

### Railway ticket fare not yet reduced in Gaibandha

From Our Correspondent  
GAIBANDHA, Sept 19: The reduced fare of railway tickets is yet to be enforced in Gaibandha Railway station. Government declared a fare reduction on railway tickets by 20 to 30 per cent throughout the country effecting from September 1. But in Gaibandha fare of economy classes in Teesta and Ekota Intercity Express trains is yet to be reduced as per order. The station authority is still realising previous fare rate of said classes on the plea that they have not received any formal instruction from the higher authority as yet. The allocated seat capacity of Teesta and Ekota Intercity Express trains are very limited against the high demand. Everyday many of the passengers are found travelling standing due to shortage of seat allocation.

### Two jailed for smuggling in Comilla

COMILLA, Sept 19: Two people were sentenced to suffer three and four years rigorous imprisonment respectively in two separate cases of smuggling, reports UNB. District Additional Sessions Judge and also Judge of the Special Tribunal-2 M Nurul Wadud awarded the punishment last week. The convict Kamal Hossain, son of M Omar of Gazipur village in sadar thana of the district, was awarded three years jail term under Special Powers Act, 1974 while Md Farid Miah, son of Roushan Ali of Chak Lakshampur village in Choudhagram thana, was given four years rigorous imprisonment.

### Post-flood agri rehabilitation project undertaken in Gaibandha

From Our Correspondent  
GAIBANDHA, Sept 19: Post flood agriculture rehabilitation and development of roads, have been undertaken in the district. A fund of Taka 14 crore 18 lakh 50 thousand was sanctioned for the implementation of the programme. The programme included transplantation of fresh seedlings on 20 thousand hectares of flood hit crop lands. Besides cultivation of wheat, maize, oil-seed and vegetables will also be undertaken in the ensuing Rabi crop season. Taka seven crore 98 lakh 50 thousand has been allocated for the implementation of aman farming under Agriculture Department. Under this programme seeds, fertilizer and pesticide are being distributed free of cost among the flood hit farmers. Besides, Taka seven crore was allocated for the renovation of about hundred kilometre long roads. The work will be implemented by Roads and Highway Department.

### One electrocuted

COMILLA, Sept 19: A mother of seven children was electrocuted at Baira village in Muradnagar thana, police said today, reports UNB. The victim was identified as Aychan Begum, 40, wife of Ali Ahmad who is now in abroad. According to witnesses, she came in contact with the live electric wire last week which was left uncared near her house by one co-villager Jasim Ali. Jasim allegedly enjoyed VCR film at the place of incident connecting an electric wire from her residence throughout the night. Akamat Ali, brother of the deceased, filed a case against four people in this connection.

Another message adds: A non-government organisation titled Gramin Economical Development Society has started functioning through disbursing loan among the landless poor villagers. They are giving soft term loan for establishing small business, vegetable cultivation and other income generation schemes.

Another report says, Mohammad Faziur Rahman Bhuiyan and M Mofizur Rahman were elected president and vice president respectively of the Lawyers' Assistants Association of Comilla Bar Association.

Mohammad Akhter Hossain and Abu Taher were elected as general secretary and assistant general secretary respectively. The election was held last week.

## Tribal 'terrorists' frequently abducting innocent people in CHT

From AKM Zahoorul Haq

The tribal insurgents of Chittagong Hill Tracts operating from their hideouts in deep forests apparently intensified their toll extortion drive in CHT and parts of adjoining thana of Fatikchhari in Chittagong for the last three years under the cover of the on-going Shantibahini-government truce.

RAZASTHALI (Rangamati), Sept 19: Dibakar Chowdhury, the Manager of the Bangladesh Krishi Bank (BKB), Razasthali branch in Rangamati hill district was freed on September 11 last from the captivity of the tribal insurgents after 88 days of their abduction in the jungle hideout, police sources said.

Dibakar Chowdhury along with the Accounts Officer of Razasthali branch of BKB, Masud Aktar was abducted by the tribal insurgents on June 14 last at about 11 in the morning while they were on duty at their office. In that raid, the marauding tribal insurgents looted a cash amounting to Taka one lakh five thousand five hundred ninety from the safe of the bank and shot, Sakhur Ali, a carpenter, dead while leaving for jungle in a village about three kilometre from the bank.

The fate of Masud Aktar is yet not known, police said while the freed Dibakar is now under treatment at hospital who arranged his release on payment of ransom.

Engineer, Zahid Aktar, by profession a contractor, the elder brother of kidnapped Masud Aktar has been passing his days in sub conscious state for abduction of his younger brother at Rangamati.

After 27 days of this abduction on July 12, Jyotindra Bodhi Priya Larma, better known as Shantoo Larma, the Chairman of the Parbatya Chattagram Jana Sanghati Samity (PCJSS) ruled out the involvement of the tribal insurgents in the abduction while he was on peace talks at Dadukchhari of Khagrachhari hill district with the sub-committee

formed for sorting out the CHT problem asked by the journalists. But the on-lookers told The Daily Star on August 30 at Razasthali that they observed the participation of the tribal insurgents with few other terrorists of non-Mongolian type appearance on June 14 in the incident of abduction.

The tribal insurgents reportedly resorted to joint criminal activities including extortion of tolls on gun-point from the people and traders in remote areas of Bandarban and parts of Rangamati hill district.

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Chittagong Hill Tracts, operating from the hideouts in deep forests apparently intensified their toll extortion drive in Chittagong Hill Tracts and parts of its adjoining thana of Fatikchhari in Chittagong for the last three years under the cover of the on-going truce.

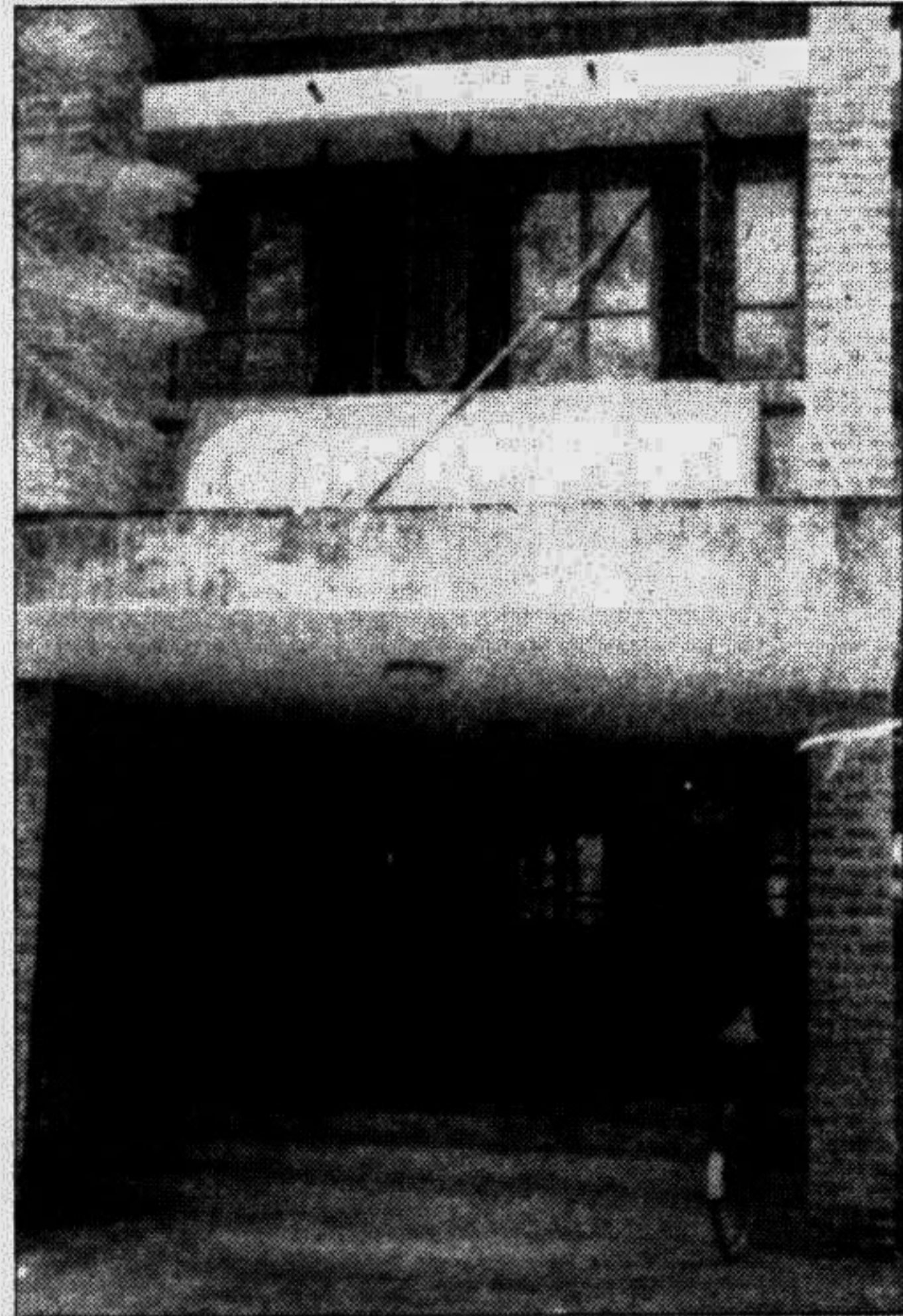
The members of the outlawed Arakan Liberation Party, based in the deep forest of North Arakan often intrude into remote areas of Bangladesh territory and commit dacoity in the hamlets inhabited by the hapless tribals, sources said.

Reports from various sources also add that leaders of the tribal insurgents and Arakan Liberation Party, ALP visited each others headquarters at Tripura and North Arakan to strengthen their amity and activities.

Now they are reportedly active in the remote areas of sadar, Roangchhari, Alikadam, Ruma and Thanchi police stations in Bandarban hill district and Baghaichhari, Jurachhari, Belaichhari and Borkal police stations in Rangamati hill district, sources said.

Master Kaishya Thoai Marma, Chairman of Roangchhari Union Parishad, abducted on July 26 is yet to be released though his family already paid the ransom of Taka three lakh on July 30 demanded by the tribal insurgents, sources said.

Sukumbar Barua, 30 and Shi Prue Ching, 24, of Balakhalli in Bandarban Kotwali police station were reportedly killed on August 16 and 18 this year after abduction for opposing a group of toll collectors belonging to tribal insurgency who were active in Dolupara and Antalpara of the district.



The picture shows the partial view of the BKB Razasthali branch building in Rangamati hill district from where two bank officers were abducted on June 14, 1995 by the Shantibahini men at gun point.

## Doubts of establishment of TV centre in Rajshahi

From Our Correspondent

RAJSHAHI, Sept 19: The people of Rajshahi are in doubts and confusion on the question of establishment of the proposed full-fledged television studio at Rajshahi. They cannot decide which is right — the decision of the Executive Committee of National Economic Council (ECNEC) or commitment of the BNP leaders. As a result all sections of the inhabitants of Rajshahi have come out in the streets to express agitation and some of them are preparing for greater movements to realise their demand.

It is to be mentioned here that the Prime Minister, the Information Minister, the State Minister for Finance, the State Minister for Land and the Mayor of Rajshahi City Corporation including many other central and local leaders of the party in power have announced several times in public meetings and press conferences in last four years that a regional television centre in a full-fledged modern studio would be set up in Rajshahi. But the proposed television centre was allegedly decided to be shifted from Rajshahi to Bogra in early 1994. The people of Rajshahi then moved vehemently and at last the Information Ministry announced that the television centres would be established both in Rajshahi and Bogra.

Accordingly, a site for the

proposed TV centre was selected near Rajshahi radio centre at Kazihata in the city and the then Information Minister laid the foundation stone of the TV centre on December 18, 1993.

However, the site was later shifted to a nearby place and the land was acquired. Boundary walls are being constructed now by the Public Works Department. A big signboard was also hung there which reads "selected site for the full-fledged television centre committed by the Prime Minister" written by the PWD.

In the meantime, the government has undertaken a

### Women trafficker held, girl rescued

SATKHIRA, Sept 19: An alleged woman trafficker was arrested and a young girl was rescued from his clutches in Kaliganj thana of the district on Saturday, reports UNB.

Police said Manik Chandra Sarker was proceeding towards the border with victim Rashida, 20 daughter of Mohammad Ali of Rajapur in Kaliganj thana.

The identity of the trafficker disclosed when a member of Amthurespur union parishad challenged Manik Sarker on suspicion.

Both of them were later handed over to the local police.

project of setting up three television centres at Bogra, Khulna and Sylhet at a cost of Taka 80 crore in the current fiscal year. The ECNEC approved the project early this month. The Prime Minister is likely to lay the foundation stone of Bogra television centre on September 26. This will cost Taka 30.90 crore. These news created agitation among the people of Rajshahi and many organisations — political, social, profession and cultural — are holding protest rallies and taking out processions every day demanding immediate establishment of the proposed full-fledged television centre at Rajshahi.

To ease the situation, the Mayor of Rajshahi City Corporation Mijanur Rahman Minu, who is also a highly placed leader of the ruling party reiterated that the Rajshahi television centre must be established as per their commitment — without failure and delay.

But the people of Rajshahi are not satisfied at his commitment as they see no steps taken in prof of his word. As a result the organisations already in the streets are demanding a clear press note from the government concerning the matter, otherwise they would consider the commitment of the government of establishing a full-fledged TV centre at Rajshahi as merely a big bluff.

### Students seeking admission in colleges worried

KHULNA, Sept 19: Admission in the higher secondary classes in the current academic session has become very difficult in the south-eastern divisional city Khulna due to the shortage of college, reports UNB.

There are six government colleges in the city, of them Brajalal University College and Khulna Government Azam Khan Commerce University College have closed the HSC course from the current year which has aggravated the admission problem highly.

The government has closed intermediate course in these colleges to pave way for higher education.

Guardians of the city although appreciated marks basis admission system in HSC but they feared a good number of meritorious students will be deprived from taking admission in good college.

Besides two university colleges, there are another four government colleges in the district. Of them, Boira Girls College is an old institution with its reputation while Pioneer Girls College, City College and Sundarban College have been nationalised recently. There are no adequate experienced teachers and sufficient educational appliances in these institutions.

It has been estimated that about 4000 admission seekers will be deprived from admission. Guardians of the city feared that the admission problem will hamper education greatly.

Local people and educationists suggested that the government should introduce night shift in some colleges and some schools should be upgraded in intermediate college in order to solve the admission crisis.

### Disabled, patients get relief in Khagrachhari

From CHT Correspondent  
RAMGARH (Khagrachhari), Sept 19: The Khagrachhari Hill District Local Government Council (KHD-LGC) recently distributed Taka one lakh in cash and relief goods among the disabled people, complicated patients, people affected by natural calamities, Mosques and social organisations at Ramgarh of the district.

Some 28 families of the thana along with few Mosques and social organizations were given relief. Samiran Dewan, Chairman of KHD-LGC distributed the relief while his Councillors and others were present.

### Arms making equipment recovered

COMILLA, Sept 19: Police recovered two country made pipe guns and some arms making materials from Mogaltali area of the town recently, reports UNB.

Police said, acting on a tip-off, they halted a rickshaw and recovered the arms under its seat. However, the rickshaw-puller and two passengers of the rickshaw managed to flee the scene.

Another report says, Ainassar Human Development Organisation of the Laksam thana with the collaboration of National Blind Welfare Association organised a free Eye Camp at the thana sadar recently.

Some 130 eye patients were given treatment.

Dr Mohammad Habibur Rahman, Dr Abdul Baset Ali, Dr GM Ratan and Dr M Mahub conducted the eye camp.

### BCIC Tender Notice

বিসিআসি'র পণ্য শিলায়নে জাতীয় অঙ্গণতীর প্রতীক

The Managing Director, Zia Fertilizer Company Limited, Ashuganj, Brahmanbaria invites sealed tender for procurement of Sewing Thread against Tender No. CM/FIN/272/95. The tender should be dropped alongwith 1% Earnest Money within 10.10.95 upto 11.30 AM at Zia Fertilizer Co Limited, Ashuganj, Brahmanbaria or at Purchase Division, BCIC (16th floor), 30-31, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka and will be opened simultaneously at both places just after closing the tender. Tender schedule containing all terms and conditions may be purchased on payment of Tk 400/- (Taka four hundred) only at Zia Fertilizer Co Ltd, Ashuganj, Brahmanbaria, BCIC, BCIC Bhaban (2nd floor), 30-31, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka and BCIC Branch Office, 6, Agrabad C/A, Chittagong. No tender document shall be sold on the date of opening.

BCIC 989-13/9/95  
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### Directorate General Defence Purchase

Ministry of Defence  
New Airport Road, Tejgaon, Dhaka-12

## Tender Notice

1. Sealed tenders in local and foreign currency are invited from bonafide Manufacturers/Suppliers/Dealers/Indentors (Not necessarily enlisted with DGDP) for supply of the following items for Bangladesh Air Force:

Sl. No.	Description of Items	Selling Date	Opening Date	Currency
a	Button Nylon Light Blue & Deep Blue, Qty-25,000 Dozen	30-9-95 to 28-10-95	29-10-95	Foreign
b	Rain Coat with detachable hood cover (Airmen), Qty-8,000 Each.	30-9-95 to 11-11-95	12-11-95	Foreign

2. Tender schedule with detailed specifications will be available on payment in respective value (Non-refundable) on any working day between 0800 hrs to 1200 hrs. The tender will be opened on the specified date at 1000 hrs in presence of the bidders (if present).

ISPR/Misc/95/1536  
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G-1374  
Flight Lieutenant  
for Director General

### Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Office of the Executive Engineer  
Local Government Engineering Department  
Dist: Thakurgaon

Tender Notice No: 03/95-96 Dated: 10-9-95.

### Tender Notice

Sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No. 2911 are hereby invited from the enlisted contractors of LGED and pre-qualified contractors under different Projects of Local Government Engineering Department for construction of single storied pucca school building under Islamic Development Bank assisted Government Primary School Construction Project.

Interested contractors can obtain necessary tender documents during normal office hours on all working days up to 27-9-95 from the office of either (i) Executive Engineer, LGED, Dist: Thakurgaon/Panchagarh/Dinajpur ii) Thana Engineer, LGED, Thana: Thakurgaon Sadar/Baliadangi/ Kanishankail/ Pirgonj/Horipur, Dist: Thakurgaon on cash payment (non-refundable) in favour of the undersigned after obtaining written approval from the respective officers for purchase of tender documents on showing documentary evidence of their enlistment. Tenders will be received by the above mentioned offices up to 12.00 hrs. on 28-9-95. No tender will be accepted beyond this time, and tenders will be opened at 12.30 hours on the same day in presence of the tenderers, if any.

Interested tenderer may gather necessary information regarding tender and work from the above mentioned offices during normal office hours on all working days. Tenders must be accompanied all relevant papers and Earnest Money at 2.5% (two point five percent) of the total quoted price in favour of the Executive Engineer, Local Government Engineering Department, Dist: Thakurgaon as stated in tender document.

The authority reserves the right to accept any tender or reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reasons thereof. Tenders not complying with the stipulated condition will be treated as non-responsive, and will be rejected.

Gr. No.	Name of the Work	Earnest Money	Cost of Tender Document	Completion time for Work
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Re-Construction of Pashim Sukhan Pukuri Govt Primary School under Thakurgaon Sadar, Thakurgaon.	2.5% of the total quoted price	Tk 300/-	90 days
2.	Re-Construction of Debipur Tepagaon Govt. Primary School under Thakurgaon Sadar Thana, Dist: Thakurgaon.	-do-	Tk. 300/-	-do-
3.	Re-Construction of Paikpara Govt. Primary School under Thakurgaon Sadar Thana, Dist: Thakurgaon.	-do-	Tk 300/-	-do-
4.	Re-Construction of Kathaldangi Govt. Primary School under Horipur Thana, Dist: Thakurgaon.	-do-	Tk 300/-	-do-
5.	Re-Construction of Manikgari Govt. Primary School under Horipur Thana Dist: Thakurgaon.	-do-	Tk. 300/-	-do-
6.	Re-Construction of Thumnia Govt. Primary School under Pirgonj Thana, Dist: Thakurgaon	-do-	Tk 300/-	-do-
7.	Re-Construction of Bhano Nengthara Govt. Primary School under Thana Baliadangi, Dist: Thakurgaon.	-do-	Tk 300/-	-do-
8.	Re-Construction of Sengao Govt. Primary School under Thana Pirgonj, Dist: Thakurgaon.	-do-	Tk 300/-	-do-
9.	Re-Construction of Bishrampur Govt. Primary School under Thana Baliadangi, Dist: Thakurgaon.	-do-	Tk 300/-	-do-
10.	Re-Construction of Nekomord Govt Primary School under Thana Ranisankail, Dist: Thakurgaon.	-do-	Tk. 300/-	-do-
11.	Re-Construction of Ranisankail Govt. Primary School, Thana Ranisankail, Dist: Thakurgaon.	-do-	Tk 300/-	-do-
12.	Re-Construction of Vornia Hat Govt. Primary School under Ranishankail Thana, Dist: Thakurgaon.	-do-	Tk 300/-	-do-

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Executive Engineer  
LGED, Thakurgaon.



NOAKHALI: Assistant Judge Abdul Bashar of Noakhali District Judge Court speaking on the occasion of farewell of Additional District Judge Moinul Islam Chowdhury, organised by Bangladesh Ainjibi Shahkari Samity, Noakhali branch. Ruhul Amin, president of the samity (left) and Moinul Islam (3rd from left) also seen in the picture.

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