

BAU examinees go on rampage

MYMENSINGH, Apr 16: Angry examinees of Mymensingh Agricultural University yesterday ransacked the Vice-Chancellor's office chamber at his residence and the administrative block as they could not appear in the examinations due to a students' strike, reports BSS.

The strike was called by BAU unit of Chhatra Dal to press home their demand for the release of Shamsul Alam Toha, general secretary of the BAU Central Students' Union, who was arrested recently.

As the university authorities could not supply answers scripts and question papers due to the absence of security arising out of the strike, the examinees became angry and came out in a procession. They chanted slogans and pelted stones at the administrative block of the university, breaking some window panes.

Later they proceeded towards the Vice-Chancellor's residence and ransacked his office chamber there and set fire to the furniture. The vice-chancellor, Professor Shah Mohammad Faruk, was in a meeting of the deans in the upstairs.

Police later went to the campus and brought the situation under control.

University officers parishad and employees' association condemned the incident.

Kishoreganj

Gambling at mela protested

From Our Correspondent

KISHOREGANJ, Apr 16: A meeting was held in the premises of Hossainpur Degree College to protest the gambling in different areas of Hossainpur Thana on April 9.

Mr Obaidul Haque, a member of Arabaria union presided over the meeting and it was attended by the people from all walks of life. The meeting was followed by a procession which paraded the different thoroughfares of the thana headquarters.

The gambling is going on unabated in the name of 'mela' at different places of Hossainpur thana. According to the villagers, mostly young people are engaged in gambling and law enforcing agency remain indifferent to it.

Besides, law and order situation has deteriorated and criminal activities like theft, dacoity and robbery has increased abnormally in Hossainpur thana during the last few days.

Local people demanded several times for stopping gambling, but to no effect, it is alleged.

31 firearms recovered in Barisal

From Staff Correspondent

BARISAL, Apr 16: Barisal police in 18-day special drive in six districts recovered 31 different kinds of firearms that include 22 pipe guns, 3 cut-rifles, one single barrel gun, one gun, one home made revolver and other ammunition, police said on Saturday.

During the drive police also arrested 254 people.

The drive was conducted under the supervision of Divisional DIG Nurul Alam Chudhury with the help of district police super.

12 firearms recovered in Khulna

KHULNA, Apr 16: Police have netted 12 firearms and some ammunition from different parts of the city in the first 12 days of arms-recovery drive launched under the caretaker administration, reports UNB.

The seized arms include two revolvers, 10 pipeguns, a randao, a Chinese gun and 17 bullets. A fax machine was also recovered during the operation.

A total of 215 people were arrested during the drive. Khulna Metropolitan Police Commissioner told newsmen on Saturday.

SSC examinee commits suicide in Satkhira

SATKHIRA, Apr 16: An SSC examinee allegedly committed suicide by taking endrine on April 9 as she failed to answer all the questions in the previous day's examination, reports UNB.

The victim was identified as Shikha Rani, 17, of village Mautala of sadar thana. She was an examinee from Nazimganj centre.

Another report says: Sufa, wife of Sattar, was found hanging at her home at village Katia in sadar thana on Friday.

Dacoity in Satkhira

SATKHIRA, Apr 16: Dacoits looted valuables worth about Tk 3 lakh from three jewellery shops and houses at Gazirhat of Debhata thana in the district on Saturday night, reports UNB.

According to police, a gang of four dacoits came with a motor and entered the shops and houses breaking open the doors. Police suspected that the dacoits might be the activists of an outlawed party.

Four separate cases were filed with the police.



JHENIDAH: Bangladesh Shishu Academy, Sailkupa unit, brought out a colourful rally in celebration of 'Pahela Baishakh', the first day of Bangla New Year. — Star photo

Drought, pest attack hit IRRI-boro cultivation

From Our Correspondent

GAIBANDHA, Apr 16: Prospect of IRRI-boro production in the district is very bleak as its cultivation is now facing a prolonged drought and pest attack throughout the district.

The people of the district have also been experiencing heat wave since last fortnight which has made the life miserable. All most all the canals, marshes and ponds have dried up following the drought during the last three months. The water level in the river has continued to fall. The paddy fields and lands are being dried up following short fall in the water supply.

The rivers Ghagot and Teesta and its tributaries flow through the district are not getting water from their feeder rivers which leads to the gradual drying up of the bottom surface. Besides, all the major rivers in the district have been silted up in many places in many points.

Pest attack have also increased alarmingly in different areas of the district which created concern among the farmers. Already battered by the last flood, high price of fertilizer, diesel oil and pesticide the farmers' hope for good harvest of IRRI-Boro crops is fading away.

Recently this correspondent while visiting some areas of Shaghata thana observed that the leaves of paddy plants turns grey. This is the peak hour of flowering of IRRI-Boro crop but due to the attack of pests flower of many paddy field cannot bloom properly.

The poor farmers complained that they cannot procure pesticide because of its high prices.

The menace of insects is gradually spreading and it is creating great fear and anxiety among the farmers of Gaibandha. Moreover, there has been prevailing an acute shortage of spray machines in these localities for hire purchase. On the other hand spray machines are not let out to the farmers from the Agriculture Extension Department.

A number of farmers told this correspondent that they could not spray pesticide in the affected field for want of machine as well as high cost. So, the prospect of IRRI-Boro production in the district will not be satisfactory.

Fishermen netting 'jatka' in Chandpur despite govt ban

From Our Correspondent

CHANDPUR, Apr 16: Despite government ban, the local fishermen have been catching hilsa fish fry locally known as 'jatka' in discriminately.

According to Chandpur Fishery Department, the fishermen catch over three thousand metric tons of fish fry worth crores of taka every year hampering the growth of hilsa fish. Sometimes sellers of jatka are punished for the unlawful acts but it is a matter of great regret that again and again they are seen violating the government ban. According to the act, catching and selling of fish below nine inches is punishable, but the officials concerned are reportedly inactive for which the catching and selling of jatka in different markets. It was complained that a group of rich businessmen finance the poor fishermen to catch jatka on the river Padma and Meghna which is the big hilsa fish producing area of the country. The fishermen of Nilmamal, Haimchar, Ibrahimpur, Gazipur under Haimchar thana, Hanarchar, Pura Bazar under Chandpur thana, Ekhlashpur, Kanudi under Matlab thana are engaged in this illegal fishing. It is process is allowed to continue we are to face acute hilsa fish scarcity during the current season.

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BARISAL: Police recovered arms and 38 bottles of Indian phensidyl syrup during the special operation in a week. — Star photo

Law & order situation worsens in Kushtia

From Our Correspondent

KUSHTIA, Apr 16: Law and order situation in six thanas of the district has allegedly deteriorated during last several months threatening security of life and property of people living here.

The inhabitants of the district have been passing days in fear as they can be victim of terrorism at any time. Untoward incidents, free movement of terrorists, carrying lethal weapons, murder in broad day light, stabbing, rapping, hijacking, toll collection, and continuous violence, looting, arson, grabbing of properties have become common feature. Illegal sale of wine and its use, cultivation of gaja and other immoral activities are also on rise. Campus violence in the educational institutions and its retaliatory measures have led to several killings. Clashes among underground parties have also vitiated the atmosphere. Police conducted several raids and arrested few criminals but crimes rate could not be checked.

It is alleged that during raids police pick up innocent people and they are being harassed every now and then. Unofficial sources informed that over one thousand cattle were stolen from different villages of the district during last one year but the crime is going on unabated.

Armed clashes occurred at different places where the activists used different kinds of fire arms, manufactured locally or smuggled import from abroad.

Police however recovered a considerable quantity of arms but inflow of arms continue, informed sources said. Due to frequent violence Islamic University was closed for indefinite period here in Kushtia. Afterwards political activities in the campus remained banned for a long period. Once the University authority also ordered the students to vacate their dormitories in fear of clashes. Gun fire killed one and injured about 25 others when clash ensued between combined opposition activists and BNP workers at Taragonia Bazar of Daulatpur thana on March 11 on the third day of non cooperation movement. About 250 rounds of fire were exchanged between the feuding groups. Of the injured two with bullet wound were admitted in Kushtia General Hospital. The injured are Mintoo, 20, and Pintoo, 25, sons of Hurmat Ali belonging to Jatya Party. The person killed was Buluzan, 50, wife of Nofel Shaikh and daughter-in-law of Hurmat Ali. 5 shops were set ablaze at Maragoria Bazar.

High way dacoities are on increase. On March 26 dacoits numbering about 10 with fire arms barricaded Kushtia-Meherpur road by placing rope across the road near Balidapara Bridge. 6 miles from Kushtia town at dead of night and intercepted two trucks coming from Meherpur and looting Taka 10 thousand from the drivers at gun point. They took wrist watch and some loaded goods worth about Taka 20 thousand, according to the drivers.

In another incident, dacoits put barricade near Nawdapara bridge on the same road the same night and intercepted 3 trucks and sugar cane loaded trolley. They snatched away

Taka 12 thousand from the drivers. Armed miscreants hacked to death one Mozbar Rahman, 35, of village Kancharpur under Chandpur union of Kumarkhali thana on the night of March 26 due to past enmity. The miscreants called him from his house and took him in a nearby field and killed him leaving the place. One person was killed and another 25 were injured in a clash between two groups in connection with site selection of a school at village Gacherdia under Daulatpur thana on March 25. The person killed was identified as Abdul Mannan, 27, One Rani, 30, of village Boruipota of Ujangan union was stabbed by her husband's elder brother Rashid in course of altercation in connection with crushing of wheat. Jasmuddin, a school student and resident of House No. 88, Block A of Housing Estate committed suicide by taking poison following altercation with his family members. One Afizuddin, 30, and Jamaluddin, 25, were shot dead and another 20 persons were injured in clash between two rival groups at village Dahakula near Jamtala under sadar thana (7 miles from Kushtia town in broad day light on April 1. Six injured persons with bullet wounds were admitted in Kushtia General Hospital. Abdul Gani Khan, 40, son of Rasul Khan of Kherjurtala village in Patkabari Union under sadar thana was shot dead on March 15 by a group of gunmen reportedly belonging to outlawed party activists when the victim was conducting a village arbitration. On March 2 outlawed party ac-

Acute scarcity of textbooks in Manikganj

From Our Correspondent

MANIKGANJ, Apr 16: Acute scarcity of text books for class six and class nine has been prevailing in the Manikganj district even after three and a half months of the academic year. At present, these books are not available anywhere in the district.

The Ministry of Education introduced new books for students of class six and class nine from this year.

Though a few books for class six are available at higher prices, but there are no books for class nine in the market.

In different markets, books for class six such as English For Today is being sold between Taka 50 and 55 instead of its fixed rate of Taka 24.50; General Mathematics between Taka 35 and 40 instead of Taka 26.55; General Science between Taka 40 and 45 instead of Taka 30.30.

However, guardians and students alleged that they bought the Bengali book (poetry) of class nine for Taka 50 to 55 against its fixed price of Taka 16.20.

While talking to this correspondent, some book sellers in Manikganj town said that, most of the sellers in the district did not collect the books for class nine and class six due to the short supply and high prices. It resulted an acute crisis of books in different markets of Manikganj.

Village for distressed people in Feni

FENI, Apr 16: A Kuwait voluntary organisation set up a village for distressed people at Champaknagar of Chhaganalya thana in the district at a cost of Tk 44 lakh, reports UNB.

The non-government organisation, Kuwait Joint Relief Committee, is setting up three more similar villages in the country as demonstration of good wishes.

The other villages each costing also Tk 44 lakh are being set up in Kurigram, Bagerhat and Lalmonirhat districts, local officials said.

The Champaknagar village will provide 30 distressed families affected by river erosion. They will be given permanent shelter.

90 posts of pry teachers lying vacant in Patuakhali

From Staff Correspondent

BARISAL, Apr 16: The compulsory primary education is facing a set-back in the Patuakhali district due to shortage of necessary teachers and headmasters.

Some 90 posts of primary teachers and two posts of thana education officers are lying vacant in the district for a long time.

Government has introduced the compulsory primary education in 64 district headquarters during 1991 and throughout the country in 1992. Though the number of students in primary schools have increased but in comparison with the increasing students, adequate number of teachers was not being appointed.

According to the district primary education office, there are two posts of thana education officers, one of assistant thana education officer, eleven posts of headmasters and 79 posts of assistant headmasters were lying vacant since long in the district.

Local people urged the concerned authority to take immediate steps to fill up the vacant posts as early as possible.

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Re-Tender Notice

Subject	Cost of Tender Schedule (Non-refundable)	Earnest money
01. Supply of Sanitary Goods.	Tk 500.00 (five hundred) only (per set).	2.5 per cent of the quoted value.
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03. Place of Selling Tenders: a) BGSL, Head Office, Chapapur, Comilla. b) BGSL, 100 Momin Road, Chittagong. c) BGSL, City Gate Station, Demra, Dhaka.	Time limit of Selling Tender Documents: 23.04.96 to 09.05.96	
04. Place of Receiving and Opening Tenders: a) BGSL, Head Office, Chapapur, Comilla. b) BGSL, 100 Momin Road, Chittagong. c) BGSL, Liaison Office, House No 3, Road No 2/A, Banani, Dhaka-1213.	Date and Time of Receiving Tenders: 11.05.96 up to 12.00 Noon. Date and Time of Opening Tenders: 11.05.96 at 12.10 PM	
05. BG-1551 DFP-7794-11/4		G-494

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Office of the Executive Engineer, RHD
Dohazari Road Division
Dohazari

Tender Notice No. 194 of E.E (RHD), Dohazari Road Division during the year 1995-96.

Sealed tenders in Bangladesh form No. 2911 & in attached contract documents (Part-I & II Road) alongwith requisite earnest money are hereby invited from enlisted contractors of RHD, eligible as per their financial limit & jurisdiction of enlistment for the following work in 8 (eight) Groups.

Gr. No.	Name of work with name of road and location	Estimated cost	Earnest Money	Eligibility of contractors	Price of tender documents	Time for completion of work (From the date of work order)
1.	Construction of flexible pavement at link road at different K M of Gasbaria-Barkal-Anowara Road of Dohazari Road Division during the year 1995-96	Tk. 19,50,000/-	2% of the estimated cost	'A' to 'D' general category contractors	Tk. 1025/- per set	40 (Forty) days
2.	Construction of flexible pavement at 1st K M (P) 2nd K M (P) of Kalurghat Charandwip-Vandarzuri Road of Dohazari Road Divn.	Tk. 25,99,239/-	-do-	'A' to 'C' -do-	Tk. 1025/- per set	40 (Forty) days
3.	Construction of flexible pavement at 2nd K M (P) Kanangopara-Vandarzuri link & repairing seal coat at 15th Km, 16th Km, 17th Km & 18th Km (P) of Shah Amanat Bridge Khaza Road-Kanangopara-Padua-Udarbanna Road of Dohazari Road Division	Tk. 26,24,617/-	-do-	-do-	Tk. 1025/- per set	45 (Forty five) days
4.	Providing brick pavement work for widening road side m/c. restoration of original pavement at 13th KM (Bazar portion) of Hazrat Shah Amanat Bridge Khaza Road-Boalkhali-Kanangopara-Padua-Udarbanna Road under Dohazari Road Division	Tk. 15,55,663/-	-do-	'A' to 'D' -do-	Tk. 525/- per set	40 (Forty) days
5.	Providing brick pavement for widening road side m/c. restoration of original pavement at 15th KM (Thana portion) of Hazrat Shah Amanat Bridge Khaza Road-Boalkhali-Kanangopara-Padua-Udarbanna Road under Dohazari Road Division	Tk. 15,67,884/00	-do-	-do-	Tk. 525/- per set	40 (Forty) days
6.	Const. of flexible pave. at 23rd KM (P) of Shah Amanat Bridge Khaza road-Kanangopara-Padua-Udarbanna Road under Dohazari Road Divn. during the year 1995-96.	Tk. 9,21,941/-	2% of the estimated cost	'A' to 'D' general category contr.	Tk. 525/- per set	30 (Thirty) days
7.	Const. of cross drain in front of Patiya High School at 27th KM of Ctg. Cox's Bazar Road under Dohazari Road Division during the year 1995-96.	Tk. 2,22,376/-	-do-	'A' to 'E' -do-	Tk. 525/- per set	35 (Thirty five) days
8.	Const. of masonry sub-structure & launching of baily bridge (PSB) 42.67 M over Raikhali Khal at 11th KM of Shah Amanat Bridge Kaza Road Kanangopara-Padua-Udarbanna with Kanangopara-Vandarzuri link road under Dohazari Road Division during the year 1995-96.	Tk. 4,99,454/-	-do-	-do-	Tk. 525/- per set	35 (Thirty five) days
2.	Name of offices in which the tenders will be sold during office hours	Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Dohazari/Chittagong/Cox's Bazar/Bandarban/Planning (Road & Bridge) Division, Dhaka/Sub-Divisional Engineer, RHD, Road Sub-Division, Dohazari/Patiya/Assistant Engineer, RHD, 1st Line Workshop Sub-Division, Dohazari.				
3.	Name of offices in which the tenders will be received	1. Superintending Engineer, RHD, South Chittagong Road Circle, Chandanish, Chittagong/Chittagong Road Circle, Chittagong, Monitoring & Evaluation Circle, Dhaka. 2. Executive Engineer, RHD, Monitoring & Evaluation Division, Chittagong (On behalf of Addl. Chief Engineer, RHD, Chittagong Zone, Ctg.). 3. Executive Engineer, RHD, Dohazari Road Division, Dohazari.				
4.	Last date & time of selling tenders	23.4.96 (Office time) only.				
5.	Date & time of receiving of tenders	24.4.96 (Up to 12.30) PM				
6.	Date & time of opening of tenders	5.5.96 (Up to 12.45) PM				
7.	Date of lottery (if necessary)	8.5.96 (At 12.00) Noon.				
8.	In case of any sudden declaration of Govt. holiday by the Govt. on 23.4.96 tender documents can be purchased on 24.4.96. In case of sudden declaration of Govt. holiday by the Govt. on 24.4.96 the tenders will be received on 25.4.96 and the date of opening of tender will be on 5.5.96. The date of lottery will remain unchanged. No separate notice will be issued for this.					

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