

**News snaps**

**Patuakhali market in bad shape**

**PATUAHALI, July 19:** The vegetable and fish market attached to Patuakhali New Market is beset with manifold problems causing sufferings to the buyers and sellers, reports BSS. Local people said, the bazar is yet to be developed by the concerned authorities. Movement inside the bazar, particularly in fish market and vegetable market has become difficult due to space problem. It is alleged that stagnant rain water, bad smell and deplorable condition of roads have made the situation worsen the condition of the bazar becomes miserable on the days of hat that sit twice a week.

**Illegal arms recovered**

**BAGERHAT, July 19:** Police in a special drive against the criminals arrested 75 persons and recovered eight unauthorised arms and 21 rounds of ammunition recently from 10 districts of Khulna range, reports BSS. A police source said the arms included five pipe guns, one single barrel gun and one country-made rifle.

**Women urged to do nation bldg works**

**MYMENSINGH, July 19:** Bangladesh Mahila Awami League president Ivy Rahman has called upon the women community to involve themselves with the nation building activities, reports BSS. She was addressing the triennial conference of Mymensingh District Mahila Awami League as chief guest at the premises of Alamgir Mansur Memorial College recently. Presided over by Jahanara Khan MP, president of District Mahila Awami League the conference was addressed, among others, by the General Secretary of the central committee of Mahila Awami League Khaleda Khanam, Farida Haque MP, Professor Saleha Begum, Tahmina, Principal Matur Rahman, President of District Awami League and Nazimuddin Ahmed, general secretary of District Awami League.

**Shishu Sadan works progressing**

**CHUADANGA, July 19:** Construction of a 'Shishu Sadan' for the orphans in Chuadanga town is in full swing at a cost of Taka one crore, reports BSS. According to an official source, the Shishu Sadan complex consists of a dormitory for 100 boys and girls, a three-unit staff quarters, office building, training institute and a free primary school building. The project will be completed in the next (1997-98) fiscal year.

**3 killed in Bogra road mishap**

**BOGRA, July 19:** Three people were killed and 24 others injured in a road accident at Chandaiakona on Bogra-Nagarbari road on Wednesday night, reports UNB. Witnesses said the accident occurred when a Nagarbari bound truck collided with another truck from opposite direction. The injured were rushed to the Bogra Mohammad Ali Hospital where three unidentified men succumbed to their injuries. Of the rest injured, condition of Dulal, 28, Abdur Rashid, 25, and Mukta, 30, were stated to be critical.

**Indian sugar seized**

**RAJBARI, July 19:** The law enforcing agencies in an anti-smuggling drive recently seized contraband Indian sugar and salt worth more than Taka one lakh from different bazars of Rajbari town, reports BSS. According to an official source, 111 bags of sugar and 32 bags of salt were seized during the raid. The contraband goods were deposited to the Customs authorities.

**Concern over overloading of bus**

**NARAIL, July 19:** Overloading of bus, tempo, jeep, coasters and auto-rickshaws has become a common problem throughout the district causing inconvenience to the travellers, reports UNB. The buses and coasters carry maximum number of passengers ignoring the capacity of the vehicles in all local and inter district routes. The jeep, tempo and auto rickshaws plying on the different routes and thana headquarters are also carrying more passengers than their capacity and run in high speed causing frequent accidents. Many drivers have no valid licence. Sometimes the assistants drive these vehicles leading to various mishaps.

**Miladunnabi celebrated in Barisal**

**BARISAL, July 19:** The holy Eid-e-Miladunnabi was celebrated here on Friday with due respect and religious fervour, reports BSS. Different social and religious organisations took up elaborate programmes on the occasion. The Barisal district unit of Islamic Foundation began a seven days programme to mark the day in a befitting manner this year. The programmes include inaugural function, Islamic cultural competition, Imam conference, seminar, waz mahfil, book fair and prize giving ceremony.

**Hartal observed at Melandah**

**JAMALPUR, July 19:** A half-day hartal, called by Sarbadalya Oikya Jote protesting a doctor's alleged bid to violate a patient, was observed in Melandah thana on Wednesday, reports UNB. After hartal, a protest rally with UP chairman Badsha Bagha in the chair was held at the 'Shapla Chattar' demanding punishment of the doctor. Meanwhile, the doctor rejected the allegation against him at a press conference in the local press club. Local people alleged that Dr Obaidul Karim Likhon tried to violate Monwara, 22, who was under-treatment at the Melandah Hospital on Monday mid-night.

**Absconding dacoit rearrested**

**RANGPUR, July 19:** Police again arrested an absconding notorious dacoit from Pagarpara area in Taraganj thana here on Wednesday night, reports UNB. Police said Jainal Abedin, a gang leader of the inter-district dacoits, fled from thana hajat on Tuesday when he was being taken on remand for the 5th consecutive day. After the incident, about five teams raided different areas in and out of the district and nabbed Jainal from the same area from where he was arrested along with his four accomplices on July 11.

**Police barrack works progressing**

**RAJSHAHI, July 19:** Public Works Department (PWD) has undertaken a programme to construct a four-storeyed Rajshahi Metropolitan Police Line barrack at a cost of Tk 92 lakh, reports UNB. According to official sources, the construction work of the barrack, which will accommodate 480 police personnel, is going on in full swing and is expected to be completed by next December. Meanwhile, PWD has been implementing a programme to construct the BNCC Mahasthan Battalion building in Sopura at a cost of Tk 70 lakh.

**Young man shot dead by armed gang**

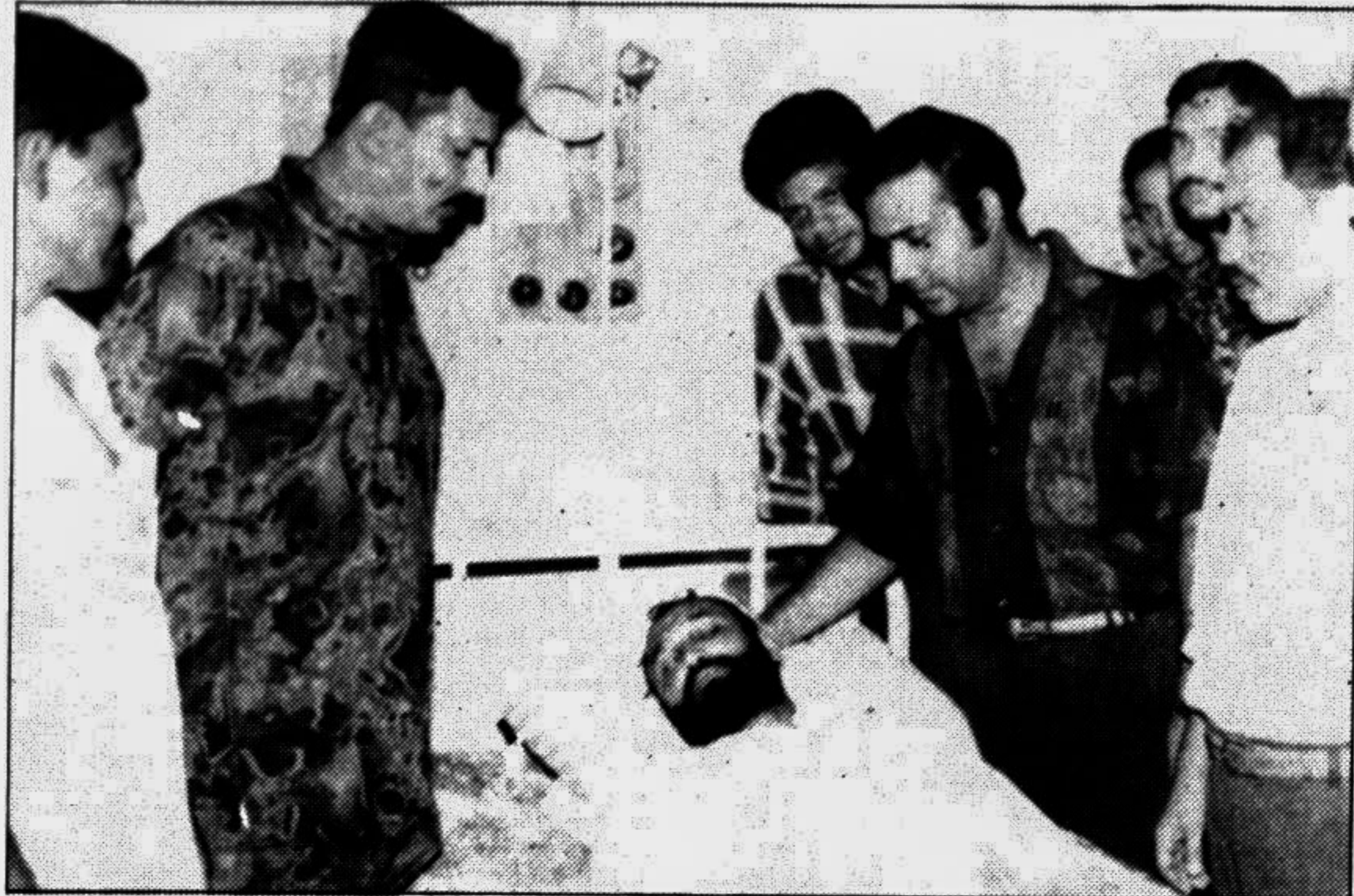
**JHENIDAH, July 19:** A young man was shot dead by some unidentified armed gang at Joradah bazar in Harinakundu thana of the district recently, reports UNB. Witnesses said the gang of 10 armed men fired two rounds of bullets and charged bayonets on Dulal, 30, said to be activist of outlawed Biplabi Communist Party, in the afternoon. Dulal died on the spot. The body was sent to the Jhenidah Modern Hospital for autopsy. A case has been filed with the police.

**40 injured in road mishaps**

**MANIKGANJ, July 19:** About 40 people including nine women were seriously injured in separate road mishaps on Dhaka-Aricha highway recently, reports UNB. Police said 35 people were injured when a Pabna bound coach fell into a roadside ditch at Mushuria in Shibbalaya thana at 2 pm while the driver lost its control. Of the injured five were admitted to the Manikganj Modern Hospital in a critical condition. In another accident, five people were injured when a Dhaka bound banana-laden truck turned turtle at Pachuria in Ghiora thana.

**Prices of essentials up in Sylhet**

**SYLHET, July 19:** Prices of essentials have shot up sharply here as road communication of the district with other parts of the country remained snapped due to heavy downpour and flash flood, reports UNB. However, prices of rice and edible oils are still normal and some businessmen said prices of other goods would come down within next few days. Prices of vegetables have shot up alarmingly in the hat bazars of the district due to heavy downpour and flash flood, said trader. Onion per kg is being sold at Tk 14 per while other vegetables' prices rose by Tk 7 on average. Prices of fish particularly Hilsa and Ruhi also have shot up abnormally which is beyond the reach of the common consumers.



**RAJSHAHI:** Mayor of Rajshahi City Corporation Mijanur Rahman Minu recently visited journalist Abdus Sabur in Rajshahi Medical College Hospital. He was seriously injured by some miscreants recently. — Star photo

**Industries polluting environment in Bogra**

**BOGRA, July 19:** Industrial units, factories and workshops are being set up in the residential areas due to lack of specified study for location of industries creating environmental and other hazards, local leaders here said, reports UNB. Local entrepreneurs could not set up small and medium industries as there was no space for setting up any new industries at the Bogra industrial estate. A district administration official said many small and cottage industries established in the residential areas were polluting the environment and creating the noise and other hazards. A competent source of Bangladesh Small and Cottage Industries Corporation (BSCIC) said that the Bogra industrial estate was first set up on 14.50 acres of land in 1964 and a second estate was established on 18.67 acres in 1980. But as the second industrial estate was saturated after setting up 80 industries at a cost of Tk 20 crore, a proposal was sent to the concerned ministry for setting up a new industrial estate on 50 acres of land. It was planned to accommodate some 200 different types of industries and generate employment of at least 10,000 people. Bangladesh Steel and Engineering Corporation (BSEC) has also offered 15.42 acres of land acquired through district administration for setting up an estate for heavy industries at Chhoy Pukuria mauza. The officials said the proposal had been finally abandoned despite commitment made by the government leaders from time to time. Local leaders said that the importance of Bogra at the centre of North Bengal will grow manifold after the completion of Jamuna Bridge and industry will flourish side by side with other commercial activities. It has, therefore, felt necessary to provide another industrial zone at Bogra for erection of at least 70 more industrial units, they said.

**Accommodation problem in Gopalganj Sub-Jail**

**GOPALGANJ, July 19:** The inmates of Gopalganj Sub-Jail are facing acute accommodation problem. The jail has the capacity to accommodate only 38 prisoners. The number of prisoners rose three times of the capacity. Besides, the jail has no room for jail superintendent, doctor, pharmacist and jail subedar. The sub-jailer performs his duties in a tin-shed room. The main gate and the passage of the jail is very narrow. The jail has no van for prisoners' transport. There is little scope for extension of the sub-jail. Because the space around the jail has already been occupied for accommodate government officials. The suffering of Gopalganj sub-jail inmates worsens during the rainy season. Water accumulates in the jail compound in a mild shower. It remains stagnant for long. Very often water enters into the prisoners' cells. The sub-jail was first constructed in 1921 on one-acre land with only two wards. Then the population was very negligible. Now the population of the district has increased to over 15 lakh. Due to paucity of space vocational training of prisoners could not be introduced. The people of Gopalganj have demanded shifting of the sub-jail and upgrading it to a district jail on many occasions.

**I am not guilty, says IUVG Canadian HC calls on Ctg Mayor**

**KUSHTIA, July 19:** Dr Enamul Huq Vice-Chancellor of Islamic University in a press conference held on Wednesday evening at his Kushtia residence said that he had done no wrong in running the administrative and academic activities of the University. As such no question could arise for his resignation, he said. About 25 local journalists of dailies and news agencies attended the press conference. They asked about the corruption and maladministration allegedly done by him during his tenure. He replied all the questions and showed documents in favour of his action. Some vested quarters are active to tarnish the image of the University and causing irreparable damage to the students' career, he said. A group of students declared a continuous strike. **CHITTAGONG, July 19:** The Canadian High Commissioner in Bangladesh Nicholas H R Etheridge said here on Thursday Bangladesh will achieve a self-reliant economy if transit facility is given in Chittagong Port, reports BSS. The high commissioner said this when he called on Chittagong City Mayor Alhaj A B M Mahiuddin Chowdhury at the latter's office here. The mayor briefed the Canadian High Commissioner about the port city and said it has been attracted as focal point of overseas investment due to its multifarious facilities. The mayor said many countries have already shown keen interests to implement various projects in Chittagong. Nicholas commended various expanded educational programmes in the city undertaken by the corporation.

**Not a single student passed!**

**PABNA, July 19:** Not a single student passed the B Sc final examinations from 11 colleges and BA examinations from 12 colleges held last year in the northern districts, including Pabna, reports UNB. This has been revealed in a report made available by official sources here. The examinations were held under the National University. The unsuccessful colleges in B Sc results in northern districts are: Pabna Basherbada College, Mohonpur Degree College, Birampur Degree College, Rahanpur Yusuf Ali College, Thakurgaon and Pirganj Government College, Tajpur College, Bogra Government Mujibur Rahman College, Kurigram Raziapur College, Rajshahi Naochhatra Degree College, Shah Mokhdum College. The unsuccessful colleges in BA results are: Bishganj Women College, Joipurhat Government College, Dinajpur Ghoraghat Degree College, Dinajpur Ideal College, Dinajpur Government Women's College, Kurigram Government College, Dalim College, Patgram Government A Gani Degree College, Parbatpur Night College, Panchagarh Women's College, Kaliashahid Abdus Salam College and Bir Shrestha Abdur Rouf College.

**Attack on journalist condemned**

**From Our Correspondent RAJSHAHI, July 19:** Abdus Sabur, Rajshahi Bureau chief of the Bangla daily Dainik Dinkal and the treasurer of Rajshahi City Press Club was seriously injured by some miscreants recently at Hatem Khan area in the city. He was admitted into Rajshahi Medical College Hospital (RMCH) with critical condition. The miscreants attacked him while returning home from the Rajshahi City Press Club. The identified miscreants also attacked his house, damaged it seriously and looted valuables, according to police. Abdus Sabur filed a case in Boalia thana against a few persons identifying them. Police was allegedly slow in action. They arrested two accused and another 'innocent' schoolboy. Meanwhile, the attackers registered a counter-case against Abdus Sabur and his brothers after one day of the incident. Police arrested Sabur's four brothers. Mayor of Rajshahi City Corporation Mijanur Rahman Minu in a statement condemned the attack on journalist Abdus Sabur

**Separate incidents claim 4**

**RANGPUR, July 19:** Four people including two boys died in the district in separate incidents during the last week, police said, reports UNB. They were identified as Badsha, 5, Farveen, 13, Pearl Islam, 7, and Moshirur Rahman, 14. Badsha, son of one Alam of village Thakurdaha Gogachara thana drowned in a pond adjacent to his house while playing by the side of the pond on Saturday. Parveen, a student of class five while going to school was run over by a speeding private car at Borodargha on Rangpur-Bogra highway in Pirganj thana on Wednesday. Pearl Islam was allegedly poisoned to death by his step-mother following a quarrel at Mahmoodpur village in Mithapur thana on July 8. On July 7 police recovered the beheaded body of Moshirur Rahman from a jute field near Shyampur Sugar Mills in Kotwali thana.

**Satkhira Newsletter**

**From Our Correspondent SATKHIRA, July 19:** Two minors were killed and two others of the same family were injured in a road accident on Satkhira—Jessore road near Helatola on July 11. The victims were identified as Asaduzzaman, 7, son of Baker Ali of village Jalalabad and Monira, 7, daughter of Abdullah of village Fazlipur both under Kalaroa thana of the district. According to police sources, Monowara Khatun, wife of Baker Ali with her son Asaduzzaman, along with his niece Manira and granddaughter Reshma was coming from her father's house by a rickshaw van. They reached the place of occurrence when a Satkhira bound speeding truck (Khalnata 1642) coming from Jessore knocked the van down. As a result Asaduzzaman and Manira died on the spot. Monowara and Reshma were admitted to Satkhira hospital in a critical condition. A case was lodged with Kalaroa police station. **3 murderers get life term** There persons have been convicted and sentenced to suffer life term imprisonment recently on charge of killing. The convicts have also been fined Taka 10,000 each in default RI for 5 years more. The convicts are: Abdul Aziz and Noor Muhammad, both of village Satpota under Kalaroa thana in Satkhira district and Shahidul Islam of village Dhantara under Sharsha thana in Jessore district. The prosecution story in brief is that there was an illicit connection with the accused Abdul Aziz and Anesa Khatun, wife of Abu Taleb of the same village for a long time. On February 24, 1992, Abu Taleb went to Satpota bazar from where the accused Abdul Aziz with his accomplices Noor Muhammad and Shahidul Islam kidnapped the victim, Abu Taleb and killed him. A case was lodged with Satkhira police station. **Loan distributed among farmers** The Social Welfare Department, Kaliganj thana in Satkhira district distributed interest free loan amounting to Taka 2 lakh 60 thousand among the small and marginal farmers of Kaliganj thana recently. Interest free loan distribution ceremony under the auspices of Kaliganj Thana Social Welfare Department was held at the thana parishad auditorium with Munshi Saiful Haq Thana Nirbahi Officer (TNO), Kaliganj in the chair. Muhammad Abdus Salam, Deputy Commissioner, Satkhira was present as the chief guest, while SMZ Shirin and Sk Moshin Ali spoke on the occasion. Later the chief guest distributed cheques of interest free loan among 150 small and marginal farmers of the thana. **Robbery at Satkhira VII** A daring robbery was committed at the Vocational Training Institute (VTI), Satkhira recently. According to police sources, at dead of night a group of robbers numbering 3 armed with deadly weapons raided the VTI and tied the hands of the night guard. The robbers broke open the office of the VTI and looted cash worth Taka 36,000. After getting information police nabbed one Rana of village Dalipota under Abhyog Nagar thana in Jessore district from Satkhira bus stand and recovered looted Taka 29,000 from his possession. A case was lodged with Satkhira police station.

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**Notice for Enlistment/Renewal**

Sealed applications in prescribed form are hereby invited from Civil Contractors for enlistment in different categories of contractors under Construction Division, BAPEX, Dhaka for the year 1997-98. Prescribed application forms may be obtained from Accounts Division, BAPEX, Ibrahim Mansion (3rd floor), 11, Puranapaltan, Dhaka up to 17-8-97 during office hours on cash payment of Tk 200/- (two hundred) only (non-refundable) and the applications will be received in Construction Division, BAPEX, HBFC Building (8th floor), 22, Puranapaltan, Dhaka-1000 up to 31-8-97 during office hours. Enlisted contractors of BAPEX will have to apply in their own pad for renewal to General Manager (Construction), BAPEX within 31-8-97 for depositing renewal fee. Permission from General Manager (Construction) is to be obtained during office hours within 31-8-97. If the contractor failed to deposit the renewal fee within the stipulated date, the contractors may deposit the renewal fee up to 30-9-97 by paying renewal fee and equivalent as penalty in the respective categories. Along with the permission letter, VAT Registration and income tax clearance certificate of the assessment year 1995-96 must accompany. No application will be entertained for enlistment after 31-8-97 and renewal after 30-9-97.

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G-1841 **General Manager (Construction)**

**BAPEX Bangladesh Agricultural Development Corporation**  
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- Tender No. & Date : IX-PP (P)/496-97 dated 10.7.97.
- Description of stores : (a) Original spare parts of 105 & 108HP Yanmar Diesel Engine (Floating Pumps), made in Japan, model 6HAL.  
(b) Original spare parts of 114HP ISUZU Diesel Engine (Floating Pump), made in Japan, model 6QA1.
- Sale price of Tender documents : Tk. 750/- (Seven hundred & fifty) only (Non-refundable).
- Date and time of submission of tender : 30.7.97 at 12-00 hours.
- Date and time of opening of tender : 30.7.97 at 12-05 hours.
- Place of submission of tender : Office of the General Manager (Purchase), Purchase Division (tender box kept in front), Krishi Bhaban, BADC, 49-51, Dilkusha C/A., Dhaka-1000.
- Source of fund : GOB.
- Delivery schedule : Spare parts to be supplied on or before 30th September, 1997.

N.B (a) Tender documents can be purchased on cash payment from the Cash Section of Accounts Division at 3rd floor of Krishi Bhaban, BADC, Dilkusha C/A., Dhaka-1000.  
(b) Tender documents will not be sold on the date of opening of tender.  
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Tender No.	Description of Materials	Cost of Tender Schedule Per Set	Last Date for Purchasing of Tender Schedule	Opening Date of Technical Offer	Opening Date of Commercial Offer
ER/PUR/IT-43/97. (RE-TENDER)	I.D. MOUNT PORTABLE FLANGE FACER & ACCESSORIES.	Tk. 100/-	18-08-97	19-08-97	31-08-97
ER/PUR/IT-44/97.	INDUCTION MOTOR.	Tk. 300/-	19-08-97	20-08-97	01-09-97
ER/PUR/IT-45/97.	VARIOUS ELECTRIC MOTOR.	Tk. 300/-	26-08-97	26-08-97	07-09-97
ER/PUR/IT-49/97. (RE-TENDER)	SEAMLESS ELLIPTICAL HEAD.	Tk. 200/-	12-08-97	13-08-97	25-08-97

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