

Authorities' negligence cripples mental hospital

PABNA, Mar 17: The lone mental hospital of the country here has been suffering from so much neglect as to make it unable to render service to the increased number of patients according to social leaders and sources in the hospital management, reports UNB.

Inadequate number of beds, insufficient budget, shortage of doctors and technical personnel, lack of maintenance and amenities have been crippling the mental hospital for the past several years, they said.

The number of beds was not increased in the last 30 years although a high power committee recommended its upgradation to 500-bed hospital in 1966.

The hospital started operation in the 'Shitali House' in Pabna town with 60 beds in 1957. It was shifted to present site on the bank of the river Padma, three km away from the town and upgraded to 200-bed in 1959 and 400-bed in 1966.

There are 120 paying beds,

40 reserve beds for the chronic patients and 240 general beds in the hospital, which are too inadequate for the heavy demand.

On an average, three hundred patients come to the outdoor of the hospital daily, but the hospital can not cope with the rush due to shortage of doctors, other staff and requisite staff.

Out of 18 wards of the hospital, four wards - Child Psychiatry, Geriatrics Psychiatry, Mental Sub-normality and Community Psychiatry lack experienced and trained doctors and staff.

Besides, considerable shortage of man-power, the few doctors and the other staff of the hospital are reluctant to stay near the premises for lack of civic facilities and amenities in the neighbourhood as the hospital is situated far away from the Pabna town.

Erratic power supply due to loadshedding, sub-standard diet are other problems.

Two killed in road mishap

From Our Correspondent

GAIBANDHA, Mar 17: Two persons were killed and eight others sustained injuries in a road mishap at Panthapara under Gobindaganj thana on Rangpur-Bogra highway on March 7.

According to police, a Rangpur-bound loaded passenger bus hit one tempo having plate number Gaibandha-PA-05-0019 which turned-turtle and fell into the roadside ditch. Due to impact of the collision passenger Rubel, 13, and Nurul Islam, 25, died on the spot injuring eight others. Of them condition of Shaju Mia, Abdul Jalil, Parveen were stated to be critical and removed to Rangpur Medical College Hospital.

A case was filed with concerned thana.

The bus driver, however, managed to flee.

Another news adds: Gaibandha thana police in a drive seized 26 bags of urea fertiliser on sixrickshaw vans for selling in black market on Saturday.

Abduction, robbery frequent in Kushtia

Sharp rise in crime rate

From Fakhrun Nessa

KUSHTIA, Mar 17: Law and order in Kushtia district particularly in Daulatpur thana is now beyond control. Terrorists reign the areas day and night committing various crimes.

On Thursday night they set abase houses of one Esar Ali when he failed to pay ransom money for release of his son, Nayeb Ali who was abducted by them a few days back. Daughter of Esar Ali was burnt alive in the fire which could not be extinguished. All his belongings including cattle heads were burnt to ashes.

The role of law enforcing agencies is reported to be negligible in this respect. Meanwhile, law and order of Daulatpur thana was reviewed in a coordination committee meeting held at Daulatpur thana parisad auditorium with Razau Huq, Chairman Hogolbaria union parisad in chair on February 20. All the union parisad chairmen attended the meeting and alleged that reign of terror has been let loose in remote villages of the thana where robbery, theft, dacoity, kidnapping, murder, toll collection, clash between rival groups have increased to the utter dismay of the residents and peace loving people of Daulatpur thana. In the meeting the chairmen have alleged that police administration have completely failed to contain all these crimes and said that some of the villagers of Peupur, Aira, Khalisakundi, Boalia, Refayetur, Daulatpur, Hogolbaria are leaving the villagers in fear of terrorist attack.

Every night dacoits are being committed in houses one after another and kidnapping of the inmates and subsequent demand for ransom have become rampant.

A chairman alleged that Hosenbad, Philipnagar road, Taragonia, Maricha road, Sonalkundi, Baliraj road have become the points of mugging. The chairmen demanded immediate steps to be taken by the administration to stop all those crimes and to bring the culprits to books.

The Daulatpur Thana Nirbahi Officer who was present in the meeting has assured them of taking appropriate steps in bringing those to the notice of the higher authority in this respect. In spite of that there has been a drastic fall in law and order in Kushtia specially in Daulatpur, Mirpur and Kumarkhali thanas inspite of police raids for recovery of illegal arms and arrest of criminals.

Untoward incidents, free movement of terrorists carrying lethal weapons, murder in broad day light even in the premises of Kushtia collectorate compound, stabbing, raping, hijacking, illegal toll collection, abduction, continuous violence, dacoity with murder, looting, grabbing of properties, issuing letters demanding subscription with threat have become common feature during last 3 months.

Two murders were committed on March 10 and 11 in the hands of armed miscreants. Md Dabloo, 28, of village Bhabanipur while in work in his fertiliser shop at 10 pm a number of armed masked miscreants came and demanded subscription of Taka one lakh. On his refusal they dragged him from his shop and took him to nearby field and shot him dead.

Yet in another incident a group of armed dacoits entered into the house of one Azizul Huq of village Shashidharpur under Daulatpur thana and attacked the house owner when he resisted. He was injured received severe wounds and later died on the spot. His son, Saiful Islam was also injured.

On the same night dacoits attacked the house of Shariful Islam and tried to break open the grills of windows and blasted bombs injuring Shariful Islam. 40. Cases have been registered with respective police station.

One person was killed and 20 others were injured when dacoits opened fire in village Bhaichara of Bheramara thana on March 11. Dacoits attacked the house of Bishu who resisted. One Shafigul, 20, was injured by bullet and was killed on the spot on the same day. Others who received bullet wounds have been admitted in Kushtia general hospital.

Meanwhile two persons have reportedly been kidnapped at gun point in Daulatpur thana on March 11. The abducted persons are Rajab Ali, 17 and Jahangir, 18.

Meanwhile two rival groups clashed near Jagati Railway Station on March 11 night and a vehicle was damaged by the terrorists. One group demanded subscription from a driver of the vehicles and when the driver failed to pay subscription they damaged the vehicle. On the other hand miscreants are giving threat of life in support of their demand to withdraw cases filed against them in Daulatpur police station.

Lalon musical team to perform in Calcutta

From Our Correspondent

KUSHTIA, Mar 17: A group of Lalon Sangeet singers including some members of Lalon Academy, Kushtia, has left Kushtia on March 13 for Calcutta on an invitation by West Bengal government of India to join a Lalon musical soiree to be held in 5 towns of West Bengal including Calcutta.

The group comprises of 20 including some artistes. The group is led by Advocate Md Rezaul Huq, Secretary, Lalon Academy and Abdur Rashid Chowdhury a member of the academy.

The artistes are Fakir Abdul Razzaq, Nazrul Islam, Shah Alam, Latif Shahi, Abdur Rab Fakir, Fakir Monohar Shah, Naimul Karim, Melal, Abdul Kuddus, Pagla Baul, Parveen Selina Akbar Chumki, Kangalim Sufia, Aklima Khutun, Sumi, Shaikha Boni, Babar Ali, Masud Koraishi and Aniruddha Benarjee.

Killer father gets life-term

From Our Correspondent

JHENIDAH, Mar 17: A father was accused life imprisonment and fined Taka five thousand and a step mother was awarded seven days' imprisonment for killing their son.

Khademul Islam Mohammad Belal, District and Sessions Judge, Jhenidah delivered the judgement recently, according to court sources.

The case in brief was that accused Mizanur Rahman of village Jadabpur in Munespur thana of the district entered into the house of Fazlur Rahman of the same village and allegedly throttled Uzzal, 8, with the help of Sabeda Khatun, the step mother of the victim recently.

According to a competent source, heavy siltation is threatening navigability of Mongla Port. As a result, foreign ships have to fully depend on high-tide for arrival and departure.

Besides, the sunken ships at the Passur channel are yet to be salvaged. The sunken ships posing serious threat for operational works.

Illegal gratification business

From Staff Correspondent

KHULNA, Mar 17: Members belonging to Mongla Dock Labour Management Board are allegedly realising 'Bakhshish' (reward) from stevedores through different machinations including threat of strike.

As a result, the stevedores are being compelled to pay about ten crore taka every year in the name of 'Bakhshish' which in other sense of the term is illegal gratification.

The illegal gratification is demanded by the workers when cargo handling operation begins. They 'blackmail' the stevedores threatening strike till money is paid in full. A spokesman of the Dock Labour Management Board alleged that workers do not start work until and unless the amount of reward (illegal gratification) is declared.

According to Port Users' Association, dock labourers stop work if so-called reward is not paid well in advance as per demand. Works in the ships begin only when the matter of reward is settled.

Stevedores have to pay over two lakh and fifty thousand taka every day per ship as reward, it was learnt. They have

Kidnapped BCL leader released

From Our Correspondent

JHENIDAH, Mar 17: Kidnapped BCL leader, Matiur Rahman Mati, was released after 10 hours of kidnapping on Saturday morning, according to police sources.

Police said, Mati, 28, president of Bangladesh Chhatra League Kaliganj thana unit in Jhenidah district was abducted by a gang of armed men at about 10.30 am on March 15 near Bishokhali bazar.

Later, he was released at about 8.30 pm near Kaliganj in Jhenidah district.

Two including girl commit suicide

From Our Correspondent

KISHOREGANJ, Mar 17: A young girl and an old man committed suicide in Kishoreganj district recently.

Police sources said, Rima Akhtar, 15, daughter of Abdul Zobbar of village Bara Azaladi in Pakundia thana swallowed poison for unknown reason recently. She was immediately admitted into Pakundia Health Complex where she breathed her last. The relatives who attended the patient fled the scene immediately after her death. She was suffering from mental disorder, police said quoting the villagers.

Two jailed for possessing illegal drugs

SYLHET, Mar 17: Two people including a woman were awarded seven years rigorous imprisonment (RI) on Tuesday with a fine of Tk 10,000 each, in default, to suffer another six months RI for possessing phenylid here, reports UNB.

According to the prosecution story, police arrested Obaidul Haque and Hafiza Begum along with 235 bottles of phenylid from Kajal Shah area in the town on September 16, 1994. Later, police filed a case against them under Special Powers Act, Special Tribunal and Additional Sessions Judge Nazrul Islam delivered the judgement after examining the records and witness.

Another report adds: Police in separate drives rounded up eight people from different places of the district last week.

Acting on a tip-off, police arrested Jiliu Mia, wanted in connection with a murder case, from Naljor in Balaganj thana on March 10.

On the same day, another wanted accused Mahmud Hosain of village Noyapatan was nabbed from Iashupur village.

In another drive, police arrested Joynal Mia, Dudu Mia, Moizamul Ali and Arjadullah from Fenchuganj thana on various charges.

Police also arrested Majid, a dacoit, from Islampur Vatpara area on Thursday.

A murder case was filed with Lalmoham thana in this connection. The assistant superintendent of police (ASP), Bhola visited the spot.

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No. HDRI/Medi/Store/Instruments/1/96-97

Tender Notice

In view of purchasing/procuring some medical instruments from additional budget allocation under head MSR (Instruments) of the Hospital for the Disabled & Rehabilitation Institute, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka during 1996-97 financial year, tenders in prescribed schedule under sealed cover are invited only from the genuine importers, manufacturers or local agents of manufacturers. Tender schedule will be available on depositing Tk 750/- (seven hundred fifty) only (non-refundable) as price of the schedule through Treasury Challan under head '36-Health & Family Welfare' and applying in company's firm's own pad with the original copy of the challan everyday from 22-3-97 to 24-3-97 during office hours (except on holiday) from 9-00 AM to 2-30 PM from the office of the undersigned/office of the Dhaka Divisional Commissioner, 1st 12-storey Govt office building, 2nd floor, Room No. 206. Tender schedule will not be sold under any circumstance after the prescribed date.

Tender box will be set at the office of the undersigned & office of the Additional Commissioner (overall) Dhaka and tender should be dropped in the boxes at the said places on 30-3-97 from 9-00 AM to 1-00 PM. Tender box will be opened on the same day at 1-30 PM in presence (if any) of the tenderers or their nominated representatives.

Earnest money at the rate 1% of total quoted price must be deposited in the form of Bank Draft/Pay Order (refundable) from any scheduled bank in favour of Director, Hospital for the Disabled & Rehabilitation Institute with the tender. Successful tenderer shall have to deposit security money at the rate of 5% at the time of work order.

Terms & conditions described in the tender schedule must be compiled with properly. Medical instruments should be as per specification given in the tender schedule. Original catalogue of medical instruments must be submitted with the tender and name of manufacturing firm, address & description should be stated in the catalogue. Otherwise, tender not conforming with specification & without catalogue will be treated as cancelled.

Same person owning more than one firm can buy & submit schedule in the name of only one firm. The authority reserves the right to reject/accept any or all tenders without assigning any reason.

Other terms & conditions and rules & regulations of tender will be available with the schedule.

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