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Drinking water crisis prevails in Kishoreganj

From Our Correspondent
KISHOREGANJ, Aug 6: Acute scarcity of drinking water has been prevailing all over the district. Particularly in the rural areas for long, it was observed.

The number of tubewells sunk by the Public Health Engineering Department stands at 18,699 which is not adequate to meet the crying need of the people.

According to an official source, in all 1151 tubewells have been choked up in the district. The thana wise break up of the choked up tubewells are: Kishoreganj-204, Karimganj-71, Tarail-121, Hossainpur-162, Pukundia-78, Kaliadi-90, Bajitpur-110, Bhairab-29, Kuliarchar-77, Aastagram-33, Nikli-27, Matamoin-108 and Itna-41.

The people, finding no other alternative are compelled to drink water from polluted ponds and tanks. As a result they are being attacked with various water-borne diseases.

Severed body recovered in Jamalpur

JAMALPUR, Aug 6: Police recovered a severed body of a man from a rail track near Bausi Rail Bridge on Monday morning, reports UNB.

Police said Habibur Rahman, 35, of Shimlapali village in Sorishabari was run over by Dhaka bound train coming from Jagannathganj.

Habibur, a peon of Alhaj Jute Mill Dhaka office might have been drunk when he met the accident, police suspected.

A case was filed with rail police.



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CHANDPUR: Flood affected areas of Madrasa road in Chandpur Municipality. — Star photo

A flood-hit village in Tangail district.

'Judicial system should be kept free from any influence'

From Our Correspondent
GAIBANDHA, Aug 6: A seminar on sovereignty and separation of judicial system under the auspices of Gaibandha Bar Association concluded here at district judge court premises early this week. On the occasion fresher advocates were given a simple reception.

Gaibandha district and session Judge ATM Fazley Kabir was present as chief guest on the occasion, while additional session Judge Mirza Sirajul Islam as special guest.

Presided over by Advocate Shah Jahangir Kabir, President of Gaibandha Bar who also read out the essay describing the necessity of judicial sovereignty and its separation from administrative control.

On the issue of topics those who addressed were Assistant Session Judge Afzal Hossain, Senior Assistant Judge, SK Shah, Shamsul Alam Prodhan, Secretary Gaibandha Bar, Advocate Mohammad Hoque.

Advocate Amjad Hossain Akanda, Advocate Sekender Azam Anam, Advocate Siddique Hossain Selim, Advocate Amit Kumar Day, Md. Khaled VP District Awami League.

Shahjada Anwerul Kadir, Abu Zafar Sabu, Moshiur Rahman Khan.

The speakers emphasised on the separations of judicial system from administrative control by replacing it under Supreme Court to ensure free and fair justice.

The session Judge in his address called upon all the fresher advocates to render services freely and impartially giving importance to maintain neutrality in law practices.

One commits suicide in Sundarbans

From Our Correspondent
SATKHURA, Aug 6: Abdul Kader, 42, of village Ghoragpur under Shyamnagar thana committed suicide by hanging himself on a branch of a tree in the Sundarbans on July 30 last.

Police sources said, Abdul Kader went to KLS area of the Sundarbans for cutting Gewa wood. He committed suicide by hanging himself on a branch of a tree. The cause of the incident was not known.

An UD case was lodged with Shyamnagar thana.

When contacted with OC of Rajnagar thana, said the police was not informed about any attack that took place the second time after filing of the rape case. The OC however said police force have been trying to arrest the criminals.

Family sources said, there was a dispute over a land between widow Jaytun Bibi, mother of the victims and a neighbour. On the day of oc-

No shelter, food, employment

The aftermath of flood in Jamalpur

From Md Meherullah

JAMALPUR, Aug 6: The sufferings of the flood-victims at Jamalpur district have increased much due to intermittent rainfalls, non-sanction of house building grants and lack of food and employment.

Although flood water from both the rivers, Jamuna and the old Brahmaputra started receding the recession is however, taking place at an extremely slow pace. In all the low-lying areas, heavy water-logging has been created. Many flood-affected areas of Jamalpur district covering seven thanas, namely Bakshiganj, Dewanganj, Madarganj, Islampur, Jamalpur Sadar, Sarishabari and Melandah, were still under water.

According to officials, 120,000 houses were completely and 20,000 were partially damaged affecting 46,000 families in the above

seven thanas. But till July 30 not a single affected person has got any grant for house building purposes. The heavy intermittent rainfall through out of last month has further aggravated miseries of the flood affected people.

A total of 46 culverts, 35 km pucca roads, 2500 km kutchi roads, 141 educational institutions 390 feet Haringuda embankment were also damaged by the flood, officials said.

The flood victims are facing an acute shortage of food. No further relief materials specially grains are being distributed. Government allotment was also too poor, it was alleged.

The victims had no stock of food with them nor any money in their pockets and most painfully they have no employment no scope of earning. Until complete recession of water agricultural production would not start. Hence, rural unemployment has taken a very serious turn.

The rural hats and bazars in the affected areas were yet to start transaction in full sowing.

Rural communication was affected too. Many roads in the rural areas have been completely damaged with no repairs work undertaken as yet. Carts, rickshaws, rickshaws, vans,

were yet to start plying on these roads. This also was affecting rural economy adversely.

Meanwhile, UNB adds: Flood affected people have started coming back to their respective homes from different shelters as the overall flood situation has improved further in the district.

But the Jamuna river erosion is on at Chinadulay, Noarpara and Saptahri unions of Islampur thana. District and thana sources said, at least 15,000 people have so far been rendered homeless.

The shelterless people informed that seven villages in including Jorekoba, Koldalhao, Rairpara of Noarpura union have been affected by the erosion of the river.

Meanwhile, government distributed some nine metric tons of rice Tk 16,000 in cash, 50 pieces of shares and 200 pieces of lungi among the affected people. High officials of the district visited the affected area.

During the last week, water of Brahmaputra receded further by 40 cm at Bahadurabad and water of the river Jamuna is flowing at 65 cm below its danger mark at the same point.



SATKHURA: BDR personnel of 21 battalion recovered huge quantity of Indian sarees worth Taka about 10 lakh from the said luggage parties from Bhomra immigration check post recently. — Star photo

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Output suspension JFF incurs Tk 5cr loss

From Our Correspondent

JAMALPUR, Aug 6: The Jamuna Fertilizer Factory incurred a loss of about Taka five crore following suspension of production, according to official sources.

The factory with a production capacity of 1,700 metric tons of urea fertilizer everyday was shut down after detection a fault in the boiler machine which was traced on July 12.

The factory has a stock of 74,000 metric tons of fertilizer, an official source informed adding, about 20,000 metric tons of fertilizer has been reported in short supply.

The factory resumed its production on July 17.



JHENIDAH: Some of the distressed women are taking training on tailoring and embroidery at Rural Poor Cooperative Project (RPCP) training centre of BRDB at Magura. The training course was conducted by Advance Centre for Courses in Engineering and Social Sciences (ACCESS). — Star photo

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FEASIBILITY STUDY AND PRELIMINARY DESIGN OF A

WORLD TRADE CENTRE

AT KAWRAN BAZAR, DHAKA, BANGLADESH

Notice Inviting Offer of Consultancy Services

1. Proposals in 2 (two) separate envelopes, one containing "Technical Offer" and the other containing "Financial Offer", are hereby invited from reputed, bona fide and eligible consulting firms for Feasibility Study and Preliminary Design of the proposed World Trade Centre to be established at Kawran Bazar, Dhaka, Bangladesh.
2. To be eligible for issuance of "Letter of Invitation" the consulting firm must satisfy/fulfil the following:
 - a) The firm must have at least 15 (fifteen) years of working experience (Attach Registration Certificate).
 - b) The Managing Director/Chairperson of the firm must be a graduate engineer or graduate architect with at least 20 years of professional experience (Attach C.V.).
 - c) The firm must have experience of successful completion of design and full time supervision of at least 1 (one) building project of any Government or Semi Government organisation costing a minimum of Tk 30 crore during the last 5 (five) years (Attach certificate from client's official not below the rank of Executive Engineer).
 - d) The firm must have the following minimum technical personnel in its full time employment or as Directors/Partners or as associates to be deployed on full time basis for the project (Attach necessary declaration from associates if deployed):
 - i) Graduate Architects with minimum 15 years of experience - 2 (two),
 - ii) Graduate Civil Engineers with minimum 15 years of experience - 3 (three),
 - iii) Graduate Electrical Engineer with minimum 15 years of experience - 1 (one),
 - iv) Graduate Mechanical Engineer with minimum 15 years of experience - 1 (one),
 - v) Graduate Economist with minimum 15 years of experience - 1 (one),
 - vi) MBA with minimum 10 years of experience - 1 (one).
 3. For issuance of the "Letter of Invitation" the intending consulting firms will have to apply to the undersigned, in their Letter Heads, enclosing documentary evidence of their eligibility prescribed in para 2 above.
 4. Firms intending to submit proposals in consortium (Joint Venture) must submit Joint Venture Agreement duly executed by the parties forming the Joint Venture along with their application for issuance of "Letter of Invitation" and also along with the subsequent proposal to be submitted by them. The Joint Venture Agreement must be certified by a Notary Public. The Joint Venture Agreement must designate one of the constituent firms as the lead firm and also nominate the person empowered by the parties to apply for issuance of the "Letter of Invitation" and to sign and submit the proposal on behalf of the Joint Venture. The proportionate share of right and obligation among the constituent parties of the Joint Venture must be clearly stated in the Joint Venture Agreement. In associations, other than Joint Venture arrangement executed as above, the firm applying for issuance of the "Letter of Invitation" will be treated as the lead firm and organisational capability and experience of only the lead firm will be considered for technical evaluation of the proposal subsequently submitted.
 5. "Letter of Invitation" containing background information and terms of reference of the project will be issued only to eligible consulting firms, after scrutiny and verification of the papers and documents as to their eligibility in accordance with para 2 above submitted with their application for issuance of the same, on payment of Tk 2000 (Taka two thousand) only (non-refundable) from the office of the undersigned up to the 20th August, 1996 during office hours on all working days.
 6. Proposals containing "Technical Offer" and "Financial Offer" in 2 (two) envelopes will be received in the office of the undersigned up to 12:00 Noon on the 14th September, 1996. Only the Technical Offers received will be opened at 12:30 PM on the same day and the names of the participating firms will be announced in presence of the representatives of the participating firms who may like to be present.
 7. No proposal will be received by the undersigned after the above designated closing date and time.
 8. The undersigned reserves the right to accept any proposal and reject any or all proposals without assigning any reason whatsoever.