

**RAKUB to disburse Tk 250 cr as agri loan in Pabna**

From Our Correspondent PABNA, Sept 2: The Rajshahi Krishi Unnayan Bank have taken up a gigantic scheme for distributing a total amount of Tk 250 crores as loan among the farmers for boosting agricultural production during the financial year 1996-97.

The amount will be distributed among the cultivators throughout Rajshahi Division with the help of 299 branches of Rajshahi Krishi Unnayan Bank (RAKUB). Of the total amount of Tk 250 crores, an amount of Tk 150 crores has been earmarked for distribution among the marginal sugarcane farmers within the region while the remaining amount of Tk 100 crores have been sanctioned for distribution as agricultural loans among the agriculturists.

The projects against which this loan would be distributed are livestock development, pisciculture, purchase of irrigation machinery and other inputs, marketing of agricultural products, setting up small-scale industries based on agriculture, dairy farms etc.

**556 bottles of phensidyl recovered**

From Our Correspondent SIRAJGANJ, Sept 2: Sirajganj police have recovered 556 bottles of smuggled Indian phensidyl syrup from seven jars of molasses at Sirajganj bazar railway station on August 29 last.

Acting on secret information police look position at Sirajganj bazar railway station at midnight. After arrival of the Sirajganj bound local train from Ishurdi, police searched the jars of molasses booked in favour of one Anwar Ali and recovered 556 bottles of phensidyl syrup worth about Tk 60,000 but failed to make any arrest.

A case was lodged with Sirajganj police in this connection. Police, however, could not trace out Anwar Ali in whose favour the jars were booked.

**Two bodies recovered**

From CHT Correspondent MANIKCHHARI (Khagrachhari), Sept 2: Police has here recovered two bodies, one of a hawker and the other of an old man from different places in the thana of the district Friday, who reportedly killed themselves. Manikchhari thana police said.

Police recovered the body of Abdul Awal, 35 from the bamboo cluster near his house yesterday at Tintahari in Manikchhari thana in the district being informed by the villagers. Awal, a hawker had left his house day before Friday for his routine job, police quoted the villagers as saying.

Police also recovered Friday the body of Abdul Mazid, an old man of 65 years from his house who reportedly committed suicide being unable to tolerate the severe pain at his abdomen from Maradulu village in Manikchhari thana of the district.

**Husband convicted for murdering better-half in Sirajganj**

SIRAJGANJ, Sept 2: A man was awarded life term imprisonment with Tk 12,000 fine, on Thursday for killing his wife, reports UNB.

According to the prosecution, Shah Alam of village Hatikamra in Ullahpara thana beat his wife Rahima to death for dowry and left the body to a beel on June 18, 1992. The victim's mother Golefa Khatun lodged a case against Shah Alam after police recovered the body.

District and Sessions Judge Fazul Karim awarded the punishment after examining the witnesses and records.

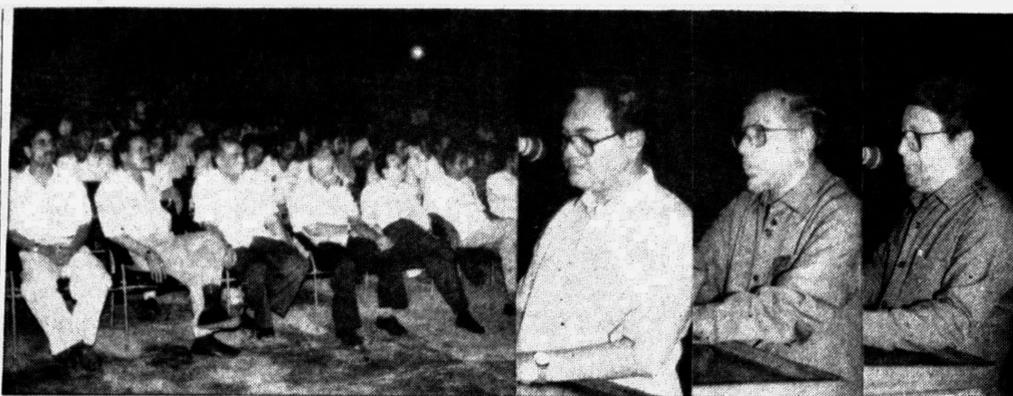
In another case, Sub-judge AKM Shamsul Haque on the same day awarded two people imprisonment for possessing illegal arms.

The court sources said Shahjad Ali and Abu Bakar of village Garadaha at Shahjadpur thana were awarded seven and 10 years imprisonment respectively.

**Student injured in bomb explosion**

SIRAJGANJ, Sept 2: A student of class six was injured in a bomb explosion at Dhanbandhi area of the town on Thursday, reports UNB.

Police said, Mukta, 10, was hurt in the sudden explosion while he was passing through an abandoned house for attending his coaching class at 7 am. He was admitted to General Hospital in a critical condition. A case was filed with the police.



RAJSHAHI UNIVERSITY: Prof M Eusuff Ali RU VC, Prof AKM Yakub Ali Chairman of the Department and Prof M Sohrab Uddin Ahmed (Treasurer of Student Union) addressing at the reception ceremony of freshers and outgoing students of Islamic History and Culture Department held here recently.

**High price of inputs hits farmers in Kishoreganj**

From Our Correspondent

KISHOREGANJ, Sept 2: Most of the farmers in the district especially in haor areas of Mitamoin, Austagram, Itna and Nikli thanas of Kishoreganj district are facing serious economic hardship as cultivation is being hampered seriously due to price-hike of chemical fertilizers, seeds, insecticides and other necessary inputs in the district.

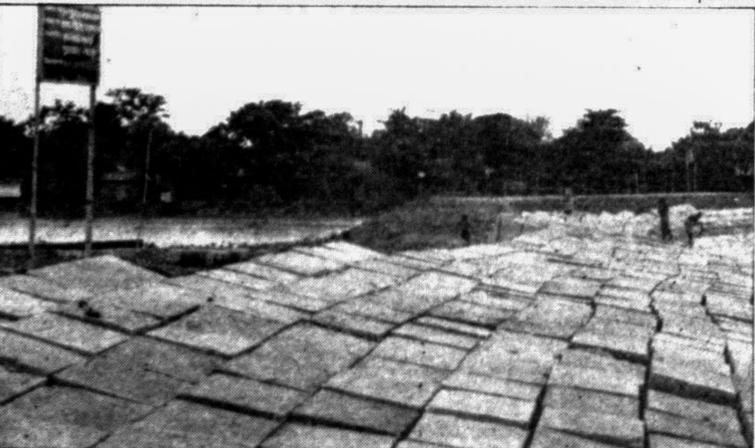
According to sources, of the total population of the district, more than 80 per cent depend on agriculture out of which 60 per cent are marginal and remaining have land to earn their livelihood.

But with the rise in population, per head cultivable land is decreasing day by day and shortfall in agri output has become very alarming.

The cultivators having small quantity of land which cannot cope with the increasing price of agri inputs. They cannot afford to buy fertilizer, seeds, pesticides and even bul-



CHANDPUR: Photo taken last week shows bamboo fence have been erected by the Bangladesh Water Development Board in an attempt to protect the Matlab-Meghna Dhanagoda irrigation embankment. Similar fences have been erected elsewhere most of which proved fruitless.



CHANDPUR: Concrete cement block are being placed on the eastern bank of the river Meghna to check erosion near the Puranbazar area of the town

**Defective vehicles polluting environment in Kushtia**

KUSHTIA, Sept 3: Most of the vehicles in Kushtia emit black smoke polluting the environment. There is law that vehicles which emit black smoke can not run on road but this law is being violated and there is none to look after all these.

Old and worn buses, jeeps and auto rickshaws plying on different routes emitting black smokes causing serious health hazards. About 500 vehicles move to and from the district town everyday. The small district town congested with a large number of automobile, emit black smokes but the vehicles owners take no precautionary measures to stop emission of smoke which is likely to cause high blood pressure, cancer, asthma and other bronchial diseases even heart and skin diseases.

The school going children are the worst sufferers, local physicians and social workers said. Conscious people view

**Police hands over rescued children to their mother**

JAMALPUR, Sept 2: Sadar thana police handed over the two children rescued from the human traffickers to their mother Fatema Sikder on Saturday, reports UNB.

The two victims, Masuma Akhter Shapna, 12, and her brother Al-Amin, 10, were recovered from an organised gang of human traffickers at Elahi Bazar of Sadar thana in the district on August 28.

A member of the gang Shamsul Huq allegedly took the children from their house at Kamaria village in Joydebpur thana of Gazipur district on the plea of showing a movie in a nearby cinema hall.

But Shamsul Huq instead of going to cinema hall took Shapna and Amin to Jamalpur in an autorickshaw making them senseless with the help of his accomplices.

As the children regained their senses, they cried out for help. On hearing the cry, local people surrounded the autorickshaw and caught red-handed five traffickers who were later handed over to the Sadar thana police.

**Stipend**

BANDARBAN, Sept 2: District Administration has decided to give stipend to the meritorious students of the district from the current academic session, reports UNB.

Officials said, the students holding first position in class nine, ten and first 10 of the merit list in the SSC or equivalent Madrasa examinations will be entitled to get the stipend.

Deputy Commissioner Atiqul Islam Chowdhury said the decision was taken to create enthusiasm among the students of the district.

A committee has been formed with government officials, education officers, chief of the educational institutions and local elite in this regard, he added.

**Smuggler arrested with phensidyl in Jamalpur**

JAMALPUR, Sept 2: Police in a sudden operation on Saturday night arrested a smuggler from Bakultala Madrasa road in the town, reports UNB.

The arrested was identified as M Hafizullah. Police also recovered 10 bottles of Indian phensidyl syrup from his possession. A case was filed with the police.

**96,000 hectares of land brought under aman seedling cultivation**

From Our Correspondent JHENIDAH, Sept 2: About 96 thousand hectares of land was brought under aman seedlings cultivation in ten southern districts this season, according to Agriculture Extension Department sources.

Sources said, 10,300 hectares of land was brought under the programme in Jessore district, about 5,000 hectares in Jhenidah district, 9,100 hectares in Magura district, 28,500 hectares in Narail district, about 21,000 hectares of land in Khulna district, 10,500 hectares of land in Bagerhat district, 2500 hectares of land in Chuadanga district and about 2,300 hectares of land was brought under the programme in Meherpur district.

About 10.52 lakh metric tons of aman paddy is expected to be produced in 10 southern districts this season, Agriculture Extension Department (AED) sources informed.

**Two killed, two injured in road mishap in Jhenidah**

JHENIDAH, Sept 2: Two people were killed and two others injured in a bus accident on Jhenidah-Kushtia highway near Jhenidah Cadet College on Wednesday, reports UNB.

Police said Tazul Islam, 35, a school teacher of Noakhali, and Abdus Sattar of Fulbari village in Sailakupa thana were killed when the Kushtia bound bus collided head on with a tempo coming from opposite direction.

The injured were admitted to sadar hospital. The bus driver fled the scene with his vehicle. A case was filed with the police.

**Scheme undertaken to educate seven lakh people in Rajshahi**

RAJSHAHI, Sept 2: A scheme has been undertaken to educate about seven lakh people of the district under "Sandipan" a mass literacy programme of the administration within the next two years, reports UNB.

The decision was taken at an inaugural function of the "Sandipan", an integrated literacy movement programme, held at the district council auditorium on Thursday.

The function was inaugurated by the Primary and Mass Education Secretary Syed Ameer-ul-Mulk with Deputy Commissioner Kazi Farid Ahmed in the chair.

Vice Chancellor of Rajshahi University Prof Yusuf Ali, Divisional Commissioner Yahia Chowdhury, Director General of Compulsory Primary Education Sawkat Ali and Director General of Non-Formal Education Shahidul Islam also spoke on the occasion.

Speaking as chief guest Syed Ameer-ul-Mulk said, people from all walks of life must come forward to make the literacy programme a success. More than 65 per cent people of our country are unlettered and it is a national shame for us, he said adding spontaneous response is a prerequisite to

achieve the goal. The government this year has allotted near about Tk 1,800 crore in the mass literacy sector, he informed.

Giving details of the programme DC Kazi Farid Ahmed said, about seven lakh people aged between 11-45 years will be given basic primary education under the programme "Sandipan".

All necessary instruments including lanterns, books, khatas will also be provided by the administration free of cost and per head expenditure has been estimated at Tk 200, he said.

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**Tender Notice No 23/96**

Biman Flight Catering Centre (BFCC) invites sealed Tender from the experienced bonafide contractor/manufacturer for the following job:-

Sl No	Description	Date for sale of tender	Earnest Money in Taka	Cost of schedule (Tk Non-refundable)	Timing & date of dropping tender	Timing & date of opening tender
01.	Construction Works of Security Post & MT Room	From 3.9.96 to 11.9.96	7,000/-	200/-	From 10.00 hours to 14.30 hours on 12.9.96	At 10.30 hours on 12.9.96

Schedule of Tender along with other terms and conditions may be obtained on request in the Official Letter Head Pad during office hours on payment of cost of schedule from Office of the Manager Finance, BFCC, Zia International Airport, Dhaka. Any eligible bidder may participate in the Tender.

BFCC Management reserves the right to accept/reject any or all Tenders, partially or wholly without assigning any reason whatsoever.  
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Office of the Executive Engineer, DPHE 18-DTP, Nilphamari Division, Nilphamari

**Tender Notice**

Tender Notice Memo. No. 103(85) Dt. 24-8-96

Separate sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No. 2911 are hereby invited from the DPHE Enlisted 1st class "C" Category Contractors renewed/enlisted for the year 1995-96 and those who have experience to installed (350x200mm) Production well for the works mentioned below at Panchagarh Pourashava under 18-DTP. Town Water Supply, Sanitation and Drainage Project of DPHE. Assisted by the Dutch Government.

Sl. No.	Description of works	Cost of T. Doc.	Earnest money	Time of completion	Fund
1.	Installation of PVC 3 Nos. Production & 5 Nos. Test Tube wells at Panchagarh Pourashava under DPHE, 18-DTP, Nilphamari Division during 1996-97.	750/=	2% of the Quoted Amount	120 days	RPA

The tender documents will be available for selling on all working days during the office hours on requisite payment (Non-refundable) up to 24-9-96 from the Office of the Executive Engineer, DPHE, 18-DTP, Nilphamari Division, the Executive Engineer, DPHE, 18-DTP, P & D Division, 190 Arambagh, Inner Circular Road, Dhaka and Sub-Divisional Engineer, DPHE, 18-DTP, Panchagarh Sub-Division. The tender will be received simultaneously by the above said offices up to 1.00 PM on 25-9-96 and will be opened at the office of the undersigned at 12.00 Noon on 26-9-96 in presence of the tenderers or their representatives happened to be present at the time of opening tenders. Tenderer (s) will have to quote item wise rate with detailed analysis and their rate will include all type of taxes and VAT.

Other information and terms & conditions will be available in the tender documents. No tender documents will be sold on the date fixed for receiving tenders.

**Md. Afaz Uddin Khan**  
Executive Engineer, DPHE, 18-DTP, Nilphamari Division, Nilphamari.  
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**RHD Notice Inviting Tender**

Sealed tenders are hereby invited by Bangladesh Form No. 2911 for the following works:

- Tender Notice No. 5(1996-97)/EE/GRD.
- Name of work: Widening of Embankment and Flexible pavement at different KM at Patgati-Tungipara road under Gopalganj Road Division during 1996-97 in 2 (two) groups.
- Estimated cost: As per group list.
- Earnest money: -do-
- Head of accounts: 266-C.A.
- Time allowed: As per group list.
- Eligibility of contractor: "A" to "C" general category contractors of (RHD).
- Name of office where tender documents will be sold: Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Gopalganj/Faridpur/Madaripur/Barisal/Planning Division, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka/Sub-Divisional Engineer, RHD, Road Sub-Division, Gopalganj/Bhatiapara/Ist. Line Workshop Sub-Division, Gopalganj.
- Name of office to receive tender bids: a) Additional Chief Engineer, RHD, Barisal-Zone, Barisal. b) Superintending Engineer, RHD, Road Circle, Faridpur. c) Superintending Engineer, RHD, Monitoring & Evaluation Circle, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka. d) Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Gopalganj.
- Last date of selling tender: Up to the office hour of 21-9-96/6-1403BS.
- Last date & time of receipt of tender: Up to 12:30 PM of 22-9-96/7-6-1403BS.
- Date, time and place of opening tender: At 11:00 AM of 26-9-96/11-6-1403BS.
- Lottery date, time and place (if necessary): At 4:00 PM of 29-9-96E in the office of the Executive Engineer, Road Division, Gopalganj.
- Group List

Group No	Name of work with location	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Time allowed
I (One)	Widening of Embankment and Flexible pavement at 1st & 2nd (P) KM of Patgati-Tungipara road under Gopalganj Road Division during 1996-97.	Tk. 46,79,686/=	Tk 93,594/=	60 (sixty) days from the date of issue of work order.
II (Two)	Widening of Embankment and Flexible pavement at 2nd (P) & 3rd. (P) K.M. of Patgati-Tungipara road under Gopalganj Road Division during 1996-97.	Tk 44,97,998/=	Tk 89,960/=	55 (Fiftyfive) days from the date of issue of work order.

**Kazi Najibul Haque**  
Executive Engineer (C.C.)  
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