

News snaps

Tk 15cr Saidpur Poura budget
SAIDPUR (Nilphamari), June 27: A surplus budget of Taka 15 crore 75 lakh and 40 thousand of Saidpur Pourasava for the 1997-98 fiscal year was announced here recently by the Pourasava Chairman, Amjad Hosain, reports BSS.

Tk 4cr Sherpur Poura budget
BOGRA, June 27: A Tk 4.04 crore budget for Sherpur Pourasava for the fiscal 1997-98 was announced on Wednesday, reports UNB.

Tk 4cr Rangamati Municipality Budget
RANGAMATI, June 27: Khagrachhari Municipality has announced a budget of Taka 4.39 crore for the 1997-98 fiscal year, reports BSS.

Efforts on to achieve economic uplift
NARAYANGANJ, June 27: Minister for LGRD and Co-operatives Zillur Rahman said here recently that the main goal of the present democratic government was to attain economic development by building roads, bridges and culverts in the rural areas, reports BSS.

Bandarban Press Club executives
BANDARBAN, June 27: An 11-member executive committee of Bandarban Press Club was elected here on Thursday, reports UNB.

Tk 55 lakh Land tax realised
PIROJPUR, June 27: Revenue Department realised Tk 55 lakh as land development tax through 21 tahsil offices of the district in first nine months of the outgoing fiscal against the target of Tk 99 lakh, reports UNB.

River erosion renders 50,000 homeless
NOAKHALI, June 27: Unabated erosion by the river Meghna left nearly 50,000 people in Hatia thana of the district homeless in last 25 years, reports UNB.

Girl violated by miscreants
GAZIPUR, June 27: A case was filed for abducting and violating a teen-age girl by an armed gang in the sadar thana here on Monday, police said, reports UNB.

7-man Mymensingh BDRCS executives
MYMENSINGH, June 27: A seven-member executive committee of the Bangladesh Red Crescent Society (BDRCS), Mymensingh district unit has recently been elected unanimously with Captain (ret'd) Dr Mujib and advocate Mahmud al-Noor Tareq as Vice-Chairman and General Secretary respectively, reports BSS.

BRDB loan for 30 coop bodies
SUNAMGANJ, June 27: Bangladesh Rural Development Board (BRDB) has distributed loan to the tune of Taka one crore forty lakh among 30 cooperative bodies during the current financial year, reports BSS.

Doctors shortage in Sirajganj hospital
SIRAJGANJ, June 27: People of the district are deprived of proper health care due to various problems of the hospitals and health centres in eight thanas, reports UNB.

Raipur Postmaster sacked
NARSINGDI, June 27: A postmaster in Raipur thana has been sacked on charge of misappropriating bank drafts and money orders, reports UNB.

Cyclone victims' houses to be repaired
COMPANIGANJ, June 27: Dwelling houses for 150 cyclone affected distressed families will be constructed here soon at a cost of Tk 12 lakh, reports UNB.

602 FWP projects for jobless
MANIKGANJ, June 27: A total of 602 rural infrastructural development projects taken up under Food for Works Programme (FWP) in all the seven thanas and one pourashawa of the district in the current fiscal are nearing completion, reports BSS.

Vitamin-A Week succeeds in Madaripur
MADARIPUR, June 27: Children between age 1 and 6 were given high potency Vitamin-A capsules in 4 thanas of the district during National Vitamin-A Week, reports BSS.

Extortionists oppressing fishermen
LAXMIPUR, June 27: Hundreds of fishermen of Raipur thana of the district are being oppressed by a group of toll collectors for a long time, reports UNB.

Extortionists oppressing fishermen

Local leaders alleged that the group with the help of influential quarters collect tolls from the fishermen and torture them mercilessly on the refusal to pay the same.

They have already set up five ghats in the coastal areas for collecting tolls, they said. The fishermen time and again urged the authorities concerned to save them from the hands of extortionists but nothing has yet been done in this connection.

Many fishermen, living on the bank of the river Meghna, have already forced to live their houses by the extortionists who are passing their days in great hardships.

The poor fishermen have urged the authorities concerned to take necessary measures against the extortionists so that they can carry out their occupation to eke out their living.

14 alleged terrorists arrested

FENI, June 27: Police, in separate drives, arrested 14 alleged terrorists from Chanpur and Mujumdar hat in Sadar thana and recovered a revolver with bullets last week, reports UNB.

Faruque, 28, Towhid, 25, and Emajuddin Sohad, 28, locally known as terrorists, were arrested from Chanpur village in Lemua union on June 19. Police recovered a loaded revolver from them.

In another drive police nabbed 11 extortionists after raiding the Mujumdar hat on June 17.

The arrested were identified as Shipon, Ekram, Mojibul Haq, Ali Akbar, Mir Kashem, Jahangir, Mojibul Haq, Jasim, Abul Bashar, Saiful Haq and Mujibur Rahman.

All the arrested were sent to the court.

Meanwhile, Bangladesh Rifles recovered Indian smuggled goods worth about Tk 3.63 lakh from two Chittagong bound buses at Chadua rail crossing on Dhaka-Chittagong highway on June 17.

The goods including saree, phensidyl, ponds, powder milk and shaving cream were disposed with the local customs godown.

Scarcity of fish in Faridpur

From Our Correspondent, FARIDPUR, June 27: Acute scarcity of fish in all the markets of the district has been prevailing.

Most of the species of fishes which were usually available during this season are conspicuously not available in the markets. Pubda, raek, tangra, puya, pialee, chital, guzi, are, raina and fasha varieties of fish are altogether out of market.

Other varieties of fish though available in small quantity are selling at a very exorbitant prices.

Successful operation at RMCH

From Our Correspondent, RAJSHAHI, June 27: A patient with a rare disease of brain, Microcephaly with occipitomeningoencephalocoele, was successfully operated upon on Thursday in Rajshahi Medical College Hospital (RMCH).

The patient is well till writing of this report at about 9 pm on Thursday hospital sources said.

The seven-month-old patient, Abdul Alim was born with the disease. A cystic sac developed on the occipital region of the head which had connection with the brain. About four litre cerebrospinal fluid accumulated in the sac.

Dr. Lutfar Rahman, Assistant Professor in Neurosurgery conducted the three-hour long operation. Dr. Syed Amjad Ali, Dr. Gopen, Dr. Pervez, Dr. Manju, Dr. Akhter, Dr. Rubel and others assisted the surgeon.

Prof Lutfar Rahman said that the disease was a fatal one. The patient was well enough till the time of the interview at 9 pm Thursday night.

5 killed in Bogra road accidents

BOGRA, June 27: Five people were killed and six others injured in separate road accidents on Bogra-Nagarbari and Bogra-Joypurhat roads of the district Thursday, reports UNB.



PABNA: The afforestation campaign launched by the Forest Department has become a complete success in Pabna sadar thana. The above picture was taken after the successful drive along two sides of an embankment in the town. — Star photo by Ranesh Maitra

People of Natore express mixed reaction to budget

NATORE, June 27: Different political parties, trade bodies and student organisations expressed their mixed reaction after the presentation of national budget in the Jatiya Sangsad recently.

Advocate Sajedur Rahman Khan, President of the district unit of Awami League hailed the budget, terming it mass-oriented. He said that it would be a mile-stone of massive development. It opened all roads to development turning Bangladesh into Sonar Bangla which was a dream of the father of the nation, Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, he said.

Advocate Hanif Ali Sheikh, General Secretary of the local unit of Awami League also praised the budget. He hoped that it would fulfill the aspirations of the people. He thanked Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina and Finance Minister Shah AMS Kibria for presenting such a welfare-oriented budget. He thanked them for allocating a good amount of money in education and agriculture sectors.

Sirajul Islam, the district unit President of BNP said that it would fail to fulfill the people's hopes and aspirations. It would multiply the sufferings of low income groups.

From Our Correspondent, RUIH Kuddus Talukdar Dulu MP, and General Secretary of the local unit of BNP termed the proposed budget as 'anti-people'.

He said that it would fail to solve the basic problems of the people. He added that the demands of common people particularly the needs of farmers, workers and day labourers were ignored in the budget.

Ex-PM and president of the district Jatiya Party Mujibur Rahman told that there was no difference between the budget of BNP and that of AL. He added that it would make the poor people poorer. Corruptions would increase, number of sick industries would go up and princes of essentials would shoot up following the budget presentation.

MA Mannaf, President of Natore Chamber of Commerce and Industries and National Association of Small and Cottage Industries of Bangladesh, Natore unit criticised the budget. He said it would terribly hit the national economy. He criticised the new budget for expansion of tax network, imposition of surcharge on imports including industrial raw materials and for 'not giving attention' to export-oriented sectors.

He also thanked the Finance Minister for proposing to set up a specialised bank for employing youths and introducing superannuation allowance for uncared and poor elderly people.

Khondaker Md Jubayer Hossain, Chairman of Natore Pourashava termed the budget as a 'negative' document. He said 'there is no direction of establishing new industrial units in the budget. Thus it would not create any scope for creating new employment.' The cost of living would increase following the budget the chairman added.



GOPALGANJ: Garbages are piled up on Khulna Dhaka highway near the town creating road blockade for the plying vehicles. — Star photo

Gopalganj Newsletter

From Our Correspondent, GOPALGANJ, June 27: A training course on guava cultivation concluded at DN High School of village Raghunathpur under Gopalganj sadar thana recently.

The training course was organised by the Agriculture Extension Department (AED). AHM Abu Esha, Deputy Director of AED Gopalganj inaugurated the one day training course as the chief guest.

The ceremony was presided over by Sreebashi Chandra Bain Chairman of Raghunathpur Union Parishad (UP) under Gopalganj Sadar thana. It was addressed, among others, by Mahabub Ali Khan, Organising Secretary of district Awami League and convener of Krishak League's Gopalganj district committee.

Body Recovered
Kasiani thana police of Gopalganj district recovered a dead body recently.

The body was identified as Balal Kumar Sarker of Kasiani thana from a pond. It was floating in a pond beside Ramdia bazar under Kasiani thana.

The victim was a site manager of two contractors of Roads and Highway's Department, Sharafat Hossain Lablu and Anwar Hossain Mukul.

The victim remained missing from Fakra site situated on Gopalganj-Bhatiapara road recently.

The local people of Ramdia bazar saw the unidentified body of the victim and informed to Kasiani police. Police later on recovered the body and sent it to Gopalganj Sadar Hospital for post mortem. Samal's brother

Police on the basis of a case filed by the elder brother of Tara arrested him under Women Repression Act.

Teacher held for torturing wife
KUSHTIA, June 27: A college teacher was held for allegedly torturing his wife in Sadar thana, police said Thursday, reports UNB.

According to police, Shahjahan Hossain, lecturer of Kushtia Adarsha College, used to torture his wife Tara Khatun of Minapara village in Sadar thana for dowry.

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Housewife commits suicide
One Ohirani Biswas, 30, a housewife and mother of 4 children committed suicide by drinking poison recently.

It was learnt that Ohirani Biswas, wife of one Samar Kumar Biswas of village Silna under Gopalganj sadar thana was beaten and seriously injured for dowry allegedly by her near ones.

The victim was admitted to Gopalganj Sadar Hospital by her relatives where she succumbed to her injuries.

Police recovered the body and sent it to Gopalganj morgue for post mortem.

2 killed in separate incidents

From Our Correspondent, SATKHIRA, June 27: An old woman was killed in thunderbolt on June 12.

The victim has been identified as Ambito Bibi, 65, wife of late Hayat Ali of village Kamal Nagar under Satkhira Pourasava.

According to eyewitnesses, a thunderbolt hit her while she was sitting on the verandah of her house. She died on the spot.

Another report adds: One Moiva Khatun, 14, daughter of Mahatab Moral of village Samaria under Tale thana in the district committed suicide by taking pesticides on June 12.

৯/বি, মতিঝিলস্থ অফিস ভবন নির্মাণের কনসালটেন্সি প্রস্তাব আহ্বানের বিজ্ঞপ্তি সময় বর্ধিতকরণ

বিদ্যুৎ ব্যবহারে মিতব্যয়ী হোন

পূর্ত কাজ পরিদপ্তর, ৮০, মহাখালী বাণিজ্যিক এলাকা, ঢাকা-এর শারক নিং-কাজ-৮২/পশিকা/৯৭/৯২ তারিখ ৩-৬-৯৭ইং মোতাবেক বিদ্যুৎ উন্নয়ন বোর্ডের ৯/বি, মতিঝিলস্থ বহুল বিশিষ্ট সূচক (ন্যূনতম ২০-তলা) অফিস ভবন নির্মাণের জন্য স্থাপত্য ও প্রকৌশল বিষয়ে উপদেষ্টা সেবা প্রদানের জন্য উপদেষ্টা ফার্মসমূহ হইতে প্রস্তাব আহ্বান করা হইয়াছে। উক্ত প্রস্তাব আহ্বান ক্রয়ের শেষ তারিখ ২৫-৬-৯৭ইং এবং প্রস্তাব গ্রহণের তারিখ ২৬-৬-৯৭ইং উল্লেখ ছিল। কিন্তু অনিবার্য কারণবশতঃ প্রস্তাব আহ্বানের সময় বর্ধিত করিয়া ক্রয়ের শেষ তারিখ ২৮-৭-৯৭ইং এবং প্রস্তাব গ্রহণের শেষ তারিখ ২৯-৭-৯৭ইং পুনঃ নির্ধারণ করা হইল। প্রস্তাবটি আপনারা ইংরেজীতে ও দাখিল করিতে পারিবেন।

প্রস্তাব প্রদানকারী প্রতিষ্ঠানকে ন্যূনতম ১০-তলা বাণিজ্যিক ভবন/অফিস ভবন নির্মাণের কনসালটেন্সির অভিজ্ঞতা থাকিতে হইবে এবং এ লক্ষ্যে সনদপত্র দাখিল করিতে হইবে। ১০-তলা ভবন নির্মাণের কনসালটেন্সির অভিজ্ঞতা থাকিলেই ইহার নির্মাণ ব্যয় যাহাই হউক না কেন দরপত্র বিক্রি করা হইবে।

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BCIC INTERNATIONAL TENDER NOTICE

বিসিআইসি'র পণ্য শিল্পে জাতীয় অগ্রগতির প্রতীক

The Managing Director, Zia Fertiliser Company Limited, Ashuganj, Brahmanbaria-3403, Bangladesh invites sealed quotation in two envelope system for supply of items against Tender Enquiry Numbers (1) ZFCL/OS-1897(A) Spare Parts for Mechanical Seal and (2) ZFCL/OS-1937 - Various Types of Bearings on C&F(C) Chittagong/Dhaka basis under any suitable source of finance. Tender documents will be available from the office of (1) The Controller of Accounts, BCIC, 30-31, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka (2) Senior General Manager, BCIC Branch Office, 6, Agrabad C/A, Chittagong and (3) General Manager (Accounts & Finance), Zia Fertiliser Company Limited, Ashuganj, Brahmanbaria-3403, Bangladesh on cash payment of Tk 400.00 (non-refundable) per set of each tender document. Tender shall be dropped in the tender box kept in the office of the General Manager (Commercial), Zia Fertiliser Company Limited, Ashuganj, Brahmanbaria-3403, Bangladesh up to 2.30 PM on 06.08.97 with 1% Earnest Money of the total quoted value subject to minimum of Taka 1 (one) thousand which will be opened immediately thereafter. No tender document will be sold on the opening date.

Zia Fertiliser Company Limited reserves the right to accept any tender, reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.

BCIC 533-23/6/97 General Manager (Commercial)
DFP-15162-24/6 Zia Fertiliser Company Limited
G-1749

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Office of the Project Director ADB Assisted Second Health & Family Planning Services Project 52/3, New Eskaton Road, Ramna, Dhaka-1000 Notice Inviting Tender

Memo No PD/ADB-2/BSTI/Dhaka/414/97/806 Dated: 22-6-97
Sealed tenders are hereby invited by the undersigned from the prequalified contractors of ADB Assisted Second Health & Family Planning Services Project for under noted works, the particulars of which are mentioned below:

Sl No	Package No	Name of work	Eligible prequalified contractors	Time of completion
01	XXXVIII	Renovation of Condom Testing Laboratory at BSTI	Category A, B & C	3 months

Tender documents (except drawing) will be sold from the Office of the Project Director (PMU) ADB Assisted Second Health and Family Planning Service Project, 52/3, New Eskaton Road, Ramna, Dhaka-1000 on all working days from 21-6-97 up to 8-7-97 during office hours on each payment of Tk 400.00 (Taka four hundred) per set (non-refundable).

Drawing may be seen and other information may be obtained from the office of the Consulting Engineers, M/S. Development Design Consultants Ltd, House No 33/A, Road No 9/A, Dhanmondi Residential Area, Dhaka-1209 during office hours.

The tenderers should apply in their letter head along with certified photocopy of pre-qualification letter to the undersigned prior to getting permission to purchase the tender documents. Each tender shall be accompanied by an Earnest Money amounting to 2.0% the total quoted amount of the work/package in the form of Bank Draft or Pay Order from any scheduled bank of Bangladesh in favour of Project Director, ADB Assisted Second Health and Family Planning Services Project.

The tenderer(s) shall have to be dropped in the specified box kept in the office of the undersigned Project Director, ADB Assisted Second Health and Family Planning Services Project or in the Office of the Project Manager, Development Design Consultants Ltd, ADB Assisted Second Health and Family Planning Service Project, House No 33/A, Road No 9/A, Dhanmondi Residential Area, Dhaka-1209 on or before 12.00 Noon on 10-7-97 and will be opened on the same day at 12:30 PM in presence of the tenderers, if any.

The acceptance of the tender will rest with the authority, who does not bind himself to accept the lowest tender and reserves the right to reject any or all the tenders received. The contractor(s) who have already been awarded contract for more than 1 (one) package under this 2nd Health and Family Planning Services Project are not eligible to participate in this tender. At the same time the existing working contractor(s) whose progress of works is lagging behind the time schedule without valid reasons are also not eligible to participate in this tender. This tender notice will also form a part of the contract and will be binding upon the tenderers.

DFP-15143-24/6 G-1748 Md Nazrul Islam Project Director Phone: 411398