

National

District roundup

SATKHIRA

Tk 50,000 looted, four injured

June 7: Dacoits injured four inmates, including a child, of a family at a village in sadar thana and decamped with cash and ornaments worth about Tk 50,000 on Friday, police said. Details UNB.

A gang of armed dacoits at dead of night entered the house forcibly at Bhomra village by breaking the door open and hurled bombs at the inmates of the house when they tried to resist them. While fleeing they also stabbed another inmate, Gaffar.

The injured Moksed Ali, Monajat Ali, Gaffar and the child Melon were admitted to Satkhira Hospital in a critical condition. A case filed with the police.

CHANDPUR

Three held with forged 500 taka notes

June 7: Police arrested three youngmen and recovered 11 counterfeit notes of Tk 500 denomination in Shahristan thana of the district on Wednesday, reports UNB.

The youngmen went to Sonali Bank at Khila Bazar branch in the thana and tried to deposit the said forged currency in favour of an account.

Finding the counterfeit notes in their hands the cashier informed the matter to the Bank Manager who later informed to the local police.

Police rushed to the spot and nabbed Abul Kashem, Mizanur Rahman and Md Ibrahim.

A case was filed in this connection.

BARISAL

Chicken pox breaks out

June 7: Chicken pox has broken out in an alarming form in all the 13 thanas of the district causing great suffering to the rural people, reports UNB.

Hospital sources said children and young people are mostly attacked by the contagious disease. Patients inflicted with the disease are pouring into the local health complexes daily, doctors at the hospitals said.

Local people alleged that the disease is spreading to new areas as curatives are inadequate in the affected areas and scarce in the local markets.

Lack of practice to cleanliness, consumption of stale and adulterated food, drinking of impure water and bathing in water bodies where cloths of patients are washed are identified as causes to the spreading of the disease.

People have urged the authorities concerned to take immediate measures to check the outbreak of the disease.

Barisal pourashava has undertaken a plan to construct a supermarket in the town this year.

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CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

ACROSS

1 Broadway years

5 Coffee group

5 Coffee vessel

8 Radiate

12 Gridlock component

13 G.S.'s Nanki —

14 Four-star review

15 Splendor

17 State

18 Van Gogh's love token

19 Inseparable

20 Converted split

21 Deity

22 Sales pitch?

23 Bee bunch

26 Waiter's duty

30 Verdi opera

31 Thither

32 Computer symbol

33 Bell-shaped hats

35 Dandling sites

36 Many, many

KISHOREGANJ

Demand for more phone connections

June 7: Increasing private, commercial and official activities of the district headquarters are being hampered greatly due to shortage of phone connections, says UNB.

The existing 400 telephone lines are unable to meet the growing need of the people. Hundreds of applications, seeking for new connections, have been lying untouched for years.

Government and non-government officials, business community, different organisations and commercial banks are the worst sufferers due to non-availability of new telephone connections.

Local leaders said, new connections have become necessary after the upgradation of Kishoreganj as district headquarters. The businessmen and officials said they have been facing difficulties in maintaining communication with the capital city and other places of the country.

RANGPUR

Mini-bus turns turtle, 25 hurt

June 7: At least 25 people were injured, 15 seriously, when a mini-bus skidded at Kaunia on Rangpur-Kurigram highway on Friday, says UNB.

The accident occurred when the driver of the Rangpur bound mini-bus coming from Kurigram over loaded with passengers tried to give side to a baby-taxi and suddenly lost control over the steering and the bus turned turtle, witnesses said.

Seriously injured passengers were admitted to Rangpur Medical College Hospital while others were released after first aid.

TANGAIL

JMBA to give Tk 4 crore as compensation to land owners

June 7: Jamuna Multipurpose Bridge Authority (JMBA) has sanctioned Tk 4 crore for the owners of the land which was acquired for constructing bridge embankment of the bridge. The money will be handed over to the actual owners soon, reports BSS.

This was disclosed by Abdul Matin Khondokar, Deputy Commissioner of Tangail recently in a meeting with the people affected by the embankment in Durgapur union.

He said, the amount will be given as compensation money to the owners of nine hundred acres of land acquired for the purpose.

Prior to the inaugural session, a colourful rally was brought out in the town from the school premises. A large number of ex-students took part in the rally which paraded the main streets of the town.

In the second session of the function memoirs were presented with Dr Jamshed Bakht in the chair. It was participated by Principal Mohammad Chowdhury, ex-forest conservator Mokbul Hossain. Mohammad Abdur Noor Chowdhury, Jahurul Haque Chowdhury, Dr Raisur Rahman, Abdul Khalique Khan and Principal Muhib-ul-Islam.

Other office bearers are as follows: Mizanur Rahman and Rabiu Alam, joint secretary, Sirajul Islam Khan, cultural secretary.

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