

Three robbery cases on a single night in Kishoreganj

From Our Correspondent

KISHOREGANJ, Jan 14: Three dacoits were committed in a single night at village Bahadra in Pakundia thana on January 2 last.

According to reports, the dacoits equipped with firearms raided the houses of Chhattullah, Shahidullah and Hanif Bhuiyan and entered the rooms by breaking open the doors. They first tied up the inmates of the houses with rope and beat some of them mercilessly. They also hit with a ramdao on the head of Azizul Islam, son of Hanif Bhuiyan and he was later admitted to

Pakundia thana Health Complex.

The dacoits continued their looting for about two hours and no villagers dared to come forward as the dacoits had firearms with them.

The dacoits looted cash, gold and other valuables amounting to about Taka three lakh. A case was filed with the local police station in this regard. Dacoits are active in this thana for the last few months. But no steps have yet been taken by the concerned authorities to check the menace, local people leged.

Food stocks sharply falls in Jhenidah

All types of development activities hampered

From Our Correspondent

JHENIDAH, Jan 14: All types of development works are being hampered in Jhenidah district for want of food grains in Local Supply Deposits (LSD) since last week.

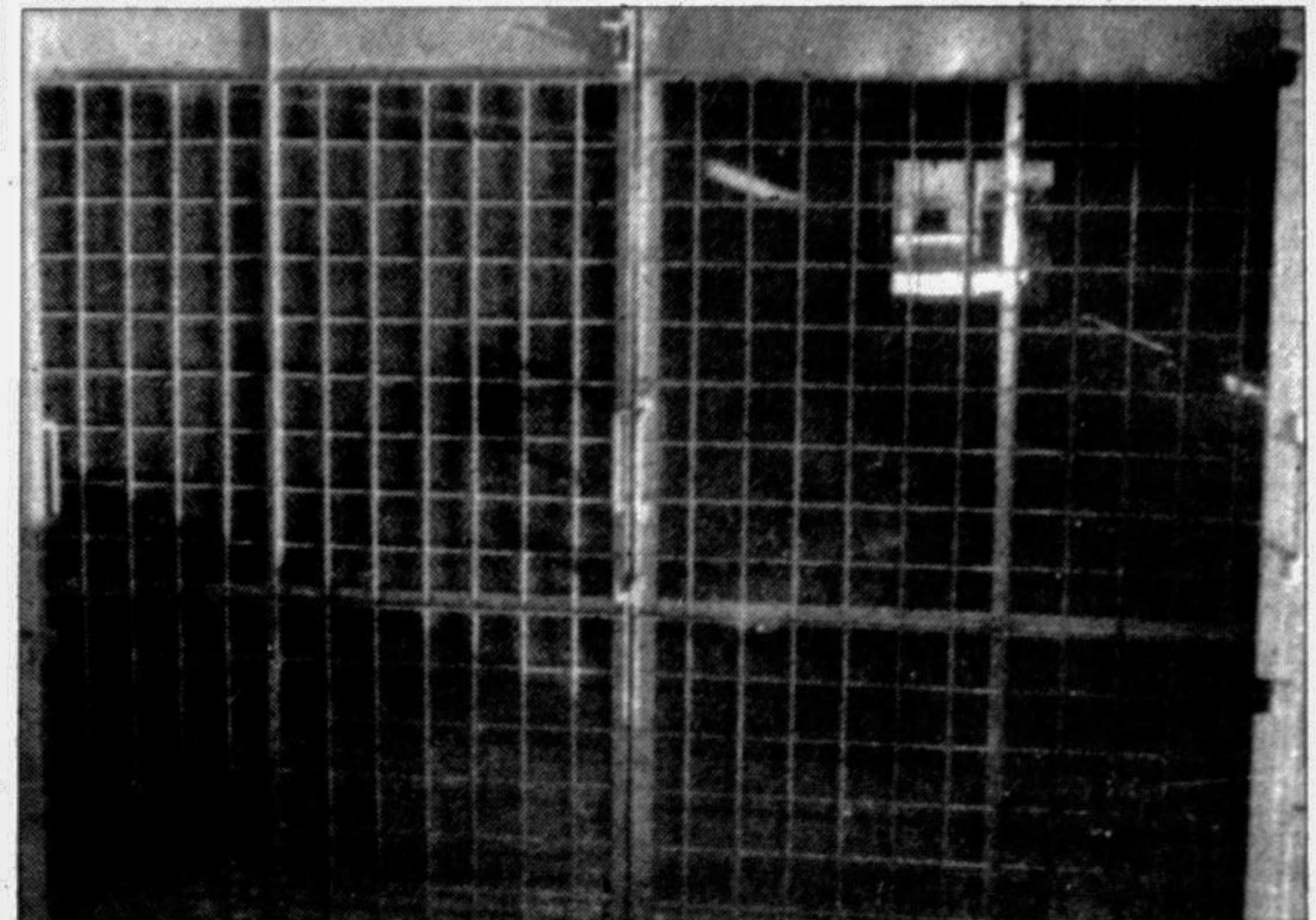
According to reports, Food

Kdhandpur LSD, one hundred 56 metric tons in Harinakundu LSD and only two metric tons in Saikupa LSD.

A source said, the Deputy Director, (Supply and Marketing), Food Directorate

food, Khulna said that they had not received any requirements from the district controller of foods, Jhenidah so far.

Talking to Thana Controller of Food, Saikupa it was learnt



JHENIDAH: The local food store in Saikupa of the district which is almost said to be empty since last one week. — Star photo

for Works Programme (FWP), Food for Education Programmes (FEP), Government Relief (GR), Vernalary Group Feeding (VGD) and all other works depend on food grains specially wheat have been affected. But stock position of food grains is very poor in the district.

According to a source there is only 1.299 metric tons of wheat in Jhenidah LSD, one hundred 19 metric tons in Hatgopalpur LSD, 4 hundred 35 metric tons in Kaliganj LSD, three hundred 83 metric tons in Mohespur LSD, 72 metric tons in Dattanagar LSD, 3 hundred 11 metric tons in

that there is only two metric tons of grains available in Saikupa store. He informed that he had been asking the district controller repeatedly for arrangement of supply of grains. But the district controller did not respond to supply the same. As a result he was not in a position to issue Delivery Order (DO) to the clients. The Thana Controller also informed that all the development activities like Food for Works Programme, Food for Education Programme, General Relief and Vernalary Group Feeding have been hampered for want of food-grains in the district.

They can hardly afford two meals a day — this is life!

From M A Ali Himu

NATORE, Jan 14: The number of poor and landless people is going up and the most of the farmers are losing their interest in farming due to the lack of employment opportunity, low price of crops and high price of agri-inputs.

Natore district has six thanas. The thanas are: Shingra, Gurudaspur, Baraigram, Lalpur, Bagatipara and Natore Sadar. It has about 13 lakh people.

An unofficial survey report says, out of the total population there are about 56 per cent landless day labourers and 22 per cent small land-holders in the district.

The landless day labourers earn a sum of Taka between 30 and 45 per day after putting in hard labour all day long in the land belonging to some one else and return to their homes with one or two kgs of rice if they get work daily. But in case of non-availability of such work, they have to starve — this is life!

even normal life, are the majority now a days in Natore. During the last dry season, a small amount of aman paddy and other seasonal crops were produced due to the severe drought. As a result, day labourers had no works during the season at all. Most of the day labourers then was to go out in search of different work.

There are also few employment opportunity in the district. There are only three industries, namely, Natore Sugar Mills, Gopalpur Sugar Mills and Jamuna Distillery Company Ltd where there are about one thousand employees altogether from different areas of the district working.

The unemployed educated youths here having no employment opportunity elsewhere in the district become frustrated. Some of them are passing their time taking drugs or indulging in various terrorist activities including toll collecting and some of them are being used as the right hands of the politicians and dishonest businessmen.

Besides, a good number of woman of different ages in the district are engaged in smuggling of Indian goods.

In the district, the prices of jute and aman crops are below the production cost and on the contrary, the prices of agri-inputs like insecticides and fertilizers go up making the farmers confused. All these farmers who are incurring loss every year, are losing interest in farming any further.

A bumper sugar cane is produced in Natore every year as the land is suited for high quality of cane cultivation. But a huge amount of bills of the cane growers remain unpaid from the two sugar mills here. The cane growers informed that they do not get fair prices in the local markets. An agronomist told this correspondent, the cane growers are also losing their interest in cane cultivation.

The price of rice and wheat also goes beyond the buying capacity of poor and distressed people in Natore. The price of rice is varying between Taka 14 and Taka 17 per kg and the flour price is between Taka 11 and Taka 15 per kg in local markets.

Local people feels that authorities should ensure employment opportunity and proper price of the produced crops in the district.

বিজেএমসি বিজ্ঞাপন
পুনঃ টেন্ডার বিজ্ঞপ্তি

মহাব্যবস্থাপক (প্রকল্প প্রধান), করিম জুট মিলস লিঃ, ডেমরা, ঢাকা

কর্তৃক ১৯৯৫ইং সালের জানুয়ারী হইতে ডিসেম্বর পর্যন্ত ১ (এক) বৎসরের জন্য করিম জুট মিলের পাটজাত পণ্য সোডিং ও আনসোডিং কাজের ঠিকাদার নিযুক্তির উদ্দেশ্যে কমপক্ষে ৩ (তিন) বৎসরের অভিজ্ঞতাসম্পন্ন প্রকৃত ঠিকাদারের নিকট হইতে সীলমোহরকৃত পুনঃ দরপত্র আহবান করা যাইতেছে। প্রত্যেক দরপত্রের সহিত অভিজ্ঞতার সনদপত্র এবং করিম জুট মিলের অনুকূলে ১০,০০০/- (দশ হাজার) টাকা (ফেরতযোগ্য) যে কোন তরফদারী ব্যাংক কর্তৃক ইস্যুকৃত পে-অর্ডার/ডিমাট ড্রাফট আর্নেস্টমনি হিসাবে অবশ্যই জমা দিতে হইবে। দরপত্র আগামী ২৯-০১-৯৫ইং তারিখ দুপুর ১২:০০ টার মধ্যে ডেমরাস্থ করিম জুট মিলের প্রশাসন বিভাগ, ঢাকাস্থ বিজেএমসির প্রধান কার্যালয়ের পরিচরনা বিভাগ, ৯৯, মতিঝিলস্থ করিম চেম্বারে অবস্থিত বিজেএমসির ঢাকা আঞ্চলিক কার্যালয়ে রক্ষিত টেন্ডার বাস্তব দাখিল করা যাইবে এবং ঐ দিনই বেলা ১২-১৫ মিনিটের সময় উপস্থিত দরদাতাদের (যদি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকেন) সম্মুখে ঘোষণা হইবে। বিস্তারিত বিবরণ ও শর্তাবলী সবেলিত প্রতিসেট টেন্ডার সিডিউল আগামী ২৮-০১-৯৫ইং তারিখ পর্যন্ত করিম জুট মিলের হিসাব বিভাগ, বিজেএমসির প্রধান কার্যালয়ের হিসাব বিভাগ ও বিজেএমসির ঢাকা আঞ্চলিক কার্যালয়ের হিসাব বিভাগ হইতে নম্বর ২০০.০০ (দুইশত) টাকা মূল্যে (অফেরতযোগ্য) ক্রয় করা যাইবে। বিস্তারিত বিবরণ জানার জন্য ডেমরাস্থ করিম জুট মিলের শিপিং শাখার সহিত যোগাযোগ করা যাইতে পারে।

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প্যাসের অপচয় রোধ করুন এবং নির্ধারিত সময়ে বিল পরিশোধ করুন

Tender Notice

Subject	Cost of Tender Schedule (Non-refundable)	Earnest Money
01. Supply of Steel Furniture.	Tk. 500/- per set.	2.5% of the total quoted amount
02. Supply of Stationery goods.	Tk. 500/- per set.	-do-

Place of selling Tender:
01. BGSL, Head Office, Chapapur, Comilla
02. BGSL, 100, Momin Road, Chittagong
03. BGSL, City Gate Station, Demra, Dhaka.

Time limit of selling Tender documents: 21-01-95 to 02-02-95.

Place of receiving and opening tender:
a) BGSL, Head Office, Chapapur, Comilla
b) BGSL, 100, Momin Road, Chittagong
c) BGSL, Liaison Office, House No. 3, Road No. 2/A, Banani, Dhaka-1213

Date & time of receiving tender: 04-02-95 up to 12:00 Noon
Date & time of opening tender: 04-02-95 at 12:10 PM.

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Tender Notice

Tender Notice of Executive Engineer (RHD), Road Division, Moulvibazar during the year 1994-95.

Tender No 54 (fifty four)/EE (RHD), Road Division, Moulvibazar 1994-95. Tenders are hereby invited in Bangladesh Form No 2911 from the bonafide enlisted general classes category contractor of RHD as per following group list.

Group No	Name of work	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Time allowed	Category of contractor
I (One)	Providing carpeting and seal coat work with necessary repairing of damages surfaces of road by maoadam method at 1st KM of Bhunobir-Shamsherganj Road under Road Division, Moulvibazar during 1994-95.	Tk 7,49,011/-	Tk 14,981/-	30 (thirty) days from the date of issue of work order	RHD bonafide enlisted "A" to "D" general class category contractor.
II (Two)	-do- work at 2nd KM of Bhunobir-Shamsherganj Road under Road Division, Moulvibazar during the year 1994-95.	Tk 7,57,100/-	Tk 15,142/-	-do-	-do-
III (Three)	-do- work at 3rd KM of Bhunobir-Shamsherganj Road under Road Division, Moulvibazar during the year 1994-95.	Tk 6,64,328/-	Tk 13,287/-	-do-	-do-
IV (Four)	-do- work at 4th KM of Bhunobir-Shamsherganj Road under Road Division, Moulvibazar during the year 1994-95.	Tk 7,35,397/-	Tk 14,708/-	-do-	-do-
V (Five)	-do- work at 5th KM of Bhunobir-Shamsherganj Road under Road Division, Moulvibazar during the year 1994-95.	Tk 7,54,580/-	Tk 15,092/-	-do-	-do-

Tender form along with schedule of items of works, notice inviting tender, specification and documents etc may be seen and purchased from the office of the Executive Engineer (RHD), Road Division, Moulvibazar/Habiganj/Sylhet/Sunamganj/Planning and Programming Division, Comilla/Planning (Roads and Bridges), Dhaka/Sub-Divisional Engineer (RHD), Road Sub-Division, Moulvibazar/Kulaura/Sreemongal/1st Line Workshop Sub-Division, Moulvibazar on 28-01-95.

The Tenders will be received simultaneously by the (1) Additional Chief Engineer, Comilla Zone, Comilla, (2) Superintending Engineer (RHD), Sylhet Road Circle, Sylhet, (3) Superintending Engineer (RHD), Monitoring and Evaluation Circle, Dhaka, (4) Executive Engineer (RHD), Road Division, Moulvibazar up to 12:30 PM on 29-01-95 and will be opened on 30-01-95 at 12:45 PM.

Lottery will be held on 1-02-95 at 11:30 AM.

Md Abdul Khaleque Miah
Executive Engineer (RHD)
Road Division, Moulvibazar.

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5 out of eight thanas in Jessore do not have fire brigade stations

From Our Correspondent

JESSORE, Jan 12: Valuables worth Taka 2 lakh 54 thousand 210 were destroyed in a total of 83 fire incidents while valuables worth Taka 10 lakh 19 thousand were saved following preventive measures taken by Fire Brigade and Civil Defence Services in different parts of the district in 1994, said an official source.

According to the source, oven fire, short circuit, burning cigarette-ends, open lamp, hot ashes, firework, clash of machinery parts, misfire, violent sparks, explosion from burning fire and mechanical fire, have been identified as

main causes of these fire incidents.

Information say that 32 fires broke out from oven, eight from short circuit eight from burning cigarette-ends, one from hot ashes, two due to carelessness and another two from chemical reactions.

It is further learnt that a total of 44 residential houses were gutted into fire last year causing damage worth Taka 3 one lakh 11 thousand 650. Rest was caused due to fire originated from different places, including hotel, godown, shops etc.

Five thanas out of eight including district headquarters, still don't have fire stations only Jhikergacha, Obhainagar thanas and district Sharsha thana do not have Fire Brigade facilities nor the services of Civil Defence despite. The fact that Benapole Land Port, only land port in the country, is earning more revenues than Mongla Port, is situated under the thana.

Importance of Chowgacha, Meshabpur and Bagherpar thanas of the district appears equal. All these thanas have big business centres noted for jute paddy, and various other winter crops, susceptible to fire.

An these places are still left uncared and unaccounted for. It is therefore high time for the authority concerned to look into the matter and take immediate steps to set up fire stations to ensure fire fighting whenever needed.

Farmers are main contributor in nation's economy : BAU VC

MYMENSINGH, Jan 14: Vice Chancellor of Bangladesh Agricultural University Prof Shah Mohammed Faruq called upon the newly admitted students to play active role towards socio-economic development by improving agricultural methodology reports UNB.

Farmers are the main contributor in our economy," Dr Faruq said adding, "the students of this university are the future hope of the farmers of the country".

He was addressing as chief guest at an orientation programme of the first year students of the session 1993-94 of the university held at the Jainul Abedin auditorium here on Sunday.

The Vice Chancellor asked the freshers to develop themselves as the skilled agriculturists and contribute to the agro-based economy of the country to change the lot of the farmers.

He also called upon the students to play a significant role in reducing the session jam to help achieve the cherished goal of the university.

Presided over by Students Affairs Advisor Dr Md Rafiqul Haq Bhuiyan, the function was also addressed by Registrar Abdul Hannan Khan, Prof Dr Md Motahar Hossain, Syndicate members, Deans of different faculties, Hall Provosts and high officials of the university.



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In Kishoreganj UP members face wheat misappropriation charges

From Our Correspondent

KISHOREGANJ, Jan 14: The District Anti Corruption Bureau has filed a case against a member of Dilalpur union in Bajitpur thana on charge of defalcation of wheat meant for a project under Food for Works Programme.

According to the Bureau office, during the financial year 1993-94, a total of 27 metric tons of wheat were lifted in three installments by Asad Mia, member of Dilalpur union who was also the chairman of Gazirchar-Dilalpur road Reconstructing project.

The project chairman later reportedly misappropriated 6.50 metric tons of wheat without submitting the master rolls of third installments. The price of misappropriated wheat was at Taka 47.710

One killed in train accident

BRAHMANBARIA, Jan 14: Bangladesh Rifles seized smuggled Indian goods worth Taka one lakh from Dhaka bound intercity Jointika Express, reports UNB.

Acting on secret information BDR and District Anti-smuggling Task Force jointly raided the train on December 26 and recovered Indian sa-rees.

The seized goods were deposited with the Akhaura Customs office.

Another message adds: A young man was crushed under the wheels of Dhaka bound intercity Urmu Aruna Express near Chinair railway station on December 29.

The victim was identified as Kader Miah son of late Matiur Rahman of village Sitaram in Akhaura.

A case was filed with Akhaura Rail police.

Tk 16 cr sanctioned for inter-district, thana roads construction

JAMALPUR, Jan 14: Government sanctioned Tk 16 crore for construction and reconstruction of inter-district and inter-thana roads in the district, reports UNB.

The roads are: Jamalpur-Dhanuakamalpur-Rowmart road, Jamalpur-Islampur road, Digpait-Sarishabari road, Tarakandi-Bhuyampur road and Jamalpur-Madarganj road.

The work on these roads has already been started and is expected to be completed by June, 1995.

With the completion of the project, road communication in the district will be improved to a great extent.



JHENIDAH: The bridge stands between Kadipara and Narikelbaria over river Chitra in Magura district. Hundreds of people, including school children cross this bamboo made 'shako'. — Star photo