

20 injured in Rajshahi clash

From Our Correspondent
RAJSHAHI, June 22: At least 20 persons were injured, seven of them seriously, in a clash between the students of Rajshahi Medical College and people of nearby Bilsima village on Friday at about 10 am.

All the injured persons had been admitted to the Rajshahi Medical College Hospital. The clash occurred following a scuffle at a restaurant in Bilsima where some students of Shaheed Pinku hostel went there for tea and the owner of the restaurant demanded dues from a student.

The students ran away when a group of villagers attacked them with lethal weapons. The clash erupted when the villagers attacked the hostel. During the hour-long clash, several bombs were exploded. Later, police brought the situation under control.

Two cases have been lodged. However, nobody was arrested.

Khagrachhari dist budget

KHAGRACHHARI, June 22: A Tk 6.5-crore budget for Khagrachhari Hill District Local Government Council was announced Friday for the 1996-97 fiscal year, reports UNB. Council member Arun Chandra Shingh announced the budget of Tk 6.50,98,000 at a session held at the council's conference room this morning.

Presided over by Council Chairman Shamiron Dewan, the budget session was attended, among others, by the chief executive officer, departmental heads and members of the Council.

Launch passengers robbed in Cox's Bazar

From Our Correspondent
COX'S BAZAR, June 22: Passengers of two launches were robbed on the Maheshkhali Canal here on Wednesday afternoon. A gang of armed dacoits riding on two speedboats intercepted and boarded two launches on the canal and looted the valuables of the passengers at gunpoint. They also beat up 10 passengers and snatched about Tk 2 lakh and 120 wrist watches from the passengers. They decamped with the booties by the speedboats.

The launches, ML Samata and ML Kulsom, were on their way to Cox's Bazar from Maheshkhali. Meanwhile, police recovered the speedboats from Mudir Chandra and arrested the pilots. They told the police that three persons had earlier hired the boats from them at Maheshkhali, at around 4:30 pm, and eight to nine more persons had boarded from Mudir Chandra. The arrested are identified as Rafiq Ahmed and Giasuddin.

Young housewife commits suicide

SAVAR, June 22: A young housewife of Kharagaoon in the thana allegedly committed suicide by taking poison on Wednesday, says UNB. Villagers said Safia Akher (28), second wife of Jon Mollah was beaten by her stepson on the day following a quarrel. Safia informed the matter to her husband who took no action against his son Asu Mia (15). At this Safia became angry and allegedly took poison. Jon Mollah married her a year before without taking permission of his first wife, said the villagers.

Wild life threatened in CHT

RANGAMATI, June 22: Wild life in the Chittagong Hill Tracts region have been threatened by massive deforestation and other factors. Experts said eighteen species have already vanished from the country and 50 others are on the verge of extinction. They said illegal hunting, cruelty, rapid increase in human settlements, industrialisation, extension of arable lands, besides deforestation, have led to this situation.

M Anwar Farooque, the Conservator of Forest of Rangamati Forest Circle, said the eighteen species which are lost include Nilgai, wild buffalo, wild cows, Bora Shinga Harin, and three types of Gandar of mammals group. The species started disappearing mainly after the liberation of the country and went totally out of sight in the last eight years, he said. The

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number of tigers, elephants, deer, monkey, and gharial are also decreasing, he added.

According to experts, Bangladesh has 105 species of mammals, 567 of birds, 129 of reptiles and 14 types of amphibians which constitute rich wild-life resources of the country. They suggested establishment of wild-life sanctuaries in the region.

Meanwhile, wildlife has started migrating to the safe sanctuaries across the border as they are being driven out of their abode of this hilly region by organised groups. Local people told The Daily Star.

Local leaders said groups of law violator were seen poaching birds and animals with nets, bows and arrows as well as firearms frequently. Some of them even mix poison with food to catch the animals, they said. Added to this is the contin-

uous deforestation by illegal felling of trees and burning of jungles for shifting cultivation which are forcing the wild elephants, deer, boar, bear, monkey, wild fowl, tiger and the other rare species of animals to look for sanctuaries in the dense forest of neighbouring country.

A section of tribal hunters have become very much active in hunting in the hamlets animals adjacent to the headquarters of the three hill districts, local people said.

They are hunting deer and fowl which fetch good earning and easy market.

The migratory birds were also caught at random. These were being sold openly at different areas of the three hill districts.

Animal lovers and local leaders said that no step has been taken to stop the poaching of animals.



NAWABGANJ: Smuggled Indian goods worth about Tk 11 lakh were recovered by BDR from Shiganj thana recently. — Star photo

Prices of essentials rise in Chuadanga

From Our Correspondent

CHUADANGA, June 22: Prices of all essential commodities have shot up in Chuadanga district causing great hardship to the general consumers, particularly the low-income group of people and farmers who are affected by the low price of their products. The prices of sugar, pulses, fish, meat, and edible oil have registered a sharp rise. Masur now sells at Taka 34 to 36 per kg, gram at Taka 30 to 32 per kg and mug at Taka 36 per kg which are mostly consumed by the low income group of people. Price of spices have also gone up. One kg dala is being sold at Taka 150, turmeric at Taka 40 per kg, garlic at Taka 24 per kg and onion at Taka 12 per kg.

Barguna post office faces setback

BARGUNA, June 22: District head post office have been facing multifarious problems due to shortage of staff and lack of amenities for a long time, reports UNB. The post office is housed in an old and dilapidated building in which several cracks have developed on its roof and walls threatening the lives of the staff. Water oozes through the roof of the building even after a slight rainfall and it becomes very difficult to protect important documents, records and stamps during the rainy days. It is alleged that no scheme has yet been taken to renovate

Two businessmen robbed of Tk 3 lakh in Khulna

From Staff Correspondent

KHULNA, June 22: Law and order has deteriorated in the city during the last few days. At least four robberies were committed in three days last week, but none has been arrested so far. On Sunday morning, a businessman Jonab Ali, 32, was robbed of Tk 1,57,902 at gunpoint by some muggers near Sangeeta Cinema Hall. They also stabbed him severely as he tried to resist the muggers. The muggers fled the scene after exploding hand bombs. On Tuesday, three robberies were committed in the city. A fish trader, Moazzem Hossain, 40, was robbed of Tk 1,45,000 at gunpoint near Gagan Babu road. The muggers also stabbed him severely when he refused to give the money. The same gang of muggers snatched Tk 17,000 from Syed Nazrul Islam, an official of the city corporation.

5 highway dacoits arrested in B'baria

BRAHMANBARIA, June 22: Police in separate drives rounded up five miscreants of a gang involved in inter-district highway dacoity and three women smugglers with phenyl in the district on Friday, reports UNB. Acting on a tip-off, police rushed to the Ahraud area at night and nabbed Shahjalal, Dudu, Zakir, Sadek and Alam. They were trying to commit dacoity on buses and trucks by creating road blockade.

Tree plantation programme in Khulna

KHULNA, June 22: As part of a countrywide drive, Forest Department has taken up a massive programme for tree plantation in the metropolitan city, reports UNB.

Under the programme, saplings will be planted by the road sides of seven km road of metropolitan area and on eight hectares of land of six organisations.

The organisations are Khalishpur Television Centre, BIT Shipyard, Armed Police Battalion Office, Police Training School and TCB godown area.

In 1993, the Forest Department had taken similar programmes in four cities — Dhaka, Chittagong, Khulna and Rajshahi.

Under that programme, trees were planted by the side of 16 km roads and on 10 hectares of land of different organisations.

Besides, the department has taken up measures to sell 2,30,000 saplings from different nurseries.

Sanctuary for animals in Sunamganj

SUNAMGANJ, June 22: Forest Department has taken up a massive programme for sanctuary on 3000 acres of land in two thanas of the district, reports UNB.

The hard grass lands of Chhatak and Doarabazar thanas will be used for sanctuary for deer, rare animals, guest birds and different species of 'guisap' to maintain ecological balance.

An agreement was signed in this regard between Zoology Department of Dhaka University and forest department last year. Earlier, officials of Zoology Department conducted survey in the area.

A water reservoir will also be created with an expenditure of Tk 40 lakh for the guest birds and large ponds will be brought under pisciculture to boost fish output.

Dacoity in Satkhira

From Our Correspondent

SATKHIRA, June 22: A dacoity was committed at the house of Sukumar Das of village Dwandia under Tala thana on June 16 last. According to Tala thana police, on the day of occurrence, at dead of night a group of armed dacoits numbering 15 to 18 attacked the house of Sukumar Das and while trying to enter into the house by breaking the windows the inmates of the house resisted the dacoits by pelting stones. At this stage, the dacoits hurled two bombs on the inmates of the house. As a result one Kartik Chandra Das and his four year old son Khokhon sustained injuries.

Later, the dacoits entered into the house and looted away cash and ornaments amounting to about Taka 50,000. A case was lodged with Tala thana.

One killed in Satkhira

SATKHIRA, June 22: Suman Sarkar, 20, of Kalagachi under Tala thana of the district was killed by the miscreants on Saturday, reports UNB. Police said, some miscreants called Suman out from his house and took him to the nearby Dumuria Beel and slaughtered him. Police suspected that previous enmity might be the reason behind the murder.

His body was sent to Satkhira Sadar Hospital for autopsy. A case has been filed with the police.



The turnout of female voters was quite high during the repolling on June 19. This photograph was taken from a centre in Comilla. — Star photo

Power disruption hits industries in Khulna

KHULNA, June 22: About a hundred industries in Khulna division have been facing problem to continue their production due to frequent load-shedding, reports UNB.

Local sources said disruption of power is a common feature in the areas which may cause closure of these industries leaving a large number of labourers and employees out of job.

The industries, particularly ice mills, jute mills, shrimp processing factories are now on the verge of closure for the problem.

Local people said they have been facing load-shedding for four to five hours daily and production is being hampered greatly.

Official sources attributed the frequent power failure to less supply against the demand. At present, 100 to 125 mw electricity are being distributed out of the demand of 300 mw.

The sources also said the six unit Khulna Gopalpara power Generation Centre are

Foundation stone of college building laid

COMILLA, June 22: Adviser for Education, Youth and Sports and Cultural Affairs Prof M Shamsul Huq Friday laid the foundation stone of Alhaj Nur Miah College at Kankapath at Chaudagram thana, reports UNB.

Addressing a function on the occasion the Adviser said the literacy rate of the country is not satisfactory in comparison to population growth.

He said establishment of such type of educational institution in rural areas would greatly help to increase the literacy rate in the country.

The college was being established on three acres of land and the construction work of the administration building of the college has already been started at a cost of Tk 30 lakh.

The function was addressed, among others, by college founder M Mustafa Kamal, industrialist and journalist Muhammad Zakaria and Comilla Education Board Chairman M Anwarul Azim Siddique.

Later, Prof Huq visited Comilla University area which is being established on six and a half acres of land, adjacent to Comilla township.

Schoolboy killed in road accident

From Staff Correspondent

SYLHET, June 22: A school boy was killed in a road accident at Kurua on Dhaka-Sylhet Highway Wednesday afternoon. Three others were also injured while they along with the victim were on way to the Sylhet MAG Osmani Medical College Hospital as the baby taxi carrying them overturned. All these were also admitted to the hospital.

The victim, Alal Uddin, 16, son of Ashraf Ali of village Talbaushi and a student of class X in Kurua High School was crushed under the wheels of a speeding microbus while he was crossing the road at Kurua.

He died on the spot. Post mortem on the body was done in Sylhet MAG Osmani Medical College Morgue.

Indian sarees, motor parts recovered

JHEJDAH, June 22: Police seized valuables, including sari and spare parts, worth about Tk eight lakh from a Dhaka-bound pick-up van in Hatgopalpara area of the district on Wednesday night, reports UNB.

BCIC International Tender Notice

বিসিআইসি'র পণ্য শিয়ারনে জাতীয় অর্থপত্রিক প্রতীক

Sealed tenders in two envelope system on C&F (C), Chittagong basis are invited by the Managing Director, Jamuna Fertilizer Company Ltd., Tarakandi, Sarishabari, Jamalpur vide tender No. JFCL/FP/MTS/MM/2.230/120 dt. 5.6.96 and JFCL/FP/MTS/MM & INST /2.236/122 dated 5.6.96 for supply of Air Suction Filter for process air compressor & different types of Asbestos sheet & Gland Packing respectively. Tender will be received upto 11.00 A.M. on 24-7-96 and be opened immediately afterwards. Tender documents with detailed description can be collected subject to cash payment of Tk. 200/- (Tk. Two hundred) and Tk. 25/- (Tk. Twenty five) only (Non-refundable) per set respectively from (i) BCIC, 30-31, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka (ii) BCIC Branch Office, 6, Agrabad C/A, Chittagong (iii) Jamuna Fertilizer Company Ltd., Jamalpur. No tender document will be sold on the date of opening.

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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Public Works E/M Division-7
Dhaka

Memo No E/M-7/126/4597

Dated, Dhaka 16-6-96 ((2-3-1403 BS))

Short Tender Invitation Notice

No 144/1995-96

Tenders in Bangladesh Form No 2911 under sealed cover are invited subject to undermentioned terms & conditions, Part 'A' on percentage basis & Part 'B' on item rate basis, from Public Works Directorate enlisted special first class/1st & 2nd class E/M contractor firm; manufacturing firms of tender stated items or their local agents or manufacturers' approved local agents for the undermentioned work.

Last date of selling tender: During office hours, 2-7-96.

Date & time of opening tender: 3-7-96 at 12.30 PM.

Date & time of receiving tender: 3.7.96 up to 12.00 Noon.

| Name of work | Estimated cost | Earnest money | Time limit for completion |
|---|----------------|--|---------------------------|
| 1. Supply & installation of window type room aircooler and repair & reinstallation of old room aircooler machine at Senior Officers' room of Sangsad Secretariat at Jatiya Sangsad Bhawan, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar. | | Part 'A' at the rate 2 per cent of estimated cost and part 'B' at the rate 2 per cent of total quoted value. | 10 (ten) days |

The firm intending to participate in this tender must possess ABC/BC Electrical Contractor's Licence & VAT registration certificate of National Board of Revenue with experience of satisfactory supply & installation of split type air conditioner machine worth minimum Taka 1 lakh at any Govt/Semi-govt/Autonomous establishment.

Past experience certificate of work should be issued by the organisation concerned (not below the status of Executive Engineer) in the prescribed form (procureable free of cost from this office).

Tenders will be received in the tender box kept at the office of the Executive Engineer, Public Works E/M Division-1/2/3/4/5/6/7/8; Workshop Division; Wooden Workshop Division, Dhaka; Public Works, Eden Building Division, Dhaka by the above stated date.

Application to purchase tender should be made at least 5 (five) days prior to the last date of selling tender with copies of the stated Electrical Licence, VAT Certificate, past experience certificate & registration book/Manufacturer Certificate/Local agent certificate etc. to the Superintending Engineer, Public Works E/M Circle-3, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka through the undersigned. On permission, tender can be purchased on cash payment of prescribed price from Public Works E/M Division-1/2/3/4/5/6/7/8; Mechanical Workshop/Wooden Workshop & Eden Building Division, Dhaka. Intending tenderers/firm owners/their representatives may attend the opening of tender.

The tender receiving authority reserves the right to reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever and the authority is not bound to accept the lowest or any other tender.

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Office of the Executive Engineer
Local Government Engineering Directorate
Bandarban Hill District

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Dated: 10-06-96

Tender Notice

Notice No 11/95/96

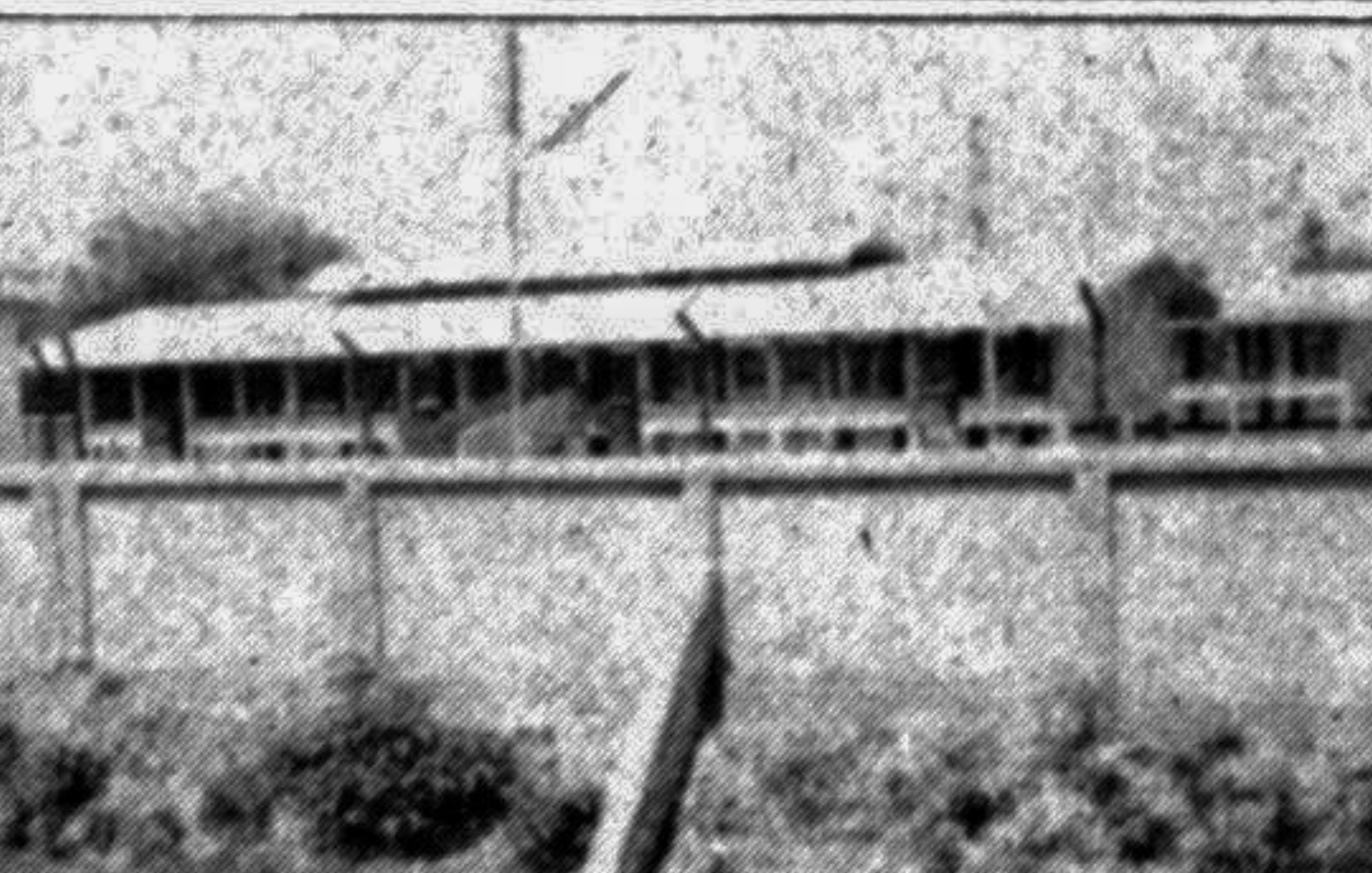
Tenders in Bangladesh Form No 2911 under sealed cover are invited from local Government Engineering Directorate enlisted financially capable valid contractor/contractor firm for the undermentioned work under the project "Construction of Physical Infrastructure for Socio-economic Development of Cluster Village Inhabitants" undertaken during 1995-96 financial year in Bandarban Hill District under Local Government Engineering Directorate. Tenders will be received in the tender box kept at (1) the office of Executive Engineer, LGED, Rangamati/Khagrachhari Hill District (2) the office of the undersigned, (3) the office of the Lama Thana Engineer up to 1-00 PM of 30-6-96 and opened on the next day 01-07-96 at 1-30 hours at the office of the undersigned before the tenderers (if any) present. All documents regarding the tender can be seen & purchased on cash payment of prescribed price (non-refundable) from the above offices up to 29-06-96 during office hours. Earnest money at the rate 2.12% of estimated cost in the form of Bank Draft/Pay Order from any approved or scheduled bank in favour of Executive Engineer, LGED, Bandarban Hill District should be deposited with the tender. Overall rate in percentage above or below together on all items of tender should be submitted. Rate submitted should be quoted in words & figures. Tender quoting rate more than 5(five) per cent below shall be cancelled outright. In case of submitting rate more than 5(five) per cent above, itemwise rate analysis should be submitted.

The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason.

| Serial No | Name of Thana | Name of work | Estimated cost | Earnest money at the rate 2% | Price of schedule | Time limit for completion of work | Class of contractor |
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| 1 | Lama | Construction of reinforced earth retaining wall on Islamic Mission Road in Lama thana. | Tk 4,84,000/- | 12,120/- | Tk 300/- | 45 days | All class of LGED |

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Md. Nazrul Hasan
Executive Engineer
Local Government Engineering Directorate
Bandarban Hill District



Construction work for goat-farming in Jhenidah nearing completion. — Star photo

Valuables worth Tk 35,000 looted

From Our Correspondent

KISHOREGANJ, June 22: Dacoits looted valuables worth about Taka 35,000 from a house at village Fudhi in Katiadi thana on the night of June 15 last, witnesses said.

According to the police source, the dacoits numbering about 20 equipped with firearms forced their way into the house of Abdur Rahim at dead of night. They first tied the male inmates of the house. The dacoits decamped with a cash amount of Taka 15,000 besides a TV, gold ornaments, clothes and other household articles.

A case has been registered with Katiadi police station in this connection. Neither police was arrested nor any booty was recovered till writing of this report, police said.

Seminar on 'problems of admn'

SAVAR, June 22: A seminar paper on 'problems of administration in maintaining law and order (Bangladesh perspective)' was presented at Bangladesh Public Administration Training Centre on Monday, reports UNB.

The paper presented by Deputy Secretary LGRD Hatem Ali Khan highlighted the problems of administration to maintain law and order and recommended various suggestions to curb the problems. It laid emphasis on updating the existing laws and their implementation for the welfare of the people.

Chaired by secretary Jamuna Bridge Project Mueyed Chowdhury, centre's Member Directing Staff Mahbub Talukdar was present.