

News snaps

Steps taken to maintain peace during puja
NETRAKONA, Oct 8: Durga puja, the greatest religious festival of the Hindu community began here from Tuesday with pomp and gaiety. More than 200 puja mandaps have already been erected in different areas of all 10 thanas of this district. General Secretary of Netrakona district Puja Ujjayan Parishad Nirmal Kumar Das said, reports BSS.

The members of Hindu community were seen crowding at the shopping centres here for purchasing new dresses and other items relating to the puja festival. Meanwhile, Netrakona district administration has chalked out a programme to maintain law and order during the puja festival.

BCL wins in Kalaroa College SU poll
SATKHIRA, Oct 8: The election of Kalaroa Government College Students' Union (SU) was held on Monday, reports BSS. Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) won 17 out of 25 posts including that of the vice-president. Morshed Ali of Chhatra League and Rafique-ul-Islam of Chhatra Dal were elected Vice-President and General Secretary respectively.

Minister visits erosion hit Sreepur
SREEPUR, Oct 8: Water Resources Minister Abdur Razzak visited the erosion-hit area of Barami, Golghat and Daural in Sreepur thana and breach on Thrimohoni embankment on Tuesday, reports UNB.

The minister asked the authorities concerned to take immediate steps to combat the river erosion and repair the embankment. Local people apprised the minister that 3,000 acres of land in the area would be possible to bring under irrigation facilities if a Water Retention Structure is built here for preserving water.

The minister advised the Water Development Board to take a plan to build such a reservoir.

Bus passengers suffering for lack of shed
MADARIPUR, Oct 8: Hundreds of passengers at Tekerhat bus stand in Rajor thana of the district have been suffering a lot everyday for lack of a passenger shed, reports UNB.

The passengers wait at the bus stand for travelling to their different destinations in various thanas and districts of Khulna, Barisal and Dhaka divisions. The passengers are to remain standing for their desired bus amidst sun and rain. Tekerhat is a big commercial centre in greater Faridpur district and the government earns a huge amount of revenue from here. Local people demanded to erect the much needed passenger shed with all modern amenities at the bus stand immediately to mitigate the sufferings of the passengers.

Over 100 puja mandaps erected in Feni
FENI, Oct 8: Durga puja began here from Tuesday amidst gaiety and enthusiasm, reports BSS.

More than one hundred puja mandaps have been erected in the district including 10 mandaps in Feni town. The district administration has taken necessary preparations to maintain law and order in and around the mandaps during the puja festival.

Smuggled goods worth Tk 6 lakh seized
COMILLA, Oct 8: The Bangladesh Rifles (BDR) personnel during the several drives seized smuggled goods worth about Taka six lakh from different border areas of the district, reports BSS.

According to an official source, the goods included Indian saree, sugar, salt, wine, bicycles, phenidyl syrup, spare parts of motor vehicles and powder milk. One person was arrested in this connection. The contraband goods were deposited to the Customs authorities.

105 false cases detected in Sirajganj
SIRAJGANJ, Oct 8: The number of false cases relating to repression on women has been increasing alarmingly in the district, reports UNB.

According to a meeting of the district law and order committee held on Tuesday, a total of 105 cases have been detected as false against 252 complaints so far lodged with seven thanas during the past nine months ending September. The police administration has expressed grave concern over the rising number of such cases which have been spoiling time and money. A section of influential people, including some UP members and village touts are involved in filing such fake cases to take bribe from the accused people, the meeting informed.

Discussion on Children's Rights Week
KUSHTIA, Oct 8: A meeting of journalists was held on September 28 at Shishu Academy auditorium here to discuss the role of newspaperpersons in protecting the rights of children, reports BSS.

The meeting organised by the district information office to mark the children's Rights Week '97 was presided over by Zakir Hossain, District Information Officer. Deputy Commissioner M. Abus Salam attended the meeting as the chief guest. Editors of the local dailies and district correspondents of the national dailies and news agencies discussed various aspects of the rights of children.

Biennial confce of Narsingdi JP
NARSINGDI, Oct 8: The biennial conference of Sadar thana Jatiya Party was held at Narsingdi pourasava auditorium on Wednesday, reports UNB.

District JP president Abul Hayat Sarkar inaugurated the conference at 3 pm.

Advocate Mostafa Jamal Baby and Khandaker Delwar Hossain, organising and labour secretaries of the JP central committee, attended the function as chief and special guests respectively. It was addressed, among others, by Babul Sarker, Sarker Ataul Islam Babul, Abul Hossain Bhuiyan and Aby Sayeed. A 71-member Sadar thana committee was formed with Alhaj Mohammed Ali Jinnah as president and Alhaj Abul Hossain Bhuiyan as general secretary.

Netrakona College Students Union poll held
NETRAKONA, Oct 8: The Chhatra sangsad election of Netrakona Government University College was held here recently in a peaceful atmosphere, reports BSS.

According to the election result, formally announced by the college authority, panel of Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) won a landslide victory in the chhatra sangsad election by securing all the 21 seats of the sangsad. Ujjal Shaha Ujjal, AKM Kabirul Islam Ruman and Delwar Hussain Dilu were elected Vice President (VP), General Secretary (GS) and Assistant General Secretary (AGS) respectively of the Chhatra sangsad.

One person electrocuted in Magura
MAGURA, Oct 8: One person was electrocuted in Shalikhtha thana of the district recently, family sources said.

Badaruddin, 40, of village Bayra under Shalikhtha thana was killed by touching a live wire in a sugar cane field. A case was lodged with the Shalikhtha thana.

Work of nurses training centre progressing
MUNSHIGANJ, Oct 8: Construction work of the Nurses Training Centre at Munshiganj town is expected to be completed by December next, according to an official source, reports BSS.

The Construction and Maintenance Management Unit (CMMU) of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare is implementing the project. The project has, so far, received an allocation of Taka three crore and four lakh IDA fund. It includes construction of one 2-storey training institute, one 3-storey hostel and one 2-storey staff-quarters on one acre and twenty two decimal land in the Munshiganj Sadar Hospital premises.

500 NWD lines installed at Bheramara
BHERAMARA, Oct 8: Five hundred NWD telephone lines started functioning at Bheramara telephone exchange from September 22, reports BSS.

Md Shahnewaz, Divisional Engineer, Telecommunication, Kushtia, experimentally opened the lines. The telephone lines are expected to be formally inaugurated soon by Telecommunication Minister Mohammed Nasim. The installation of the 500 NWD lines at Bherama Telephone Exchange is the fulfilment of the commitment made by the telecommunication minister in a public meeting held at Bheramara on September 13.

Efforts on to establish proper comm system
MUNSHIGANJ, Oct 8: Communications Minister Anwar Hossain Manju has said the present government is working tirelessly to establish proper communication system in the country, reports UNB.

The minister was inaugurating the 160-feet Dogachhi bridge, costing Tk 91.50 lakh, on Dhaka-Mawa road in Munshiganj district on Tuesday. Manju also said the floating bridge on the Crescent Lake was temporarily shifted to Shaestaganj for the welfare of people of Sylhet district. Earlier the minister visited the site of Dhaleshwari-1 and Dhaleshwari-2 bridges on the same road. The works on Dhaleshwari-1, involving Tk 16 crore, are expected to be completed by the next month.

Deforestation threatens wildlife

MAGURA, Oct 8: The existence of wild animals and birds has been threatened due to massive deforestation and indiscriminate cutting of trees in four thanas of the district like Shalikhtha, Sreepur, Muhamadpur and Magura sadar.

According to the experts, about 10 species of wild animals have already been vanished from the district, while 10 more species are on the verge of extinction.

Illegal hunting, cruelty to wildlife, rapid settlement of human beings and deforestation have led to this situation.

Previously four thanas of the district were rich in wildlife like porcupine, civet, rabbit, fox, jackle, wild cat, mongoose, bat, green frogs, tortoise, oyster, squirrel and different kinds of birds two decades back.

Talking to some social workers in the district some experts said, about 10 species of wild animals have been abolished due to unabated deforestation.

Some species of wild animals like porcupine, rabbit started disappearing after the Liberation War. Those species have been vanished within 10 years. The number of foxes, tortoise, vulture, jackle, mongoose are decreasing gradually in the villages of the district.

Due to extinction of wildlife ecological balance has been hampered in the district.

Crows are called sweepers of the nature. But crows are vanishing very fast. While talking to a honey collector named M Samsul Mondol at Nabagram village under Magura district, this correspondent came to know, bees usually like calm and peaceful atmosphere. But due to rapid increase of human habitats and deforestation bees can not make honeycomb. As a result, honey collectors in the district are becoming jobless.

Some experts also informed, Bangladesh has 105 species of mammals, 567 of birds, 129 of reptiles which constitute rich wildlife resources of the country. They suggested establish-

From Monojit Kumar Das
ment of wildlife sanctuaries in the region.

Meanwhile, wild birds have started migrating to the safe sanctuaries. Because law violators are seen shooting birds and animals frequently. Some of them even mix poison with food to catch animals, they added.

Migratory birds are being caught at random. Those are being sold openly at different areas of four thanas in the district.

Animals lovers and local leaders have complained, no step has yet been taken to stop such bad trend.



MOULVIBAZAR: Hosne Ara Wahid MP, releasing fish fries in a pond on the occasion of National Fisheries Week '97 held here recently.

Discussion meeting on safe water, sanitation

From Staff Correspondent

BARISAL, Oct 8: A day-long discussion meeting on 'Local discussion meeting on safe water and sanitation' organised by Community Service Centre (CSC) with the assistance of NGO Forum was held at Amirganj High School in Mehendiganj of the district recently.

Abul Hossein, UP chairman of Jangalia was present as the chief guest while Amir Hossein, UP chairman, Char Gopalpur, Abul Kalam, UP member, Md Abdur Rashid, Headmaster, Amirganj Primary School and other local elite were also present in the discussion meeting.

A total of 75 participants took part in the meeting. Michael P K Bar, Executive Director, CSC and Mokhlesur Rahman, Regional Officer, NGO Forum highlighted the aims and objectives of the discussion meeting. They sought all out cooperations from the local people to implement their programmes.

Tender Notice

বিদ্যুৎ ব্যবহারে মিতব্যয়ী হোন

Name of work : Supply of five spool iron racks for emergency maintenance work of Distribution Division, Power Development Board, Madaripur. Eligibility of contractor : PDB enlisted A, B, C & D class contractors. Estimated cost : Tk 99,630/= (ninety-nine thousand six hundred thirty) only. Price of tender : Tk 100/= (one hundred) only (non-refundable) per set through Bank Draft/Pay Order in favour of the Deputy Director (Accounts), Zonal Accounts Office, PDB, Faridpur. Place and date where and when tender will be available : Tender can be purchased from the Chief Engineer, Distribution, West Zone, PDB, Khulna/Superintending Engineer, Operation and Maintenance Circle, PDB, Faridpur/Agrani Bank, Puran Bazar Branch, Madaripur up to 20/10/97. Date of receiving and opening tender : At the office of the Chief Engineer, Distribution, West Zone, PDB, Khulna/Superintending Engineer, Operation and Maintenance Circle, PDB, Faridpur/Office of the undersigned up to 12:00 Noon of 21/10/97 and tenders will be opened on the same day at 12:30 PM before the tenderers (if any) present. Other terms and conditions of the tender and all rules and regulations must be complied with properly.

Executive Engineer
Distribution Division
Power Development Board
Madaripur
Biddut/Jana-430(3)/97-98
DFP-22229-2/10
G-2400

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Public Works E/M Division-7, Dhaka

Memo No. E/M-7-126/1685 Dated: 30-9-97/15-6-1404 BS

Short Tender Invitation Notice

No. 64/1997-98

Item rate basis tenders in Bangladesh Form No. 2911 under sealed cover are invited from Public Works Directorate enlisted special first class/first class E/M contractors having valid A,B,C class contractory and supervisory licence from Bangladesh Electrical Licensing Board, Dhaka and VAT Department's registration certificate, TIN certificate and special type electrical/mechanical accessories supplying firms/sole agents/distributors having Trade Licence, VAT and TIN certificates, for the undermentioned work. Tenders will be received in the tender box kept at the office of the Divisional Commissioner, Dhaka Division, 1st 12-storey building (2nd floor), Segunbagicha, Dhaka/Executive Engineer, Public Works Eden Building Division/Mechanical Workshop/Timber Workshop Division, Dhaka, Office of the Executive Engineer (Staff Officer), Public Works Zone/Public Works E/M Division-1/2/3/4/5/6/7/8, Dhaka up to 12-00 Noon of 1-7-1404 BS/16-10-97 and opened on the same day at 12-30 PM in presence (if any) of the tenderers.

Tender form, schedule of items, terms and conditions etc. can be purchased on cash payment of Tk 775/- (non-refundable) from the office of the Divisional Commissioner, Dhaka Division, 1st 12-storey building (2nd floor), Segunbagicha, Dhaka/Executive Engineer, Public Works Eden Building Division/Mechanical Workshop Division/Timber Workshop Division/Public Works Sub-Division-5 under Dhaka Public Works Division-4, Purto Bhaban, Segunbagicha, Dhaka as well as Public Works E/M Division-1/2/3/4/5/6/7/8, Dhaka during office hours latest up to 30-6-1404 BS/15-10-97. Contractor himself or his authorised representative can purchase the tender form on production of registration book with necessary papers. Earnest money at the rate 2 per cent of total quoted amount should be deposited with each tender in the form of Bank Draft/Pay Order/Treasury Challan/Call Deposit from any scheduled bank in favour of the undersigned.

Serial No.	Name of work	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Time allowed
1.	Supply and installation of special type electrical/mechanical accessories (as per sample) at Ganobhaban Complex, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka.	—	At 2 per cent of total quoted amount	10 (ten) days

Md Aminul Huq
Executive Engineer
Public Works E/M Division-7
Sher-e-Bangla Nagar
Dhaka
Phone: 326314

DFP-22187-2/10
G-2396

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Office of the Executive Engineer (R&H) Munshiganj Road Division, Bagmamudali Munshiganj

(R&H) Tender Invitation Notice

- Tender Notice No : 60/RD Munshiganj, year-1997-98.
 - Name of work : Earth work at different kms of Hasara-Alampur-Shibrampur-Kharsur Road under Munshiganj Road Division during 1997-98 financial year.
 - Estimated cost : Taka — as per group list.
 - Earnest money : As per schedule/should be submitted through BD, TC/Bangladesh Sanchaya Patra/Pratirakha Sanchaya Patra from any scheduled bank in favour of the Executive Engineer (R&H), Munshiganj Road Division.
 - Prescribed time for work : As per group list.
 - Eligibility of contractor : As per group list.
 - Offices where tender will be available (from where tender can be purchased) : Executive Engineer (R&H), Road Division, Dhaka/Narayanganj/ Gazipur/Manikganj/Narsingdi/Munshiganj/Planning Division (Planning & Development), Sarak Bhaban, Raman, Dhaka/Planning & Design Division, Dhaka Zone, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka/Sub-Divisional Engineer (R&H), Road Sub-Division, Sreenagar/ Keraniganj/Munshiganj/ 1st Line Workshop Sub-Division, Munshiganj.
 - Offices of to receive tender : Superintending Engineer (R&H), Dhaka Road Circle, Dhaka/Monitoring & Evaluation Circle (Planning & Development), Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka/Planning, Monitoring & Evaluation Circle, Dhaka Zone, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka/ Executive Engineer (R&H), Munshiganj Road Division/Sub-Divisional Engineer (R&H), Road Sub-Division, Sreenagar/Keraniganj/Sub-Divisional Engineer (R&H), Road Sub-Division, Sreenagar/Keraniganj/Munshiganj/1st Line Workshop Sub-Division, Munshiganj.
 - Last date of selling tender : 14.10.97 up to office hours.
 - Last date & time of receiving tender : 15.10.97 up to 12:30 PM.
 - Last date & time of opening tender : 15.10.97 at 12:45 PM (except Munshiganj Road Division)
 - Date & time of opening tender, centrally : 20.10.97 at 12:30 PM.
 - Date & time of lottery : 20.10.97 at 2:30 PM.
 - Head of expenditure : As per group list.
- Sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No-2911 are invited from R&H Directorate's general class contractors having financial ability as per rules for the abovementioned works under Munshiganj Road Division. And tender will be received/opened at the said offices on the prescribed date & time.
- Group List
Ref: Tender Notice No. 60/RD Munshiganj of 1997-98

Gr. No.	Name of work	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Time allowed	Eligibility of contractors
1 (One)	Earth work at 9th KM (P) of Hasara-Alampur-Shibrampur-Kharsur road under Munshiganj Road Division during the year of 1997-98.	Tk. 3,97,824/-	Tk. 7,960/-	25 (Twenty-five) days	"A" to "E" general category of RHD
2 (Two)	Earth work at 10th KM (P) of Hasara-Alampur-Shibrampur-Kharsur road under Munshiganj Road Division during the year of 1997-98.	Tk. 5,16,939/-	Tk. 10,340/-	35 (Thirty-five) days	-do-
3 (Three)	Earth work at 10th KM (P) and 11th KM (P) of Hasara-Alampur-Shibrampur-Kharsur road under Munshiganj Road Division during the year of 1997-98	Tk. 3,69,674/-	Tk. 7,400/-	25 (Twenty five) days	-do-
4 (Four)	Earth work at 11th KM (P) of Hasara-Alampur-Shibrampur-Kharsur road under Munshiganj Road Division during the year of 1997-98.	Tk. 7,33,500/-	Tk. 14,700/-	40 (Forty) days	-do-
5 (Five)	Earth work at 11th KM (P) & 12th KM (P) of Hasara-Alampur-Shibrampur-Kharsur Road under Munshiganj Road Division during the year of 1997-98.	Tk. 7,60,850/-	Tk. 15,300/-	-do-	-do-

Md. Habibur Rahman
Executive Engineer, RHD
Munshiganj Road Division
Munshiganj

DFP-22021-30/9
G-2397

Actionaid aid for cyclone-hit people of Bhola

Actionaid, an international NGO will assist over 4000 cyclone affected families in Bhola island with interest free loans and grants around Taka one crore, reports BSS.

The loan will be utilised for repairing of the houses, restock poultry and other basic necessities.

"Part of the grant will also be used for reforestation and to repair some primary schools in the thanas of Lalmoahan and Tazumuddin," it said.

Actionaid Bhola project with funds from own resources and the aid management office of the British High Commission in Dhaka started from October 2.

Youth killed by terrorists

From Our Correspondent
KUSHTIA, Oct 8: Armed terrorists killed one young man brutally in day light at village Gosswami Durgapur, 18 miles away from here under sadar thana recently.

The victim was identified to be Jahan, 21, alias Jan. The villagers said, the victim was going to his own village Dakkhin Magura from Gosswami Durgapur when he was attacked by a group of masked armed terrorists. The local people found him lying in a pool of blood by the side of a road.

They identified him and informed his father Sona Molla. Police rushed to the spot and recovered the dead body and sent it to Kushtia General Hospital.

Sona Molla, father of the victim filed a case with Kushtia police station in this connection. The cause of the murder could not be known immediately.

Newsman's death condoled

From Our Correspondent
RAJSHAHI, Oct 8: Rajshahi City Press Club members expressed their deep shock at the death of Abu Sadek, BFUJ leader recently.

In a condolence meeting held at the office of the club recently with the president of the Club Abdul Wadood in the chair, the speakers observed that Abu Sadek was a pioneer of mufassil journalism.

The speakers of the condolence meeting recalled his contributions towards mufassil journalism.

4 arrested for extortion in Khalishpur

From Staff Correspondent
KHALISHPUR, Oct 8: Four persons, including a police constable, were arrested for extorting money from a jute mills official in Khalishpur.

Police of Khalishpur thana arrested constable Delwar, call girl Fatema, 24, and two mas-tans Iqbal Hossain, and Shajahan, for extorting Tk 13,000 from Abdul Ali, Deputy Manager of Star Jute Mills.

Police, quoting the FIR, said that they extorted the money from the Deputy Manager by setting up the call girl in his house at Khalishpur two hours before he was black mailed.

The alleged persons who went to his office at noon today demanding more money were caught by the mill workers when he brought the matter to their notice.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Office of the Executive Engineer, R&H Chandpur Road Division, Chandpur

Corrigendum Notice

It is hereby notified for general information that, under unavoidable circumstances the following amendments are brought to this office Tender Notice No. 09/EE/CRD/1997-98:

On the first page of the tender—

- at Serial No. 1 "Tender Notice No. 09/EE/CRD/1997-98" should be read instead of "Tender Notice No. 09/EE/CRD/1996-97".
- at Serial No. 8 "Last date of selling tender: 19-10-97/4-7-1404 BS" should be read instead of "Last date of selling tender: 7-10-97/22-6-1404 BS".
- at Serial No. 9 "Date and time of receiving tender: 20-10-97/5-7-1404 BS" should be read instead of "Date and time of receiving tender: 8-10-97/23-6-1404 BS".
- at Serial No. 10 "Date and time of opening tender: 23-10-97/8-7-1404 BS" should be read instead of "Date and time of opening tender: 13-10-97/28-6-1404 BS".
- at Serial No. 11 "Date and time of lottery: 28-10-97/13-7-1404 BS" should be read instead of "Date and time of lottery: 16-10-97/1-7-1404 BS".

Other terms and conditions of tender will remain unchanged. This amendment notice will be treated as inseparable part of the tender.

Executive Engineer, R&H
Road Division, Chandpur
DFP-22071-1/10
G-2395

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Office of the Executive Engineer Barisal Public Works Division, Barisal

Tender Notice

No. 18/1997-98

Tenders in BD Form No 2911 under sealed cover are hereby invited from Public Works Directorate enlisted special first class/1st class, Public Works Zone, Khulna enlisted 2nd class & Public Works Circle, Barisal enlisted 3rd class building contractors/contractory firms for the undermentioned work. Tenders can be submitted at all the offices described at serial No 5 up to 12-00 Noon of 14-10-97. Tenders will be opened on the date of submitting tender at 12-15 PM in presence of the interested tenderers, and name of work, name and address of the contractor/contractory firm and the address to whom the tender is submitted should be mentioned on the envelope.

- Name of work : Construction of 60 dilapidated Thana-cum-Barrack buildings in different districts of Bangladesh, 1(one) of which at Babuganj Thana (sub head: Construction of boundary wall).
 - Estimated cost : Tk 7,94,383/=
 - Earnest money : Tk 15,890/=
 - Time limit for completion of work : 120 (one hundred twenty) days.
 - Name of office to sell and receive the tender : All divisions under Public Works Circle, Barisal.
 - Last date of selling tender : 13-10-97 (up to office hours).
 - Date of receiving tender : 14-10-97 (up to 12-00 Noon).
 - Ready tender schedule with Bangladesh Form No 2911 and additional terms and conditions can be seen and purchased on payment of usual price Tk 400/= (four hundred) for each tender and Tk 25/= (twenty-five) for each BD Form No 2911 (both non-refundable) from the said offices. Contractor/Managing Director of contractory firm himself or his/their representative carrying authorisation letter with the representative's signature attested by the contractor/Managing Director of contractory firm can purchase the tender form on production of the original enlistment register.
 - To purchase the tender schedule from the Public Works Divisions described at serial No 5 except Barisal Public Works Division, contractors/contractory firms should apply at least 3 (three) days prior to the last date of selling tender. No application will be received after that time.
 - Attested true copy of VAT registration certificate of the special first class/1st class/2nd class/3rd class contractor/contractory firm concerned should be enclosed with the tender.
 - Any attestation should be by 1st class gazetted officer. If more than one lowest tenderer is found in the tender, then to select 1 (one) contractor, lottery will be held on 27-10-97, Monday at 11-00 AM at the office chamber of the undersigned. All or his/their representatives are requested to attend the lottery.
 - Attested true copy of certificate containing TIN should be submit with the tender.
- Otherwise tender will be treated as cancelled.
- Engr Golam Mohammad
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