khulna. b) Superintending Engineer, (RHD), Road Circle, Khulina, c) Superintending Engineer, (RHD), Monitoring & Evaluation Circle, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka d) Executive Engineer, (RHD), Road Division, Bagerhat,

Executive Engineer, (RHD), Road Division, Khulna/Bagerhat/Satkhira/Planning & Design Division,

Boyra, Khulna/Planning (Bridge & Road) Division, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka and all Sub-

e) Executive Engineer, (RHD), Road Division, Salkhira AND.

Divisional Engineers offices under (RHD), Road Division, Khulna.

f) Executive Engineer, (RHD), Road Division, Khulna.

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