

RUTA's concern over campus situation

From RU Correspondent

RAJSHAHI, June 7: Rajshahi University Teachers' Association (RUTA) at an emergency meeting held recently termed the situation on Rajshahi University campus as suffocating.

They expressed their concern for alleged failure of the government to restore congenial atmosphere on the campus. At a resolution taken in the meeting with Prof M Shahidul Islam in the chair the meeting said Rajshahi University remained paralysed since last two months due to terrorism unleashed by Islami Chhatra Shibir (ICS). It will be suicidal for the government to remain silent in this critical moment, the resolution said.

The present complicated sit-

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Prizes awarded to school children

NETROKONA, June 7: The annual prize giving ceremony of Netrakona Holy Child Kindergarten School was held at Mohua auditorium here on May 23, reports BSS.

Fazlur Rahman Khan, MP and Deputy Commissioner, Netrakona, Ali Akber Hussain Akhund attended the ceremony as chief guest and special guest respectively. Principal of the kindergarten school Kamrunnesa Asraf was in the chair. The function was addressed, among others, by prominent freedom fighter Asraf Ali Khan Khasru. The function was rounded off with a musical soiree.

Angry villagers damage dacoit's eyes

JHALAKATI, June 7: Angry villagers beat up an alleged dacoit mercilessly and damaged his eyes at Diakul village in Sadar thana on Sunday night, reports UNB.

Police sources said villagers nabbed Sultan Khan, 30, when he was roaming suspiciously at night in the village and after a good beating they poured washing soda on his eyes. Sultan, son of Moksed Ali, of Hallagati village in Sadar, was wanted in connection with a dacoity case with Rajapur thana. Villagers handed over the dacoit to police on Monday.

Cop killed in road mishap

RANGPUR, June 7: A police constable was killed in a road accident in Pirkonji thana here on Rangpur-Bogra highway on Thursday, reports UNB.

Police sources said on-duty constable Fulizar Hossain, 40, of Borodanga highway police camp was seriously injured when a speeding truck hit him from behind at 9 pm. He was rushed to Rangpur Medical College Hospital where he succumbed to his injuries. Body of the victim was sent to the morgue for autopsy. A case has been lodged in this connection. The driver of the truck fled away with his vehicle.

Canal reexcavation completed

PATUAKKALI, June 7: The reexcavation of 3.9 kilometres long Golbunji Bharani canal in Barguna district has been completed recently at a cost of Taka 21.16 lakh, reports BSS.

Deputy Commissioner of Barguna Md Asgar Ali inaugurated the canal at a function. The reexcavation had begun on January 8 last. Among others, Engineer of Local Government Engineering Department Amrita Lal Mazumdar, Additional Deputy Commissioner (General) Md Shahiful Miah, Thana Nirbahi Officer, Barguna sadar AK Das and General Secretary of Barguna Press Club Hasanur Rahman were present on the occasion.

Donation to relief fund

MEHERPUR, June 7: The officials and employees of Deputy Commissioner's office and two TNO offices in the district have donated their one day salary to the PM's Relief Fund for the cyclone victims, reports UNB.

Deputy Commissioner Mohammad Samsul Haq sent a bank draft of Tk 16,000 to the fund on Wednesday.

Earlier, teachers of Mujib Nagar Simanta Degree College donated their one day salary amounting Tk 3,000 to the fund.

Murderer gets life term

MAGURA, June 7: A man was awarded life imprisonment in absentia in a murder case, court sources here said, reports UNB.

According to the prosecution story, Akram Hossain Molla of Mausha village in Mohammadpur thana killed his brother Akbar Hossain Molla on June 13, 1994 following a family feud. Akram went into hiding after the murder. A case was filed and police after investigation submitted charge-sheet against the accused. After examining the witnesses and records, District and Sessions Judge M Abdul Hai awarded the punishment on May 29 in a crowded court.

Steps to make Vitamin-A week successful

MANIKGANJ, June 7: The local administration has undertaken all out measures to make the 'Vitamin-A Week' a success, reports BSS.

A four-day advocacy meeting to ensure better coordination among the officials and employees of seven thanas of the district to observe the 'Vitamin-A Week' ended on Thursday. Officials and employees of Family Planning and Health Department, representatives from non-government organisations, school teachers, local leaders, UP chairman and local politicians attended the meeting.

BKB loan disbursed among farmers

RAJBARI, June 7: Bangladesh Krishibank (BKB) disbursed Tk 8.67 crore loan among the farmers of the district during the current fiscal year, reports UNB.

According to official sources, 9,214 farmers received the loan through the 11 branches of the bank. Of the amount, Tk 6.12 crore were distributed for vegetable cultivation and the rest Tk 2.64 for other purposes including dairy firms, pisciculture, purchasing of bullocks, betel leaf farming and irrigation. During the period, the bank also realised Tk 9 crore from 8,000 farmers of the district.

Man commits suicide

HABIGANJ, June 7: A man allegedly committed suicide by hanging in a residential hotel in the town here, said a delayed report, reports UNB.

Bashir Ahmed of Sangram Rai area in Baniachang thana of the district, hanged himself from a mosquito net stand in room number 109 of Bananai hotel on May 27. He was an accused of a criminal case for forgery. He forged the signature and seal of the then Prime Minister Khaleda Zia to apply for lease of a government land. Frustration may be the reason behind the suicide. A case was filed with the police.

LGED implementing 25 projects

TANGAIL, June 7: Local Government Engineering Department (LGED) is implementing 25 projects in Madhupur and Shakhipur thanas in the current fiscal year at a cost of Tk 12.11 lakh, reports BSS.

Official sources said, the projects include the repair work of one college, six schools, one police camp and construction of one community centre. A total of 16 culverts will also be built under the projects. The projects will be completed by this month, the sources added.

Workshop on mother-child care

SUNAMGONJ, June 7: A day long training workshop on mother and child health development organised by district information office was held at Dera Thana Parishad auditorium on May 31, reports BSS.

Deputy Commissioner Iqbal Hussain Khan was present as chief guest. A total of 40 persons including teachers, journalists, union parishad chairmen and imams participated in the workshop.

Dacoity at Baherchar bazar

PATUAKHALI, June 7: A dacoity was committed in Baherchar bazar of the district on May 24 last, reports BSS.

It is alleged that a group of dacoits numbering about 8/10 raided a shop owned by one Kallayan Brata Roy of the bazar and snatched away Tk one lakh on gun point. When one employee of the shop raised alarm the dacoits decamped with the booty. A case was filed with the Bauphal thana in this connection.

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Natore Sub-jail hit by accommodation problem

From Our Correspondent

NATORE, June 7: The inmates of the district sub-jail, have been facing an acute accommodation problem.

The jail has a capacity to accommodate only 98 prisoners, including 10 female prisoners. But most of the time, the number of prisoners exceeds its capacity by 4 times.

At present there are 389 prisoners, including 7 women in the sub-jail.

Besides, there is no separate accommodation for jail superintendent, doctor, pharmacist and jail subedar.

The jailor in-charge performs his duties in a tin-shed. The main gate and the passage

of the jail is very narrow and the security gates are too close to the main gate.

Moreover, the jail has no transport of its own to transfer prisoners.

The district sub-jail has only 5 cells including a women cell. 8 toilets including 5 attached with the cells, only 4 tubewells which are completely inadequate for 300 to 400 prisoners.

The inmates have to sleep at night by turn. During the rainy season after a heavy shower, the situation worsens. Water accumulates in the jail compound and remains stagnant for long.

Most often water enters into the prisoner's cells also.

The jail was first constructed in 1921 on a one-acre land when population of the district was thin. The population of the district is now about 14 lakh.

Meanwhile, observing the deplorable condition of the jail, a decision was taken to build a full-fledged district jail in 1991.

The new site of the proposed district jail has been selected at Boro Harishpur area, 3 km off the town on Natore-Dhaka highway in 1994. But construction works of the proposed district jail is yet to be started.



Acute scarcity of water has been prevailing at Bani Santa, a village situated on the other side of Mongla Port. The inhabitants of this area have to purchase water from far away. In the picture, a local resident of the area is purchasing water from a boat. — Star photo by A K M Mohsin

150 houses gutted in Nilphamari

NILPHAMARI, June 7: Six people were injured and 150 houses gutted in a fire at Angarpura village in Sadar thana recently, reports UNB.

Firebrigade sources said the fire originated from an woven at about 2 pm. Valuables, including cash and ornaments, worth about Tk 10 lakh were gutted in the fire.

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