

**District roundup**

**DINAJPUR**

**Contraband goods worth Tk one lakh seized**

Nov 29: Bangladesh Rifles arrested a man and seized a huge quantity of contrabands worth about Taka one lakh in different raids last week, reports UNB.

The arrested was identified as Shamsul Alam, son of Abul Kasem of Mohonpur in Kotwali thana.

Acting on tip, BDR personnel raided Chundipur, Sundarpur, Kutorhat and Dharmajan border areas and recovered the smuggled goods which include Indian clothes, cycle tyres and tubes, mosquito nets, pesticides, phynsidiyl syrup, nylon filter, stainless steel plates, sarees, cosmetics and other materials.

Seized goods were deposited to local Customs and Narcotics Control godown.

**NETRAKONA**

**Cattle lifting rampant**

Nov 29: Cattle lifting in different parts of the district, particularly in the rural areas, has become rampant during the last few days, says UNB.

Farmers alleged that an organised gang of cattle lifters are engaged in lifting cattle every night from the remote villages forcing the poor farmers to pass sleepless night in the cowsheds.

Some of the farmers, following the situation, have been compelled to keep their cows in their own dwelling houses. A good number of cattle have already been lifted in the district causing untold suffering to the poor farmers.

In most cases, the lifters release the theft cows in exchange of ransom money falling which the cows are being slaughtered to sell the meat and skins.

**COX'S BAZAR**

**Another 770 Rohingya refugees go back home**

Nov 29: Seven hundred seventy Rohingya refugees voluntarily returned to their homes in Myanmar through three transit camps at Teknaf here Thursday.

Official sources told BSS here that with this 108th batch of refugees left the camp.

The refugees were sent off by local and UNHCR officials while they were crossing the border through Rongikhali, Noyapara-2 and Jumnapara transit camps, the sources said adding three batches of refugees are being repatriated in a week in order to complete repatriation of Rohingya refugees in the shortest possible time.

**BARISAL**

**Huge quantity of saplings planted**

Nov 29: About 45,53,000 saplings of different varieties of trees were planted in the division in three months ending September last, reports BSS.

According to an official source, 13,53,128 saplings were of fruit-bearing trees, 23,45,993 saplings of timber and 8,54,580 saplings were of other varieties.

The saplings are of coconut, jalpai, amlaki, jack fruit, kadbela, amra, jam, segun, mehagani, krishnachura, raintree, mango, guava, etc.

Of the total 11,90,881 saplings were planted in Barisal district, 6,31,557 in Jhalakati, 8,62,546 in Bhola, 4,97,132 in Pirojpur, 7,35,771 in Patuakhali and 6,35,814 in Barguna districts.

**Re-Tender Notice**

Re-Tender No-S-221/93-94/2177/Betar Dated: 23-11-93

Sealed re-tenders are invited for purchasing of electric Battery Charger for use in Bangladesh Police Telecom organisation.

Re-tender schedule may be purchased from the office of the undersigned up to 11-12-93 during office hours on cash payment of Tk 400/- (four hundred) only (non-refundable).

Re-tenders will be received in the office of the AIG of Police (Telecom), Rajarbagh, Bangladesh, Dhaka on 12-12-93 up to 12.00 hours and will be opened on the same day at 12.30 hours in presence of tenderers (if any present). No re-tender schedule will be sold on the day fixed for opening re-tenders i.e. on 12-12-93. Tenderers should submit their own letter head pads with seal and signature.

The authority reserves the right to accept any re-tender and reject any or all re-tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.

DFP (G) 19465-23/11 G-1641 AIG of Police (Telecom) Bangladesh, Dhaka

**Office of the Divisional Forest Officer Sylhet Forest Division Tender Notice**

Sealed tenders are invited in the prescribed form from the bonafide suppliers/contractors for purchasing a new Jeep for Sylhet Forest Division during 1993-94 under Forest Resources Management Project.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned through the Tender Box kept in his office and in the office of the Conservator of Forests, Central Circle, Bano Bhaban, Mahakhali, Dhaka up to 12-00 Noon of 15-12-93 and will be opened by the above mentioned office on the same date at 1:00 PM in presence of the tenderers (if any).

Tenders schedule form may be purchased from the office of the undersigned and in the office of the Conservator of Forests, Central Circle, Bano Bhaban, Mahakhali, Dhaka at a cost of Tk 750/- (Seven hundred fifty) for the works during office hours up to 14-12-93. The terms and conditions and all other information in detailed for submission of tenders may be seen during office hours up to 14-12-93 (except Friday & other Govt holidays) in consultation with the terms & conditions of the tender notice & tender schedules format of the respective works.

**Detailed Specification of the Jeep**

1. Jeep (Petrol) 4x4 Wheel Drive, Semi long wheel Base, 1 (one) No. Hard Top, RHD, 5-Door, standard, Completely New 2367 CC Petrol 4-Cylinder in line OHV (Latest Model) water-cooled Engine 4-speed Manual Transmission (Floor). Equipped with: Radio AM, Cig. lighter, Ash Tray, Side stripe, Rear step Bumber, Side step, Floor Mat, Door Mirror-2 pcs. Inside Rear view Mirror, Chrome wheel with Radial Tyre, Jerrycan, Room Lamp, Accessory Meter, Cassette Stereo (Auto Reverse) Spare Tyre cover, Digital Clock, Seat Belt, Mud Guard Flaps, Boost Ventilator, one spare tyre and std tool set as supplied by the Manufacturer. Seating Capacity: 10 (ten) persons including driver. Horse power : 77KW @ 4800 RPM and above. Year of Manufacture: 1993-94.

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RAJSHAHI: Prof M Anisur Rahman, VC, RU speaking at a discussion meeting on Nawab Faizunnesa Chowdhurani. The meeting was organised by the Greater Comilla Welfare Association here recently. — Star photo

**Smugglers use road, river routes to carry Indian cattle**

From Our Correspondent

SIRAJGANJ, Nov 29: Smuggled Indian cattle are being carried towards Dhaka and Chittagong by road through Tarash, Rajganj, Belkuchi and Kamarkhanda thanas.

It is gathered that different areas of Tarash, Rajganj, Belkuchi and Kamarkhanda thanas have become the safest transit points of smuggling Indian cattle.

India cattle are brought to Bangladesh through Ranirhat-Gulta border and are taken to the river side area of Phulbaria in Sirajganj sadar thana through Shalgari, Chandakona, Dhangara and Salanga villages in Rajganj thana.

On another route the cattle are brought to Tarash by boat through the river Adrai and then taken to the riverside areas via Amsara, Dhaubill, Salanga, Haripur, Ullapara, Jamtoll, Kazipura and Belkuchi.

After loading in the shallow boats, the cattle are taken to different destination including Dhaka and Chittagong.

It is alleged that 'token' is used as 'pass' to carry the cattle. Payment at the rate of Taka five to Taka 10 per cattle is made to satisfy a section of 'pass' issuing authority.

Besides, Dhekurihat of Kazipur thana has become one of the safest market of smuggled Indian goods. Different smuggled items are brought here by boat directly from Dhubri (Assam) and are sold there most openly. All sorts of Indian goods are available there.

The local law enforcing agency is quite aware of this illegal business but keep silence causing harm to the national economy.

Plying of vehicular traffic on Nagarbari-Bogra Highway has become risky due to existence of a large number of damaged bridges.

There are 18 bridges which have been declared risky on this route.

It is gathered that seven bridges on Nagarbari-Bogra Highway were washed away during the devastating floods of 1987 and 1988. Temporary Bailey bridges were constructed at these points which have also turned risky. The risky bridges are situated at Nukali, Baghabari, Shahzadpur and Talgachi in Sirajganj district. Besides, a century-old bridge near Ullapara bazar may collapse at any time causing loss of lives and property.

The Roads and Highways (RHD) Department have constructed 28 unplanned speed breakers on this road. The speed breakers are not coloured

**Vigorous vaccination programme**

JESSORE, Nov 29: The Livestock Department conducted a vigorous vaccination programme in 16 districts of Khulna and Barisal divisions during the last fiscal year, reports BSS.

According to the deputy director, Livestock Department, six lakh and 30 thousand cattle, goats and poultry birds were vaccinated during the period. Besides, 19 lakh cattle-head were treated in different veterinary hospitals and duck and poultry farms, and 1,45,592 cows were given artificial insemination.

For ensuring better fodder, the department brought 940 acres of land under the cultivation of High Yielding Varieties (HYV) of napier, para, gini grass, and maize. Besides, over six lakh saplings of ipil-ipil were distributed.

Six hundred and thirty one dairy farms and 270 duck-poultry farms were established in these districts under private enterprises.

**Chhota Sona Mashjid deserves renovation**

From A Correspondent

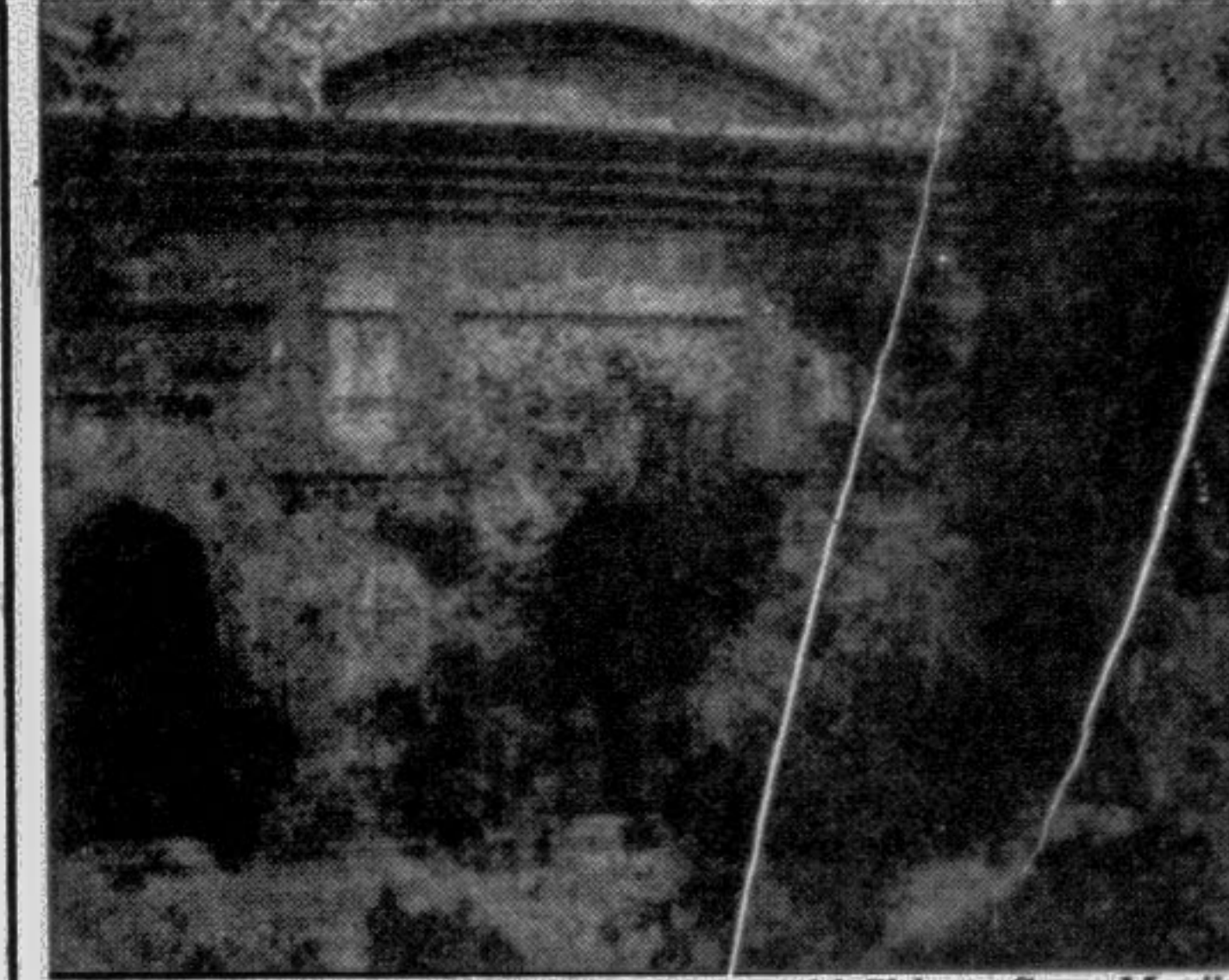
CHAPAINAWABGANJ, Nov 29: In the Vedas, the oldest series of books in the world, our people and their habitat was called Vanga. Although the big swath of land bounded by the Himalayas in the north and the Bay of Bengal in the south and enclosed between Pataliputra and Pragjyotish (the modern-day Bihar and Assam) peopled by the Bengali-speaking people from time immemorial was variously called as Pundra, Rarha, Samatata etc., modern Bengal was for most of the centuries after the Vedas called Goura. It is only after at least 14 centuries that the Venga-or Benga gained in currency during the Mughal domination displacing Goura as connoting everything Bengali.

Wonder of wonders, that selfsame Goura still exists, and exists in Bangladesh. Only 30 kilometres from this district

a dak-bungalow there so that tourists could find accommodation. The archaeological department was made interested in the job of preserving the ancient monuments and they came forward with plans.

The site was in fact in no need of foreign tourists. At least 25,000 people from the surrounding around congregate at Goura on pilgrimage to the Mazar of Shah Neyamatullah. Schools and colleges could be induced to send their students — and lately the National Museum at Dhaka is doing.

But before launching a programme of making people conscious of the glory that was Goura, some very important small jobs must be completed. There doesn't exist a motorable road to Sona Mashjid from Chapainawabganj. In the rainy season the Kansat-Sona Mashjid



The present condition of the century-old Chhota Sona Mashjid.

town — in the Shibganj thana. Goura lives today as a testament to the modern Bengali people's loss of collective memory or complete absence of the historical sense — neglected as nothing of importance and glory has ever been done anywhere.

The earthquake of 1897 wrecked the wonderful ruins of the latest edition of Goura as the capital city of the medieval Sultans of Bengal. A group of edifices however survived. The Chhota Sona Mashjid is eminent among these buildings — all of them of religious importance — in the matter of art and architecture. What that earthquake could not do, is now being wrought by a kind of unmitigated neglect on the part of the modern state of Bangladesh.

Some attempts were made by an SDO at the lag-end of the Pakistani times to do something about the ruins. He constructed goes under knee-deep mud. When dry, all the roads to Goura Monument complex are so rough as not to allow even tugging down the length.

As a modern touch to the importance of the locale — the grave of Shaheed Captain Mohiuddin Jahangir, Beer-Shreetha is situated within the Sona Mashjid compound. There are many tanks adding to this scenic beauty of the place. There are so many of them and they are so artistically spaced and situated that lovers of nature would find it irresistible. As another touch of modernity — most of these tanks, which should have been the property of the archaeological department, have been illegally occupied and are being put to use in a manner not in keeping with the sanctity of either the ancient city or its religious or scenic importance.

**Fish output in rivers, canals declines**

BARGUNA, Nov 29: Fish production in the haor areas of the district has fallen alarmingly causing concern suffering to the people, reports UNB.

Local people said, fish in rivers, canals and other water-bodies are very scarce here and hundreds of ditches and ponds in the district remained uncultivated for years together.

Moreover, in every season some fishermen are found engaged catching fish fry indiscriminately violating government ban and selling those in the local markets before the nose of law enforcing agencies.

It is also alleged that the matter has been brought to the notice of fisheries department several occasions but to no measures have yet been taken.

Local people informed that fish was once available abundantly in the haor and beel areas of Amtoli, Patharghata, Banna, Betagi and Barguna sadar thanas but due to lack of initiative and maintenance fish production has decreased in the district alarmingly.

Local elite have urged the concerned authorities to take up a massive scheme to make the district self-sufficient in fish production.

According to an official source, 83,511 children are studying in 379 government and 172 non-government primary schools in five thanas of the district.

There are 61 government and 40 non-government primary schools in Patharghata thana, 101 government and 40 non-government primary schools in Amtoli thana, 37 government and 14 non-government primary schools in Banna, 71 government and 20 non-government primary schools in Betagi thana, and 105 government and 58 non-government primary schools in Barguna sadar thana.

Of the total, 19,147 children are studying in 101 primary schools in Patharghata thana, 28,829 children in 141 primary schools in Amtoli, 8,542 students in 51 primary schools in Banna, 15,253 students in 91 primary schools in Betagi and 31,740 students in 167 primary schools in Barguna sadar thana.

Highest percentage of children studying in Barguna sadar thana and the lowest in Banna thana, the source added.

One killed on way to mazar of Shahporan

From Our Correspondent

SYLHET, Nov 29: A 30-year-old man was killed in a road accident near Islampur Bazar on Sylhet-Tamabil Road on Wednesday noon. According to the reports, the accident occurred when a baby taxi (bearing No Sylhet-Tha-02-0238) was on its way to the dargah of Shahporan from Sylhet town collided head on with a truck (bearing No Chatta Metro Da-418). The baby taxi driver Nur Mohammad and passengers Ainal, Abdul Latif, Abdul Motaleb and Kitab Ali sustained serious injuries. They were immediately admitted to the Sylhet MAG Osmany Medical College Hospital. Of the injured, Abdul Motaleb died in the hospital after some time. He hails from Nababganj thana of Dhaka district.



SYLHET: A rally was brought out at the town in observance of the founding anniversary of Bangladesh Samajtantrik Dal on November 9. — Star photo

**Government of People's Republic of Bangladesh Project Co-ordination Unit General Education Project Primary and Mass Education Division B-63, Malibagh Chowdhurypara, Dhaka-1219 No PCU/Admn/DPEU/Equip-Puch-1/93/651 Dated: 21/11/93 Eng**

**Tender Notice**

Sealed tenders are hereby invited by the Project Co-ordination Unit, General Education Project, Primary and Mass Education Division from the bonafide Suppliers for supplying (a) 1 (one) unit photocopier and (b) 1 (one) unit computer (with printer) for use in the Satellite section in D.P.E Unit under General Education Project. Tenders will be received in the office of the Project Co-ordinator up to 1:00 PM of the 14th December, 1993 and will be opened on the same day at 1:30 PM in presence of the tenderers or their representatives (if any). No tender will be accepted after expiry of the aforementioned date and time.

Tender documents with detail specification and terms and conditions may be obtained from this office on all working days and hours up to the 13th December, 1993 on payment of Tk. 200/- (two hundred only) for each group non-refundable in cash.

The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders, without assigning any reason thereof.

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**গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার**  
নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলীর দপ্তর  
গণপূর্ত বিভাগ, সাতক্ষীরা

**দরপত্র আহবানের বিজ্ঞপ্তি**  
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