

**Five hurt as boiler blasts**

JAMALPUR, Jan 12: Five labourers of a mill in the town were seriously injured when its boiler got blasted Saturday. Local people said reports UNB.

The injured labourers of Ruman Rice Mill in Mukundabari area of the town were admitted to Sadar hospital where condition of Kuddus, 31, Rafiq, 40 and Mofazzal, 14, was stated to be critical.

**Banker poisoned to death**

**From Our Correspondent**

KHULNA, Jan 12: Maksud Ali, 45, who was transferred to Khulna from Dhaka as Assistant General Manager (AGM), Public Bank was allegedly poisoned to death on Friday evening.

Police and hospital sources said that the bank official who came to Khulna by a passenger bus was found in unconscious condition in front of a grocery shop at Ahsan Ahmed road.

He was rushed to sadar hospital where he died before any medical treatment. He was buried without autopsy, police said.

**Two crushed under wheels of truck**

**From Staff Correspondent**

KHULNA, Jan 12: A rickshaw driver named Sajjad Hossain, 35, was crushed under the wheels of a truck on Thursday night at Labonchora under Kotwali thana. Police seized the truck, but its driver managed to escape.

On the same night another young man named Maznu, 25, was also crushed under the wheels of a truck when crossing the road at Kachyan under Daulatpur thana. Police could neither seize the truck nor arrested its driver.

**Paddy procurement drive going slowly in Moulvibazar**

From Our Correspondent

MOULVI BAZAR, Jan 12: Growers of Moulvibazar district are showing less interest to sell paddy than that of rice to the LSD godowns at the given price of the government. This picture was found during the current Aman procurement drive by the District Food Department.

The District Food Department source said that they have purchased only 41 tons of Aman paddy till 31st December. Where as 404 tons of Aman rice has been purchased during the same period from different thanas of the district. The source added that, of these purchased paddy and rice — 4 tons of paddy and 184 tons of rice has been collected from Moulvibazar sadar thana, 26 tons of paddy and 120 tons of rice from Srimangal thana, 10 tons of paddy and 20 tons of rice from

Kamalganj thana, one ton of paddy and 60 tons of rice from Kulara thana and 20 tons of rice has been purchased from Rajnagar thana during the above mentioned period.

When contacted, the District Controller of Food (DCF), Moulvibazar told that the growers are avoiding selling of paddy to the LSD godowns due to non-availability of necessary quantities of gunny-bags and comparatively high rate of carrying cost. On the other hand, the DCF mentioned that in most cases, supply of paddy is being rejected by the godown officials as the paddy, the farmers willing to sell, is much less in quality.

He added that — in general growers have a tendency that they always want to sell quality paddy to the local stockists and

comparatively less in quality to the government godowns. He assured that — quality paddy supplied by any growers are always accepted by the LSD godown. So due to both the reasons, collection of paddy is poor than that of rice — the DCF explained.

The department has fixed buying rate of Aman crops. Purchasing rate of Aman paddy and rice are at Taka 500 and Taka 1050 per quintal respectively.

Meanwhile, the food department has fixed the purchasing target of Aman crops in Moulvibazar district during the current Aman procurement drive. A total of 1,570 tons of paddy and another 1,570 tons of rice will be purchased from six thanas of the district.

Of these targeted figures —

270 tons of paddy and 270 tons of rice will be collected from Sadar thana, 180 tons of paddy and 180 tons of rice will be purchased from each thanas of Srimongal, Rajnagar and Baralekha. 400 tons of paddy and 400 tons of rice from Kamalganj thana and 360 tons of paddy and 360 tons of rice from Kulara thana.

The Food Department source added that in Moulvibazar district, Capacity of godowns are 11 thousands tons of food grains. There are 22 LSD godowns in the district under the food department. Capacity of each godown is 500 tons. Of the total LSD godowns, 7 in Moulvibazar sadar thana, 4 each in Srimongal, and Kamalganj thana, 3 each in Kulara and Baralekha thana and one LSD godown in Rajnagar thana.

**Arsenic pollution affects 150 in Kushtia**

KUSHTIA, Jan 11: About 150 people have been affected by arsenic pollution after taking water from two tubewells in Khoksa and Bheramara thanas, reports UNB.

Unofficial sources said the affected people mostly women and children have been suffering from various skin diseases following the use of water of the two tubewells.

In Khoksa thana, about 70 people have been attacked after taking the tubewell water owned by Safia Khatun of Khod Sahnua village.

On the other hand, 90 people of 40 families of Nawda Khermeria village have been affected by arsenic poison for using the tubewell water of Abdul Huq.

Meanwhile, sample of water of the two tubewells, one installed in three years back and another nine years ago, has been sent to Dhaka for testing, the result of which is yet to reach here.

Local physicians said many arsenic poison victims who are in critical condition cannot afford to bear the treatment expenses due to abject poverty.

**Clash leaves 5 seriously hurt in Sirajganj**

SIRAJGANJ, Jan 12: Some two dozens of people were injured, five seriously, in a clash between two rival groups in Kamarkhand thana of the district on Saturday, reports UNB.

The clash erupted at Paikasa Bazar between Charharipur and Paikasa villagers after an incident of cash looting by miscreants from two motorbikers.

Of the seriously injured, three were admitted to Sirajganj General Hospital and two others to Kamarkhand health complex.

Two separate cases were filed with the police.

**FAP in Jamalpur: A costly project**

From Our Correspondent

JAMALPUR, Jan 12: A five years flood action programme (FAP) has been taken up by Bangladesh Water Development Board (BWDB) at an estimated cost of Taka 53 crore to save Jamalpur district and its adjoining areas from erosion, flood and water logging of the river Jamuna.

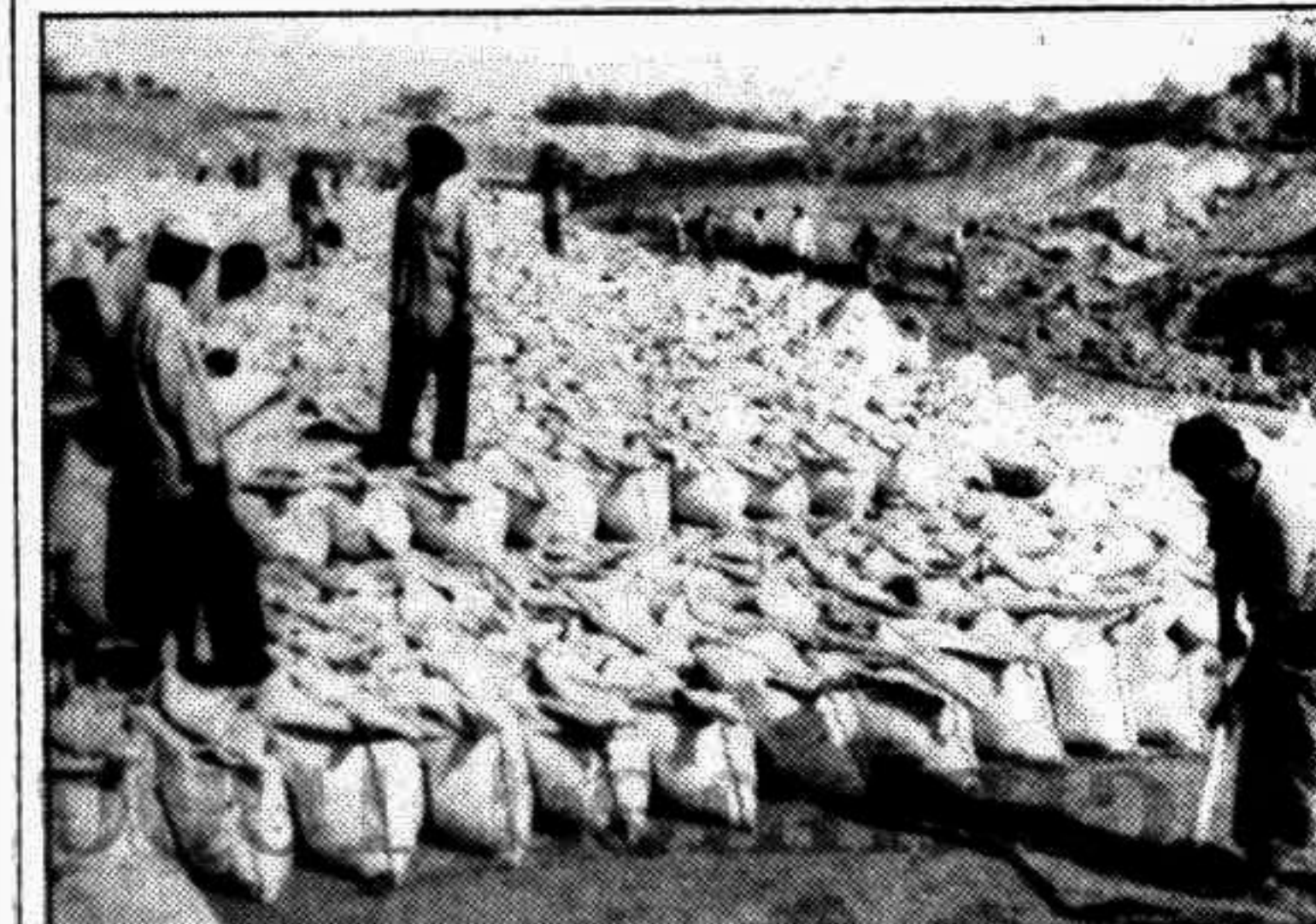
The execution of the project was started from the 1994-95 fiscal. While the French government and the European Economic Commission (EEC) provide funds for its implementation. A portion of the newly constructed FAP embankment near Bahadurabadghat was totally washed away by erosion of

than one hectare each on average to earn their livelihood. The labour force has been estimated around 2,30,000 of whom 22 per cent have work while 48 per cent are under-employed throughout the year.

The project will develop a drainage system in the main land of the project area with the river acting as main drain connecting a number of secondary natural drains located in the eastern part of the project.

The fisheries sector has a important role in the economic context of Jamalpur flood control action programme. Various water resources will be utilised for fish production.

The project work is expected to be completed by next June.



Sand bags are being used to protect weaker points of the embankment. The sand bags are being placed from 50 feet below sea level to form stronger foundation. — Star photo

Three thanas of Phulchuri in Gaibandha district, Sharikandi in Bogra district and Kazipur in Sirajganj district would ultimately be included in the project.

The project included pilot irrigation project on 5,000 hectares of land, 108-km of grain irrigation project, 125-km control dem, 55 small project structures, 70 controlling structures, 150 culvert and 150 rehabilitation structures.

The plan will generate employment opportunities to 631,000 local people particularly the distressed women and the poor. Inter project areas, arrangement will be made for cultivation for vegetables and poultry farming for the landless people.

With the implementation of the project, the physical condition of the area will be developed, and massive tree planting and afforestation programme will be taken up to maintain ecological balance.

Meanwhile, measures have been taken to protect several important markets, and factories like Zeal Bangla Sugar Mills, Jamuna Urea Fertilizer Factory, Bahadurabadghat, Jagannathganj railway ferry ghat from the erosion by the river Jamuna.

The Executive Engineer of WDB Tangail Zone told this correspondent that the protection structures would be built such a way so they last longer. Implementation of the scheme would remove the threat of erosion in the district, he added.

About 60 per cent people of the project area have no land while some 40 per cent have less

**Situation tense as BCL leader held in Nagarpur**

**From Our Correspondent**

TANGAIL, Jan 11: Tension mounted in Nagarpur today following the arrest of Chhatra League leader Zahid Hasan, general secretary of Nagarpur College student's union yesterday.

Police was deployed at different areas of Nagarpur thana today. However, no untoward incident was reported, police said.

Zahid Hasan along with 12 others were accused of attacking BNP parliamentarian Gautam Chakrabarty and some of his followers, in a case lodged with Nagarpur thana on December 17.

Gautam Chakrabarty, was allegedly attacked by Chhatra League workers while he was returning home from the Shaheed Minar after placing wreath on the night of December 16.

**Cargo vessel sinks in Passur**

From Staff Correspondent

KHULNA, Jan 12: A cargo vessel MV Shah Ali capsized in the Passur river with imported cement worth Tk 20 lakh on Friday.

Mongla thana police said the cargo vessel which was carrying cement from Indonesia, developed big cracks after it was severely hit by another sea-going vessel.

**BCIC Tender Notice**

বিসিআইসি'র পণ্য শিল্পায়নে জাতীয় অর্থায়িতর প্রকল্প

Sealed tenders are hereby invited by the Managing Director, Zia Fertilizer Company Limited, Ashuganj, B'baria for the following works from the BCIC enlisted contractors of category mentioned below:

Sl No	Name of work	Estimated cost	Cost of schedule (non-refundable)	Category
1.	Extension of College Building	Tk 80,95,043.50	Tk 750/-	A-1
	New Housing Complex			
2.	Extension of Truck Yard	Tk 4,73,500.00	Tk 400/-	A-3

Tender documents will be available for purchase from the office of the General Manager (Accounts & Finance), ZFCL, Ashuganj, B. Baria & the Controller of Accounts, BCIC, BCIC Bhaban, 30-31, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka during office hours on all working days up to 28-1-97. Filled in tenders will be received simultaneously in a tender box kept in the office of the Sr General Manager (Construction), BCIC, BCIC Bhaban, 30-31, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka & the General Manager (MTS), ZFCL, Ashuganj, B Baria on 29-1-97 up to 11:00 AM and will be opened immediately after on the same day. Earnest money @ 2% (two per cent) of the estimated value for each work in the form of Bank Draft/PO from any scheduled bank of Bangladesh in favour of ZFCL must be enclosed with the tender. The tender without earnest money or with less earnest money will be rejected outright. The ZFCL management reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders including the lowest one without showing any reason whatsoever.

BCIC 12-5/1/97  
DFP-377-6/1 G-142

**Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh**

Office of the Executive Engineer  
Facilities Department  
Pataukhali Zone

**Tender Notice**

No-09/PSS/Renovation & Development/PZ/FD/96-97 Dated: 04-01-97

Sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No 2911 are hereby invited from Facilities Department's A-1, A-2 class enlisted contractor for the undermentioned development work of Private Secondary School under "Selected Private Secondary Schools Renovation and Development" Project.

Group No	Name of District	Name of Thana	Name of Educational Institute	Project name in brief
01 (one)	Pataukhali	Sadar	Pataukhali Ideal Secondary School	GoB-11
02 (two)	"	Baufal	Kalia Senior Rabbania Madrasa	GoB-M1
03 (three)	"	"	Daspara Union Secondary School	GoB-11
04 (four)	"	Mirzaganj	Kismat Srinagar Ideal Se. Sch.	GoB-2
05 (five)	"	"	Dakshin Majidbaria Salehia Da. Ma.	GoB-M1
06 (six)	Barguna	Sadar	Burrchar AMG Secondary School	GoB-11
07 (seven)	"	"	Purba Gudighata Salehia Madrasa	GoB-M1
08 (eight)	"	Betagi	Patiakhali Ideal Secondary Sch.	GoB-11
09 (nine)	"	"	Talgachia Deshantarkathi Secondary School	GoB-11

Estimated cost of each work : Tk 8,01,589/61  
Amount of earnest money of each work : Tk 16,100/-  
Time for completion of each work : 3 (three) months.  
Tender price of each work : Tk. 400/- (four hundred) only (non-refundable).  
Last date and time of purchasing tender document : 20-01-97 up to office hours.  
Last date & time of receiving tender : 22-01-97 up to 12:30 PM.  
Date & time of opening tender document : 22-01-97 at 1:00 PM.

Tender/tender documents can be purchased at the stated price in cash from the office of the undersigned, Office of the Executive Engineer, Facilities Department, Barisal, Bagerhat, Khulna, Jessore, Jhenidah and Kushtia Zone and office of the Assistant Engineer of Pataukhali and Barguna districts and will be received by the Executive Engineer, Facilities Department, Pataukhali, Bagerhat, Khulna, Jessore, Jhenidah, Kushtia and Barisal Zone at the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Pataukhali & Barguna by the Assistant Engineers of the districts concerned.

Earnest money must be submitted with the tender through Pay Order/Bank Draft of the stated amount from any scheduled bank of Bangladesh in favour of the "Executive Engineer, Facilities Department, Pataukhali Zone."

- General Terms & Conditions:**
- Tender document should be purchased by applying in the contractors own letterhead pad and producing attested copies of renewal fee deposit receipt for 95-96, Registration Book and VAT Registration Certificate and the said documents should be submitted at the time of submitting tender. No certificate of VAT will be acceptable.
  - Tender will be cancelled outright if the rate quoted in the tender is more than 5% (five per cent) below the estimated cost.
  - VAT will be deducted from all kinds of bill at the prescribed rate.
  - Bill will be paid subject to receipt of allotment and certificate of Project Development Committee.
  - One contractor will not be given work of more than one group in the interest of progress of work.
  - Other terms & conditions of tender will be available in the schedule.
  - Other conditions of tender document may be known from the office of the undersigned everyday during office hours.
  - Additional terms & conditions of tender will be treated as part of the tender document.
  - If under any circumstance the project or the work of any group under the project is cancelled, then, in that case the contractor/firm concerned cannot claim any financial compensation.
  - Such contractors/firms in whose name more than one work are in progress but could not complete the work as yet in spite of crossing the prescribed time limit, cannot participate in this tender.
- The authority reserves the right to accept any or reject any/all tenders without assigning any reason.

Samsuddin Ahmed  
Executive Engineer  
Facilities Department  
Pataukhali Zone  
DFP-460-7/1  
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**Over Tk 3cr given for construction of schools, colleges**

BARISAL, Jan 12: The government has sanctioned Tk 3,08,43,841 for the construction and development of non-government schools and colleges in three districts under Barisal Education Zone (BEZ) in the current fiscal year, reports BSS.

The districts to be covered by this programme are Barisal, Jhalakathi and Bhola.

According to an official source, the Bangladesh Government and the Asian Development Bank (ADB) are jointly financing the projects.

Tk 1,63,20,000 will be spent for the construction of three-story academic building along with water supply, sanitation and electricity works in four non-government higher secondary schools-cum-colleges. Tk 96,19,072.93 for the construction of a multipurpose science laboratories and two class rooms in 15 non-government secondary schools and Tk 25 lakh for the development of 2A Bhutto Degree College at Nalchity under Jhalakathi district.

**Directorate General Defence Purchase**  
Ministry of Defence, New Airport Road  
Tejgaon, Dhaka-1215  
**Tender Notice**

- Sealed tenders in local currency are invited from bonafide Manufacturers/Dealers/Suppliers/Indentors (Not necessarily enlisted with DGDP) for supply of the following items for the Army:
    - Milling Machine (Vertical Type) with std — Qty-1 No accessories
    - Lathe Machine 6<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 220/440 volt with std — Qty-1 No accessories
    - Brake Drum lathe machine with complete — Qty-2 Nos accessories
  - Tender schedule with detail specification will be available on payment of Taka 20/- each (Not refundable) from 31-12-96 to 27-1-97 on any working day between 0800 hours to 1200 hours. The tender will be opened on 29-1-97 at 1000 hours in presence of tenderers (if any).
- সাইদুল্লাহ/বিবি/৯৬/২১৪৯  
DFP-29635-19/12  
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Major for Director General

**Special Branch, Bangladesh Rajarbag, Dhaka**  
**Tender Notice**

Sealed tenders are invited by the undersigned from bonafide importers/traders/suppliers for purchase of 10(ten) hand held metal detectors & 6(six) portable archway metal detectors for use of Special Branch, Bangladesh, Rajarbag, Dhaka office. Tenders should be dropped in the tender box kept at the ground floor of the Special Branch office by 11:30 hours of 28.1.97 which will be opened on the same day at 12:00 hours in presence (if any) of the tenderers. The undersigned reserves the right to accept any tender or reject all tenders without assigning any reason. Earnest money refundable at the rate 3% (three per cent) of the total price quoted in tender should be deposited with each tender in the form of Demand Draft/ Pay Order from any commercial bank scheduled with Bangladesh Bank in favour of Additional Inspector General of Police, Special Branch, Bangladesh, Dhaka.

Schedule containing specification with terms & conditions can be collected at Tk 750/- (seven hundred fifty) only (non-refundable) from the office of the undersigned on any working day from 9 am to 2 pm. No schedule will be sold on the date of opening tender.

Md Ruhul Amin  
SS (VR)  
for Additional IG  
Special Branch, Bangladesh  
Dhaka, Phone: 9333294  
DFP-261-5/1  
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**Dhaka International Trade Fair '97 Secretariate**  
Export Promotion Bureau  
122-124, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka  
**Tender Notice**

Sealed tenders are invited from bonafide reputed advertising firms for the undermentioned printing work & design making of souvenir for Dhaka International Trade Fair '97 (DITF '97).

- Printing 5000 (five thousand) copies multi-colour souvenir on self-financing basis.
- Making 2 nos. attractive designs for souvenir of DITF '97. Highest Tk 10,000/- (ten thousand) will be paid for the selected design.

Tender should be deposited in the tender box kept at Export Promotion Bureau, 122-124, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka by 12:00 Noon of 20-1-97. Tender schedule can be collected from the Accounts Section of the Bureau at Tk 150/- (one hundred fifty) and 50/- (fifty) in cash respectively (non-refundable) every day during office hours up to 19-01-97. 5% of the quoted amount as earnest money (refundable) should be deposited with tender through Bank Draft/Pay Order in favour of "DITF '97 Fund." The undersigned may be contacted for detailed description of work & seeing the specimen of work.

K M Salehin  
Director (Information) EPB & Member-Secretary  
Publicity & Publication Sub-Committee, DITF '97  
DFP-407-7/1  
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**Dhaka International Trade Fair '97 Secretariat**  
Export Promotion Bureau  
122-124, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka  
**NOTICE**

**Sub: Invitation of application for publication of supplement on DITF '97**

Applications are invited by 20-01-97 from reputed advertising firms for publication of special supplement (8 pages tabloid size) in 6 (six) esteemed newspapers (3 Bengali & 3 English) on the occasion of International Trade Fair '97 to be held at Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka from February 22 to March 21, 1997. Application should be submitted in the tender box kept at the Bureau by 12:00 Noon of the said date. Applications will be opened on the same day at 12:15 PM. The undermentioned papers should be submitted with the application.

- Copy of Trade Licence & Income Tax Certificate.
- 2 designs (Bengali & English) for the supplement.
- Description of past experience regarding publication of supplement with documents.
- Tk 5,000/- (five thousand) as security money (refundable) should be deposited through Pay Order/Bank Draft in favour of "DITF '97 Fund."

The undersigned may be contacted for other information in this regard.

DFP-406-7/1  
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K M Saleheen  
Director (Information)

**Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh**  
Ministry of Establishment  
Discipline-3 Section  
Dated: 14-1-97  
No. ME/D3 (SC)-14/96-14 (21-9-1403BS)

**NOTICE**

**Sub: Second Show Cause Notice of Departmental case against Mr. AHM Masudur Rahman (Identity No. 5301), Assistant Director, Relief & Rehabilitation Directorate under Provision of Clause 5(2) of the Government Servants (Special Provisions) Ordinance, 1979.**

Whereas, you Mr. AHM Masudur Rahman, Assistant Director, Relief & Rehabilitation Directorate, Dhaka, have been unauthorisedly absent from your place of work since 13-1-95 submitting application through proper channel for 3 (three) years leave/lien to join in service of Pressage Royal Bengal Pressing Company in Canada.

Whereas, you being unauthorisedly absent from government work were accused under Clause 3-B of the Government Servants (Special Provisions) Ordinance, 1979 and asked to show cause (written explanation) under Clause 5 (1) & 5 (4) of the said Ordinance, notice of which was sent for publication in daily newspaper vide this Ministry's No. ME/D3(SC)-14/96-182 dated 7-7-96 and published in the "Dainik Bangla" on 14-7-96 & in "The Independent" on 16-7-96.

Whereas, you submitted written application on 18-7-96 and therein expressed your desire for reinstatement in your post and prayed for an opportunity of personal hearing.

Whereas, in response to your application the date for personal hearing was fixed on 22-9-96 and later on, as you applied on 27-8-96 for deferring the date of personal hearing by 1 month, the date for personal hearing was refixed on 24-10-96 instead of 22-9-96.

Whereas, you did not attend personal hearing on the fixed date, and one more application signed by you dated 10-10-96 was received on the day.

Whereas, you are repeatedly applying for deferring the date of personal hearing which makes it apparent that you are not at all desirous of reinstatement in government service and your not contacting the authorities any way even after long 1 year and 6 months unauthorised absence from place of work since 13-1-95 shows no coherence of your act with your explanation so given.

Whereas, reviewing your relevant records, tentative decision to dismiss you from government service was taken on the charge brought against you for unauthorised absence from place of work since 13-1-95.

Now, therefore, you, Mr. AHM Masudur Rahman, are instructed to show cause why you should not be dismissed from service under Clause 4(A) constituted with Clause 5(2) of Government Servants (Special Provisions) Ordinance, 1979, to the undersigned within 3 (three) days of issuing/publication of this notice in newspaper.

Mr. AHM Masudur Rahman (Identity-5301)  
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Saifur Rahman  
Secretary