

Book Fair concludes in B'baria

From Our Correspondent
BRAHMANBARIA, Jan 20: A week-long Book Fair recently concluded at local Industrial School premises under Sadar thana of the district.

The fair was organised by Brahmanbaria District Administration. The other programmes, part of the fair, included a colourful rally, discussion meeting, recitation, childrens' hand-writing competition, debating, essay writing competition, art competition, self-written poem recitation, drama, and cultural programmes.

The fair was arranged to inspire children to read books and to encourage their creative literary works, organisers said.

Twenty book stalls were set up in the fair while 35 institutions participated in various competitions of the annual Book Fair '96.

At the prize distributing ceremony, chief guest Deputy Commissioner Md Gulam Kibria distributed the prizes among the winners while Md Abdul Latif, ADC (Revenue) of Brahmanbaria presided.



BRAHMANBARIA: As part of a week long Book Fair, an art competition was held at the local Industrial School premises recently. — Star photo

PHED to instal 705 tubewells in Moulvibazar, Hobiganj

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MOULVIBAZAR, Jan 20: The Public Health Engineering Department PHED of Moulvibazar and Hobiganj districts will install 705 tubewells in 14 thanas of the two districts under Annual Development Project (ADP) in the current fiscal year. Of these, 604 tubewells are sanctioned for Moulvibazar district and the rest for Hobiganj district.

Of the tubewells sanctioned for Moulvibazar district, 218 are shallow, 333 are tara pump and 53 are ring wells. According to the

80 bottles of Phensidyl recovered

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MAGURA, Jan 20: Magura town police seized 80 bottles of Phensidyl from a bus in Magura town recently it was learnt.

According to sources, acting on a secret information, the police raided the bus coming from Jessore and recovered 80 bottles of Phensidyl.

A case was filed with Magura thana in this connection.

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official source, installation work have already started and it is expected to be completed by June next.

Besides this, the Public Health Engineering Department will also resink another 108 tubewells.

This resinking programme are also included in the ADP of the current fiscal year.

Meanwhile, scarcity of pure drinking water has been prevailing in the rural areas of Hobiganj district.

According to source, of there are 16,524 tubewells in eight thanas of Hobiganj district. Of these, 517 tubewells are out of order.

On the other hand, it was revealed from a statistics that atleast 30 per cent tubewells in the district are now lying inoperative and there is only one tubewell for every one hundred people of Hobiganj district — whereas principle of UNICEF supports one tubewell for every 75 people.

PHED, was her taken up a plan to install 101 new tubewells in the district during the current fiscal year.

It was alleged by the rural people that site selection for tubewells are being hampered for undue requests and pressure from a quarter of influential people.

The PHED has con-

structed an iron remover plant for water supply in Hobiganj district town with an expenditure of Taka one crore and twenty lakh. This plant was financially supported by the government of the Netherlands. One lakh and fifty thousand gallon of drinking water is expected to be supplied daily from this plant, it was learnt.

Due to scarcity of drinking water, various disease including diarrhoea, jaundice and blood dysentery are common in the rural areas of Hobiganj district. Fall in ground water level has created the water crisis more acute in the rural areas.

BAU High School week ends

MYMENSINGH, Jan 20: Bangladesh Agricultural University (BAU) High School Week concluded here on Friday, reports UNB.

The programmes of the week included cultural and literary competitions, annual prize distribution ceremony, milad mahfil, sports and drama, said a BAU press release.

Former BAU VC Dr Zuhurul Haque Bhuiyan inaugurated the programme on January 13.

Boat capsized Four bodies recovered

From Our Correspondent
GAIBANDHA, Jan 20: Four bodies were recovered a week after two boats capsized in river Brahmaputra near Fulchhari and Kalasana. Nine persons are still missing.

Two separate boat capsized in the mid-stream of river Brahmaputra on December 29.

Dredger MV Dhaleshwari has been working at Kalasana point to ease the movement of Railway ferry boat. A pilot boat of dredgers was coming back with seven persons on board after setting up floating pipe. Suddenly the boat capsized and sank in the mid-stream due to stormy wind in which one sub-assistant engineer and a labourer were missing.

On the same day, another engine-operated country boat with about 70 passengers on board was proceeding towards Golna char. Suddenly it dashed with Railway wagon ferry MV Mirjumalla and sank.

Four bodies were recovered from a nearby char. The bodies were identified as Nazlatunnesha, 30, of village Baushi, Asia Khatun 60, and Akhlina Khatun, 33, of village Gajaria, Bablu, 10 of village Nilkuthi under Fulchhari Thana.

Two dacoits held in Sirajganj

SIRAJGANJ, Jan 20: Villagers nabbed two alleged dacoits along with a rifle in Belkuchi thana early Thursday last following an encounter with them that left 15 people injured, reports UNB.

Police said, a gang of about 20 armed dacoits stormed the house of Mohiuddin at Aguria village at about 2 am and looted valuables worth about Tk 1 lakh.

On hearing hue and cry, the neighbours cordoned off the house and swooped on the dacoits with lethal weapons.

Following an hour-long encounter, they caught two dacoits and recovered a rifle from their possession. Other members of the gang, however, fled the scene firing shots in the air.

Later, the villagers handed over the two dacoits — Bari Amin and Kurun Ali of Kamarkand thana — to the police. A case was filed with Belkuchi thana.



FARIDPUR: Students of the Sarada Sundari Mohila College rendering songs at the Freshers' reception organised by college student union at the college premises recently.

Project for drop-out girl students

JHALAKATHI, Jan 20: Government has taken up a programme to make the drop out female students work oriented and self-reliant, official sources here said, reports UNB.

Secondary and Higher Secondary Education Directorate will implement the programme — 'Female Secondary School Assistance Project' — with financial assistance from International Development Association (IDA).

Official sources said under the project the drop out students will be given professional training on various vocations.

The sectors included animal husbandry, dairy farm, fishing, food processing, gardening, nursery, silk worm culture, sewing, garments and other cottage industries.

At the first phase of the programme it will be introduced in 25 thanas of 24 district in the country. Duration of training period will be 1 to 6 months.

The thanas are: Rajapur (Jhalakathi), Barguna sadar, Agailjhara (Barisal), Char Fashon (Bhola), Gopalpur (Tangail), Choudhagram and Homna (Comilla), Madhukhali (Faridpur), Sreepur (Magura), Kulaura (Moulvibazar), Baraigram (Natore), Panchagarh sadar, Bagerhat sadar, Sarail (Brahmanbaria), Munshiganj sadar, Fulbaria (Mymensingh), Sonargaon (Narayanganj), Sharsha (Jessore), Bheramara (Kushtia), Kolaroa (Satkhira), Sakhatia (Gaibandha), Ulipur (Kurigram), Shibganj (Nawabganj), Pirgachha (Rangpur) and Savar (Dhaka).

The training programme will be conducted by trained NGO and government officials, the sources added.

Bus service resumes

MEHERPUR, Jan 20: The bus service between Meherpur and Mujibnagar resumed after about one month of suspension. Motor Sramik Union of Meherpur district and the bus owners had enforced the indefinite strike on the route protesting an attack by some unruly people on a bus conductor, reports UNB.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Bangladesh Rifles Communication Directorate

Purchase Notice No. 1/95-96/Communication

1. To purchase the undermentioned signal equipment at Communication Directorate under Bangladesh Rifles Headquarters, separate tenders for each item are invited from bonafide manufacturers/suppliers enlisted with this Directorate for 1995-96.

Sl No	Kinds of equipment	Number/quantity
A)	UHF Repeater 100 watt	01 No.
B)	25-30 Line Dropkey Magneto Exchange	01 No.
C)	Magneto Telephone Set	90 Nos.
D)	12 Volt Secondary Battery	1250 Nos.
E)	12 Volt Dryfit Battery	500 Nos.
F)	7.5 Volt Nicad Battery (for MXSet)	300 Nos.
G)	7.5 Volt Nicad Battery (for Sabre Set)	120 Nos.
H)	Charging Engine	50 Nos.
I)	Solar Charger	30 Nos.
J)	Electric Battery Charger	10 Nos.
K)	Fax Machine (General)	08 Nos.

2. Schedule of equipment can be purchased on cash payment of the prescribed price on every Sunday, Tuesday & Thursday (except holiday) within 0800 hours to 1400 hours from 05 February, '96 to 11 February, '96. Date & time of opening tender, detailed description of equipment & other instructions will be given in the schedule.

3. The authority reserves the right to decrease/increase the number/quantity mentioned against the items or purchase through repeat order later on during the current financial year, if so required for Bangladesh Rifles.

4. Interested tenderers should keep samples of their equipment ready. If required, the samples shall have to be deposited with the tender.

5. The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any tender without assigning any reason.

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GSO-1 (Communication)
for Director General

Civil Aviation Authority of Bangladesh Kurmitola, Dhaka.

Tender No EM-3/95-96/8

TENDER NOTICE

- Name of work : Development of Barisal Airport (SH: Construction of Dormitory type residential quarter-electricification works with EI and Fans i/c service connection (ADP).
- Estimated cost : Tk 2,10,710/- only.
- Earnest money : Tk 5,275/- only in the shape of Bank Draft/Pay Order from any scheduled bank in favour of the Superintending Engineer, P&D/QS Circle, CAAB, Dhaka.
- Eligibility of the firm : CAAB, enlisted 'B' & above class E/M contractor Firm having experience in similar nature of works.
- Precondition to purchase/Set Tender schedule : Above Firms may apply with necessary papers in favour of their eligibility for purchasing tender schedule.
- Value of tender : Tk 250/- (Taka two hundred fifty) only (non-refundable).
- Place of availability of tender : a) Superintending Engineer (P&D/QS Circle), CAAB, Kurmitola, Dhaka.
b) Director, CEMSU, CAAB, Kurmitola, Dhaka.
c) Executive Engineer, E/M Division-3, CAAB, Kurmitola, Dhaka.
d) PA to Member (Ops & Plans), Chief Engineer and Director (Zia), CAAB, Dhaka.
- Place of tender receiving/opening : Office of the Chief Engineer, CAAB, Kurmitola, Dhaka and Executive Engineer, E/M Division-3, CAAB, Kurmitola, Dhaka.
- Last date of tender selling : 6-2-1996 (during office hours).
- Date & time of tender receiving : 7-2-1996 (Up to 1200 hrs).
- Date & time of tender opening : 7-2-1996 (at 1230 hrs).

Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders or part thereof without assigning any reason.

Executive Engineer
E/M Division No-3
CAAB, Kurmitola, Dhaka-1229.
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Atomic Energy Research Establishment Scientific Information & Public Relations Unit Ganakbari, Savar

CL(AERE)42/85 Date:10/01/1996

Tender Notice

Sealed tenders are hereby invited from the reputed printing firms for printing the Annual report of the Atomic Energy Research Establishment. Tender schedules containing detailed terms and conditions may be obtained up to 3.00 pm (Except Friday and Saturday) within 30th January '96 at a cost of Tk. 200/- (Two hundred, non-refundable) from the cashier, central Finance and Accounts Division, Atomic Energy Research Establishment, Ganakbari, Savar, Dhaka, on written request showing original valid trade licence, income tax certificate, bank solvency certificate. The attested photocopies of the licence and certificates are to be deposited along with the tenders. Tenders with 10,000/- earnest money in the form of Bank Draft/Pay Order in favour of Atomic Energy Research Establishment, Savar, shall be dropped in the Tender Box kept in the office of the undersigned up to 2.00 pm of 31-01-96 and will be opened the same day at 2.30 pm in presence of the tenderers (if any). The Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders without showing any reason.

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Stores and Purchase Directorate
Ref: DACPB/Int'l Re-Tender/018 & 019/95-96 Date: 10-01-1996

Int'l Re-Tender

Sealed tenders are invited by Biman Bangladesh Airlines from Manufacturers/Suppliers/Local Agents/Indotenders for supply of following items:

SL No	Tender Number	Description	Quantity
1.	DACPB/Int'l Re-Tender/018/95-96 Dated: 10.1.96	LD-3 Container	125
2.	DACPB/Int'l Re-Tender/019/95-96 Dated: 10.1.96	A) Air Cargo Pallet B) Air Cargo Pallet's Net C) Strap D) Pallet Lock	50 50 100 1000

Tender schedule with detailed specifications, terms and conditions will be available at a cost of US \$ 25.00 or BDT 1000.00 per set with Accounts Officer, Cash and Banking, Biman Admin. Building, Zia Int'l Airport, Dhaka and Asstt. Manager (Accounts), Cash and Banking, Biman, Head Office, Motijheel, Commercial Area, Dhaka as well as with Finance Manager, Biman, Bangkok, Singapore, Hong Kong, Tokyo, Frankfurt, Paris, London, Rome, Amsterdam and New York on cash payment (non-refundable) on all working days up to 27-02-1996. The bidder(s) must provide an application in their letter head pad at the time of purchasing the tender documents.

The last date of tender submission is 28-02-1996. Biman Management reserves the right to accept/reject any or all tenders, increase or decrease the quantity or item (s) without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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By General Manager S&P (Comm.)



BARISAL: Defence Secretary Janab M A Hakim and Begum Hakim visited Barisal Cadet College on Sunday last. The photo shows them at the Science Club of the Cadet College. — ISPR photo

LP gas crisis disrupting normal life in S-dists

BARISAL, Jan 20: The unabated crisis of liquid petroleum (LP) gas in the country's southern districts is disrupting normal life of the people, reports UNB.

The crisis-hit districts are Barisal, Bhola, Patuakhali, Jhalakathi, Barguna and Pirojpur.

Following the crisis the gas consumers are being

forced to use electric heaters and firewoods for their day to day household works.

Local people said the gas dealers were maintaining cautious steps and sometimes avoiding to attend their shops fearing assault by the consumers.

Officials said the normal demand for LP gas in the southern region is about 25,000 to 30,000 cylinders per month while the supply is about 5,000 cylinders.

According to Meghna Oil and Jamuna Oil companies, which are responsible for the supply, the gas supply in the areas is adequate as they have only 4,000 consumers there.

Meanwhile, many private importers have imported a huge quantity of empty gas cylinders following OGL (Open General Licence) and sold them off to the general people. And these people are now rushing to the LP gas dealers to get their cylinders filled by exchanging the empty ones.

The problem created in a way that the companies are now unable to supply the cylinders, said a company staff.

Taking advantage of the crisis, some dishonest dealers are now charging higher prices than that of the normal situation, he added.

Besides, the transportation of cylinders from Chittagong to the southern region has now become more costly than any time before as the transportation fare has increased manifold.

The LP gas dealers in Barisal alleged that the situation worsened due to irregularities in supply of the gas by the companies.

71 kg of ganja recovered, one arrested in Netrakona

NETRAKONA, Jan 20: Netrakona CID police in a raid at a launch ghat in Mahanganj thana sadar recently recovered 71 kilograms of ganja and arrested one person in this connection, reports BSS.

According to police sources, the operation was supervised by Sheikh Abdul Rahman, Senior Assistant Police Super of CID police, greater Mymensingh region.

The arrested person was identified as Muklesur Rahman, son of late Rahman Miah of village Tangapara in Mahanganj thana under Netrakona district.

2 get RI for illegal felling of tree

CHITTAGONG, Jan 20: Two people were awarded six-months rigorous imprisonment (RI) for illegal felling of Teak from the Chittagong Forest, reports UNB.

The convicted are: Andar Ali of village Shulok Mirjurtula in Rangunia thana and Bena Saha Tripura of village Kote in Mirsarai thana.

The convicts were also directed by a forest court to pay a fine of Taka 5,000 each, in default of payment to suffer one month RI.

The verdict was issued early this month by First Class Magistrate Bazul Karim Chowdhury of the Forest Court early this month.