

Salman's death Fresh CID probe demanded by parents

From Staff Correspondent

SYLHET, Feb 14: The parents of late Chowdhury Mohammad Shahriar alias Salman Shah, renowned film actor have denounced the final report in the case of 'unnatural death' of their son. Detective branch of Dhaka Metropolitan Police submitted the report before the Metropolitan magistrate's court recently and stated it as a case of 'suicide'.

Kamar Uddin Chowdhury and Neela Chowdhury, parents of Salman while addressing a press conference at Sylhet Press Club Friday afternoon also demanded a fresh enquiry by the CID police for the sake of detecting the culprits involved in the 'cool-blooded' murder. They said that Salman's father Kamar Uddin Chowdhury had already given an appeal to the Prime Minister for handing over the case to the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) for the sake of justice.

Salman Shah was found dead in his own flat at 131, New Eskaton, Eskaton Plaza, Dhaka on September 6 last year. Dhaka Metropolitan Detective Branch (DB) took up the unnatural death (UD) case lodged with Ramna Thana. But, following a petition filed by Kamar Uddin Chowdhury, the deceased's father the case was transferred to the CID. Salman's parents in the press conference alleged that, the CID could not proceed its job and the case was mysteriously again sent back to the DB in compliance with a secret order from the police headquarters on December 21. They said, some influential quarters were trying their best to save the renowned film hero.

Call to make Bandarban malaria free

BANDARBAN, Feb 14: Chairman of Local Government Council of Bandarban Hill District Mong Kyia Ching Chowdhury Thursday urged the government organisations and NGOs to work together to make the district free from malaria, reports BSS.

Addressing a meeting at the local government primary school premises Mr Chowdhury expressed his commitment to work hard to eliminate hunger

Winter crops cultivation scheme in B'baria Fertilizer, other agri inputs going beyond farmers' reach

From Our Correspondent

BRAHMANBARIA, Feb 14: A scheme has been taken up to bring 1,38,600 hectares of land under various winter crops cultivation in the district during the current season while the output target has been fixed at 4,27,327 metric tons (MTs).

According to district Agricultural Extension Department (AED) office, of the total land areas, about 83,000 hectares will be brought under high yielding variety (Ufashy) Pajam and Boro paddy cultivation, 5,000 hectares under local variety of Boro paddy cultivation, 16,500 hectares under wheat cultivation, 18,400 hectares for mustard cultivation, 2500 hectares for potato, 500 hectares for peanut cultivation, 200 hectares for Maize, 4,600 hectares for vegetables, 1,500 hectares for sweet potato, 3,200 hectares for musor (lentil), 200 hectares for chihola cultivation, 150 hectares for moog cultivation, 1000 hectares under maskalai, 1000 hectares under khesari cultivation and 50 hectares of land will be brought under arhar cultivation and three hundred hectares for motor (pea) cultivation.

tion in all seven thanas namely, Nasirnagar, Sarail, Akhaura, Kasba, Nabinagar, Bancharampur and Brahmanbaria sadar thana of the district.

According to the district AED office sources, the total production target has been fixed at about 4,27,327 metric tons (MTs) for this winter crops cultivation season.

The target of production are: 2,65,600 MTs of high yielding variety Boro paddy, 7750 MTs of local variety Boro paddy, 33,000 MTs of wheat, 16,560 MTs of mustard, 30,000 MTs of potato, 950 MTs of peanut, 500 MTs of maize, 46,000 MTs of vegetables, 22,000 MTs of sweet potato, 2496 hectares of lentil, 186 MTs of chihola, 750 MTs of maskalai, 120 MTs of moog, 1155 MTs of khesari, 35 MTs of arhar and 225 metric tons of motor (pea).

According to district AED office sources it was also learnt that 4957 hectares of land were used as seedbeds to supply the seedlings of Boro paddy to the farmers of the district during the current season.

More than 500 demonstra-

tion plots will be set up in all seven thanas of the district to encourage the farmers to adopt modern method of cultivation, while 191 mini homestead demonstration plots will be set up to encourage the housewives and farmers to use easy method of farming and vegetables cultivation.

Meanwhile, the farmers have alleged that seeds of high yielding variety (HYV) and other necessary agricultural inputs are not available in the open market while small quantity of HYV-seeds and inputs are being sold in some shops at high rates.

Some dishonest dealers are selling adulterated and impure fertilizer, pesticide and seeds here, farmers alleged.

In order to vanquish the pests and larvae the peasants use DDT powder which is smuggled from India by smugglers for its being available at cheaper rate.

It was also alleged that some dishonest dealers made brisk business by selling their allotted fertilizers and seeds outside the district.

Brahmanbaria sadar thana

police station sources said that last month they seized 250 bags of urea fertilizer of Bismillah Traders' and 12 bags of HYV-wheat seeds of 'Krishi Traders' from a loading truck which was bound for Companygonj, adjoining areas of Brahmanbaria district. Police also arrested one Abul Hasem in this connection and field a case.

On the other hand, Thana Nirbahi Officer (TNO) of Kasba thana of the district seized some bags of urea fertilizers from bordering Kasba rail station on January 20.

Sources said that the said quantities of urea fertilizer heaped up at Kasba rail station was going to be despatched to the areas outside the district. The seized urea fertilizer was deposited at Kasba thana.

Now the fertilizer is being sold at a high rate in the rural areas of the district.

The farmers have urged the authorities to take proper step against corrupt persons involved in creating such situation that can hamper cultivation in the current winter season.

Natore pourashava's jurisdiction extended

From Our Correspondent

NATORE, Feb 14: The jurisdiction of Natore pourashava has been extended recently.

A total of 3.88 square kilometres of areas including the largest Tebaria Hat of the region, Natore Sugar Mills and Jamuna Distillery have been brought under Natore pourashava.

With this extension, a long cherished dream of the poura people has partially been fulfilled and the prospect of upgrading Natore pourashava into a first class one has become bright.

A total of 3.88 square kilometres of areas of four villages under Tebaria Union Parishad have been included in Natore pourashava through a government gazette issued by Deputy Secretary (poura) following the order of president on Nov 27.



Begum Shahjadi, Chairperson of A K M Hashem Smriti Shiksha Tahabil (speaking at a scholarship awarding ceremony of the Secondary School Certificate SSC and Higher Secondary Certificate (HSC) examinees held at Jhalakathi, Circuit House recently.

Four killed, 5 hurt in road accidents

At least four persons were killed and five injured in road accidents in Noakhali and Khulna in two days, reports BSS.

One person died and two others were injured seriously in a road accident at Ekhlashpur bazar under Begumganj thana in Noakhali Thursday.

The dead was identified as Monir, 35, while the injured persons — Monir Ahmed, 22, and Abdullah, 60, — were admitted to the Noakhali general hospital.

Police sources said a speeding tempo knocked down the three on the Begumganj-Majdi road leaving Monir dead on the spot and the others injured.

Police seized the tempo. Another report adds from Khulna: Three persons were killed and three others seriously injured in road accident

near Shiromoni on Khulna-Jessore highway Wednesday.

The accident occurred when a private car and a passenger bus collided head-on.

According to information available Humayun Kabir, an official of the Relief Ministry, was coming to Khulna in a car along with the members of his family to attend a marriage ceremony. When his car reached near Fulbari gate at Shiromoni on Khulna-Jessore highway, a speeding passenger bus bound for Kushtia from Khulna collided with the private car. Wife of Kabir and six-month old daughter and the driver of the car died on the spot while Humayun Kabir along with two of his relations, Soma and Reba, were seriously injured. They were rushed to hospital.

Police seized the bus but the driver escaped. A case has been registered with the Khan Jahan Ali police station in this connection.

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Terrorism in Sirajganj

SIRAJGANJ, Feb 14: The past day Eid holidays have been marked by hijacking, mugging and clashes in the town leaving 20 people injured, reports UNB.

Of the injured, three persons have been admitted to the Sirajganj General Hospital in serious conditions.

A three and a half ounces of gold chain was snatched, a shopkeeper stabbed and a video shop damaged and looted on the Eid-day and the following two days.

Eyewitnesses said in the afternoon of the Eid-day, a gang of extortionists demanded Tk 500 from a shopkeeper near the railway colony. As he refused, they hit him with stick and stabbed him. He was admitted into the Sirajganj General Hospital.

In the evening, three muggers on an unlicensed motor-bike snatched a gold chain from a lady moving with her husband on the busy New Dhaka Road. She screamed for help but nobody came forward.

The other incident occurred on Monday. Some way-rangers of Sardarpara area were teasing a woman in Malshapara area. The inhabitants caught hold of them, roughed them up and released them on request from their guardians.

But the Sardarpara boys decided to take revenge the next day. They attacked and ransacked a video shop at SM road. A clash ensued in which 14 people were injured among them three were in serious condition.

A case was filed in sadar thana in this connection.



The Atia Mosque at Tangail. The age-old mosque is left uncared. If renovated, many elite of the district believe, the historically important mosque can attract a good number of visitors. — Star photo by Monirul Islam Manik

Housewife commits suicide

HABIGANJ, Feb 14: A housewife allegedly committed suicide by taking poison at a village in sadar thana here on Tuesday, reports UNB.

Police and family sources said Dilara Begum, 32, of Alipur village allegedly took poison as she was not allowed by her husband Firoz Ali to go to her father's house at Chandpur.

Dilara was immediately rushed to Sadar Hospital in a critical condition where she breathed her last.

Smuggled goods recovered from border areas

SYLHET, Feb 14: Bangladesh Rifles in separate drives have recovered smuggled goods worth about Tk 1.75 lakh from the border areas on Wednesday, reports UNB.

BDR sources said the jawns in one raid seized Indian betel nut worth about Tk 1.25 lakh from a truck near Shahjalal bridge.

In another drive, BDR men raided some passenger buses and recovered smuggled goods including cumin and salt worth about Tk 45,000 on the same day.

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a local businessman and a contractor — both on condition of anonymity. Explaining the 'new method', they told that the people of Pabna, during the previous regimes witnessed very often open show of armed clashes which have been stopped now. Open show of arms is no more witnessed since the take-over by the caretaker government and subsection by the present Awami League government. But since all attempts of recovering arms and ammunitions ended almost in failure, the miscreants under new cover have started committing crimes in the aforesaid manner, they said.

Moreover, thefts and dacoities have also increased throughout the district during the last two months. The criminals are now gradually waking up abandoning their slumber.

On the night of December 27, a mysterious dacoity was committed in the Pabna office of the Project Director, Water Development Board and attached offices of one Executive Engineer. The armed dacoits tied up two night guards of the WDB, entered into 30 rooms of different offices by breaking the locks of the doors of the said offices, also broke open the locks of 60 almirahs, ransacked the offices and left away. Police was informed of the incident by the Project Director next morning over telephone and then in writing, but they failed to bring to book any of the culprits so far.

During the night of December 27, thefts were committed simultaneously in three shops of Beniapatty situated within the main area of Pabna town.

Again during the next night, the shutters of the shop of one Mintu was broken and an amount of Taka 7,000 was stolen away by armed thieves from the cash box. This shop is also situated within the main area of Pabna market.

No trace of the thieves against these cases was found out by police till writing this report on Tuesday.

During the night of December 30, one Power Tiller was stolen away from the house of one Haji Minhajuddin of village Chowbaria under Ekdanta union of Athgharia thana.

On January 1 in the night, one electric transformer of a deep tubewell was stolen away from Najirpur Beelpara under Pabna Sadar thana resulting in complete disruption in irrigation of land in the area.

During the same night, in Shibrampur area of Pabna town, one Abul Kalam alias Kalu Mastaan was mercilessly stabbed to death in presence of a good number of his close associates while celebrating the New Year.

On January 7, a sensational dacoity was committed, all being equipped with fire-arms, in the shop of the Abul Samad situated in the big and famous Banwarinagar Bazar. The dacoits, on point of arms, looted

8,600 acres khas land illegally occupied

PABNA, Feb 14: About 8,600 acres of khas land are now under illegal occupation in the district, according to revenue officials here, reports UNB.

Lack of proper supervision, administrative laxity and other irregularities have created this situation, they said.

Deputy Commissioner Ashiqul Haq Chowdhury, at a recent meeting of district revenue officials, directed the Executive Officers and Assistant Commissioners (land) of the thanas to locate, demarcate and take over possession of khas vested and uncultivated land in the district.

He gave the directive on receipt of reports that interested quarters were trying to manipulate false documents.

Corruption hampers Tk 350 cr flood control project

SIRAJGANJ, Feb 14: The construction work of the Tk 350 crore Brahmaputra flood control embankment is being hindered by irregularity, inefficiency and corruption, reports UNB.

The Korean construction company, which began work last month for protecting Sirajganj town from flood and erosion has expressed concern at the frequent obstruction being created by local vested interest groups.

There have been many clashes over land supply, unremitted pilferage of stones and gasoline and undesirable influence by political touts, they said.

One local mastan is reported to have been caught while trading in women.

Dhaka WASA Tender Notice

পানির যত্নে 'বদ' করুন। মানবোলের ঢাকা চিহ্নে 'বদ' করুন।

Tenders are invited from Dhaka WASA enlisted 1st, 2nd & 3rd class automobiles contractors/bonafide automobiles workshop owners for supplying materials for repair, machining and repairing of Kubota truck of MODS Zone-6 at an allotted cost of Tk 29,835/=. Tenders will be received up to 12:00 Noon of 24/2/97 and will be opened on the same day at 2:00 pm before the tenderers or their representatives (if any) present.

Schedule of tender 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:
Mirpur, Dhaka.
WASA-P.I.-45/97

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Re-Tender Notice

No-N. 1.0/Library/Book Purchase-2/96-97/397 Dated: 2-2-97

Sealed tenders are invited from bonafide book traders, importers & suppliers for purchasing medical books of new edition for the library of National Institute of Ophthalmology & Hospital during 1996-97 financial year subject to the undermentioned terms & conditions:

- 1) Prescribed schedule of tender for books can be collected at Taka 400/= (four hundred) only (non-refundable) in cash from the office of the cashier from 17-2-97 to 26-2-97 during office hours up to 2:30 PM.
- 2) Bank Draft of Tk 2000/- (two thousand) only (refundable) as earnest money should be submitted with each tender in favour of the Director and Professor of the Institute.
- 3) Whole lot of books should be supplied to the Chairman of Library Committee of this Institute at own cost within 30 (Thirty) days of receiving the supply order for books.
- 4) Price quoted for each item of the tender should be written distinctly in figures & words. There should not be any striking off or erasing.
- 5) Amount of earnest money will be treated as forfeited on failure to supply the books within the time mentioned as per work order.
- 6) Bonafide book traders, importers and suppliers must submit attested copies of income tax certificate and trade licence of the current year with the tender.
- 7) Sealed tenders with bank draft as per the terms & conditions mentioned in the schedule of tender should be dropped in the tender box kept at the office chamber of the Director & Professor of the Institute within 12:00 Noon of 27-2-97 and will be opened on the same day at 12:01 PM at the office chamber of the undersigned before the members of the Tender Committee and tenderers (if any) present.

The Authority of the Institute reserves the right to accept or reject any tender without assigning any reason.

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Dated: 02-02-1997/20-10-1403BS

Appointment Notice

Applications are invited from Bangladesh nationals aged between 18-30 years for appointment to the undermentioned posts under 'Unemployed Youths, Technical Education Project' of the Directorate of Youth Development. The posts are purely temporary & maintainable only up to the duration of the project. Names of post, description of educational qualifications & other required experiences are as follow:

Serial No	Name of post	Number of post	Pay scale	Description of educational qualification & experience
1	Assistant Project Director/Engineer	1 (one)	2850-5155/-	Mechanical/Electrical Graduation degree from approved Engineering University or BIT under university; preference will be given to candidates possessing practical experience.
2	Assistant Computer Programmer	1 (one)	2850-5155/-	Post Graduation degree in Physics/Applied Physics/Mathematics/Statistics/Economics/Business Administration from approved university and must have passed 'Standard Aptitude for Programming'. Besides, should be a member of approved computer professional society.

Other terms & conditions:

- 1) Application stating name, father's name, permanent address, present address, educational qualification, date of birth & description of experience should be submitted to the undersigned by 20-02-1997.
- 2) Nationality certificate, educational qualification & experience certificates and three copies passport size photographs, attested by first class gazetted officer should be submitted with the application.
- 3) Crossed Postal Order for Tk 50/- (fifty) only in favour of the undersigned should be submitted with the application.
- 4) Incomplete & erroneous application will be treated as cancelled and interview cards will be issued only to the selected correct applicants. Application must reach the undersigned within the prescribed time limit & date. Applications received after the prescribed time limit will not be accepted.
- 5) Any canvassing for the candidate will be considered as disqualification of the candidate.
- 6) In case of technical posts, age limit is relaxable for specially qualified & experienced candidates.
- 7) The appointed post at Sl No 2 can be transferred to anywhere in the project area.
- 8) Application should be sent stating name of post and the address — Assistant Secretary (Youth-2), Ministry of Youth & Sports, Building No 7 (seven), Room No 724, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka on the envelope by hand or by post within the prescribed date.

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