



SYLHET: Syed Mohibuddin Ahmed, Vice-Chancellor of Shahjalal University speaking as chief guest recently at the publication ceremony of 'Satyahr Mukhomukhi', a book written by Aftab Chowdhury.

Only for ladies!



RAJSHAHI UNIVERSITY: A 'khancha bazar' only for ladies. All kinds of vegetable like papaya, banana, pumpkin are available here. It starts in the early morning and continues upto 9.00 pm everyday. It is situated in front of Begum Rokeya and Taposy Rabeya hall of the campus.

Liberation War : Sylhet freed today
The enemy was totally trapped

SYLHET, Dec 14 : Sylhet, the north-eastern district of the country was freed from the clutches of the enemy forces on this day December 15 1971. The holy town of the great saint Hajrat Shahjalal was seen overwhelmed by the repeated slogans by the thousands of joyous people and Freedom Fighters who entered the town following fall of the Pak army and its collaborator forces.

Freedom Fighters. The Muktibahini and Allied forces, achieved great success in different important points causing serious losses to the enemy forces. They became worried with the fall of some important bases at different sectors. In such a situation, the Pak Army launched air attacks. Avoiding the air strikes a big contingent of the Muktibahini and Indian Army reached at the Khadimnagar area, about five miles from the Sylhet town on December 13. By this time, two other contingents of the Muktibahini captured Jalalpur and Lamakazi, in southwestern side of the town. It almost crippled the Pak Army as there was no scope to move for them. Only the northern side was then open. But it was also quite unfortunate for them that, this open area was also full of hillocks and next to which was the In-



The muktibahini or Freedom Fighters at Chiknagul of Sylhet pose for a picture with the local people just before their attack on the enemy forces in Sylhet town.



The officials of the Indian Army, DC of Sylhet and Dewan Farid Gazi at the function arranged after reconstructing the Keane Bridge which was damaged by the retreating Pakistani Army on the eve of the Victory Day.



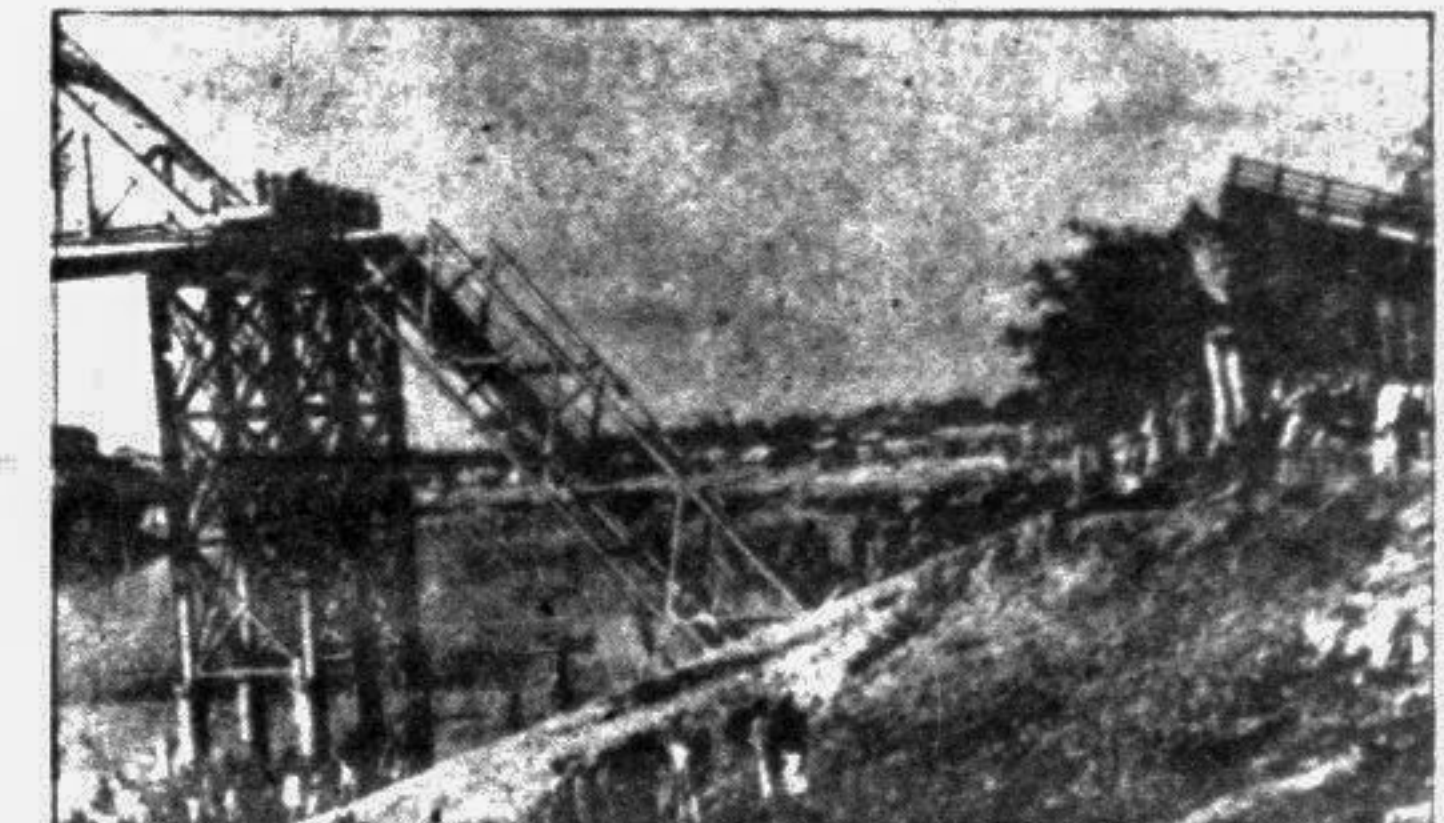
Dewan Farid Gazi, the then MNA and Civilian Advisor of the northeastern region-I in the Liberation War, addressing at a huge public meeting at the registry office premises in Sylhet on December 17, 1971.

According to the prepared plan, the Freedom Fighters and the Indian Army began to move towards the town under the leadership of Dewan Farid Gazi, Colonel CR Dutta and Colonel Bagechi. By this time, there were information that, the occupation forces had retreated from their previous position in the Government College. It was later found they had taken shelter at the main base at Salutiker along with their belonging.

The Freedom Fighters and Allied forces entered the town without any resistance and resistance. In the meantime, another big contingent of Freedom fighters of 'Z' force under the leadership of Ziaur Rahman reached the Government Cattle Farm at Alurtal area, in the suburb of the town. The Pak Army became crippled this time. But they damaged a

part of the Keane bridge with a dynamite out of grudge, while fleeing from the main town on December 19. The bridge over the river Surma connected two parts of Sylhet town. It was then also the main entry point to the town. The blasts of dynamites shook the whole town. The Freedom Fighters began entering into the town since the night of December 14 in groups from different directions.

Thousands of jubilant supporters in number were seen on the streets in the midnight even. The whole town was humming with slogans and shoutings of different joyous slogans. The town at last, was declared free of occupation forces on the next day on December 15. However, the Pak army officially surrendered after one day.



The Pakistani troops destroyed part of this bridge, known as the Keane Bridge, while retreating on December 13 from Sylhet town, one of the enemy's main base.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh. Bangladesh Ordnance Factories. Tender Notice. 1. Sealed tenders in prescribed forms are invited from bonafide manufacturers/agents/importers/suppliers for supply of Sodium Hydroxide to BOF as mentioned below:

Two awarded 10 yrs RI. BHOLA, Dec 14: Two people were sentenced to 10 years rigorous imprisonment each for murdering a man at Charfission thana, court sources said recently, reports UNB.

7 seriously injured in armed clash. KHULNA, Dec 14: At least seven persons were injured, two of them seriously, in a violent armed clash between two rival groups of youngmen at Natun Bazar recently. The wounded persons Manu 19, and Salam, 20, were admitted to sadar hospital in a precarious condition.

Ideal villages constructed. NATORE, Dec 14: At least 20 ideal villages have been built throughout the district for the rehabilitation of distressed people in Natore district, official sources said.

Girl students show great enthusiasm in 'semi-stipend' project

KURIGRAM, Dec 14: As elsewhere in the country, Kurigram too, is enjoying school attendance of the girls which has attained a new dimension in recent days. The girl students are showing great enthusiasm to the introduction and distribution of the semi-stipends to them, sponsored by the government and other donor agencies.

Table with 2 columns: Class, Amount per month. Class six: Tk 25.00 per month from January '94. Class seven: Tk 30.00 per month from January '95. Class eight: Tk 35.00 per month from January '95. Class nine: Tk 40.00 per month from January '94. Class ten: Tk 60.00 per month from January '95.

In Kurigram district, there is only one branch of Rupali Bank. Seven thanas, namely Kurigram Sadar, Nageswari, Fulbari, Bhurungamari, Chilmari, Rwmari and Rajibpur are the command areas of the branch of the bank. Except Kurigram sadar and Chilmari

for direct disbursement hand to hand. For Kurigram district total allocated amount is Taka 21,56,338 for the period from January to June 1994. When enquired why the disbursement of semi-stipends could not be started through Rupali Bank, Kurigram branch until September 15, 1994, the Manager, Mostafa Tofayel Hosain informed this Correspondent that the process was delayed due to lack of proper coordination among the concerned bodies, difficult communications system, particularly in the river areas and shortage of man-power in the branch.

বিজেএমসি বিজ্ঞাপন. দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি. মহাব্যবস্থাপক, ইউএমসি জুট মিলস, নরসিংদী কর্তৃক জর মিলের জুট কাটিং কেল নারায়ণপাড়া এলাকা হইতে মিল ঘাট পর্যন্ত পরিবহণের জন্য...



Literacy campaign launched by a Non-Government Organisation, Nijera Shikhi in Tarash thana of Sirajganj district. The photo shows an enthusiastic participant in a regular class.

Law & order situation in Sirajganj deteriorates

SIRAJGANJ, Dec 14 : At least 37 incidents of murder and suicide have occurred in last five months due to deteriorating law and order in the district, police and local people said, reports UNB.

possession creating panic in the area. Besides, incidents of theft and burglary are rampant in the residential and commercial areas of Kazipur and sadar thanas. At least 50 incidents of dacoity or theft have taken place in these thanas in the last five months, the sources added.



KURIGRAM: Girl students of Kathalbari Girls High School receiving cheques of semi-stipend being distributed by Rupali Bank branch in Kurigram.