

# 808 suicides in Jhenidah last year

From Delwar Kabir

JHENIDAH, Jan 5: Eight hundred and eight persons including women and children committed suicide in the district last year, according to police sources.

Sources said, 249 persons committed suicide in Jhenidah sadar thana, 204 in Saitkupa thana, 119 in Kaliganj thana, 89 in Harinakunda thana, 58 in Kotchandpur thana and 89 persons in Mohepura thana from January 1 to December 31.

Sources said, among the victims were a good number of children and old men and women. Even a five year old child was the victim of suicidal

**Workshop**  
From Staff Correspondent

KHULNA, Jan 5: Four-day workshop jointly organised by BB Discipline of Khulna University and the Association of Management Development Institute in South Asia began today at the University academy building.

The workshop was participated by thirty teachers of different universities and instructors of educational institutes aimed at increasing professional skill and quality of education in all spheres of national life.

The VC of Khulna University Professor Dr Golam Ali Fakir inaugurated the workshop.



SYLHET: The students of Shahjalal University of Science and Technology brought out a colourful rally in the town on the occasion of conclusion of academic year on Tuesday last.

— Star photo

## Ferry service threatened as river water level falls

From Our Correspondent

GAIBANDHA, Jan 5: With sharp fall in water level of the river Brahmaputra Railway wagon ferry services between Teestamukh ghat and Bahadurabad ghat has been facing closure.

Hundreds of fertilizer, salt, rice and fuel oil loaded wagons remain stranded both at the ghats and awaiting for transhipment toward the respective destinations.

According to Railway sources on December 31 a total of 405 loaded wagons lying stranded at Bharatkali station of Teestamukh ghat. Maximum of these wagons are loaded with SSP fertilizer and rice bound for Dhaka. On the other hand 278 loaded wagons of Urea, TSP fertilizer and diesel fuel oil detained at the eastern side of Bahadurabad ghat bound for northern districts.

All the goods wagons of western Railway under Pakshy and Lalmonirhat division use Teestamukh-Bahadurabad ferry route for carrying foodgrains, SSP fertilizer imported from India for transferring toward different locations of eastern zone. Similarly huge quantity of TSP and Urea fertilizer, diesel oil from Chittagong, Ashuganj, Ghorasal and Jamuna fertilizer factories as well as diesel fuel oil from Chittagong refinery rushed to northern districts.

Railway authority suspended all the night shift ferry services of both passengers and wagons due to sudden fall in water level in the Brahmaputra basin since the last four days. The ferry boats are now moving only in day time cautiously just to avoid grounding.

During the second and third weeks of December '96, three burges in six trips transshipped 200 to 225 wagons everyday but on December 31 only a single burge with 28 wagons sailed from Teestamukh ghat to Bahadurabad ghat. The situation still remains unchanged as the water level continued to decrease every day.

The Railway sources said on



AGRI-VARSITY (Mymensingh): Prof Dr Muhammad Shahidullah Talukdar, President of BAU Teachers Association presenting a crest to Vice-Chancellor Dr Muhammad Hussain at a reception accorded to him at the Zainul Abedin auditorium.

### Agri-fair ends in Sunamganj

SUNAMGANJ, Jan 5: A 10-day Agricultural fair concluded at the playground of Government Jubilee High School here on Monday, reports UNB.

A total of 23 stalls was set up in the fair with participation of different ministries and Local Government Engineering Department (LGED) displaying agricultural equipment and handicrafts.

Organised under the management of North East Small Irrigation Project of Agriculture Ministry, the fair was inaugurated by Additional Secretary of the ministry Mohammad Ahsan Ali Sarkar on December 22.

Besides conducting training courses, leaflets, posters and information regarding modern agricultural technology were distributed among the farmers in the fair.

### Road mishaps: 135 killed in Narsingdi in '96

NARSINGDI, Jan 5: At least 135 people were killed and 1,378 others injured in different road accidents on Dhaka-Sylhet highway here during last year, an official statistics said, reports UNB.

Quoting the statistics, a local traffic sergeant said narrowness and dilapidated condition of roads and bridges, overloading of buses and trucks, trend of overtaking and faulty vehicles were the main causes of the accidents.

According to a non-government survey, of the total accidents throughout the country, about 20 per cent took place on Dhaka-Sylhet highway.

However, Roads and Highways Department sources said, dangerous and risky turning of roads, construction of faulty speed breakers on the entrance of the bridges and reckless driving were also responsible for frequent accidents.

Meanwhile, shops and other business establishments have been located within 25 feet area of the road illegally, causing problems for the people of the areas.

People of the highway adjacent areas urged the authorities concerned to take necessary steps to check the increasing accidents on the highway.

## Movement for treaty with India, says Charmonai Peer

From Staff Correspondent

KHULNA, Jan 5: The Peer of Charmonai and Ameer of Islamic Constitution Movement Syed Mohammad Fazul Karim has said that his party will launch countrywide movement against any sort of treaty with India. Because, India is our enemy, he said.

Addressing a meeting of his party workers in the city the Peer reiterated his call to shed the last drop of blood for resisting transit facilities to India and infiltration of Indians for oppressing the Muslims. The meeting was presided over by Dr Mokhtar Hossain.

Founding day of Sat Bhai Champa

From Our Correspondent

GAIBANDHA, Jan 5: The twenty-fifth founding anniversary of 'Sat Bhai Champa', a juvenile organisation, was celebrated here at its office premises on January 1.

On this occasion, a discussion meeting was held which was presided over by Saiful Alam Dulu. The meeting was addressed by Nasiruddin, Deputy Commissioner, Walur Rahman, Police Super, Khaled, VP, Awami League, ABM Abdus Sattar, ADC, Shachin Kumar Chaki, Abu Zafar Sabu.

The meeting was followed by a cultural function where juvenile artistes Pinki, Ananda, Debasis, Tureen, Kanny and Showmi rendered songs. On the occasion a prize distribution ceremony was held where Md. Khaled gave away prizes among the winners.

Afforestation in Rajshahi exceeds target

NATORE, Jan 5: Tree planting in Rajshahi division exceeded the target during the last fiscal year with large-scale participation of people from all walks of life, according to the Divisional Forest Office, reports UNB.

The department took a programme to plant eight crore saplings in the area and about 5,87,86,000 saplings were planted during the period which is higher than any other previous annual record.

Of the total planted saplings of mango, jackfruit, lichi, shal, segun, mehangan, shishu, baba, koroi and neem, about 5,53,42,540 are growing up in favourable condition.

Students of schools, colleges and madrasahs; government, semi-government, autonomous and labour organisations and even common people participated in the programme.

An official source said the target has been fixed for the current fiscal year to plan 12 crore saplings in 16 northern districts out of which 10 crore are capable of surviving.

## Tender Notice

### Military Engineer Services

1. Applications are invited by AHO, QMG's Br, DW&CE (Army) Dhaka Cantt for issue of tender documents for the following works. Applications to be submitted within 07 days from the date of publication of the advertisement:
  - a. Constr of 50 metre Swimming pool at Savar Cantt (excluding driving pool & tower).
  - b. Constr of 1x50 metre Swimming pool at Ghatail Cantt (excluding driving pool & tower).
  - c. Constr of 1x50 metre Swimming pool incl. internal/ external services at Jessore Cantt (excluding driving pool & tower).
  - d. Constr of 1x50 metre Swimming pool incl. internal/ external services at Barisal SH (excluding driving pool & tower).
2. MES enlisted 'A' 'B' & 'C' class contractors may apply quoting their Class & Index Number. One contractor will be eligible for applying at a time for a single job out of this notice. Contractors must have VAT registration certificate and VAT will be recovered from the amount received on services rendered. Applications should be submitted by post.
3. Authority preserves full power to accept/cancel any/all applications without assigning any reasons.

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Dhaka Cantt

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### Office of the Executive Engineer

Barisal PWD Division, Barisal

### Notice Inviting Tenders

Tender Notice No. 120 of 1996-97

1. Name of work : Establishment of Dairy and Cattle improvement Farm at Chittagong, Bogra, Barisal and one at Barisal-SH Construction of Bituminous carpeting road.  
Tk. 22,44,115/-  
Tk. 44,890/-  
On 15.1.97 up to office hours.
2. Estimated cost : Upto 12:00 Noon of 16.1.97 and will be opened at 12:15 PM on the same day (in presence of contractor if any).
3. Earnest money : Divisional Commissioner, Barisal and Office of the all Executive Engineer under PWD Circle, Barisal and PWD Division-III, Khulna under PWD Circle, Khulna.
4. Last date of selling of tender form : Date of receiving and time of opening tender form
5. Date of receiving and time of opening tender form : Place of selling and receiving of tender documents
6. Eligibility of contractor : PWD Bonafide Special Class-1 (one) and Class-II/III, approved building Contractors/ Firms and PWD, PWD Khulna Zone, Khulna respectively.
7. All other detailed information may be seen from the office of the undersigned during office hours only.

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## Dhaka WASA Tender Notice

Tenders are invited from Dhaka WASA enlisted 1st, 2nd & 3rd class civil contractors for repairing, raising & re-construction work of Storm Swear Line Manhole in Old Dhaka City at an allotted cost of Tk 3,93,681.97. Tenders will be received up to 12:00 Noon of 15/1/97 and will be open on the same day at 2:00 PM in presence (if any) of the tenderers or their representatives.

Tender schedule will be available at the office of the Chief Accounts Officer of Dhaka WASA, WASA Bhaban, 98, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Dhaka and all Mods Zone offices of Dhaka WASA. Other details will be available at the office of the undersigned.

**Address:**  
Segunbagicha, Dhaka  
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### Notice Inviting Tenders

Tender Notice No. 107 of 1996-97

1. Name of work : Re-construction of RCC road within the compound of the Dist. Session Judges Court at Barisal for the year 1996-97.  
Gr. No. I= Re-construction of Drain and Apron for different bldgs. within the compound of Dist. Judges Court and Civil Court at Barisal.  
Gr. No. II= Reconstruction of RCC road within the compound of the Dist. Session Judges Court at Barisal for the year 1996-97.  
Tk. 4,17,617/-  
Tk. 4,51,381/-  
Gr. No. I= Tk. 8,355/-  
Gr. No. II= Tk. 9,030/-  
On 15.1.97 upto office hours.
2. Estimated cost : Upto 12:00 Noon of 16.1.97 and will be opened at 12:15 PM on the same day (in presence of contractor if any).
3. Earnest money : Office of the all Executive Engineers under PWD Circle, Barisal and PWD Division-III, Khulna under PWD Circle, Khulna.
4. Last date of selling of tender form : PWD bonafide Special Class-1 (one) and Class-II/III, approved building Contractors/ Firms under PWD, PWD Khulna Zone, Khulna and PWD Circle, Barisal respectively.
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