

District roundup

CHITTAGONG

Contraband goods worth Taka 14 lakh seized

Nov 28: A special team of the Kotwali police acting on a tip-off seized contraband goods worth about Taka fourteen lakh from a house at Batali road, Enayet Bazar here Thursday, reports BSS.

According to a police press release, the contraband goods included 43 master cartons of cigarettes, 100 pieces of Indian sarces and 9000 bottles of phenylsydyl syrup.

No arrest was made in this connection.

UNB adds: Three people were killed and 15 injured, two seriously, when a bus tumbled into a ditch from the Chittagong-Cox's Bazar highway at Charlakya in Patiya thana Thursday.

Two of the dead were identified as Oshi Mia (60) and Jubair (22).

Seriously injured Mohammad Ali (55) and Badul Alam (43) were admitted to Chittagong Medical College Hospital.

Police said the accident occurred when a Chittagong-bound passenger bus skidded off the road as the driver lost control.

Oshi Mia (60) died on the spot while two others died on way to hospital.

The driver of the bus managed to flee the scene. A case has been lodged with Patiya police.

JESSORE

71 schemes under FWP to start soon

Nov 28: Seventy one schemes would be implemented in the dry season under Food for Works Programme (FWP) in Jessore district during current fiscal year against an allocation of 1587 metric tons of wheat, says BSS.

These schemes are, re- construction and repairing of rural kachha roads, re-excavation of canals, ponds and drains, repairing of embankments and clearing of bushes. They are 12 each in Monirampur and Sarsa, 13 in Chougacha, nine each in Chhaynagar and Jhikargacha, six in Jessore sadar and five each in Keshabpur and Bagharpara thanas.

Besides, seven other schemes would be implemented under special FWP schemes for re-excavation of canals. 334 metric tons of wheat were allocated under the programme, all these schemes are expected to be completed before March 1994.

JAMALPUR

Three caught red-handed while stealing fish-fry

Nov 28: Three people were caught red-handed with nets and fish-fries worth Taka more than one lakh from the Nursery of Fish-fry Production Centre in Melandha thana last week, reports UNB.

The arrested were identified as Momin, Yasin and Alhaj of Rajapur village in the thana.

All the accused were caught red handed by the patrol police while they were stealing fish-fries from the Guda Danga Jalmahal of the Centre.

An organised group often steals fish-fries from the centre, which was leased to a non-government voluntary organisation for three years. More than 50 local educated youngmen are working in this project.

The centre authorities urged the local administration to take action against the trouble-mongers.

PATUAKHALI

Lathials cut crop forcibly

Nov 28: A group of lathials in the char areas of the district are taking preparation to forcibly cut and loot the aman crop of the poor, marginal and landless farmers, local people alleged, says UNB.

The helpless farmers of Char Bashbaria, Chorahan, Charhadi and Char Bhutum informed that these lathials work for the local joidars and let loose a reign of terror in the char areas during the harvesting season.

According to the local people, the professional lathials are available on hire basis and every year, equipped with locally made weapons, they swoop on the crop fields, set ablaze the thatched houses of the farmers killing or wounding many of them to create panic in the area.

Local farmers and elite said it has become necessary to set up temporary police camps, particularly in char areas of the district, to save the crop from the looters

B'BARIA

One killed while crossing road

Nov 28: A boy was killed in road accident here on Dhaka-Sylhet road near Sonarampur village in Ashuganj thana last week, reports UNB.

Md Sentu Miah (12) was run over by Dhaka bound bus while he was crossing the road on November 20, eye witnesses said.

Police seized the bus but the driver managed to escape from the scene.

A case was filed with Ashuganj police.

BARGUNA

Slaughtering of sick cows, goats unabated

Nov 28: Butchers in the five thanas of the district have been facing manifold problems due to absence of slaughter house in most of the hats and bazars for long, says UNB.

As a result of this they have to slaughter cows and goats in open spaces threatening health hazards, butchers said.

Dwellers complained that they are suffering much as bad smell spreading the locality due to unabated slaughtering in open places.

Besides, sick cows are also slaughtered in dirty and unhealthy places under the open sky causing environmental pollution.

Local people said, government restriction on slaughtering is not maintained in the district. Butchers are slaughtering cows and goats in advance of the necessary checkup and it is alleged that even on the meatless days, they are slaughtering and selling meats in the local market.

They urged the concerned authorities to take necessary measures to stop slaughtering of cows and goats openly and ensure public health.

NAOGAON

Pry school inaugurated

Nov 28: The key of newly constructed building of Paina non-government primary school in sadar thana was handed over to its Headmaster in a simple ceremony recently, says UNB.

Public Works Department (PWD) constructed the school building, Shahana Akther, Engineer of PWD of the district, handed over the key to the Headmaster on behalf of the Department recently.

Local political-social leaders, government officials, all the school teachers and villagers were present in the key-giving ceremony.

Another report adds: A congregation of local freedom fighters was held here at Shahebnaj in Atrai thana last week.

RAJBARI

Come forward in nation building plans

Nov 28: State Minister for Cultural Affairs Professor Jahan-Ara Begum stressed the need of concerted efforts for ensuring overall improvement of the women-folk, says UNB.

She said this while inaugurating a branch of Bangladesh Association for Women Rights Implementation (AWRIB) at Maspara in Rajbari Thursday.

The State Minister called upon the women community to be involved in the education, population control, environment as well as other social and national development activities so that they can change their fortune by themselves.

Jahan-Ara also visited some educational institutions at Maspara.

Speaking on the occasion, the state minister said that students, teachers and guardians could play pioneering role in building a prosperous society through increasing literacy rate.

MANIKGANJ

Tk 6.75 lakh as soft loan for landless

Nov 28: Voluntary Organisation for the Needy (VON), a local non-government organisation, will disburse more than Taka 6.75 lakh as loan among its landless and destitute members in the first week of December, sources said, reports UNB.

The VON has 193 member families covering five villages in Manikganj, Bhola and Joypurhat districts. Each member family will get Taka 3,500 as loan under the current programme.

The loan will be given for socio-economic development of the landless and destitute people of the districts, sources added.



SYLHET: Matia Chowdhury MP speaking as chief guest at the refreshers reception arranged by the Bangladesh Chhatra League (M-I) at Jaintapur College recently. — Star photo

Middlemen doing brisk business

Paddy sold below output cost, farmers hard-hit

From Our Correspondent

MADARIPUR, Nov 28: Prices of paddy have declined in different parts of the district, according to sources.

Huge quantities of IRRI, boro and aus paddy have been produced in the district this year. Farmers are facing hardships selling their produce to local middlemen at lower prices which is below the production cost.

It is reported that the paddy is selling between Taka 150 and 190 whereas, the actual output cost is more than Taka 300.

Abdul Hashem Mollah, a poor farmer of Bedgram village under sadar thana said, he was forced to sell his produce to a broker at much lower price which did not even cover the cost of his expenditure on fertilisers and pesticides.

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Shortage of doctors, medicine

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HABIGANJ, Nov 28: Scarcity of medicine in different hospitals and health complexes in the district has been causing sufferings to the patients for a long time.

It is reported that life saving drugs are not available in the health complexes at all. Even common medicines like dettol, paracetamol, metrazal tablets are not available in all most of the thana health complexes.

Shortage of doctors is also another problem. Some thana health complexes are running without doctors for a long time. In the absence of physicians, compounders and other staff are engaged in malpractices.

The doctors posted in the rural areas are reluctant to discharge their duties and they are found busy to get transfer elsewhere in town areas.

Everyday, a good number of patients coming from far flung areas to the thana health complexes for treatment are to go back disappointed due to lack of proper treatment and medicine facilities.

It is alleged that doctors without attending the patients at the health complexes are found busy with their private practice.

The physicians of the thana complex and union health centre are also said to be unwilling to attend the out-door patients due to non-availability of medicines.

People have urged the authorities concerned to look into the matter and do the needful to redress the sufferings of the patients.

4 killed in road mishap

Four persons including a woman were killed and four others injured in a tragic road accident on the Dhaka-Sylhet highway on September 29.

The dead persons were identified as Diljan Bibi (40) and her two sons, Taher Mia (28) and Harunur Rashid (30).

Witnesses said, while they were coming home, their microbus was hit by a coach near Deorgach in Chunarughat thana 25 km from Habiganj district headquarters.

It is learnt that Diljan Bibi, Taher and their three other relatives arrived in Dhaka from London, and they were on way

home at Atangiri village in Moulvibazar district to attend a marriage ceremony.

Harun, an UP member, went to the Zia International Airport to receive his mother ad others.

VDP member killed

A VDP member was brutally killed by unknown assailant at Madabpur thana of Habiganj district recently.

The dead was identified as Zafar Ali (35) of village Zalmalpur under Madabpur thana.

It is learnt that the unknown assailant slaughtered Zafar Ali afterwards left away the body in a bush near Bagursora village of Zalmalpur.

Police on information rushed to the spot and recovered the body and sent it to Habiganj Sadar Hospital for autopsy.

The cause of killing is yet to be ascertained.

A case has been registered with the Madabpur police in this connection.

Body recovered

Nabiganj police recovered a

body of one Rafique Ullah (50) of village Chandpur from a ditch near the village recently.

It is informed that the old man was killed by his enemies in a pre-planned conspiracy.

A case has been started with the Nabiganj police in this connection.

Office-bearers

The office-bearers of Habiganj Baybashi Kalyan Samity (Businessmen Welfare Association) were elected in a general meeting held at local poura auditorium recently.

The out-going President, Subash Chandra Deb presided over the meeting while Shahid Choudhury, Chairman Habiganj Pourashova attended the meeting as chief guest.

Alauddin Ahmed was elected President while Messers Mahibur Rahman, Shamim Ah-san and Tazuddin Ahmed Sufi were elected General Secretary, Treasurer and Organising Secretary respectively of the 21-member executive committee of the organisation for the next year.

Mould public opinion against negative politics

DAUDKANDI (Comilla), Nov 28: Energy and Mineral Resources Minister Dr Khandaker Mosharrar Hossain on Saturday urged the people's representatives to mould public opinion against the negative politics of the opposition, reports BSS.

"A section of opposition has been pursuing negative politics in the country to make the parliament ineffective and mislead the people", he alleged.

The energy minister was addressing a meeting of development coordination committee here. Chairmen and members of union parishes under Daudkandi thana attended the meeting.

Dr Mosharrar Hossain said, a democratic government with a democratic environment has been established in the country after a hard struggle and enough bloodshed. He said, it is our responsibility, irrespective

of party affiliation to work unitedly to give democracy an institutional shape.

He regretted that a vested quarter had been behaving in an undemocratic manner to jeopardise the parliamentary system although they were very much vocal in favour of democracy.

The energy minister said, in a parliamentary system parliament is the centre point of solving all national issues through discussions and understandings between the ruling party and the opposition.

"We always want to make the parliament effective and strong with the active help of the opposition" Dr Mosharrar said adding "that is why we are always ready to discuss with the opposition on any national issue to find out a fruitful and acceptable solution."

Shahjadpur Govt College closed

SIRAJGANJ, Nov 28: A clash between rival groups Saturday led to the closure of Shahjadpur Government College for three days, reports UNB.

Police and witnesses said supporters of BNP and Jatiya Party clashed on the Shahjadpur main road. At least four people received minor injuries in the clash in which both sides used lethal weapons and crackers.

The clash ensued over Friday's assault on Jewel, a student of the college and activist of Chhatra Samaj.

Earlier, a group of people ransacked the Jatiya Party office. Soon the clash spread to the college.

Diarrhoea claims 3 more lives in Sirajganj

SIRAJGANJ, Nov 28: Diarrhoea claimed three more lives and attacked some 267 others during the last 24 hours in the district, official sources said on Tuesday, reports UNB.

With this, the death figure during the last 22 days rose to 50. Unofficial count, however, put the death toll at 61.

A total of 8,263 people were attacked by the disease during the same period while unofficial sources said the figure is much higher.

The dead were identified as Tulu, 10, of Nobannaypara in Ullapara, Ibrahim Hossain, 27, of Gopalpur in Belkuchi and Abdul Kayum Khan, 30, of Alkodia in Sadar thana.

Meanwhile diarrhoea situation in Ullapara and Kazipur has improved, the civil surgeon's office said. Rajganj is now being treated as the worst hit area of the district.

Civil surgeon's office also said that death rate from diarrhoeal diseases has dropped and expressed hope that the situation is expected to improve soon.

Brother kills brother

BRAHMANBARIA, Nov 28: A younger brother of village Nurpur in Akhaura thana allegedly killed his elder brother over land dispute recently, police said, reports UNB.

Both the brothers Abdul Haque and Fazul Haque engaged themselves in a quarrel over the issue of land dispute on November 10.

At one stage of the quarrel, the younger brother Fazul Haque hit his elder brother Abdul Haque with an iron rod leaving him seriously injured.

Later, Abdul was removed to Akhaura Health Complex and later to Brahmanbaria Sadar Hospital. In the end he was shifted to Dhaka Medical College Hospital where he succumbed to his injuries, police added.

A case was filed with Akhaura police.

Dambal, wanted for murder, arrested

NARAYANGANJ, Nov 28: Police arrested a young man from Kanchpur Bridge area on charge of killing a local Jubadal leader on Tuesday, says a UNB report.

Police said, Abdul Awal Mona, better known as Dambal, with the help of four others killed Shawkat Hossain Khoka in front of local BNP office on August 23.

Later, a case was filed against Dambal, Mamun, Naim, Pradip and Apu with the local police.

The other accused, went into hiding soon after the incident, could not be arrested, police said.

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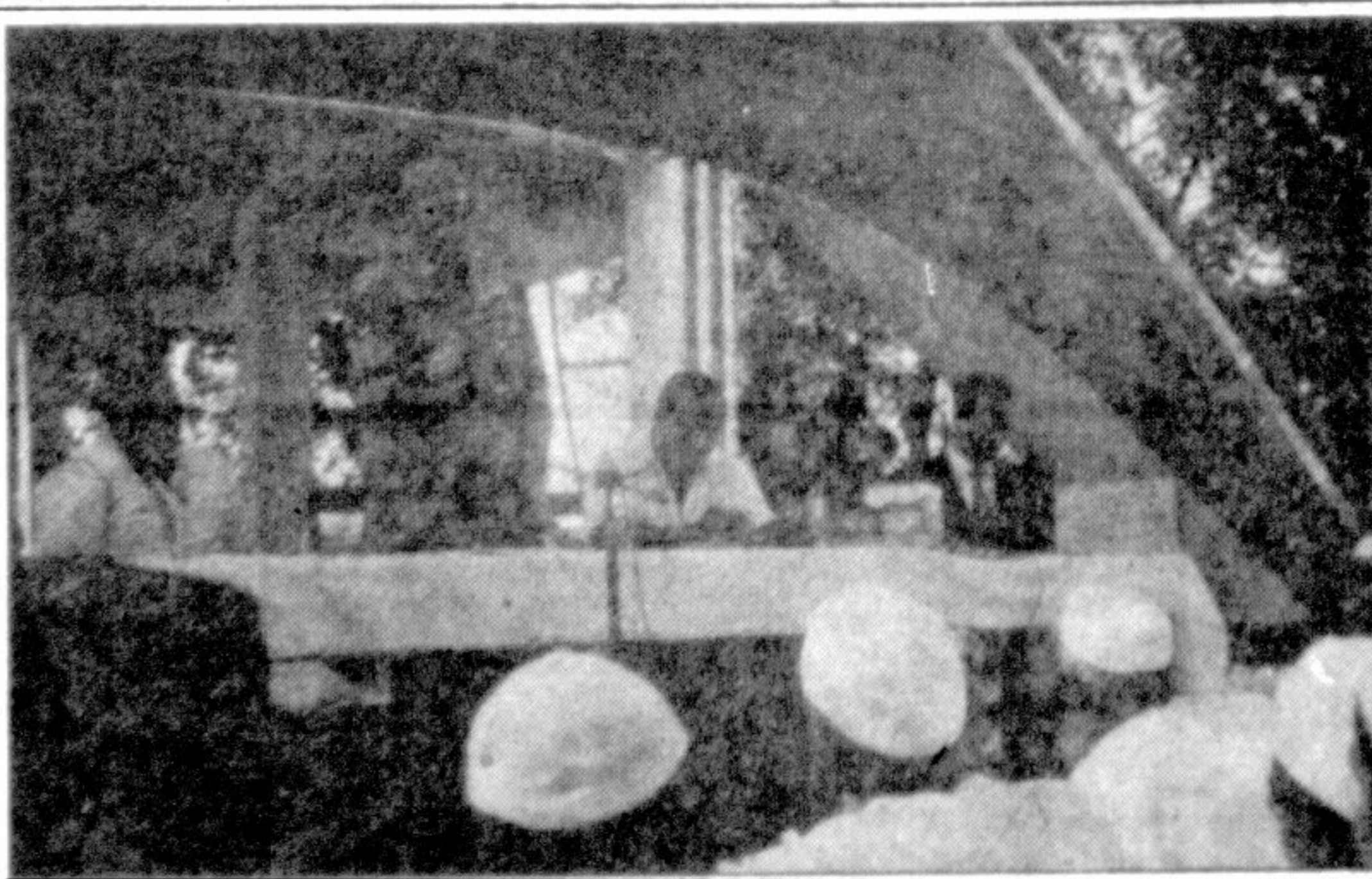
Sylhet Forest Division

Tender Notice

Tenders are invited for purchase of speed boat engine, generator & bi-cycle for use in govt work at Sylhet Forest Division during 1993-94 financial year under Reserved Reed Land Afforestation Development Project. Tenders will be received through tender box kept at the Divisional Forest Office, Chandnight, Sylhet & the office of Forest Conservator, Central Zone, Ban Bhaban, Mohakhali, Dhaka up to 12.00 Noon on 12.12.93 and the tender box & the tenders received will be opened on the same day at 1.00 PM before the willing tenderers (if any) present. Detailed terms & conditions of tender notice & description of work and prescribed tender schedule for submission of tender can be seen & understood and purchased at Taka 400/- (four hundred) only (non-refundable) up to office hours of 11.12.93 at the office of the undersigned & the office of the Forest Conservator, Central Zone, Ban Bhaban, Mohakhali, Dhaka. Separate tenders should be submitted for different groups.

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			Model No	Capacity	
			Lowest	Highest	
			EG-1800 X	1000 Watt	1500 Watt
			EM-1800 X	1000	1500
			EG-2500 X	2000	2200
			EM-2500 X	2000	2200
3	Bi-cycle	2 (two) Nos		China (Phoenix double bar)	

MD Golam Habib
Division Forest Officer
Sylhet Forest Division



CHITTAGONG: CM Koyes Sami, Representative, Charity International Bangladesh (UK) delivering speech on the occasion of the opening of a masjid cum cyclone shelter in Banshkhali of the district recently.

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Second Aquaculture Development Project
Matshya Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka
Invitation for Bids (Re-Tender)
Memo No: 3661 Dated: 23.11.93
1. Sealed bids are hereby invited from bidders for the supply transport and stocking of live carp hatching to various beels in the following districts-Sylhet, Sunamganj, Moulvibazar, Habiganj, Kishoreganj or Netrakona at the discretion of the project, assisted by Asian Development Bank (ADB) under Second Aquaculture Development Project, ADB: 821-BAN (SF).
2. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information of the bid form and inspect the bidding documents at the office (Room No-713) of the Project Director, "Second Aquaculture Development Project (ADB), Department of Fisheries, Matshya Bhaban, 1, Park Avenue, Ramna, Dhaka; Cable Matshya.
3. A complete set of Bidding documents may be purchased by interested eligible bidders on the submission of a written application to the above address and upon cash payment of a non-refundable fee of Tk 1,000/- (Taka one thousand) or equivalent 25 US \$ up to 14:30 hours on 13.12.93.
4. All bids must be accompanied by a bid bond/bank guarantee/pay order or demand draft of two per cent (2%) of Total Bid price from any scheduled Bank of Bangladesh in favour of the Project Director, Second Aquaculture Development Project and must be delivered to the above office on or before 12:00 Noon on 14.12.93.
5. Bids will be opened in the presence of Bidders/representatives who may choose to attend at 12:30 hours at the office of the project Director, Second Aquaculture Development Project, Department of Fisheries, Matshya Bhaban, 7th Floor, 1, Park Avenue, Ramna, Dhaka.
6. The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the bids without assigning any reason whatsoever.
Md. Nasir Uddin Ahmed
Project Director
Second Aquaculture Dev. Project
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