

National

Notes From
Kishoreganj

From Our Correspondent

KISHOREGANJ, Aug 2: The District Anti-Corruption Bureau has filed a case against an ex-member of Taljungia union in Tarail thana on charge of misappropriation of CI sheets and woods of a government primary school recently.

According to the Bureau of office, Hajipur government primary school in Tarail thana was razed to the ground by cyclonic storm in 1986. As per decision of the Managing Committee woods and CI sheets of the damaged school were deposited to Mahbubur Rahman, a member of Taljungia Union Parishad and also a member of the Managing Committee. Later, the UP member embezzled all the materials.

Drama
staged

A Bengali drama 'Jalanta Barud' writer by Ranjan Debnath was staged at Karimganj thana auditorium under the auspices of Ashi Natyangan recently. Among those who acted in different roles of the drama were Golam Rabbani Panu, Rahmat Ali, Kabir, Renu, Abul Kashem Bhuiyan, Dipu, Milon, Uttam Kumar Sarkar, Sirajuddin, Habibur Rahman, Nurul Alam Siddique, Abul Kashem, Aftab Hossain Chenu, Sanjoy Sarkar, Safiuddin Bhuiyan and Kanan. The drama was directed by Aftab Hossain Chenu.

Cattlehead
lifted

Three cattlehead were lifted from the house of one Nizamuddin of village South Nansree in Karimganj thana recently. The cattle-lifters entered the cowshed at night and took away three cows worth about Taka 28,000. A case was registered with Karimganj police station in this connection.

One commits
suicide

One Badal (25) of village Satyarpur in Karimganj thana committed suicide by taking poison due to family troubles and died on way to the hospital. A UD case was registered with Karimganj Police Station in this regard and the body was sent to the Kishoreganj Sadar Hospital for post-mortem.

Daring
dacoity

A daring dacoity was committed recently at night at the house of Hasen Ali at Panchrakhi village in Nandail thana. A gang of dacoits equipped with deadly weapons and fire arms entered the house of Hasen Ali and decamped with cash and other valuables worth about Taka 15,000 from the house.

A case was registered with Nandail police in this connection and police arrested are Nazimuddin in this regard.

Local people said theft, burglary and dacoity are of ten committed in the area but there is no police vigilance for their protection.

JSD (Inu)
meet held

A workers meeting of JSD (Inu) of Kishoreganj district unit was held at its office recently. The meeting was presided over by Nazrul Islam Noru and addressed among others by Khokon, Monirul Haque and Salahuddin Ahmed.

Training course
for farmers

A three day long training course of the 210 farmers of Bhairab thana was held recently at the premises of the thana Complex under the sponsorship of the thana Agriculture Extension Department.

The aims of the training course were to make aware of the farmers on the role of vegetables to meet vitamin deficiency protection of crops from the attack of pests, methods of nurturing trees, use and preparation of natural manures, role of seeds in producing quality crops etc.

263 tubewells
installed in
Kishoreganj

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KISHOREGANJ, Aug 2: The Public Health Engineering Department (PHED) installed 263 new tubewells in 11 thanas of Kishoreganj district during the last financial year, official source said.

According to district Public Health Engineering Department source, out of the total tubewells, 71 were installed in Bhairab thana, 53 in Katiahd, 38 in Aftabganj, 24 in Itna, 21 each in Karimganj and Mitamain, 12 in Pakundia, 9 in Nikli, 7 each in Kullarchar and Tarail and 4 in Kishoreganj thana.

Besides, the department also installed 40 Tara tubewells and re-installed 527 chalked up hand pumped shallow tubewells in the district during the same period.

Fenchuganj
power plant to
go into operation
from Nov '95

HABIGANJ, Aug 2: The under-construction 90 megawatt combined cycle power plant at Fenchuganj in Sylhet will go into operation by November next year, reports UNB.

The gas-fired power plant is under implementation with the financial and technical assistance of Japan at a cost of Tk 404.24 crore including the project aid component of Tk 283.68 crore.

The construction work of the plant is going on full swing and about 48 per cent work of the project has so far been completed, says a PID handout Tuesday.

This was stated by Energy and Mineral Resources Secretary M Fazlur Razzak while visiting Shahjibazar 96-megawatt power plant in Habiganj Tuesday.

Manager of the plant informed the Secretary that the plant is now producing only 25 megawatt electricity due to its age-old production machinery which needs overhauling and rehabilitation.

Steps are underway to produce more electricity from the plant through undertaking its necessary overhauling and rehabilitation, the Energy Secretary said.

"Opposition parties
hindering uplift
process"

KISHOREGANJ, Aug 2: Deputy Minister for Shipping ABM Zahidul Haq said that the opposition parties are hindering the ongoing development process through calling frequent hartals, reports UNB.

He was addressing a public meeting at Charafaradi Taltoli school ground of Pakundia thana in the district on Sunday.

The Deputy Minister said, opposition parties do not want the well-being of the people rather they are out to snatch the power in an undemocratic way.

Calling the hartal on the inaugural day of SAARC Council of Foreign Ministers' meeting prove that they do not want welfare of the people of the region, he added.

He said Awami League is trying to unseat the government through raising the issue of unconstitutional caretaker government. He called upon the people to be aware of the activities of the evil forces.

Later Zahidul Haq visited different development projects of the area, said an official handout.

Irregular power
supply, industries
worst affected
in Chuadanga

From Our Correspondent

CHUADANGA, Aug 2: There has been no development of power supply in Chuadanga district. The erratic power supply in the district has been continuing for the last four months.

Power disruption has become a regular phenomenon throughout Chuadanga district especially in Chuadanga town causing untold sufferings to the consumers.

Almost every day power supply is disrupted for at least one to two hours.

The frequency of power failure reaches its peak in the noon and evening affecting production in local industries and mills.

In the meantime production in mills and factories have declined abnormally and have incurred losses worth more than Taka 10 crore in the last four months.

One sentenced
to life-term
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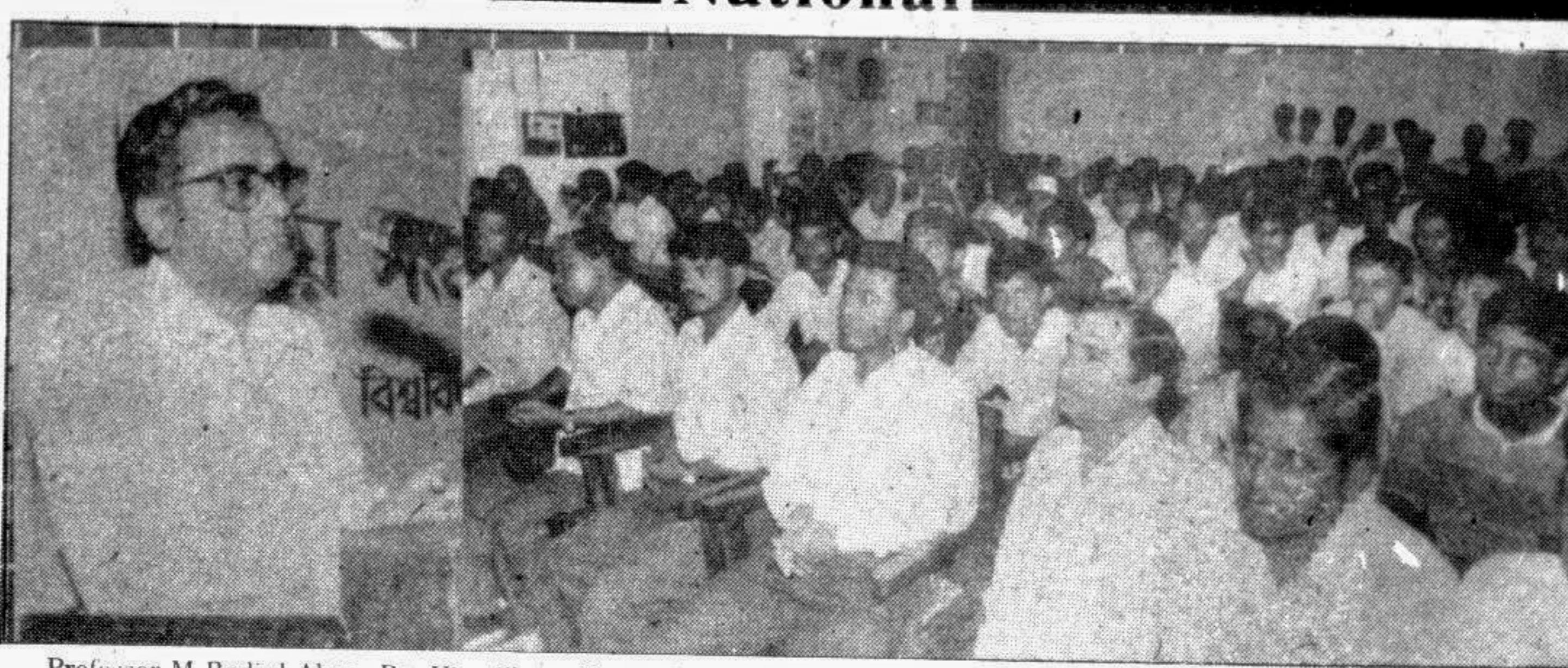
SYLHET, Aug 2: One person has been sentenced to suffer life-term imprisonment and two others to suffer imprisonment for seven years each on charge of kidnapping a minor.

Sunil Chandra Paul, Additional District and Sessions Judge, First Court, Sylhet passed the judgement recently.

The prosecution case in brief is that, in November 5, 1992 Koysoy Ahmed, son of one Sirajul Haque of village Quampur in Kanaighat thana of Sylhet was kidnapped from his maternal grandfather's house from village Manikpur of the same thana.

The court after examining the witnesses and the records of the case passed the judgement.

The prosecution was conducted by APP Fakhrudin Ahmed while the Defence was pleaded by Advocate Mahmud Hossain.



Professor M Badiul Alam, Pro-Vice-Chancellor of Chittagong University is seen addressing a farewell meeting of the outgoing students of HSC class held recently at Chittagong University College.

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Tk 50cr development projects in progress in Barisal district

From Staff Correspondent

BARISAL, Aug 2: Development works worth more than Tk 50 crore are being implemented in Barisal district for site selection and development for setting up of a 10 kw medium wave radio station at Rupatali on the outskirts of Barisal town. Tk one crore was allocated for construction of residential quarters for the officials of Judicial Department, Tk five crore 30 lakh for Barisal Sher-e-Bangla Medical College and Hospital, Tk 12 lakh for government B M University College and women's college hostels and about Tk 1.25 crore has been sanctioned for development of eleven high schools, a madrasa and a college under development schemes programmes.

Majibar Rahman Sarwar, MP, when he was talking to the local newsmen at the Barisal Press Club last week.

These development works include: construction works of divisional headquarter including the residential quarters of divisional commissioner and DIG with an allocation of Tk 12 crore 8 lakh, more than Tk two crore has been sanctioned for establishment of a dairy farm, Tk 5 crore 75 lakh has been sanctioned for construction of eleven high schools, a madrasa and a college under development schemes programmes.

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operation of STOL services. A Vocational Training Centre (VTC) will be set up in Barisal with an expenditure of Tk 1.50 crore, he added.

More development schemes will be implemented step by step which include construction of divisional stadium including extension of galleries of existing stadium and development of jail and range police headquarter.

He urged to the local journalists, businessmen, elites and the people from all walks of life to extend co-operation to make these development programmes a success.

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saplings along the different thana link roads, regional highways, flood protection embankments and in the different office premises.

To make these programmes successful a divisional level seminar was held here recently where M A Rashid, Divisional Commissioner, Barisal stressed on the need for afforestation all over the country and make these programmes successful. Among others Ahsan Habib Kamal, Administrator, Barisal Pourasava and Deputy Commissioners of different districts under Barisal Division addressed.

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Corruption case filed against union chairman

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KISHOREGANJ, Aug 2: A case was filed by the district Anti-Corruption Bureau against the chairman of Gobaria-Abdullahpur union in Kullarchar thana of the district on the charge of misappropriation of wheat meant for a project under Food for Works Programme.

According to the district Bureau office, 87,989 metric tons of wheat were sanctioned for the reconstruction of the road running from Luximpur Bazar to Agarpur bus stand and a project committee was formed with Salahuddin Khan, Chairman of Gobaria-Abdullahpur union as its chairman.

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