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tle. The century old "Baro kutt"

buildings, constructed by the

Portugese at the bank of river

Padma was used as office build-

ing of vice chancellor, regis-

trar, college inspector and

other officials. The nearby BB

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fice. The library was also there.

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Tomes, the Australian Engi-

neer designed the plan of the

university in 19634 at a place

hear Dhaka Rajshahi high-way.

three miles form the main city.

From that time the university

has an area of 743 acres of

land on which the huge beauti

ful looking university. Campus

university started with 156

male students and only five

female students. In 1993-94

session the enrollment was

about 16 thou sand regular stu-

dents and about 7000 student

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total enrollment thus stands at

about 23 thousand. In 1953-54

session the university had 7 departments which were

English. Mathematics. History.

Economics. Philosophi. Law

and Diploma in education. At

present the university has 35

apartments including com-

puter science, library science,

From 1953-54 session, the

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Nothing strange! 'Matla,' as it's popularly known in the area in Hakimpur thana of Dinajpur district. Matla is used to cover paddy in rice mills. - Star photo

Main defaulters: RAJUK, WASA, BR, DC office

Municipal tax worth Tk 2.6 cr remain outstanding in N'ganj

From Ehsanul Haque

NARAYANGANJ, Jan 18: Tax worth Taka 2,60,32,403, both, in the private and public sectors, remain outstanding for the last 20 years, with the Narayanganj municipality, and official of the authority concerned informed.

The taxes during 1994-95 was assessed at Taka 3.10.49.088 including Taka 1.77,97.928 in previous arrears and Taka 1.32.51.160 current demand. Only Taka 50.16.685 (about 16.15 per centl has so far been realised till December 1994. In the last fiscal year, 1993-94. Taka

আবক নং – এলজিইডি/নিঃপ্রং/বং – ১৩/বিজ্ঞা – ৩/১৪ – ১৫/১১

1.19.00000 (about 36.88 per centl was collected while the estimated tax came to Taka 2.78,00000. So the backlog of tax payment for the year 1993-94 amounts to Taka 1.59.00000, officials of the pourashava said.

The arrear taxes of government organisations amounted to about Taka fifty lakh while the outstanding amount of tax from semi-government. autonomous bodies, private sectors were calculated at about Taka 1.10.32.000. The number of holdings of Narayangani municipality totalled about

গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার

নিৰ্বাহী প্ৰকৌশলীর কার্যালয়

স্থানীয় সরকার প্রকৌশল অধিদপ্তর, রংপুর

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9.570, sources said.

The sources also informed that the main defaulters whose amounts are big are different private jute companies. Taka 26,00000 remain outstanding with Kumudini Welfare Trust, with Taka 18,00000 WASA with Taka 8.57.332 with Bangladesh Railway, with Taka 7.02.529 Bangladesh Police with Taka 4.91,159, RAJUK with Taka 3.49.000, vested properties under the local Deputy Commissioner with Taka 3,19,361. Government Tolaram College with Taka 2 07,400. BTMC with Taka

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requisition house under the local Deputy Commissioner with Taka 1.99.936, government primary schools with Taka 1.82,173. Government Mahila College with Taka 1.73.240 and abandoned properties with Taka 1.31.711. A spokesman of the municipal authority told The Daily

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der the local Deputy Commi-

ssioner with Taka 2.37.128.

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Star that it would be very difficult to finance the development projects of the municipality with such big dues still lving outstanding. While explaining various

problems and difficulties faced by the municipality, one of the officials of the pourashava said irregular collection of taxes and lack of coordination with other developing agencies. lead to public suffering.

One of the causes of the financial crisis of the municipality is the increase revenue expenditure, he informed. The authorities concerned have taken all possible measures to streamline its working method with a view to providing maximum services to the people and to redress their grieva-

Reffering to the accumulation of such large amount of areas bills, the source said that a tendency had developed among a section of citizens not to be settous about payment of the bills. The municipal authorities further informed that there were certain handicaps and problems which must be tackled immediately.

It is worth noting that tax collection increased remark ably due to the issuance of the government special circular in connection with the overdue taxes in the years 1973 and 1976. But absence of this sort of government circular in other fiscals has lead to this staggering figure of arrear taxes. Other major causes are political turmoil in the country and depression in the jute business.

Sector wise observation reveals that the jute sector has become the biggest defaulter in terms of huge outstanding arrear taxes. As because the municipal authority possess no legal right to confiscate immovable property of the tax defaulters, it is not in a position to take action against jutebased companies which are under lock and key. Other causes of backlog of taxes, the authority informed, are that the higher income group of the society showed more aversion to paying municipal

Municipality is also being deprived of the taxes of the properties vested in the government officials as both the government and government officials are unwilling to pay the taxes. Last year a tax-payment cheque from Bangladesh Railway worth Taka 2.80,000 was dishonoured. As Municipality has difficulty in starting proceedings against the high government officials. they feel it is necessary that government should take measures in connection with this outstanding taxes.

in the private sector: Kumudini Welfare Trust is the largest defaulter with a tax of Tk 18 lakh. This company failed to pay the taxes despite several reminders, sources added.

Presently a massive legal action from municipality office against all those tax defaulters in under process, the authority in formed.

Rajshahi University: How it started

From Tareq Chowdhury

RAJSHAHI UNIVERSITY Jan 18: Right after the first World War, Sadlar Commision, appointed by the Indian government felt the nessicity of establishing a university at Rajshahi region. But for different political reasons the recomendation of Sadiar Commision was not materealised. After the partision of India in 1947 Pakistan had only four universities. Three of which were located in the West Pakistan. For the fifty million people of then East Pakistan there was only one University at Dhaka.

The people of North Bengal raised the slogun demanding a university in that region. As a result, the Rajshahi University ordinance was pased on March 31, 1953 at the provencial asembly. The then governor gave his consent to this bill on June 6, the same year. And on July 6 the eminent educationst of English literature Prof Etrat Hussain Juberi, the then principal of Rajshahi College was appointed the first vice chan-

Prof Juberi and an eminent lawer, who was a member of national assembly. Madar Baksh, jointly made the first draft of the university plan. A 23 member committee patronised by the then divisional commissioner M A Kurshed did all the primary works to establish the university. Prof Juberi and Madar Baksh were the joint secretaries of that committee. The university started its operation from few bueldings of Rajshahi College and



Bangladesh monument inside the RU campus

Rajshahi city. The university classes used to be held in the morning at Rajshahi college buildings before the college

session started. The "Fuller Hostle of Rajshahi College was made available for the hostle of the university students. Lal

Pharmacy. Applied Physics. Applied Chemistry, Mass Communication Library Science under six disciplines. There are also two institutions under the university, Institute of Bangladesh Studies, and Institute of Biological Science. Rajshahi University Syndicate, senate and academic council conduct the varsity under this act. The teachers, students and employes of Rajshahi University played a vital roll in the war of liberation in 1971. More than two dozens of teachers, students and staff lost there lives for the country. With these glorious history of the

university the nation looks forward to the young generation of the present time to materialize the dream of the forefather who felt the nessicity of establishing the university. Unfortunately bad politics and violence has shed bloods of many innocent student who came to this varsity to fulfill the dream of their parents. The present generation has

the strongest desire and feelings to maintain peace and harmony amongst the students and different students organi sations.

No one wants to spend a single day in the campus than required for their four years education. Everybody should work in the direction to make the university free from session-jam, violence and bad

On the occasion of Rajshahi University Day the then Vice-Chancellor of the university. Amanullah Ahmad addressing a crowd at the university campus premises on March 31, 1990 - RU photo

'I don't expect any miracles'

From Aroop Talukdar

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Barisal district.

BARISAL, Jan 18: We expect planned families where couples will be ensured of good food, health, proper médicare, education and shelter includ ing other social securities, said Kazi Anisur Rahman, Secretary General, Family Planning Association of Bangladesh (FPAB) He is also the Vice-Chairman, Central Committee of International Parenthood and Planning Federation (IPPF) and the Chairman, South Asian

Region, IPPF As one of the key post holders of the Family Planning Association, which is now working in 146 countries worldwide, gave his views on family planning network and ongoing programmes particu. larly in Bangladesh to The Daily Star

Kazi Anisur Rahman stressed on the need for the participation of more women according to their skill from all walks of life in the national programmes

According to him, there are 70 clubs or Family Welfare Centres (FWC) which are to be termed as Family Development Centres (FDC) soon working across the country started from 1981. These centres are working with different programmes that include health education, pre primary education, income generating programmes to develop the women's status as a whole. two-child norm and many

Govt will ensure

right place for

women in society'

The government had given

priority for women in different

fields including education and

employment. Mannan told a

one-day workshop on "Women

and Development" organised

by Project Five-O Bangladesh at

Gacha in Gazipur on Friday

More than 80 per cent tarcountry There is no alternative If we cannot provide them get on an average was achieved in implementing the prowith least of their day to day grammes in 20 greater disnecessities and minimum edutricts, the FPAB Secretary cation or training nothing General said He emphasised would be fruitful, he added. to the need for involvement of When asked about the sucthe women as well as youth in cess of FP programmes in the expensive family planning pro-

country, he said, I'm hopeful about the subject. But I obviously don't expect anything miraculous as some quarter believe The growing birth rate is the main hurdle in the goals of our programmes, There is success already

poorest level people of our

visible, he further said, I should say, achieved in motivational programmes where miraculous changes were noticed especially among the

There are, say, more than 14000 women who have already achieved remarkable success in their family planning programmes, Rahman

Any human related development effort in Bangladesh must be coordinated with the problems of the poor and it is equally needed to understand that who are really poor, how they behave and manage to survive.

Kazi Anisur Rahman was on way to Dhaka after attending a workshop on GO and NGO coordination programme for better relationship in Family education is very vital and Planning programmes at Patuakhali.

Number of landless farmers on rise in B'baria

BRAHMANBARIA, Jan 18: The number of landless farm-

According to a report, out depend on agriculture, 10 per cent on other professions and

20 per cent are unemployed

tinuous erosion of river Maghna over the last few years. Local elite said, the farmers have already lost their interest

in cultivation as they are being deprived of fair prices of their produce in the absence of proper market facilities.

It is alleged that the farmers are not getting proper loan facilities due to its complex procedure and interference of middlemen

Moreover shortage of high quality seeds and high prices tivating their land.

Ground nut cultivation bright in northern dists

NATORE, Jan 18: The prospect of ground nut cultivation is bright all over the northern district of Natore, reports

According to agriculturists. vast areas of sandy land across the river banks and char areas are suitable for ground nut cultivation.

A survey report of the Agriculture Extension Department revealed that there are more than 10 lakh hectares of such sandy land lying almost unutilised round the year. But initiative to motivate farmers to put these barren land under ground nut cultivation can help boost the production.

There are three varieties of ground nut now grown in different areas in small scale in the northern districts at the own initiative of the farmers. The varieties are known as

teel.' 'fhinga' and ' basanti'. These can be grown twice a year which needs ploughing once or twice before cultivation. But the ground nut hardly requires irrigation and fertilizers, according to the experts.

With minimum money involved, the farmers can harvest about one metric tons of ground nut worth Tk 20,000 per hectare of land. Each ground nut grain contains about 40 per cent oil and as such one maund oil can easily be extracted from 100 kg,

ground nut. Ground nut oil has a high food value, according to health experts. The existing edible oil shortage can be met by ground nut oil with its massive farming all over the country utilis-

ing barren lands without affecting other crops. It is learnt that total requirement of edible oil in the country is about 4 lakh metric tons whereas 1.35 lakh metric tons are produced annually. The rest 2.65 lakh

metric tons are to import evin order to popularise ground nut farming, the motivation programmes, distribution of required seeds and bank loan facilities are needed.

the experts said.

GAZIPUR, Jan 18: State ers in eight thanas of the dis-Minister for Science and trict is gradually increasing day Technology Prof MA Mannan by day due to river erosion and said that the government had other natural calamities, retaken specific programme to ports UNB ensure the right place of the women in the society, says of the total 21 lakh population of the district, 70 per cent

Moreover, among the farmers, about 60 per cent are landless. Besides, a large num ber of farmers have become shelterless on account of con-

of fertilisers have made the farmers less interested in cul-

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Mohammad Kashem Executive Engineer, RHD (Current Charge) Khagrachhari Road Divn I Khagrachhari.