

Brutal

From Staff Correspondent
SYLHET, Aug 9: A boy of 12 days was allegedly thrown into a ditch at village Mohidpur of Jakiganj thana on Saturday by a revenge seeking woman.

Housewife killed in Barisal

BARISAL, Aug 9: A housewife was allegedly beaten to death by her husband at Gazipur village in Amtali thana of Borguna district on Monday, reports UNB.

Woman crushed under wheels in Jhenidah

From Our Correspondent
JHENIDAH, Aug 9: An elderly woman was killed under the wheels of a speeding truck near Selkhpura bazar in Saikupa thana of the district on Sunday it is learnt.

Caught red-handed

From Our Correspondent
SATKHIRA, Aug 9: Principal of a madrasa was expelled from Satkhira Alia Madrasa examination centre on charge of supplying copies to his wife who was appearing in the examination in the current Kamil examination under Bangladesh Madrasa Board recently.

Eight arrested for murder in Sylhet

From Staff Correspondent
SYLHET, Aug 9: Eight accused of the sensational killing of school teacher Abdul Khalique surrendered to the police on Monday. As the police earlier arrested three others, all the 11 accused in the case have been arrested.

Police recovers phensedyl: One arrested

From Staff Correspondent
SYLHET, Aug 9: Sylhet Kotwali police recovered a total of 140 bottles of Phensedyl from a stall at village Khurumkhola of sadar thana on Tuesday.

Post-flood estimate in Jamalpur
About Tk 400 cr loss suffered

From Our Correspondent
JAMALPUR, Aug 9: A total of 1,43,000 families were affected in 66 unions out of the total 68 unions in seven thanas of the district during the recent flood, according to official sources.

The sources said, 95,000 dwellings were completely destroyed while another 34,500 were partially damaged. Educational institutions numbering 430 were also affected in the flood.

or banks for pisciculture are now in extreme hardship, trying to overcome the damage.
District LGED source said a total of 330 culverts and bridges were completely destroyed while 10 km of newly constructed pucca roads on Jamalpur-Sarishabari-Madarganj-Melandah route was partially damaged.

A total of 40 km Harindura flood control embankment was washed away, according to Bangladesh Water Development Board sources.
According to the Civil Surgeon of Jamalpur, a total 21,000 persons have been attacked by diarrhoea and 1,202 persons were attacked by dysentery during the period.

One stabbed to death

From Staff Correspondent
SYLHET, Aug 9: A young man was stabbed to death at Lakhaitala under Beanibazar thana on Sunday night.

College reopens

From Staff Correspondent
SYLHET, Aug 9: Beanibazar Government Degree College reopened on Monday after about one and a half months.

Seven arrested for murder in Sirajganj

SIRAJGANJ, Aug 9: Police arrested seven accused people on charge of killing a villager at Sotbari villages in Kamarkhanda thana on Sunday night, reports UNB.

One killed by thunder bolt in Satkhira

From Our Correspondent
SATKHIRA, Aug 9: Abdul Mazid, 28, of village Dhalbaria under Kaliganj thana died on the spot when a thunder bolt hit him recently.

Child drowns

From Our Correspondent
SATKHIRA, Aug 9: A five year old child drowned in a pond recently.

Nursery business booming in Kushtia

From Our Correspondent
KUSHTIA, Aug 9: Forest Department has set up a ten day tree sapling fair at collectorate premises in collaboration with district administration to supply tree saplings at a reduced rate among the people in connection with the Tree Plantation Campaign.

The fair was inaugurated by Abdur Rouf Chowdhury MP on Wednesday.
A total of 15 stalls have been set up in the fair and large number of people are seen visiting the fair to purchase saplings at Tk two each only while in open markets these saplings are being sold at Taka five each.

Lawyers boycott Jhenagati, Nokla courts

SHERPUR, Aug 9: Lawyers of the district today began an indefinite boycott of the assistant judge's courts of Nokla and Jhenagati thanas demanding the removal of Assistant Judge TM Musa, reports UNB.

people and these trees help a family in time of need just like insurance money. Trees were created by the Almighty before He created mankind because without the existence of tree mankind cannot live, Chowdhury added.

In his speech, Deputy Commissioner urged upon all to go for plantation of trees in every corner of the houses in order to maintain the ecological balance.

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Television news program details including dates, times, and content for various news channels.

Breaking the barriers of age-old bondage

From Ranesh Maitra

PABNA, Aug 9: Women in groups as well as individually, about 70 of them from different villages under Pabna sadar and Santhia thanas, started a tortuous journey towards self-dependence, to improve their standard of living and to defy the age-old bondage.



PABNA: Musammat Nargis, 32, of Song Sahapur village under Dapunia union drying paddy along with her husband. She purchased the paddy with CCDB loan. — Star photo

or jointly with their husbands. Besides they are also resorting to rearing cows, poultry-birds, planting trees and through these works, they were earning handsome amount of money, supplementing the family expenses, sending their boys and girls to the nearby schools, purchasing land and constructing huts, which, otherwise, would not perhaps be possible for their husbands.

The women, organised in various samities have already can sign their names. All the women who had taken loan refunded with an interest of 16 per cent per annum, before the expiry of the term (one year in all the cases).

In another nearby village, Barogram women despite their poverty were found having firm determination not to allow their husbands to work as labourer but to work in their own land or in own shops. Some of them already purchased land, built huts, started cultivation, tree plantation, taken up the job of tailoring in their own houses with machines after training imparted to them by the CCDB. They also purchased sewing machines from the loan money.

Women advancement in society is one of the ideas with which this NGO has been proceeding. The programme NGO is aimed at improving men-women relationship by making them aware of their rights, though liberating them from the traditional and age-old bondage and establishing women in the society as its respectable members.

Saleq-i-Ahmed Fauzul Bari, Project Manager, CCDB, Pabna said that as direct result of their efforts, girls' education was gaining equal importance along with that of the boys and divorce, polygamy, child marriage, violence against women, dowry etc, were facing increased resistance.

Tk 7,000 loan and now she started with rare pride that she already stood on her own feet and would no more take any further loan although she has got three unmarried daughters and one minor son.

Noor Jahan Begum, mother of five sons and one daughter, in her mid thirties whose husband was once addicted to heroin. Noor Jahan proudly said she has been able to persuade her husband after strenuous efforts to give up heroin.

Aleya Khatoon 32, a divorced woman of Ataikula, has only one son of age 12. Due to poverty Aleya worked in different houses as maid servant and, at this stage, when an NGO organiser approached her, she soon became interested and found herself a member of the mohila samity. She took a loan of Tk 2,000 and invested in handloom as she already knew weaving. She took annual loans, and due to her satisfaction, loan repayment records she was able to draw Tk 8,000 as loan. She also has savings which is compulsory for every member of samity and took Tk 1,000 as loan from her own savings



PABNA: Musammat Jobeda Khatun, 19, an HSC examinee is studying with a CCDB loan since her school days as her father was too poor to finance her studies. — Star photo

of Alokchar Mohila Samity (2). She plans to continue her studies, became a graduate and ultimately take up the profession of teaching in a high school, she said. She had a love-marriage had her conjugal life for three months only after which her husband left her six months back and was not coming to her nor was taking any information about her, Khanam said with tears in her eyes.

Thus, Aleya maintains herself and her son whom she wants to send to school. She now has two handlooms one purchased from the loan and the other from her brother which she received earlier.

Maleka Khatoon 35, takes loans from CCDB and earns from the profit and has been able to make a good saving for her daughters. Widowed long 14 years back, now she does not feel helpless at all and expressed firm determination to fulfil her dream surrounding her beloved daughters.

PABNA: Portion of Ichhamoti river where Gayeshpur-Ichhamoti Forum has released fish fry. — Star photo

under Pabna sadar thana all of whom were organised under the banner of different mohila samities (women societies) led, run and managed by themselves under the Peoples' Participatory Rural Development Programme and all took one year-term loans, took up a number of schemes and have been making all out efforts with the objective of changing their lots and to improve their position in their respective families and



PABNA: Noorjahan Begum of Tebunia, standing amongst her home forest where she planted Mehgoni, Shshisu, Mango and several other types of trees. — Star photo

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Tender Notice

Tender Notice No. EE/FD/RZ/95-96 (4) Dated: 14-4-1402BS/ 29-7-95
Sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No. 2908 are hereby invited from bonafide furniture makers & suppliers for making & supplying various types of furniture at Rangpur, Gaibandha, Nilphamari, Kurigram & Lalmonirhat District Primary Education Offices under this zone under "General Education Project".

Terms & Conditions:
1. Furniture should be supplied to the District Primary Education office concerned as per the approved list attached with the tender.
2. Furniture should be made & supplied as per the approved plan, design, drawing, specification & estimate.
3. Tenderer must be holder of trade licence & turnover certificate as maker & supplier of such furniture. None other than bonafide furniture makers & suppliers can participate in the tender.