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Medical college

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the Community Based Medical

College at Mymensingh has been announced on last Satur-

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written test for admission into 1st year MBBS course for the

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Bangladesh (CBMC,B), the press

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98, 89, 55, 77, 66, 52, 93, 84, 65,

107, 62, 82, 90, 103 95, 101, 91,

44, 49, 81, 48, 71, 63, 73, 43, 75,

Transportation of

stones from

Jaflong, Sripur

yet to resume

SYLHET, May 26: Trans-

portation of stones and sands

from Jaflong and Sripur areas

could not be resumed Sunday

even after the withdrawal of the

nonstop transport strike Sat-

As the transport workers

called their strike off, about

10,000 local workers, engaged

in loading trucks, enforced a

fresh strike demanding wage

stranded in the areas from

where stones and sands are

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The cyclone victims said

Madrasa premises.

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JAMALPUR, May 26: Trans-portation of fertiliser to 16 northern districts of the country remained halted for fifth consecutive day today due to an indefinite transport strike in

the district, reports UNB.

The district transport workers' union enforced the strike on Wednesday, protesting the killing of a transport worker, Jagadish Chandra.

Fertilizer dealers and leaders of transport owners' associations at the monthly meeting of Law and Order Committee today alleged that an unspecified number of fertiliser-laden trucks were stranded at different points on Dhaka-Mymensingh road.

The meeting was held at the DC's office with Deputy Com missioner of the district in the

The transport owners told the meeting that they were incurring a loss of Tk three lakh every day due to the strike.

Negligence of docs behind death of patient at Pabna Mental Hospital

PABNA, May 26: A patient of Pabna Mental Hospital died due to the alleged negligence of the attending doctors, reports UNB.

The relatives of the deceased Moslem Hawladar claimed that Moslem was admitted to the hospital for mental problem not for any physical disease. While contacted Director of

the Hospital Reazuddin told UNB that the patient died due to massive heart attack. Firmly refuting the allegation, he said the attending doctors took good care of the patient. Moslem Hawladar, 37, of vil-

lage Manpasha in Jhalakati district was admitted to the hospital 15 days ago.

Imams' confee in M'bazar

From Our Correspondent MOULVIBAZAR, May 26: A conference of 'Imams' who were trained by the Islami Foundation was held at M Saifur Rahman auditorium here recently.

Presided over by M Mazharul Islam, Superintendent of Police (SP), Moulvibazar district, the Imams' conference was attended by Abdur Rab Hawlader, Additional District Majistrate of Moulvibazar district as the chief guest.

The conference was addressed, among others, by ANM Abdur Razzak, Deputy Director of the Islamic Foundation. Moulvibazar, Maulana Moshahid Ali, president of Moulvibazar district Imam Samity and Maulana Nurul Islam Sharitpuri, General Secretary of the Samity.

A total of 100 Imams took part in the day long conference. according to an official source of the Islamic Foundation, Moulvibazar.

Day-time burglary at Sylhet town

SYLHET, May 26: Valuables worth about Tk 1.25 lakh were looted in a broad day light dacoity at a residence in the town here on Tuesday, reports UNB.

The robbers broke open the gates and doors of Shahidul Amin and looted 15 tola gold, one VCR, cash 15,000 taka and other valuables in the absence of the inmates of the residence. A case was filed with Kotwali police in this connection. Police visited the spot.

According to another report, some unknown hoodlums set fire to the Power Development Board truck which was seized in connection with an accident at Ambarkhana area on Thursday

On getting information fire brigade squad reached there and brought the fire under control. The truck was seized in the night before for a head on collision with a taxi. The partially burnt truck is now under police custody.

Steps underway to ensure thana level health services: Yusuf

KHULNA. May 26: Health and Family Welfare Minister Salahuddin Yu**suf s**aid work on formulation of national health policy is on to ensure health services for all, reports UNB.

He said necessary steps are being taken so that the thana level health centres can provide proper services to the people. He also mentioned that the present government has regularised some 5000 doctors in their services and will recruit 1000 more doctors in the near future.

The minister said this while speaking at a seminar on liver diseases jointly organised by Japan-Bangladesh Health Centre and Society of Gastroantrology at a local hotel here on Sunday.

Dr Shamsur Rahman. Khulna chapter president of Bangladesh Medical Association, presided over the seminar while KCC Mayor Sheikh Toyebur Rahman, Prof Dr Mobin Khan, Prof Mahmud, Japanese representative MS Harde Kimura and president of Japan-Bangladesh Health Centre Dr Alimuzzaman and its general secretary Dr Tozammel Hosain Joarder attended the seminar

as special guests A Japanese team also attended the seminar.



TOO MEAGRE RELIEF FOR TOO MANY PEOPLE: As soon as a helicopter of Bangladesh Air Force (BAF) landed at Sandwip carrying relief materials, hundreds of cyclone victims gheroed it with a glimmer of hope. But many of them returned empty-handed as the relief goods were just a consolation -Star Photo by SK Enamul Haq

Minor boy killed in clash over trifling matter

From Our Correspondent KUSHTIA, May 26: A minor boy was killed, three persons injured and a house was set on fire over a trifling matter in Bheramara thana of the district on Saturday.

An altercation ensued when Rahis Promanik and his associates took away some watermelons from the field of Rashedul Islam of village Chargolapnagar Dhakapara under Beramara thana on May 21. This incident has aroused the anger of Rahis Pramanik. He and his associates attacked the house of Rashedul causing injury to Rashedul, 35, his wife, son Kader, 4, and brother Ohidul. Injured Kader succumbed to his injuries later on The attackers also set on line the house of Rashedul. As a result properties worth Taka one lakh gutted, family sources

Meanwhile, Bheramara police visited the place of occur-

Woman killed in train accident

SYLHET, May 26: A housewife named Anwara Begum. 22, met her tragic and when the inter city train Parabat dashed her at Kazirgaon near Moglabazar rail station on Friday, reports UNB.

According to witnesses, the train hit the victim, Anwara, when she was crossing the rail line with a pitcher near her

Railway police recovered the body after 26 hours of the accident. The police sent the body for post-mortem. A case was filed in this connection.

Two alleged terrorists arrested

From Our Correspondent KUSHTIA, May 26: Two alleged terrorists were arrested from Kamolapara area in the town by Kushtia Police Saturday night. Police also recovered two arms and ammunition.

The arrested persons are: Biplob, 24, of Millpara and Masud, 25, of Garagani under Soilkupa thana.

On their confession police recovered one shutter gun, one pipe gun (Maskat), one round of rifle ammunition and one round of shot gun cartridge.

A case has been registered with Kushtia, police station in this connection.

Housewife commits suicide

SIRAJGANJ, May 26: A young housewife allegedly committed suicide in sadar thana here on Thursday night. reports UNB.

Family sources said Aawara Khatun, 19, of Bahuka village in the thana following a family feud allegedly committed suicide by hanging herself from the ceiling of her house. She was pregnant for four months.

Police sent the body to hospital morgue for autopsy and a case was filed in this connec-

16 arrested in Kushtia

From Our Correspondent KUSHTIA, May 26: Kushtia police in different raids arrested 16 accused persons from various places of Kushtia sadar thana in two days, according to police sources.

The arrested persons also include absconding accused

Smuggled goods worth Tk 37 cr seized from S-W border in 1996

NARAIL, May 26: Bangladesh Rifles, in separate raids during the last year. seized smuggled goods worth about Tk 37.02 crore from different border areas of Jhenidah, Chuadanga, Kushtia, Satkhira, Jessore and Jhenidah districts, reports UNB.

According BDR sources, of the total, goods worth Tk 18.31 crore were seized from different border areas of Jhenidah, Chuadanga and Kushtia districts from January 1 to December 31 in 1996.

The contrabands worth about Tk 14.53 crore were seized while being smuggled into the country and goods worth about Tk 3.77 crore were recovered while being smuggled out of the

Some 5,783 cases were filed

with the police and 357 people were arrested during the period. From Satkhira, BDR jawans seized goods amounting Tk 1.71 crore. Total 2933 cases were filed with the police in the district and 203 people were held.

The sources also said 22 battalion of BDR seized goods worth about Tk 17 crore from Jessore and a portion of Jhenidah districts during the year. They also filed 2,864 cases and arrested 176 people.

The incoming smuggled goods included saree, blouse pieces, sugar, salt, readymade garments, bicycle parts and different types of fruits, motor parts, bullocks, buffaloes, fishing hooks, computer parts, phensidyl syrup, heroin, ganja, wine, imitation ornaments, cosmetics, tortoise, jute seeds, spare parts of radio and television, shallow machine, different types of medicine, cassette players, kerosene and bed

Out going goods seized included copper, brass, silk, yarn, nut, silver, tape recorders and Hilsha fish.



Erosion of the river Brahamaputra has taken serious turn at village Dhutichora under - Star photo Gaibandha sadar.

Concern over rise in copying in HSC exam

From Our Correspondent

MOULVIBAZAR, May 26: Copying in mass scale in the Higher Secondary Certificate (HSC) examination halls

of Moulvibazar district has created an alarm in the society. Many outsiders including non-examinee students are reportedly seen in some centres to help examinees by supplying copies in presence of the members of law-enforcing agencies Even after taking sincere etforts by the government to en-

3 members of a family beaten to death

SATKHIRA, May 26: Three members of a family were beaten to death by an alleged madcap of the same family at Machhranga village in Kaliganj thana here on Monday, reports

Police said, Kausar Ali, 45, beat his father Hazer Ali Gayen 75, mother Amena Khatun 65. and his wife Elisa Bibi 35, by a bamboo pillar of his house.

According to the villagers, Kausar went berserk following

a quarrel with his father and beat them to death one after another. His three sons managed to escape attack. The bodies were sent to hospital morgue for autopsy. Police

arrested Kausar and a case has

been filed

sure fair examination, vandalism is going on unabated inside examination centres of the district. It is also alleged, some workers of different student organisations are inspiring their supporters to adopt unfair means in the examination

However, a total of 230 candidates of HSC examinations have been expelled from seven centres in Moulvibazar district till May-24, official sources

Of the total, 69 candidates have been expelled from Moulvibazar Government College and Moulvibazar Women's College centres, 44 from Kamalgonj Degree College centre, 41 from Kulaura Degree College centre, 31 from Rajnagar Degree College centre, 13 from Baralekha Degree College centre and 32 from Sreemongal Government College centre for adopting unfairmeans during the last eight days of examination.

A total of 7234 students enlisted their names for sitting in this year's HSC examinations. Of them 7,114 candidates are appearing in the examinations, while another 120 candidates remained absent from the first day of examination.

However, invigilators of some HSC examination centres of the district told this correspondent that they are helpless in the face of the mastans. When an attempt is made to seize the copies, they protest it unitedly. The examinees often

threaten the invigilators of harassments. It is further alleged, female invigilators are being misbehaved by the male exam-

At least two teachers have been reportedly harassed by the students at Moulvibazar and Sreemongal Government College centres on May-12 and May-20.

On the other hand, the mag istrates attending the examina tion centres of the district exert pressure on the invigilators to expel the examinees adopting unfair means. The magistrates warn the teachers of expulsion if they fail to comply with the order.

In such a situation the invigilator teachers find themselves in an awkward position.

One murdered in Kishoreganj

KISHOREGANJ, May 26: One person was killed in an attack allegedly by his brother and nephews in Pakundia thana of the district on Friday night, reports UNB. Suruj Ali, 50, of Char Naya-

para village succumbed to his injuries at Sadar hospital at 11:30 pm. Over a family dispute, police said, Suruj was attacked by his

younger brother, Nurul Islam,

and two nephews at 3 pm. He

was critically wounded. Police arrested Nurul Islam from Saildani village in the

fuel wood in Khulna

Acute crisis of

From Staff Correspondent KHULNA, May 26: Acute crisis of fuel wood has been persisting in the city. According to official statistics, about seven lakh out of 12 lakh population use fuel wood for cooking, while over three lakh people use electric heaters. Over fifty thousand people use LP gas in the city. while about five thousand use kerosine and nearly seventyfive thousand use wood dust and left-overs of match factories. Many families use husk and coal when prices of LP gas and fuel wood soar up.

According to the same source, nine lakh metric tons of wood are required annually for seven lakh people. About eighty per cent of the total need is met by cutting trees from the Sundarbans. But wood traders are failing to meet the need due to growing demand. Prices are also soaring day by day. One maund of Garan wood was sold at Taka 80 last year. This year it is being sold at Taka 120 per maund. Users of fuel wood are now fed up with the price-hike. During rainy season prices increase by 25 to 30 pc per maund.

Felling of trees for fuel wood is denuding the Sundarbans. Power Development Board (PDB) is losing revenue income of crores of takas due to unauthorised use of electric heaters. A section of engineers and metre readers are being bribed for the purpose.

Although demand is growing, the crisis of LP gas remains. The dealers of LP gas are creating artificial crisis for making profit which they are not legally entitled to. At present, a cylinder of LPG is being sold at Taka 450 instead of selling it at the price of Taka 195 which was fixed by the govern-

Plan to help reach health services to door-steps of rural people: Rab

RAMGATI (Lakkhipur), May 26: Shipping Minister ASM Abdur Rab said the present government has taken programmes to help reach the education and health services to the door-steps of the rural people, reports UNB.

The minister called upon the people to acquire knowledge on health education so that they can fight outbreak of diseases like diarrhoea and cholera.

He was speaking at the inaugural function of the newly built Alexander Union Health and Family Welfare Centre as the chief quest on Saturday, said an official handout. Later, the minister dis-

tributed certificates among the best teachers and students of the thana. He also visited some cyclone affected areas and distributed relief materials among the victims.

Contraband items confiscated

SYLHET, May 26: A special team of Bangladesh Rifles seized 25 kg ganja and 40 kg sugar in a drive within Risanakandi and Utsaborder areas on Wednesday, reports

Acting on a tip-off, the jawans raided the area and seized the contraband items. The goods were deposited with the customs godown.

Meanwhile, the BDR jawans on Tuesday, acting on a secret information, conducted a raid in a bus on Sylhet-Zokiganj road at Shagola and seized Indian medicine worth Tk several thousands.

Separate cases were lodged with the police.

Relief in cyclone hit Ctg Many of them had to return empty handed

CHITTAGONG, May 26: Some 1.500 cyclone-affected people at a relief distribution 1,600 acres of land were damcentre here Sunday demanded a team comprising thana agrihouse building grants and ma-terials along with foodstuff, reculture officer, Army represen-tatives, local leaders of Awami

ports UNB. They went to receive relief materials at the centre at a village of Nolua union in Satkania thana but many of them had to return empty handed.

For the union, the thana administration sanctioned 600 kilograms of rice, 90 pieces of saree, 10 jericans, 12 old gar-ments and 21 pieces of utensils. "These were the first relief

materials received from thana headquarters this morning af-ter Monday's cyclone," said Ab-dul Kabir, the union parishad chairman of Nolua.

Some 15,000 people of 2,200 families of the union fell victims to the cyclone. About 90 per cent kutcha houses of the area and standing crops on

Accused murderer arrested

MADARIPUR, May 26: Police on Friday arrested Nirmol Mondol of Mohishmori village in Rajoir thana here on charge of killing his daughter, reports

According to villagers, after the murder Nirmol hid his daughter Sangeeta, 2, under water following a family feud.
Police recovered the body and sent it for post-mortem. A

case has been filed with the po-

Three killed in Noakhali road accidents

NOAKHALI, May 26: Three people were killed and three others injured in separate road accident in the district police said, reports UNB. Basu, 50, of Begumganj

a wayside shop at Ramjanbibi in Begumganj thana at 4 pm. Three people were also injured in the incident. The inured were admitted to Sadar

thana and an unidentified man

lost their lives when a truck hit

hospital. In another accident one Nur Mohammad of Senbagh thana succumbed to his injuries on his way to hospital at 5:30 pm. He was wounded when a microbus dashed him from behind at Senbagh at 5 pm.

supplied to the district headquarters and elsewhere of the country. NGO director allegedly lifts

trees worth Tk 10 lakh From Our Correspondent

JHENIDAH, May 26; A directrees. tor of an NGO has allegedly stolen trees worth about Taka ten lakh from Ganges Kobadak (GK) canal areas in Sailkupa thana of the district, according

o police sources.

Police said, Humayun Kabir Director, Consciousness Raising Centre (CRC) a local NGO at Jhenidah alongwith three other associates cut 400 pieces of Ipil-Ipil trees from Damukdia and Roverah area between March 25 and April 22. Hearing the information the Thana Nirbahi Officer (TNO), Sailkupa lodged a case with Sailkupa thana and police arrested a saw-mill owner in this connection, while the director and two others managed to flee. Police also seized about 70 maunds of

stolen wood from a saw-mill. When contacted, Ziauddin Ahmed, TNO, Sailkupa said that the director was selected as the caretaker of the Ipil-Ipil

He had earlier submitted a prayer to give an auction of 47 pieces of trees which laid down

on ground. The Deputy Commissioner, Jhenidah adviced the TNO. Sailkupa to submit a report of feasibility. But the said director started cutting the trees without permission of the authorities.

Local people said, at least 1000 trees were cut. The price was estimated to be about Taka

10 lakh. The Investigation Officer (IO) of the case said that he was not in a position to submit chargesheet against the accused director as the seized trees were not yet sold by auction. It may be noted here that the BCS officers' association planted Ipil-Ipil saplings on both sides of GK canal on about 10 kilometres area in Sailkupa thana in

Sirajpur haor project work progressing

From Our Correspondent KUSHTIA, May 26: The work of Sirajpur haor project under Khoksa thana in the district has been progressing last, ac-

cording to official sources. The work includes re-excavation of 6,370-kilometre Siraipur haor, a tributary of the River Gorai and funded by Asian Development Bank (ADB). The project is being implemented by Local Government Engineering Department (LGED) at a cost of Taka 73 lakh 80 thousand.

When completed this project will benefit two thousand villagers living by the side of the

Fake examinee arrested

SIRAJGANJ, May 26: A fake HSC examinee was arrested from a college centre in Kamarkhand thana today, reports

Police said Anwar Hossain, wearing a saree and a veil, sat for the Islamic History second paper exams impersonating his aunt Hasina Khatoon.

Invigilator Jamal Uddin of Haji Korab Ali College centre detected the fake examinee about one hour after the exami-

nation began. Anwar, son of Moulana Abdus Sattar of Testokpara village in the thana and a first year Fazel student of Kamarkhand Alia Madrassah, was later

handed over to police.

4 convicted for forging land documents

From Fakrun Nessa KUSHTIA, May 26: Four persons were sentenced to seven years of imprisonment here in a recent judgement for forging document of a piece of land and selling it to another person. The judge, during his announcement of the said punishment, also found no evidences linked with the crime against four other accused and acquainted than all of them of the charges.

Moktar Hossain, Nasiruddin alias Shafiul Islam, Jaharuddin and AHM Alam Khan. The allegations said that the accused persons forged a deed paper of a piece of a land, belonging to Juniadah High

The convicted persons are,

School in Bheramara thana, and was sold to an interested buyer. A teacher of the same school detecting the forgery attempt informed the matter to the concerned department in a written

One killed over land dispute

SIRAJGANJ, May 26: One person was killed and another injured in an attack at Ullapara thana of the district Friday police said, reports UNB. The deceased was identified

as Jamal, 30, son of Sirajul Haque, of Saindal Salpa village. Seriously wounded Sirajul was admitted to Sadar hospital. Police said Jamal's uncle

Jainal Abedin, equipped with deshi weapons, made the attack over a land dispute

Jamal died on the spot.