

Timber worth Tk 30 lakh seized in Rangamati

From Our Correspondent

BAGHAICHHARI (Rangamati), Sept 11: The Baghaichhari Army Zone Authority has here recovered about 3,500 cubic feet (cft) of costly teak wood worth Taka 30 lakh from Bottaly within the territory of Shaishak Forest Range and seized three engine-fitted boats in this connection in Baghaichhari thana of the district in a drive conducted Monday, officials said.

The timbers recovered in question were reportedly being carried in a raft and loaded in three engine-fitted boats through the Mauney valley allegedly extracted illegally from the government reserved forests

of Shishak Forest Range (SFR) in Chittagong Hill Tracts North Forest Division.

The recovered timbers along with the boats seized were handed over to the Range Officer of SFR in Chittagong Hill Tracts North Forest Division (CHTNFD) for initiating further necessary action, sources from the detecting authority said.

No smugglers were, however, rounded up in this connection as sensing the presence of the army patrol team, they managed to flee away, officials added.

Over a quantity of 20,000 cft of costly century-old teak worth over Taka two crore extracted

illegally from the different plantations of government reserved forests of SFR in CHTNFD are kept in creeks and river-banks allegedly for smuggling to Rangamati, where from those will be resmuggled to different places in the country, eye-witnesses and local leaders said.

The unscrupulous owners of these illicit timbers have allegedly been waiting for a 'green signal' from the concerned agencies for smuggling onward, sources said, adding that pilferage and smuggling forest products from the government reserved forests are being committed in connivance with more than one agency excluding the law enforcers and concerned forest officials.

In addition to that the tribal insurgents, virtually the super power in the inaccessible areas in CHT have been realising Taka 15 to 50 per cft from the timber traders, either legal or illegal in any circumstances. Beginning from extraction at jungles till the trees reached at Rangamati, the people deal the timber business pay toll to the tribal insurgents under compulsion at many a points, source alleged.



RAJSHAHI UNIVERSITY: Shree Shatish Chandra Roy, State Minister for Fisheries and Livestock (L), Prof M Eusuff Ali, RU VC (C), Mizanur Rahman Minu, Mayor, Rajshahi City Corporation (R), addressing at a seminar on "Breeding problems on fry production and development of fish resources" organised by Fish Directorate, Rajshahi Division, at Senate Hall of the university on September 8.

Three drown in flood water

From Our Correspondent
GAIBANDHA, Sept 11: Three children drowned in flood water at Bonarpara union under Shaghata thana Saturday.

According to the eye witnesses two children Beauty, 7 and China, 6 of village Durgapur were playing in flood water adjacent to their dwelling house. Suddenly they fell into the deep water of nearby ditch and drowned instantly beyond the knowledge of anybody. In another incident a six year old child of one Abdus Sobhan of village Simultair under Shaghata thana drowned into the flood water while playing on the bank of water pool.

Three students sustain bullet injuries

COMILLA, Sept 11: Three students of Comilla Victoria College sustained bullet injuries on the campus on September 2 when a group of miscreants opened fire on them, reports UNB.

The victims were identified as Tipu, Sujan and Jewel. They were admitted to Comilla Medical College Hospital in a critical condition.

College sources said, three outsiders entered the campus and allegedly tried to kidnap two students.

Flood situation slightly improves in Kushtia

From Our Correspondent

KUSHTIA, Sept 11: Overall flood situation in Kushtia district has improved slightly as water level of the river Padma fell by 2 centimetre and river Gorai by one centimetre during last 48 hours.

River Padma is still flowing 3 centimetre above the danger mark at Harding bridge point, official sources said. But the erosion of both the rivers have intensified bringing further miseries to the affected people.

River Gorai eroded a vast tract of land in Chapra Union of Kumarkhali thana rendering 300 people homeless during last 48 hours. On the other hand Padma has eroded more areas of 7 villages of Ramkrishnapur union. About 10500 people from 2112 families have been rendered homeless during the period. The affected people have taken shelter in school buildings high land and living a sub-human life under the open sky, this correspondent witnessed the above while visiting the areas.

Two persons died of dysentery in Ramkrishnapur union bringing total number of death to 10. The flood for successive three times in the season one in July another in August and

lastly in September has crippled life in the affected unions. About 550 square kilometre area of the union have been devoured and 10 kilometre Raita-Mohiskundi flood protection embankment have been partially damaged. Meanwhile the G K Project authority has been working round the clock to check further inundation of its command areas. Flood Rehabilitation Control Room Dhaka told this correspondent over telephone that 20 metric tons of rice have been sanctioned Tuesday for distribution among the flood and erosion affected people of Kushtia district.

On Sunday 30 metric tons of rice, 100 pieces of sarees and 100 pieces of lungies were sanctioned. Relief materials so far sanctioned is too inadequate to meet the demand.

Marooned people are still passing their days without food shelter and other daily necessities. More people have been attacked with water borne diseases as acute scarcity of drinking water is prevailing there. No report of the arrival of the medical team in the affected areas have been received till writing of this report on Tuesday night.

BCL denies attack on JCD activists

From Staff Correspondent

KHULNA, Sept 11: Three JCD activists were injured in an attack by BCL activists in Sundarban College campus yesterday.

The injured are GS of Students' Union H R Miraj, Hasnul Islam Nik and Yunus.

BCL leaders have denied the charge in a press statement.

Youth awarded 10 yrs jail term for possessing arms

MAGURA, Sept 11: A youth of the district's Sripur thana has been awarded 10 years rigorous imprisonment (RI) for possessing illegal arms, reports UNB.

Additional Sessions Judge Mohammad Golam Rabbani, in his judgement last week, also fined the convict Chandra Kumar, 25, Tk 5000, in default, to suffer another one year RI.

According to the prosecution story, police arrested three youths — Chandra Kumar, Budhanath Sircar and Samar Roy Sircar red handed with arms from a bridal party at village Nakol under Sripur thana of the district on May 17, 1995.

Sripur police lodged a case against the accused and after investigation charge-sheeted them.

After examining the witnesses and records the judge convicted Chandra Kumar and acquitted the two others.

16 injured in clash over harvesting of paddy

From Staff Correspondent

BARISAL, Sept 11: At least 16 people were injured, three of them seriously, in a clash between two rival groups at Manushaly village under Kalapara thana of Patuakhali district yesterday. According to witnesses and police, the clash started when one Mohammad Ali, along with some people, went to a disputed land to harvest paddy. His rival, Abu Bokar with his people, resisted. The seriously injured — Mohammad Ali, 45, Abu Bokar, 36, and Jainal, 42, were admitted to Kalapara thana health complex.

Husband allegedly murders wife

BRAHMANBARIA, Sept 11: A housewife was killed allegedly by her husband at Churia village of Nabinagar thana in the district on Thursday, reports UNB.

Police said Maura Begum was found dead at her residence at mid night.

Villagers said they rushed to her house hearing hue and cry of her children and caught red handed the victim's husband Abul Kashem while he was trying to escape.

Later, Abul Kashem was handed over to Nabinagar police. A case was filed with the police.

Erosion further intensifies in Sirajganj

SIRAJGANJ, Sept 11: With the sudden rise of water level in the river Jamuna, the erosion intensified further rendering about 2,000 people of five thanas of the district homeless in last 48 hours till Tuesday, reports UNB.

The worst-hit thanas are Kazipur, Sadar, Belkuchi, Chouhali and Shahjadpur.

Some 70 families in Kazipur, 25 families each in sadar and Belkuchi and 50 families in Shahjadpur have been rendered homeless. Some 20 families of the thanas took shelter on the embankment and Sthalpukur flood centre.

Meanwhile, diarrhoea and virus fever that broke out in the flood-stricken areas of the district affected 1,500 people of five thanas.

Local people the diseases are spreading in the adjacent areas as no steps have yet been taken to combat the menace.

86 bottles of wine seized

From Our Correspondent

MAGURA, Sept 11: Police recovered 86 bottles of foreign liquor and drugs worth about Tk 50,000 from Ganesh Bhandar shop of Sayed Ator Ali road on Tuesday.

Acting on a tip-off, a contingent of police led by District Circle Inspector of Narcotics Control Department Shariatullah and Jessore Zonal Superintendent Abdul Jalil raided the Ganesh Bhandar, a stationery shop owned by Gopal Chandra Rudra. They arrested him and seized the contraband items.

Police said the accused was involved in the illegal trade for a long time. A case was lodged with the Sadar thana.

The court rejected the bail prayer and sent him to the jail hayat.

One convicted for possessing illegal arms

From Our Correspondent

KISHOREGANJ, Sept 11: One Bakul Mia, son of Laya Mia of village Chhota Rajakata in Bhairab Thana was convicted on charge of possessing illegal arms.

Md. Shahidullah, Additional Sessions and Special Tribunal Judge of Kishoreganj in a judgement delivered on September 5 sentenced Bakul Mia to suffer rigorous imprisonment for 10 years. The court also found him guilty under another section and sentenced him to suffer RI for seven years. Both the punishment will continue concurrently.

According to the prosecution, on January 1, 1995, Bhairab police arrested Bakul Mia from his village home and on the basis of his confessional statement police later recovered one pipe-gun and three rounds of rifle's ammunition from under the earth.

A case was lodged with Bhairab police station.

Prices of essentials up, grains stable in Jhenidah

From Our Correspondent

JHENIDAH, Sept 11: Prices of essential commodities have gone up while rice price remained unchanged in different markets of the district causing much inconvenience to the low-income group of people.

According to reports, price of flour have gone up in the markets. One kilogram of flour is being sold between Tk 11.50 and Tk 12 and better quality between Taka 13 and 14 prices of

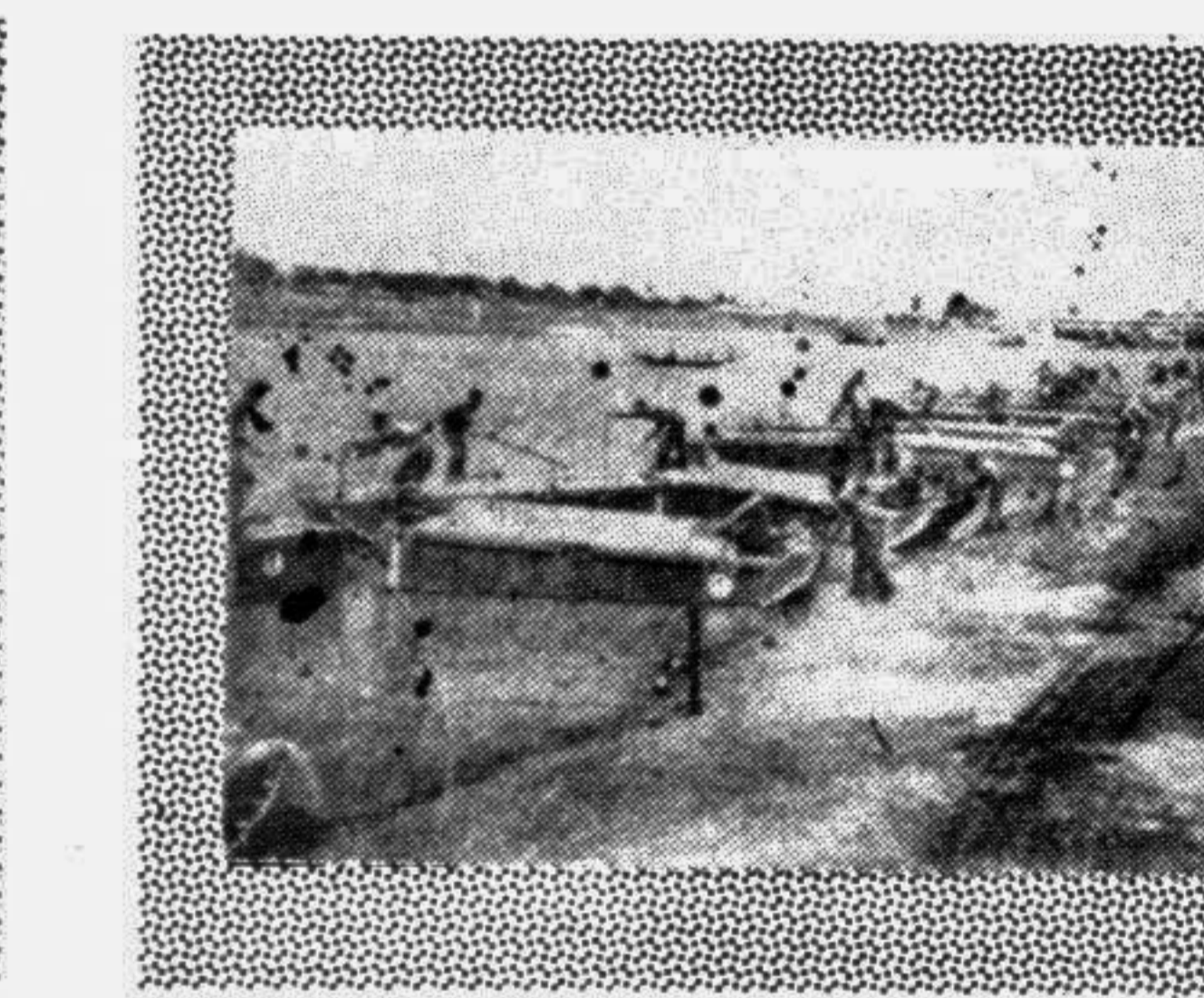
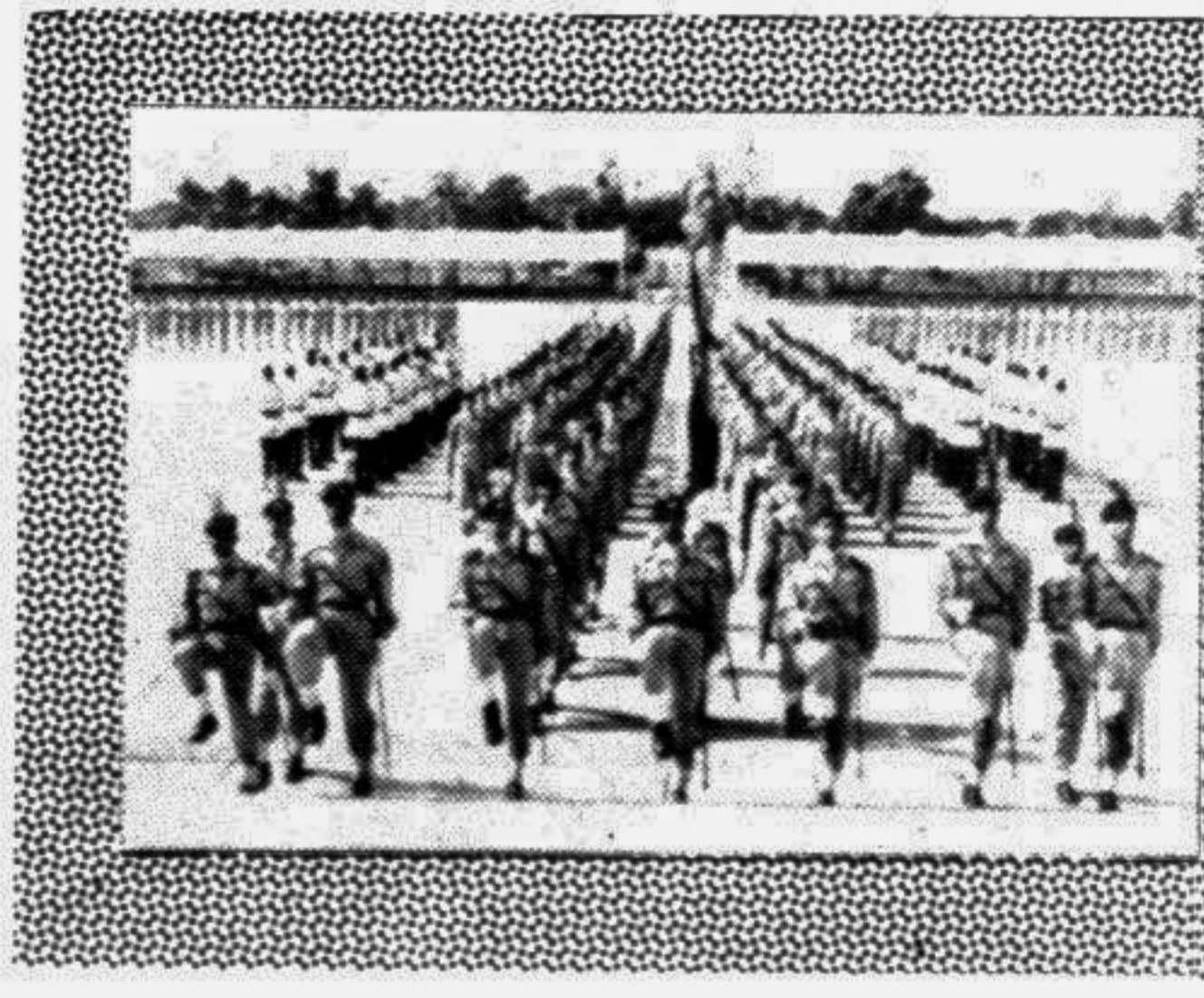
all types of pulses and grains increased in the market abnormally. One kilogram of motor pulses is selling between Tk 38 and Tk 40 'masur' between Taka 44 and Tk 46 maskalai between Taka 36 and Tk 40 mugkai between Taka 44 and Tk 46 grains between Taka 40 and Tk 42 and khesar between Taka 32 and 36 per kilogram. But the rate of the pulses were at least 10 per cent

less a few weeks back, market sources informed.

Prices of all types of vegetables have also shot up, it was reported. One kg of brinjal is being sold between Taka 10 and Tk 12 potato between Taka 11 and Tk 12 potol between Taka 10 and Tk 12 green chile between Taka 25 and 30. But the prices of mutton and beef remained unchanged in the market.

Now one kilogram of mutton and beef are being sold at Taka 120 and Tk 65 respectively.

All types of fish is dear in the market. Small shaped Putil, Taki, Tengra, Pabda, Koyna and some other fish is not available. One kilogram of the fish is being sold between Taka 100 and Tk 140 market sources informed.



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15TH SHORT SERVICE COMMISSION (SPECIAL COURSE) IN ENGINEERS/ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL ENGINEERS (EME) / ARMY EDUCATION CORPS (AEC).

- AGE LIMIT**
Age on 22 September 1996, 21 to 28 Years (Affidavit NOT acceptable):
- PHYSICAL STANDARD**
 - Height : 1.63 Metre (5'-4") Minimum.
 - Chest : 0.76 Metre-0.81 Metre (30"-32") Minimum.
 - Weight : 45.36 Kilogram (100 lbs) Minimum.
- EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION**
 - Engineers : BSc Engineering degree in Civil Engineering, Minimum 2nd Class from a recognised University.
 - Electrical and Mechanical Engineers (EME) : BSc Engineering degree in Electrical / Mechanical Computer, Naval Architects, Metallurgical & Aeronautical Engineering, minimum 2nd class from a recognised University.
 - Army Education Corps (AEC) : Minimum 2nd class in both graduation (honours) and Masters degree in Bengali / English / Arabic / History / Islamic History / International Relations / Mathematics / Psychology from a recognised University.
- MARITAL STATUS AND NATIONALITY** : Unmarried Male citizen of Bangladesh.
- INELIGIBILITY OF THE CANDIDATE** :
 - Withdrawn/Discharged from Army/Navy/Air force or any Government service.
 - Screened out/Rejected twice by ISSB (Once rejected and Once Screened out Candidates can apply).
 - Rejected twice by Selection Board (Once rejected by selection Board and Once Screened out by ISSB candidate can apply).
 - Declared medically unfit by Armed Forces Appeal Medical Board (Candidates of those declared unfit on grounds of height, Weight and chest can apply on attainment of requisite standard)
 - Concealing any information or incomplete application will automatically disqualify the candidature.
- PROCEDURE OF SELECTION** : Candidates will be selected based on the followings :
 - Written examination on professional subjects, General knowledge and Intelligence test.
 - Preliminary Medical test.
 - Final interview by a selection board.
 - Final Medical test at Combined Military Hospital (CMH), Dhaka Cantonment.
 - Final Selection by Army Headquarters (AHQ), Dhaka Cantonment.
- TRAINING / COMMISSION** :
 - 22-24 Weeks pre-commission training for Engineers/EME/AEC at Bangladesh Military Academy (BMA), Bhatlary, Chittagong. On successful completion of training they will be commissioned as under :
 - Engineer : Captain
 - Electrical and Mechanical Engineer (EME) : Captain
 - Army Education Corps (AEC) : Lieutenant.
- SERVICE SENIORITY AND ANTE DATE SENIORITY** : Antedate seniority will be effective from the date of joining at Bangladesh Military Academy (BMA) as under :
 - Engineers, 02 Years.
- Electrical and Mechanical Engineer, 02 Years.
- Army Education Corps, 01 Year.
- OTHER FACILITIES EXCEPT BASIC PAY** :
 - Pay : Allowance and other benefits will be admissible as per existing rules/instructions.
 - Army Family Security Scheme : Tk. 7,00,000 (In case of death)
 - Lump Sum Grant : Engineers and Electrical and Mechanical Engineers officers will get Tk. 35,000 (Tk. thirty five thousand) in 2 x installments after commission.
- APPLICATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE WITH THE FOLLOWING** :
 - All Station Headquarters i.e. Dhaka, Comilla, Chittagong, Bogra, Rangpur, Saidpur, Savar, Jessore, Momen Shahi, (Mymensingh), Jalalabad (Sylhet), Quadrabad (Dayarampur), Jahanabad (Khulna), Rajshahi, Rajendrapur and Ghatail (Fangail) Cantonment.
 - Headquarters Recruiting Unit (RU), 34 Palashi Barrack, Azimpur Dhaka and Armed Recruiting Unit (BRU), Comilla, Jessore and Bogra.
 - All District Armed Services Board.
 - Office of the Deputy Commissioners where no Station Headquarters or District Armed Services Board is located.
- Application forms can be obtained on submission of Bank Draft/Pay Order worth Tk. 100.00 (Taka One hundred) bank draft can be taken from any branch of Sonali, Rupali and Agrani Bank of the Country (Non refundable) in favour of Army Headquarters, Adjutant General Branch, Personnel Administration Directorate, Dhaka Cantonment payable to any of the following Banks located at Dhaka Cantonment :
 - Sonali Bank, Dhaka Cantonment Branch
 - Rupali Bank, Dhaka Cantonment Branch
 - Agrani Bank, BAF Branch, Dhaka Cantonment
- SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION**
 - Application forms to reach Army Headquarters, Adjutant General Branch, Personnel Administration Directorate (PA-2), Dhaka Cantonment along with the following documents by 22 September 1996.
 - 04 Copies of recent passport size photograph duly attested by a first class gazetted officer.
 - Photostate copies of all educational certificates and marksheets duly attested by a first class gazetted officer.
 - A self addressed envelope (9" x 4") with Tk. 2.00 (Taka two) postage affixed.
 - Nationality certificate from local Union Parishad Chairman or Poursavha Chairman/Ward Commissioner as per permanent address.
 - Persons employed in any organization/establishment will apply through Departmental Head.
 - Please write the name of the corps for which you are applying i.e. Engineers/EME/AEC and on "TOP RIGHT" of the envelope containing the application form.
 - Attention** :
 - No Candidate will come to Army Headquarters gate physically. If there is any query on selection matters, candidates will communicate through telephone numbers, mentioned in the call up letter available with the candidates.
 - No application will be received by Army Headquarters directly. Candidates will send their applications through post offices.

LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION : 22 SEPTEMBER 1996

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