

5,603 acres of khas land available for distribution

From Our Correspondent
KUSHTIA, Oct 25: The total khas land available for distribution among the landless people in six thanas of the district stand at 5603.14 acres, it was learnt.

Besides khas land remaining in court cases are 366.95 acres.

Of these 84.57 acres in sadar thana, 141.80 acres in Kumarkhali thana, 7.33 acres in Khoksa thana, 12.19 acres in Mirpur thana, 78.78 in Bheramara thana and 42.28 acres in Daulatpur thana.

These statistics were available in survey conducted in July 1995.

It was also learnt that khas land are distributed among those landless people who have no land or having land below 50 decimall.

Gunbattle leaves 30 injured in Kushtia

KUSHTIA, Oct 25: At least 30 people were injured, three critically, in a gunbattle between two rival groups at Motateghoria village on the outskirts of the town, yesterday evening, reports UNB.

Police and hospital sources said Quddus, 20, Keramat, 25, and Joinal, 35, were rushed to the Sadar Hospital with bullet wounds.

According to the sources, the clash occurred between Montu and Nehal groups of the area in a sequel to previous enmity.

Police intervened and brought the situation under control.

One awarded 14 yrs jail term for possessing arms

From Our Correspondent
PABNA, Oct 25: One Shariful Islam alias Sohel, son of Atiar Rahman of Sadhupara, Pabna town was found guilty of possessing illegal arms, and was convicted under sections 19 (A) and (f) of the Arms Act and sentenced to suffer rigorous imprisonment (RI) for a term of 14 years.

On March 3, 1995, accused Shariful Islam Sohel, suddenly entered into the house of Abdul Mutalib at about 1:30 pm and demanded money at gun point.

At this, Abdul Mutalib and his wife raised a hue and cry and on hearing the cries, the neighbours rushed into the house and caught Sohel red-handed along with the fire arms. The accused was handed over to the police along with his arms.

Police, after conducting necessary investigations, submitted a charge-sheet under the said Act.

Father beaten to death by son

SATKHIRA, Oct 25: An ill-fated father allegedly beaten up by his son succumbed to his injuries at Sadar Hospital here early today, reports UNB.

Police said Julmat with the help of his cousin hit his father Abdul Gaffar Sarder, 50, with an iron rod following a row over financial transaction.

Gaffar was admitted to the hospital in a critical condition and died there at about 1 am.

His wife Afroza Begum filed a case against their son and two others with the local police.

KC College election suspended

From Our Correspondent
JHENIDAH, Oct 25: Government Keshab Chandra (KC) College, Jhenidah authorities has postponed its chattri sangad election which was scheduled on October 31, it was learnt.

Talking to the principal, Jhenidah Government Keshab Chandra College told that some student organisations earlier requested the authorities to postpone the election political situation and they decided to do so for an indefinite time. When asked the principal told that the election might be held when the political situation turns normal.

Some students organisations, however, condemned the decision of postponing the election.

It may be mentioned here that some unknown persons threw about six hand bombs and opened two rounds of shots on the resident of the principal in the night of October 17. But none was injured.

Severe scarcity of all sorts of vegetables prevailing in Pabna

PABNA, Oct 25: Due to extremely unfavourable, rather hostile, climatic conditions, summer and rainy season vegetables were largely destroyed and again the prospects of the cultivation of winter vegetables and winter crops were rendered extremely difficult. In consequence of the above, a severe scarcity of all sorts of vegetables have been continuing in all the markets of Pabna district and prices of each and every item have also gone up abnormally.

This unfavourable, hostile and adverse climatic condition found its expression through long 18-month old continuous drought followed by recurring floods and heavy, continuous rainfall throughout last four months. All these natural calamities, continuing for such a long period, unknown to even the 80 year old peasants of the district — played a havoc in the agricultural sector, and specially in the cultivation of seasonal vegetables. In fact, the vegetables are grown within three months and their harvesting continues also for a comparatively short period, their plants are smaller with very weak sustaining capacity. The vegetables plants can neither with

stand the scorching sunrays during the drought and summer and they die failing & face the heat and so they cannot grow if the land remains under water either due to floods or due to abnormal and incessant rainfalls.

All these calamities came hand in hand and quite naturally, the result was disastrous. M A Sabur, a middle class peasant of Bhulbasia under Santhia thana, told this correspondent that the peasants under his thana suffered irreparable losses as huge quantity of vegetables were damaged in recent floods. Vegetables growing is more profitable because its production cost is considerably low, it requires much less labour and cheaper agricultural inputs in terms of quantity. They could not earn more than 20 per cent of their normal annual earning during the above period.

The effect of such large-scale and widespread destruction of crops caused by the cruelty of nature has long since been noticed in the markets — both in the rural and urban areas of the district. Prices of vegetables have gone up to the highest ever limit, badly affecting the pockets of the fixed and low

From Ranesh Mitra
income groups of the middle-class.

In consideration of the above situation, the Agriculture Extension Department have fixed the target of bringing a total of 99,340.87 hectares of land under the cultivation of rabi crops this year throughout Pabna district covering all the nine thanas. Of the above area of land, 43,000 hectares would be brought under the cultivation of IRRY-BORO paddy (HYV), 800 hectares under the cultivation of potato, 100 hectares under sweet potato, 2,200 hectares under the cultivation of maize, 2,200 hectares under the cultivation of local variety of IRRY-BORO paddy, 2,300 hectares of land under the cultivation of vegetables, 14,552 hectares under the cultivation of mustard seeds, 3,500 hectares under the cultivation of grams, 3,500 hectares under the cultivation of masha, 11,000 hectares under the cultivation of mug, 50 hectares under the cultivation of mashkhaal, 3,500 hectares under the cultivation of khesari, 15,000 hectares under the cultivation of Arohar, 80 hectares under the cultivation of motor and so on. Besides, target has further

been fixed to bring 3,238.87 hectares of land under the cultivation of sugarcane.

But in spite of the fixation of the above target, the farmers are anxious whether they would get adequate quantity of improved variety of seeds and other inputs required for the cultivation. The question of proper, adequate and timely supply of fertilisers in genuine price is also highly important.

The only advantage for the farmers of Pabna district and also of the other districts of North Bengal is that due to the absence of continuous drought that caused havoc last year, there is sufficient underground water this season and hence irrigation would not suffer much this year like the previous year. If, however, there arises no other calamity, farmers would be in a position to cultivate crops — specially the rain crops more conveniently and recover from their losses to some extent.

But water-logging is still very much acute in the fields — so, excepting in very high lands, tilling would not be undertaken as yet. This is likely to stand adversely on the way of the farmers in cultivating lands properly.

Moulvibazar to have 3000 digital telephones soon

From Our Correspondent
MOULVIBAZAR, Oct 25: A scheme has been taken up by the 'Bangladesh Telephone Shilpa Sangtha' to install a digital telephone exchange with three thousand connections at Moulvibazar district headquarters.

According to an official source, primary work of the scheme has already been completed. The completed works included conversion of existing 1100 phone connections into digital system, construction of 75 kilometre underground cable line and installation of machineries of the digital exchange.

Whole of the work of the scheme is expected to be completed by next month.

Taka ten crore have been sanctioned from the own source of the government to implement the scheme.

Memorandum demanding arrest of terrorists handed over to DC

RANGPUR, Oct 25: Residents of the township handed over a memorandum to the Deputy Commissioner and the Police Super on Sunday demanding immediate arrest of 'terrorists' who have been creating panic in the area.

Earlier, they, about 500 in number, in a procession paraded the main streets of the town chanting slogans criticising the silent role of the police.

Meanwhile, anti-social activities like dacoity, toll collection are on rise in the area for the last few months creating panic among the residents.

List of criminals prepared in Manikganj

From Our Correspondent

MANIKGANJ, Oct 25: A list of more than hundred criminals of seven thanas of Manikganj district have been prepared by the police.

According to the sources the listed persons are alleged to be involved in rape, killing, kidnaping, dacoity, keeping illegal arms and collecting tolls. There were several cases against many of those listed persons in seven thanas of the district. The list included some youth and student leaders, the sources added.

After increasing violence during the last few months and attacking Manikganj sadar police station by some JCD and Jubo Dal leaders and workers on September 5, leaving five policemen injured, the Deputy Commissioner Manikganj sent a letter to the Home Ministry informing district law and order situation and seeking government help and police action against the terrorists.

Receiving the letter from the Deputy Commissioner high officials of the government ordered the detective agencies to prepare a list of terrorists.

Manikganj sadar thana police have already arrested some persons including JCD Manikganj district unit General Secretary Tozammel Haque Toza and BCL Manikganj district unit General Secretary Azgar Ali. The latter was arrested with a revolver and 18 rounds of bullets.

Land revenue worth Tk 3.2 cr lying outstanding in Comilla

COMILLA Oct 25: About Tk 3.25 crore land revenue has been lying outstanding in 12 thanas of the district in the last fiscal year, reports UNB. Officials said, about Tk 4.51 crore was fixed as land development tax in the fiscal 1994-95 in the 12 thanas but only Tk 1.25 crore was realised.

Besides, Tk 47.38,159 was realised as other taxes in this period. Meanwhile, the Land Ministry has started re-fixation of land development tax considering the classification of land.

On the other hand, about Tk 1.63 crore municipal-tax including water-bill remained outstanding in the Comilla Municipality till June, 1995.

Another report adds: A revolver along with five rounds of bullets was recovered from village Ghoshnagar in Burichang thana last week.

Acting on a tip, police recovered the revolver besides the house of one Moqtar Hossain of the village on October 16.

A case was filed with the police.



PABNA: Flood water receding but water remained stagnant in some areas causing much delay in tilling land in the district. — Star photo

Body recovered

From Our Correspondent
RAJSHAHI, Oct 25: Charghat thana police of the district recovered a dead body from Habashpur village under the thana on Sunday last.

The dead was identified as Jewel Ahmed, a school boy of the village Habashpur.

According to police, the parents of the boy told that Jewel went to see television to a nearby house on October 21 night but did not come back home. Some villagers discovered him in dying condition on the way next morning. But he soon died before their eyes.

Police said that Jewel was suspectedly killed and he told the witness some names of the killers before he died.

A case was filed in this connection and the dead body was buried after post-mortem.

BADC undertakes post-flood rehabilitation programme in N-dists

From Our Correspondent
RAJSHAHI, Oct 25: The Agriculture Extension Department of Bangladesh Agriculture Development Corporation (BADC) has undertaken a massive programme of BIRI-Boro and other winter crops cultivation during the coming rabi season to overcome the loss of aman paddy which were seriously damaged by the recent floods in the northern region of the country.

Under the post flood rehabilitation programme BADC Extension Department has also taken measures to distribute seeds and fertilizers free of cost among the selected affected farmers in the flood-hit areas of the northern districts.

A total of 8,28,800 hectares of land will be brought under BIRI-Boro paddy cultivation this year in 16 districts of Rajshahi Division. It is expected that about 25,60,000 metric tonnes of Boro paddy will be harvested from the above-said amount of land.

BADC Extension Department has also fixed a target to produce about 7,31,000 metric tonnes of wheat this year bringing 4,00,000 hectares of land under wheat cultivation in all those districts.

Programmes have also been taken to cultivate potato, onion, capsicum, lentil, sugarcane, pineapple, mustard seed and other winter crops.

Under the programme of BIRI-boro paddy cultivation, targets have been fixed to produce 95,125 metric tons of paddy from 30,500 hectares of land in Rajshahi, 55,125 metric tons from 17,500 hectares in Chapainawabganj, 1,59,125 metric tons from 50,500 hectares of

land in Natore, 1,81,810 metric tons of paddy from 89,200 hectares of land in Naogaon district, 93,320 metric tons of paddy from 52,000 hectares in Sirajganj, 5,65,535 metric tons from 1,80,700 hectares in Bogra, 1,57,375 metric tons from 51,500 hectares in Joypurhat, 2,08,698 metric tons from 65,450 hectares in Rangpur, 2,10,558 metric tons of paddy from 66,650 hectares of land in Gaibandha, 1,47,735 metric

tons from 48,700 hectares in Kurigram, 64,465 metric tons of paddy from 20,300 hectares of land in Larmonirhat, 77,265 metric tons from 29,300 hectares in Nilphamari, 1,81,600 metric tons of boro paddy from 58,000 hectares in Dinajpur, 16,150 metric tons of paddy from 5100 hectares in Panchoghar and 76,910 metric tons of boro paddy will be produced from 23,200 hectares of land in Thakurgaon district.

Meanwhile the BADC Extension Department hopes to harvest 50,000 metric tons of wheat from 80,000 hectares of land in four districts of greater Rajshahi, 71,000 metric tons of wheat from 85,000 hectares in two districts of greater Pabna, 36,000 metric tons from 18,100 hectares in two districts of Bogra, 93,000 metric tons from 96,000 hectares in four district of Dinajpur and 1,50,000 metric tons of wheat will be produced from 1,20,900 hectares of land in four districts of greater Rangpur.

Meanwhile, Rajshahi Krishi Unnayan Bank (RAKUB) has undertaken a programme to distribute Taka 94 crore crops loan for rabi crop cultivation in the coming winter season.

Young girl victim of gang-rape in Pabna

From Our Correspondent

PABNA, Oct 25: A 14-years old school going girl, has been gang raped recently in the village Fojlana under Chatmohar thana, according to an information reaching here yesterday.

According to a police source, Lovely, 14, of the said village was allegedly lifted forcibly by two boys of the same village, named Arman and Lalima, from her own house, taken inside a brinjal field, and raped by the two young boys and four other accomplices were after another

On October 16, the victim appeared before Chatmohar thana, lodged a written case against all the six accused mentioning the names and a specific case was registered under sections 376 BPC and section 4 (c) of Repression Against Women Act.

On receiving the FIR police raided the same night the house of the criminals mentioned and succeeded in apprehending two accused persons namely Arman and Lamiah but four other accused persons evaded arrest by absconding.



RAJSHAHI UNIVERSITY: Akbar Hussain Minister for Environment and Forest, Prof M Eusuff Ali VC of RU and Prof Altaf Hussain Pro-VC of RU addressing a seminar titled 'role of UN in development' organised by United Nations Association, Rajshahi branch in connection with observance of 50th founding day of UN held at RU Senate hall on Oct 22 last. — Star photo

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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Office of the Executive Engineer
Narail PWD Division, Narail

Tender Notice

No. 7(Seven)/1995-96

- Name of work : Constn. of 44 Nos. newly created Dist. Hd. Qtr. in Bangladesh one at Narail (SH: Providing Steel Rack & MS Ladder in Mohafez Khana of Dist. Judges Court at Narail)
- Estimated cost : Tk 6,24,165/- only.
- Earnest money : Tk 12,484/- only.
- Last date of selling of tender : 5-11-95 up to office hours.
- Receiving and opening date of tender : 6-11-95 up to 12:00 Noon & opening at 12:15 PM on same day.
- Time allowed for completion of work : 2 (two) months from the date of issue of work order.
- Name of office from where tender forms, schedule of items etc. can be purchased and submitted : All the Executive Engineer's office under Jessore PWD Circle, Jessore.
- Eligibility of the contractor for purchasing tender : Valid enlisted bldg. Contractors/Firms under PWD according to their financial limit.

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Office of the Executive Engineer, RHD
Road Division, Patuakhali.

Notice Inviting Tender with Sealed cover No. B. D. Form No. 2911

- Tender Notice : PRD 54/1995-96.
- Name of work : Construction of 36.58 M. span bailey bridge at 6th KM of Patuakhali-Kalaya Road under Patuakhali Road Division during the year 1995-96.
- Estimated cost : Tk 3,45,117/-
- Earnest money : Tk 6,902/-
- Time allowed : 50 (Fifty) days from the date of issue of work order.
- Eligibility of contractors of RHD : "A" to "E" (General) category.
- Name of Offices from where the tender documents will be available : Office of the Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Barisal/Bhola/Pirojpur/the undersigned and all Sub-Divisional Engineer, RHD, under Road Division, Patuakhali during office hours on all working days up to 1-11-95.
- The officers who will receive the tenders (with sealed cover) : 1) Superintendent Engineer, RHD, Barisal Circle, Barisal.
2) Executive Engineer, RHD, Barisal/Bhola/Pirojpur.
3) The undersigned.
- Last date and time of dropping/receiving of tenders (with sealed cover) : Up to 12-30 PM on 2-11-95A.D., 17-7-1402 B.S.
- Date and time of filing up the tender (with sealed cover) : At 12-45 PM on 2-11-95 A.D., 17-7-1402 B.S.
- Date and time of opening the tenders : At 11-00 AM on 5-11-95 A.D., 21-7-1402 B.S.
- Date and time of lottery (if applicable) : At 12-30 PM 8-11-95 A.D., 24-7-1402 B.S.

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