

Naogaon-Rajshahi direct road demanded

NAOGAON, Jan 23: Hundreds of people of the district have been suffering greatly from absence of a direct road from Naogaon to Rajshahi, reports UNB.

The passengers of the district have to undergo a hazardous journey to reach the divisional headquarters changing buses two times at Sapai and Kasurhat on the route for the distance of only five miles.

Passengers said they have to travel by van or scooter facing untold sufferings. The women and patients are the worst sufferers.

Despite repeated request to the concerned authorities to solve the problem, no step has yet been taken so far in this regard.

A three-day-long solo painting exhibition of painter Shahriar Hossain Shabin was held at the local Government Krishna Dhan High School auditorium.

Motor cycle rider killed in mishap

LALMANIRHAT, Jan 23: A motor cycle rider was killed in a road accident here Saturday when a double trolley tractor hit him on the Kulghat Barabari Road, police said, reports UNB.

The victim was identified as Ekramul Haq (35), the Health Assistant of Rangpur-Dinajpur Rural Service.

Haq died on the spot after the sugarcane loaded tractor of Shampur Sugar Mills, knocked him down in front of the Kulghat Barabari High School.

A case has been filed with Sadar thana in this connection.



SYLHET: Renowned Islamic scholar and former Kuwati minister Syed Yusuf Hashem observing the model of Kazirbazar Jamea Madania Madrasah building in Sylhet during his visit here recently. — Star photo

Farmers of 125 villages cultivate ganja illegally

JAMALPUR, Jan 23: Ganja is being cultivated illegally in remote char areas of five thanas of the district during the current season, reports UNB.

Informed source said, many people cultivated ganja this year in 125 villages of Madarganj, Melanandah, Islampur, Dewanganj and Bokshiganj thanas of the district violating the government ban.

The poor farmers in remote village also cultivate ganja in

their courtyard as it seems like flower plants which is easy to deceive the law enforcing men. The ganja cultivation is more profitable which needs small care to grow.

According to the growers, each plant produces 2 to 3 kgs of ganja and per kg is being sold at Taka 5,000. The plant is being cultivated in the area since 1989, they added.

It is learnt that the traders pay in advance to the growers to cultivate the ganja in massive scale.

Narcotics Control Department said, they would launch a drive to seize the ganja plants soon.

Milk producers under uncertainty

About 5,000 milk producers of 125 Co-operative Societies have been thrown into uncertainty due to sudden closure of

Baghabari Milk-Vita Factory.

The milk producers alleged that without issuing prior notice the authorities showing some machinery disorder on January 19 had closed the biggest milk processing factory in the North Bengal.

The co-operative society members in Shahjadpur and adjoining areas had been supplying 2,000 litres of milk every day to the factory. After proper processing, the pasteurized milk was supplied to the northern districts including the capital city, they added.

With the sudden closure of the factory the milk is being sold here at thrown away price. Milk per kg is selling between Taka 4 and 5 in the area.

The society members have urged the authorities to take steps to reopen the factory without further delay.

Nationalisation of degree college demanded

From Our Correspondent

KURIGRAM, Jan 23: Kaunia Degree College, situated at Kaunia thana headquarters, has been facing multifarious problems including shortage of teachers, accommodation, furniture and inadequate equipments in science laboratory and lack of necessary appliances for games and sports.

Kaunia College, established in 1972, the institution for higher education in the thana, does not have sufficient accommodations due chiefly to shortage of rooms.

A half-done tin-shed building measuring 172 ft. by 28 ft. constructed at a cost of Taka 5 lakh could not be completed due to fund constraint.

There is a common room for female students, but no common room for the male students.

The roll strength of the college is about 1,800 but their

seat arrangement cannot meet the need for necessary number of benches. Besides, other furniture including chair, table and almirah are too much insufficient.

Due to inadequate member of necessary books in the library the students can hardly run their studies. Science laboratory accommodated in a small room has been running without requisite equipment resulting in untold troubles for the science students. Moreover, there is no B Sc course in the college.

The students of this college are badly in need of sports appliances, not to speak of recreational facilities.

Shortage of teachers is hampering the very purposes of education of the college. There is no teachers in Marketing and Finance Departments of Commerce Group. Only 26 teachers have been running classes in the college which cannot cope with the demand of the students. But required number of teachers cannot be appointed for want of fund.

The condition of the college premises is also tottering for want of repair. Absence of hostel there poses another problem for outside students.

The college authority is not in a position to solve any of the problems because of the acute fund shortage.

Guardians, students and elite of the locality urged upon the government to nationalise the college immediately so that the students can prosecute their studies in a proper educational atmosphere.

Agencies to probe into dumping of waste in Bay

From Staff Correspondent

CHITTAGONG, Jan 23: In the backdrop of reported dumping of waste in the outer anchorage of Chittagong port by a US flag carrier the 'American Heritage', the Mercantile Marine Department (MMD) and the Department of Environment here planned to launch separate investigations from tomorrow.

Talking to The Daily Star over telephone the Principal Officer of MMD Abdul Hoque said that tomorrow morning he would visit the outer anchorage for on the spot investigation into the dumping of waste by the US ship which arrived there on January 15 carrying 80,000 tons of wheat.

The Deputy Director of the Department of Environment Abdus Sobhan said measures were being taken to probe into the matter.

District roundup

KUSHTIA

Tk 80,000

looted

Jan 23: Two dacoities were committed in Kushtia town and its suburb within 36 hours, ending January 16, Sunday, reports UNB.

In one incident, the dacoits raided the shop of Kartik Chandra at Barobazar on Thursday and decamped with the sale proceeds amounting to Taka 50,000.

In another incident, the armed dacoits stormed the house of Khondakar Hasan Ali near Manglabaria bazar, one mile off Kushtia town Friday and looted cash and ornaments valued at Taka 30,000. This was the fourth dacoity at the house in last few years.

The house-owner's son, Mukul, alleged that no police forces were sent to their house although duty officer of the police station was informed of the dacoity immediately.

Cases have been lodged with the police.

BARISAL

Pous mela held

Jan 23: A three-day pous mela was held from Thursday at Sagardi of Barisal Town, reports BSS.

Organised by Arun Udaya Juba Samity, the mela held different programmes including kite flying, horse and ox races, jatra and exhibition of cottage industrial products.

Mir Mujibur Rahman, TNO, inaugurated the mela. He also gave away the prizes among the participants on the concluding day.

SHERPUR

Biting cold prevails

Jan 23: Light and moderate rainfalls in the last 24 hours sent coldwaves across the district, paralysing normal life, reports UNB.

Biting cold caused sufferings particularly to the distressed people as it began to rain at 3 pm Saturday and continued till Sunday.

District Agriculture Department recorded 15 mm rain, season's first, during the period.

The rain will, however, be beneficial to cultivation of rabi crops, including wheat, officials said.

PABNA

Taka 1.86 crore revenue earned

Jan 23: District Registration Department earned Taka 1.86 crore from nine sub-registry offices of the district during the last year, official sources said, reports UNB.

According to the sources, month-wise breakup is as follows: January Taka 14 lakh, February Taka 13 lakh, March Taka 10 lakh, April Taka 14 lakh, May Taka 21 lakh, June Taka 14 lakh, July Taka 14 lakh, August Taka 14 lakh, September Taka 19 lakh, October Taka 23 lakh, November Taka 20 lakh and December Taka 19 lakh.

The amount was earned through deed registration and other sources, the sources added.

Tender Notice

1. Tender Notice No : 131(93-94)Dt.4-1-94 Executive Engineer(RHD),Ferry Division, Sylhet.
2. Name of Work : Repairing work of Landing Pontoon inventory No. P.M-038 of Mahashing Ferry Ghat (Chayhara ghat) under Ferry Sub-division, Sylhet.
3. Estimated cost : Tk.6,29,578/- (six lakh twenty nine thousand five hundred seventy eight) only.
4. Earnest Money : Tk.12,592/- (Tk. Twelve thousand five hundred ninety two) only.
5. Time allowed for work : 45 (Forty five) days from the date of work order.
6. Tender Form : Bangladesh Form No-2911.
7. Nature of Contractor : 1. A to C General Category of (RHD).
2. D General of Dhaka-Ferry Circle.
8. Name of office where tender documents will be available:
1. Executive Engineer (RHD), Ferry Division, Sylhet.
2. Executive Engineer (RHD), Road Division, Sylhet.
3. Executive Engineer (RHD), Planning Division, Dhaka.
4. Sub-Divisional Engineer (RHD),Ferry Sub-Division, Sylhet.
9. Name of offices to receive Tender:
1. Superintending Engineer (RHD), Dhaka Ferry Circle, Dhaka.
2. Superintending Engineer (RHD), Monitoring and Evaluation Circle, Dhaka.
3. Executive Engineer (RHD), Ferry Division, Sylhet.
4. Executive Engineer (RHD), Road Division, Sylhet.
10. Last date of selling : 9-2-94 upto office hour.
11. Last date and time of : 10-2-94 upto 12-00 Noon receiving Tender
12. Last date and time of : 10-2-94 upto 12-30 PM. opening Tender

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Government of Bangladesh

Office of the Executive Engineer

PWD Division, Shariatpur

Notice Inviting Tenders

Tender No (six)/1993-94

1. Sealed Tenders in Bangladesh Form No. 2911 are hereby invited from the First Class approved Electrical/Mechanical Contractor/Firm of PWD and Class-II (two) approved Electrical/Mechanical Contractor/Firm of PWD Khulna Zone, Khulna having valid current supervisory and contractor ABC/BC licence granted by Licensing Board, Govt of Bangladesh for the undermentioned work. Tender will be received by the undersigned as well as all the Executive Engineers under PWD Circle, Barisal up to 12.00 Noon of 3-2-94 and will be opened on the same day at 12.15 P.M. in presence of the intending tenderers (who may like to remain present). The tender form will be sold up to 2-2-94.

2. Name of work : Constrn of 44 Nos new Dist. Hd Qr in Bangladesh one at Shariatpur Sub-Head: Providing Electrical installation in the Judge Court Bldg at Shariatpur.
3. Estimated cost : Tk.4,53,691/- only
4. Earnest money : Tk.9,074/- only
5. Time allowed : 2 (two) months from the date of issue of work order.

Tender form, schedule of items, specification, additional terms and conditions will be issued to the contractor from the office of the undersigned/Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Barisal/Bhola/Patuakhali/Barguna/Peropur/Jhalokati/Madaripur/Gopalganj on all working days during office hours on payment of usual charges.

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Executive Engineer
PWD Division, Shariatpur

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Anwar Hossain Manju MP, Presidium Member of Jatiya Party (JP) addressing a public meeting at Khalispur Sramik Maidan on Friday seeking vote for the JP candidates.

Residents seek gas supply

MAJDEE COURT (Noakhali), Jan 23: Noakhali Pourashava has taken up a programme for renovation work of Poura Kalyan High School at a cost of about Taka 2 lakh, reports UNB.

Official sources said, the renovation programme included reconstruction of one 2 storied building, construction of a tin-shed house, boundary wall and to provide more educational facilities for the students.

The age-old educational in-

stitution of the district established in 1940 was shifted to Majdee Court from the old town during fiscal 1948-49.

Another report adds: About 300 families of Noakhali government staff quarters have been facing problems due to want of gas supply in the area for a long time.

The dwellers said, they appealed to the concerned authorities to supply gas facilities since its establishment in 1968-70 but no step has yet been

taken. Public Works Department source said, they submitted a proposal to the concerned authorities for gas connection long before.

The dwellers have urged the government to take necessary arrangement for gas connection in the area without further delay.

Government has distributed 3.5 lakh sets of text books free of cost among the primary schools of the district.

Business centre needs development

BARGUNA, Jan 23: Kakchira bazar, one of the biggest business centres of the district, has long been facing various problems, reports UNB.

Shortage of accommodation, inadequate supply of pure water, bad drainage system and dearth of conservancy services are the major problems faced by the buyers and sellers.

The bazar was not expanded since the last few years to cope with the increasing commercial activities. The roads inside the bazar are not spacious enough to facilitate the movement of vehicles and customers.

Besides, mushroom growth of shops in haphazard manner and occupation of roads and lanes by the vendors have aggravated the situation.

The authorities care little to keep the market neat and clean although they realise increased taxes from the traders and shop keepers regularly.

The market goes have to take contaminated water from the nearby ponds and canals as the only tubewell of the market remains out of order for days together.

The bazar has no sanitary latrines and urinals and the people respond to the call of nature in the open polluting the environment.

In the absence of dustbins, garbage are piled up on the roads sometimes blocking the movement of pedestrians. The major parts of the bazar plunge into darkness after sundown due to lack of adequate electricity.



JHENIDAH A overloaded Kushtia bound minibus.

— Star photo



Directorate General Defence Purchase

Ministry of Defence

New Airport Road, Tejgaon, Dhaka-15

Tender Notice

1. Sealed tenders in local and foreign currency are invited from bonafide Manufacturers/Suppliers/Dealers/Indentors (Not necessarily enlisted with DGDP for supply of the following items for Bangladesh Air Force:

Sl No	Description of Items	Selling Date	Opening Date	Currency
a.	Documentary Film 16 mm Qty- 4 Ea	10-2-94	13-2-94	Local/Foreign currency
b.	Model of Jet Engine Qty-One Ea	29-1-94	30-1-94	Foreign currency

2. Tender schedules with detail specifications will be available on payment in respective value (Non-refundable) on any working day between 0800 AM to 1200 Noon. The tenders will be opened on the specified date at 1000 AM in presence of the bidders (if present).

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Office of the Project Director, Beel & Baor

Fisheries Development & Management Project

Jessore

Tender No: 9/1993-94

Dated: 17/01/1994 Eng. 04/10/1400 Bang.

Notice Inviting Tender

1. Separate sealed Tenders in Bangladesh Form No. 2911 are hereby invited from reputed Government/Semi-Government or Autonomous bodies enlisted Class-I Contractors/Firms for the undermentioned works. The Tender documents will be received by the undersigned as well as Director, Department of Fisheries, Matshya Bhaban (Implementation Section), Dhaka and District Fisheries Office, Jessore upto 12.00 Noon on 05/02/1994 and will be opened on the same day at 12:30 pm in presence of the Tenderers or their authorised representatives who may like to remain present. The Tender documents shall be in a sealed cover with the name of work superscribed on it.

Group No.	Name of work and address	Earnest Money	Time for completion	Value of Tender document (Non-refundable)
1.	Construction of Nursery and Fingerling Ponds at Kannadah and Bahadurpur Baor. P.S.: Sarsa, Dist.: Jessore.	2.5% of quoted amount	120 days	Tk. 750.00
2.	Construction of Nursery and Fingerling Ponds, Monks at Bukhara Baor. P.S.: Jessore Sadar, Dist.: Jessore.	2.5% of quoted amount	120 day	Tk.750.00
3.	Construction of Nursery and Fingerling Ponds at Khatura Baor. P.S.: Monirampur, Dist. Jessore.	2.5% of quoted amount	120 day	Tk.750.00
4.	Construction of Nursery and Fingerling Ponds at Benipur and Marudfia Baor. P.S.: Jibonnagar, Dist.: Chuadanga	2.5% of quoted amount	100 days	Tk.450.00

2. Tender documents can be seen and obtained from the office of the undersigned as well as Director, Department of Fisheries, Matshya Bhaban (Implementation Section), Dhaka and District Fisheries Office, Jessore during normal office hours on all working days upto 02/02/1994.

3. The Tenderers will have to submit the following documents duly attested by 1st Class Gazetted Officer not below the rank and status of an Executive Engineer for permission at the time of purchase of the Tender documents, failing which no Tender document will be sold:

- a) Copy of enlistment with Government/Semi-Government or Autonomous Organisation renewed upto 1993-94.
- b) Income Tax Clearance Certificate up to assessment year 1992-1993.
- c) VAT registration.
- d) Work orders and successful completion certificates of building, embankment, roads or similar nature of work costing not less than Tk. 15.00 lakhs for Group - 1-2 and Tk. 10.00 lakhs for other Groups in a single Work Order during last 5 years. Sub-contracts will not be considered.

4. Tenders must be accompanied by Earnest Money at 2.5% of the total quoted amount in the form of Bank Draft/Pay Order/C.D. from any scheduled bank, pledged in favour of the Project Director, Beel & Baor, Fisheries Development and Management Project, Jessore.
5. The owner reserves the right to accept any or reject any or all Tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever and is under no obligation to accept the lowest Tender.

Md. Tabibur Rahman

Project Director
Beel & Baor Fisheries
Development and Management
Project, Jessore.

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