

Postal money misappropriated, post master held

From Our Correspondent
 JHENIDAH, Nov 24: A Post Master, Muhammad Shahjahan, of Sadhuhati Sub Post Office was arrested recently for his alleged misappropriation of Tk 1.55.835, police said.
 A few months back a money order for Taka 39,200 was sent from the United States in the name of Dr Shahidullah Naseri through Sadhuhati Post Office. The remitter later filed an allegation saying, the money was misappropriated.
 An official of Postal Department in a surprise visit proved the above amount along with money of Post Office Savings Bank deposit. Postal Life Insurance and money order amounting to Tk 1,55,835 was misappropriated by Post Master Muhammad Shahjahan, police said.

Body recovered

From Our Correspondent
 SIRAJGANJ, Nov 24: Police Friday recovered the body of an unidentified person from Ranigram area in sadar thana. The victim aged about 38 was chopped to death.

Nagarbari ferry ghat shifted to Natakholia

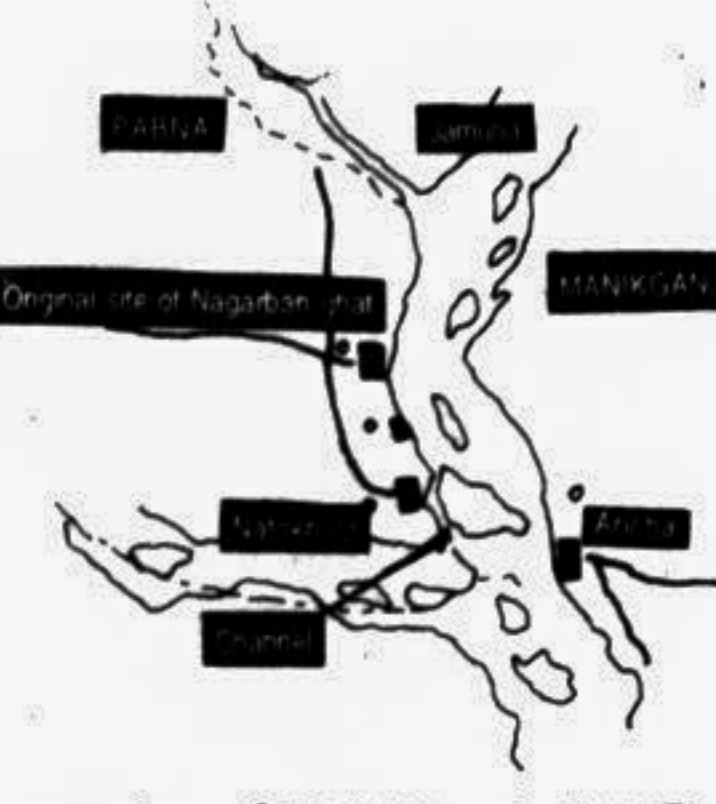
By Naimul Haq and Ranesh Maitra

PABNA Nov 24: The Nagarbari ferry ghat has been shifted to the proposed new site at Natakholia on Saturday, according to a high official of the BIWTC. The ferry services started to operate from the new ghat following assurance given by Prof Abu Sayeed, State Minister for Information, that commercial and business activities at the Nagarbari ghat would not be affected. One out of two pontoons has been placed at Natakholia while other, at Nagarbari, is continuing to serve purpose. A senior official hoped that the remaining pontoon would be placed at Natakholia by Wednesday.

According to official records, water level near the Nagarbari channel has been flowing slightly over eight feet on Friday. Every day water level falls by an inch or two making it difficult for the ferries to ply through the narrow river channel. If water level drops below eight feet vessels will not be able to ply through the channel any more, water experts said. A full loaded ferry requires at least eight feet of water to cross the channel. It is risky to run a loaded vessel in this season. It had requested for providing tug boats for rescue

operations twice last year which got stuck near the same channel, said a ferry master.
 The original site of the Nagarbari ferry ghat has been shifted to a place called Raghunathpur in 1994 which is located about three kilometre downstream. According to BIWTC official sources, depth of water level at Raghunathpur was found between 8 and 9 feet and breadth of the channel was recorded at 120 feet since early this month.
 A massive shoal appeared in front of the ferry ghat a few years back. Human habitation already exist there. Following appearance of the shoal the rate of accumulation of silts is growing faster decreasing depth of the river near the ferry ghat. Experts believe that in five to ten years time the Nagarbari ferry channel route will vanish.
 Natakholia is more suitable for landing of the ferries. It has a depth of over 35 feet. The site is also suitable for two ferries to ply at the same time side by side as it has a breadth of 800 feet. An approach road having length of 2.5 kilometre has al-

ready been completed to allow vehicles to reach the highway.
 Meanwhile, thousands of workers earlier had been demonstrating at the Nagarbari ghat every day protesting the decision to shift the ghat. A



number of BIWTC and BIWFA officials said, they were given threats not to visit the spot.

Our Rajshahi correspondent
 adds: Ferry services between Nagarbari and Aricha ghats remained suspended for the

whole night (Friday) from 10 pm to 6 am when a ferry got stranded closing the narrow river channel near the Nagarbari ferry ghat.
 Several ferries were seen anchored at different points in the river with hundred of buses and other vehicles. A number of ferries did not leave Aricha bound for Nagarbari due to this situation.
 The passengers of the buses and ferries faced enormous sufferings during the period as witnessed by this correspondent.
 According to the sources, the stranded vessel, Shahparan was rescued at about 6 am Saturday and plying of the ferries resumed following this.
 Nagarbari ghat sources said that some miscreants were pulling away the erected marking flags from the river channel every now and then in the night for last one week making plying of the ferries even more difficult and risky.
 Long queue of vehicles were seen at both ends of the ferry ghats. Most of the vehicles were passenger night coaches.
 A case was filed with the police.



PABNA: The picture shows a loaded ferry waiting near the Nagarbari ghat while dredging operation wherever necessary on its way to Aricha is being carried out before its departure last Tuesday afternoon. Ferries have to face such fate of delayed journey almost in all routes resulting in creation of traffic jam at the ghats. — Star photo

Boy succumbs to burn injuries

From Our Correspondent
 JESSORE, Nov 24: Shaheen, 10, son of Noor All of Purapara at Chowgacha thana in the district sustained serious burn injuries in a fire from a lamp which suddenly burst out Thursday night.
 He was immediately removed to general hospital, Jessore in precarious condition. He succumbed to injuries Friday.

Dacoity at jewellery shop

SATKHIRA, Nov 24: Armed dacoits stormed jewellery shops at a bazar in Shyamnagar thana on Monday night and took away cash and gold ornaments worth Tk two lakh, reports UNB.

Boy hurt as he lifts zarda pot

From Our Correspondent
 RAJSHAHI, Nov 24: A nine-year old boy was injured when he lifted a pot of zarda in front of a mosque here Saturday afternoon. The body was admitted to the Rajshahi Medical College Hospital with injuries in his head and face.
 A case was filed with the police.

India Festival in Jessore from today

From Our Correspondent
 JESSORE, Nov 24: Brisk preparations are afoot to hold India Festival by All India cultural team for three nights on 25, 26 and 28th November at local BD Hall auditorium, said a source.

When contacted local office of Shilpakola Academy told The Daily Star that all preliminary works in this connection are almost completed to hold the functions in time. The source also said that publication of a colourful souvenir by the organising committee on this occasion is also under process.

However, unlike normal programme, it will not be open to public for accommodation constraint. Only VIPs, academicians, journalists and representatives from different cultural organisations will be invited to attend, the source added.

Meanwhile, a strong committee, headed by Deputy Commissioner, Jessore, Abdul Malek Mia with seven other subcommittees, has been formed for smooth running of the programme.

Because of a toilet

From Our Correspondent
 JHENIDAH, Nov 24: A lady lawyer here lodged a case against the President and Secretary of Jhenidah District Bar Association for exclusive possession rights to use a toilet for the female lawyers, according to court sources.
 The sources said, the female lawyers had been using a toilet since the last few months. But the leaders of Jhenidah District Bar Association allegedly deprived them of their rights.
 Advocate Parvin Akter Saima said that they had been requesting the authorities to ensure utilisation of the toilet for the female lawyers only, but failed. Finding no other alternatives she was compelled to lodge a case.

Dacoits injure bus passengers

From Our Correspondent
 GOPALGANJ, Nov 24: A daring bus dacoity was committed near Satpar Bazar under Gopalganj sadar thana on Gopalganj-Takerhat road last week.
 It is learnt that a passenger bus of Shohel Paribahan was coming to Gopalganj from Dhaka. When the passenger bus reached near Satpar Bazar on Gopalganj-Takerhat road at 9 pm a group of armed dacoits attacked passengers and stabbed them indiscriminately. The dacoits looted cash money and valuable goods worth about Tk 2 lakh at gun point. The dacoits boarded the bus from Takerhat bus stand in the guise of passengers.
 Three passengers were seriously injured. They are Motiar Rahman, Kabir Hossain and Shafia.

Four more arsenic patients, treatment beyond their reach

MAGURA, Nov 24: An employee of the Magura Textile Mills and three members of his family have been suffering from arsenic infection since early this month but are unable to afford treatment, reports UNB.

Medical sources said Noajesh Ali, 43, employee of commerce department of the textile mills, his wife Tahmina Ara Shireen, 32, sons Mostafa Pavel, 15, and Tanzeer Ahmed, 12, have been affected by arsenic poisoning and a physician advised them to receive treatment in Dhaka.
 But due to non-payment of salary of the employees and workers of the textile mills for the last five months Noajesh Ali found it hard to procure his daily necessities not to speak of meeting the essential medical expenses.

Youth held with arms

From Staff Correspondent
 KHULNA, Nov 24: Kotwali police Saturday arrested one Mahub Hossain, 18, at the Rupsha ferryghat here. A revolver and a pipegun were recovered from his bag.
 Police said, he was going to Gopalganj.

School girl kidnapped

From Our Correspondent
 SATKHIRA, Nov 24: One Pinku Rani Sarkar, 14, daughter of Panchanan Sarkar of village Gacha under Tala Thana was kidnapped by a group of miscreants on November 19.
 According to Tala thana police sources, the victim, a student of class X of Gacha High School while going to school for attending Test Examination a group of miscreants on her way kidnapped her. Later her elder brother, Bhairab Sarkar filed a case against Sandip Mondal, son of Khagendra Nath Mondal of village Badanga, Swapan son of Kartik Mondal of village Krishna Nagar, Ajoy Sarkar son of Hriday Sarkar of village Durgapur and Bholanath son of Baidya Nath of village Gobindpur all under Tala thana with Tala police station, accusing them of committing the crime.
 Police could not ascertain the whereabouts of the abducted girl till writing of this report.

One convicted for possessing arms

From Our Correspondent
 SATKHIRA, Nov 24: One person has been convicted and sentenced to seven years imprisonment with fine for possessing illegal arms recently.
 The prosecution story in brief is that the accused Narayan Chandra of village Amtala under Satkhira sadar thana tried to violate a girl who was visiting Rajarbagan of the town to attend a religious festival on April 4, 1996. Local people caught him red-handed while attempting to commit the crime.

Notice Inviting Tender

Tenders are hereby invited in Bangladesh Form No 2911 from Road & Highway Division valid enlisted 'A' to 'D' general class contractors, as per eligibility, for the undermentioned works.

Group No	Name of work & location	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Time allowed	Eligibility of contractors
Earth	Earth work at different KMs of Habiganj-Nabiganj-Sherpur Road under Habiganj Road Division during 1996-97 financial year divided in 8 (eight) groups.				
1 (one)	1st KM of Habiganj-Nabiganj-Sherpur Road.	Tk 8.95,830/-	Tk 17,917/-	60 (sixty) days from the date of issuing work order	'A' to 'D' general class
2 (two)	2nd KM -do- -do-	Tk 9,33,426/-	Tk 18,669/-	-do-	-do-
3 (three)	3rd KM -do- -do-	Tk 11,21,217/-	Tk 22,424/-	-do-	-do-
4 (four)	4th KM -do- -do-	Tk 9,28,431/-	Tk 18,569/-	-do-	-do-
5 (five)	5th KM -do- -do-	Tk 11,11,410/-	Tk 22,228/-	-do-	-do-
6 (six)	6th KM -do- -do-	Tk 13,13,803/-	Tk 26,276/-	-do-	-do-
7 (seven)	26th (part) & 27th KM -do- -do-	Tk 14,42,342/-	Tk 28,447/-	-do-	-do-
8 (eight)	28th KM -do- -do-	Tk 9,57,270/-	Tk 19,145/-	-do-	-do-

Tender scheduled specification, terms & conditions, special terms & conditions can be seen and purchased from the office of the Executive Engineer (R&H) Road Division, Habiganj/Moulvibazar/Sylhet/Sunamganj/Planning & Design Division, Comilla/Planning Division, Sarak Bhaban, Dhaka/Divisional Commissioner, Sylhet Division, Sylhet/Sub-Divisional Engineer (R&H) Road Sub-Division, Habiganj/Sayestaganj/1st Line Workshop, Sub-Division, Habiganj up to 03-12-96.

Tenders will be received at the offices of the Additional Chief Engineer (R&H) Comilla Zone, Comilla/Divisional Commissioner, Sylhet Division, Sylhet/Superintending Engineer, (R&H) Sylhet Road Circle, Sylhet/Superintending Engineer (R&H) Monitoring & Evaluation Circle, Sarak Bhaban, Dhaka & office of the undersigned up to 12-30 PM of 4-12-96 and all tenders together will be opened at the office of the undersigned at 10-00 AM on 07-12-96.

Md Abul Kashem Bhuiyan
 Executive Engineer (R&H)
 (Current Responsibility)
 Road Division, Habiganj.

BCIC Re-Tender Notice

Sealed tenders are re-invited by the Managing Director, Bangladesh Insulator & Sanitaryware Factory Ltd, Buxnagar, Mirpur, Dhaka from BCIC enlisted A-3 and A-2 class contractors for construction work of boundary wall (2nd part) of the colony of BISF Ltd. Estimated cost of the work is Tk 2,60,873.95 (Taka two lakhs sixty thousand eight hundred seventy-three and ninety five paise) only. Tender schedule can be collected from the Controller of Accounts, BCIC Building, 30-31, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka and Accounts Department, BISF Ltd, Buxnagar, Mirpur, Dhaka up to 7.12.96 at Tk 200/- (two hundred) only (non-refundable) per set. Tenders will be received at the office of the Senior General Manager (Construction), Construction Division, BCIC Principal Office, 20th floor, 30-31, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka and at the office of the General Manager (MTS), BISF Ltd, Buxnagar, Mirpur, Dhaka up to 1100 am of 8.12.96 and will be opened in presence of the tenderers (if anyone present) at 11:15 AM on the same day. The 5,250/- (five thousand two hundred fifty) only as earnest money should be submitted with the tender through Bank Draft/Pay Order from any scheduled bank in Bangladesh in favour of BISF Ltd. Otherwise tender will be treated as cancelled. No tender schedule will be sold on the tender receiving day.
 The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders.
 BCIC-1193-16/11/96
 DFP-26394-18/11
 G-1626

ATM Zafar Ahmed
 Engineer (Civil)
 for Managing Director

BCIC Corrigendum

Sub:- Extension of opening date of tender

This is for information of all concerned that the opening date of Tender No. PUR-3.1422/96-97 dt. 5-10-96 for procurement of 1 (one) set Double Disc Refiner for Khulna Newsprint Mills Ltd. has been extended from 11-11-96 to 10-12-96. The tender shall now be opened on 10-12-96 at 11.00 AM at the same place specified in the tender enquiry.

All other terms and conditions shall remain unchanged.
 BCIC: 1185-13/11/96
 DFP: 26271-17/11
 G-1623

General Manager (Purchase)

BJMC Advertisement International Tender Notice

Eastern Jute Mills Ltd., Atra I/A., Khulna, Bangladesh invites sealed tender under 19th Japane Debt Relief Grant (1st Phase) for Import of (1) Sewing Machine Parts (2) Bearings (3) Rubber Aprons (4) Spares & Accessories for Spinning and Hibbert Dressing Machine on C&F Dhaka Airport basis.
 Tender will be received up to 12-00 Noon on 15.12.96 and will be opened in presence of tenderers (if any) at 12-30 PM on the same day. Tender documents with details specifications, terms and conditions will be available except on the date of opening from the office of the General Manager (Accounts), BJMC, Adamjee Court, Motijheel, Dhaka, General Manager (A&F), BJMC, Chittagong Zone, Sattar Chamber, 99, Agrabad, Chittagong, Dy. General Manager (A&F), BJMC, Khulna Zone, Hafizuddin Road, Town Khalishpur, Khulna and Manager (A&F), Eastern Jute Mills Ltd., Atra I/A., Khulna against payment of Tk. 40.00 per set for SL No. 1 and Tk. 100.00 only for SL No. 2, 3 and 4 (non-refundable). The Tender shall be accompanied an earnest money @1% on quoted price, but not less than Tk. 1,000/- (One thousand) only must be deposited alongwith each tender in the form of Bank Draft/Pay Order in favour of Eastern Jute Mills Ltd., Khulna. Cheque/Bank Guarantee will not be acceptable. Without earnest money your quotation will not be accepted.
 The Mill Management reserves the right to accept or reject any tender without assigning any reason whatsoever.
 BJMC: 891 dt. 4.11.96
 DFP-25769-12/11
 G-1624

Eastern Refinery Limited (A Subsidiary of Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation)

North Patenga, Post Box No 35
 Chittagong-4000, Bangladesh

Dated: 10th November, 1996

International Tender Notice

Sealed tenders are invited from the bonafide manufacturers/suppliers/agents for supply of the following materials on C&F Chittagong basis as per specifications, terms and conditions mentioned in the schedules of relevant Tender Documents

Tender No	Description of materials	Cost of tender set	Last date for purchasing of tender schedule	Opening date of technical offer	Opening date of commercial offer
ER/PUR/IT-47/96	Various pressure gauge & Bi-Metallic temperature gauge.	Tk 200/-	29-12-96	31-12-96	20-01-97
ER/PUR/IT-48/96	Complete Pump with motor.	Tk 200/-	24-12-96	29-12-96	12-01-97
ER/PUR/IT-49/96	DC Rectifier Type/Transformer type welding set and other accessories.	Tk 200/-	24-12-96	29-12-96	12-01-97
ER/PUR/IT-51/96 (Re-Tender)	ABP Panel Instrument.	Tk 200/-	11-12-96	13-12-96	24-12-96
ER/PUR/IT-52/96 (Re-Tender)	Various Valves	Tk 200/-	09-12-96	11-12-96	29-12-96
Tender No	Description of materials	Cost of tender schedule per set	Last date for purchasing of tender schedule	Opening date of tender	
ER/PUR/IT-50/96	Pipe and pipe fittings.	Tk 100/-	15-12-96	17-12-96	
ER/PUR/IT-53/96 (Re-Tender)	Hydrazine. (As oxygen scavenger in boiler feed water).	Tk 100/-	11-12-96	15-12-96	

Tender documents may be obtained from (i) Accounts Officer (Cash) of Eastern Refinery Limited: North Patenga, Chittagong or (ii) Manager, Liaison Office, Eastern Refinery Limited, 338, Segun Bagicha, Dhaka on payment of the cost of tender schedule in Taka or equivalent currency (Non-refundable).
 The tenders must be dropped in the tender box kept in the Purchase Department, Eastern Refinery Limited, North Patenga, Chittagong, Bangladesh as per date & time. mentioned in the tender documents.
 Eastern Refinery Limited Authority reserves the right not to accept the lowest or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason thereof.
 DFP-26192-16/11
 G-1622

Mobin-Ul-Haque
 Dy. Manager (Purchase)