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BAU officers abstain from work

MYMENSINGH, Oct 28: The officials of Bangladesh Agricultural University (BAU) observed a day-long work abstention on Tuesday to press home their 4-point demand, reports UNB.

The work abstention call was given by the Inter University Officers' Federation to realise their demands, said a Bangladesh Agriculture University Officers' Association press release. The demands include their representation in different authoritative bodies of the university including the Senate and Syndicate, revision of the down graded pay scale '77, stoppage of 20 per cent deduction on the dues of officials during retirement and extension of retirement age for the officers up to 65 years to maintain uniformity in the university service rule.

People deprived of medicare facilities

NOAKHALI, Oct 28: About 6,000 population of Nijhum Dip under Hatiya thana are being deprived of medicare facilities as there is no health centre in the offshore island of the Bay of Bengal, reports UNB.

It is learnt that if attacked by disease or injured, the people of the island, mostly landless day labourers and fishermen who live from hand to mouth, receive treatment from the quacks. No necessary medicines, excepting some tablets, are found at the sole medicine shop at the Nijhum Dip bazar. Nijhum Dip, a geographically backward area situated at three kilometres south of Hatiya island, has waterway communications with thana sadar only twice a week.

Role of PROSES lauded

NARAIL, Oct 28: Prothondhi Seba Samity (PROSES) — a voluntary organisation — has set a unique example by engaging itself in the rehabilitation of the neglected handicapped and distressed women of the district, reports UNB.

According to a survey, conducted by PROSES, a government registered organisation, there are 10,000 handicapped people and 12,000 distressed women in Kalia, Lohagara and Sadar thanas who are living in sub-human condition. To make them self-reliant and capable of work and save them from negligence and poverty, social workers of the organisation have taken up massive programmes to rehabilitate them. Social workers — Pourashava Chairman Adv Sohrab Hossain, M Enamul Huq Tuku, Pourashava Commissioner M Jahirul Alam Mohon, Journalist Bhakta Sarkar and Sharmin Parveen Lucy were working for the handicapped and distressed people in the district.

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Office of the Executive Engineer, RHD
Dhaka Road Division, Banani, Dhaka

RHD Notice Inviting Tender (Fresh Call)

- Tender Notice : 82/RDD of 1997-98 (Fresh call). No
 - Name of work : Tender for architectural & detailed engineering design & construction of an ornamental type gate at intersection point of Tongi-Ashulia EPZ and Banani-Tongi-Joydebpur Road during the year 1997-98.
 - Cost of tender documents : Tk 520/= per set (Non-refundable).
 - Earnest money : Tk 30,000/= (Taka thirty thousand) in the form of BD/TC/NDSS certificate in fav of Ex Engr, RHD, Road Divn, Dhaka from any scheduled bank.
 - Time allowed for completion of entire work : 10 (ten) weeks from the date of issue of work order.
 - Eligibility of contractor : All 'A' to 'D' special category RHD enlisted contractors & other civil works contractor enlisted in other Govt & Semi-Govt Department/Organisation with equivalent capacity are eligible to participate for this tender. The interested civil work contractors will be allowed to submit the tender in association with an architectural plus structural engineering firms. Further technical specification & other terms of reference of this tender will be available in tender document.
 - Type of tender submission : Tender shall be submitted in two separate sealed envelope system wherein, within covered envelope 1st envelope shall contain the detailed architectural & detailed engineering design & 2nd envelope shall contain the price bid.
 - Name of offices of availability of tender documents : Office of the Divnl. Commissioner, Dhaka Div, Segun Bagicha, Dhaka/Ex Engr (RHD), Road Divn, Dhaka/Manikganj/Munshiganj/Narsingdi/Narayanganj/Gazipur/Planning Divn (R&B), Sarak Bhaban, Dhaka/Planning & Design Divn, Dhaka Zone, Sarak Bhaban, Dhaka/SDE (RHD), Road Sub-Divn I/II/Kallyanpur, Dhaka.
 - Name of offices to receive tender bids : The Divnl. Commissioner, Dhaka Divn, Segun Bagicha, Dhaka/Suptg. Engr. (RHD), Road Circle, Dhaka/Planning, Monitoring & Evaluation Circle, Dhaka/Monitoring & Evaluation Circle (P&D), Sarak Bhaban, Dhaka/Ex Engr. (RHD), Road Divn, Dhaka/SDE (RHD), Road Sub-Divn I/II Kallyanpur, Dhaka.
- All tenders will be opened in the respective divn office as such the receiving officers are requested to send the tender received by them in sealed condition to the office of the undersigned before the date of opening.
- Last date of selling of tender documents : Tender documents selling up to 5-11-97 during office hours.
 - Last date of received of tender : Up to 12:30 PM on 6-11-97.
 - Date & time of opening tender : 9-11-97 at 12:45 PM in presence of the tenderer or their authorised representative who are interested to remain present.

Executive Engineer (RHD)
Dhaka Road Divn, Banani, Dhaka.

10 BCL activists hurt in clash with JCD workers

From Staff Correspondent
BARISAL, Oct 28: At least 10 Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) activists were injured in a clash between BCL and Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) activists at the Babuganj Abul Kalam Degree College campus recently.

Police and witnesses said, clash erupted when JCD activists swooped on the BCL workers. They brought out a procession in the college campus despite ban on political activities in the college.

Some crackers were also exploded and the feuding groups chased and counter chased each other during the clash.

River erosion: 4000 families become homeless

From Our Correspondent
KURIGRAM, Oct 28: A total of 4000 families in two thanas of the district have been rendered homeless during the last one month due to erosion of the river Dudkumar.

The badly affected thanas are Nageswari and Bhurungamari.

According to unofficial statistics, 2,500 families of Dhaurakuti in Raiganj union, Baraitari in Pakkerchara union under Bhurungamari thana, 1500 families of Maliani, Muriabazar in Bamandanga union, Berubari, Ballaver Khash in Berubari union under Nageswari thana have lost their homesteads. The affected people have taken shelter on different roads and char areas and are passing their days without relief materials.

While visiting the erosion hit areas, this correspondent met Abul Hossain, Union Parishad member, who is also the victim of river erosion informed that no officials have yet visited the affected areas. The river erosion victims are passing their days in great miseries.

BCL, JCD share seats in Pakundia College election

KISHOREGANJ, Oct 28: Pro-Awami League Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) and BNP-backed Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) shared seats in the students union election of Pakundia Degree College on Tuesday, reports UNB.

College sources said Chhatra League bagged five seats out of 14, including that of VP, while the rest nine, including GS and AGS, went to JCD.

BCL candidate Helahuddin Helal was elected VP while JCD candidates Faruk Ahmed Billal and Mohammad Harunur Rashid GS and AGS.

Other office bearers are: Sports Secretary—Mohammad Rafiqul Islam, Drama and Recreation Secretary—Dilip Rabi Das, Literary Secretary—Mohammad Nurullah Mahmood, Indoor Games Secretaries—Mohammad Suruj Mia and Halima Khatun, Social Welfare Secretary—Mostafa Kamal, Library Secretary—Mohammad Delwar Hossain and Women Affairs Secretary—Jasna Akhter.

Sadar hospital ailing People of Natore being deprived of medicare facilities

NATORE, Oct 28: The people of the district are being deprived of medicare facilities as the sadar hospital is beset with multifarious problems, reports UNB.

The problems include shortage of physicians, medicines, beds, lack of modern diagnostic instrument, pathological facilities and ambulance services.

The hospital was established during the British regime in 1947 with 20-bed and later it was upgraded to 30 beds.

A scheme was taken to increase the beds of the hospital and provide modern medicare facilities during the previous BNP government. But, excepting a two-storied building, nothing has been implemented.

On an average, 300 patients visit the hospital from far flung areas of the district everyday with a hope to get proper treatment. But most of them are to go back without treatment.

The scarcity of life-saving drugs is an acute problem of the hospital. The patients, who get chance of admission, are compelled to buy necessary medicines from outside at high prices.

Moreover, due to lack of instrument and technicians in the pathological labs, patients are often advised to do the tests from outside.

Private pathological labs and clinics are doing brisk business as the government physicians advise the patients

to perform their tests in some particular labs.

It is alleged that the government physicians are reluctant in attending the admitted patients regularly. They are found busy with their private practice.

The diet supplied to the patients is of low quality. Hospital sources said they have nothing to do as the number of patients are two to three times higher than the capacity. No extra funds were allocated for the increasing number of patients.

Students block Comilla-B'baria road for 4 hrs

COMILLA, Oct 28: Traffic on Comilla-Brahmanbaria highway was disrupted for about four hours today as angry students barricaded the road in Debidwar thana following an accident, reports UNB.

Witnesses said Laili Begum, a student of Shalghar College in the thana, was critically injured when the bus knocked her down at Boro Shalghar at about 10 am.

Hearing the news, students of the college rushed to the spot and put up barricade on the road, disrupting vehicular movement on the road until police intervention.

2 alleged rapists arrested

KUSHTIA, Oct 28: Two people were produced before the court yesterday on charges of raping a young housewife, reports UNB.

The arrested were identified as Sabu and Rashid of village Sugribpur in sadar thana.

Police sources said Purnima, 20, daughter of late Ful Chand of village Madhupur in sadar thana, was violated by six people — Amirul, Korban, Zahurul, Hamid, Rashid and Sabu — of the village who kidnapped her from neighbouring village Madhupur.

They took her to a garden near Islamic University and violated her one after another for the whole night.

RHD Notice Inviting Tender

- Tender Notice No. : 15/96-97.
- Name of offices for selling tender documents : Executive Engineer, RHD, Ferry Construction Divn, Dhaka, Executive Engineer, RHD, Ferry Divn, Sylhet/Executive Engineer, RHD, Ferry Maintenance Divn, Dhaka/Procurement & Storage Divn, Dhaka/Planning & Programming Divn, Dhaka and SDE RHD, Ferry Construction Sub-Divn, Dhaka.
- Name of offices for receiving tenders : Addl. Chief Engineer, RHD, Mechl. Dhaka/Superintending Engineer, RHD, Mechl. Ferry Circle, Dhaka/Superintending Engineer, RHD, Monitoring & Evaluation Circle, Dhaka/Executive Engineer, RHD, Ferry Construction Divn, Dhaka/Executive Engineer, RHD, Ferry Divn, Sylhet/Executive Engineer, RHD, Procurement & Storage Divn, Dhaka/Executive Engineer, RHD, Ferry Maintenance Divn, Dhaka.
- Last date of selling : 12-11-97 Eng/28-7-1404 Bang.
- Last date & time of : 13-11-97 Eng./29-7-1404 Bang. at 12-00 Noon.
- Date & time of : 17-11-97 Eng./03-8-1404 Bang. at 12-15 PM.
- Dating and time of : 19-11-97 Eng./05-8-1404 Bang. at 1-15 PM.

Group No.	Name of work/Description	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Time allowed
Group-1: Ferry	Construction & supply of 1 (one) No. 22.80mx13.26m size Utility Type-II, (Imp.) ferry under Ferry Construction Divn, Dhaka during the year 1997-98. 1 (One) No.	Tk. 35,43,898/-	Tk. 70,878/-	5 (five) months
Group-2: Ferry	-do- 1 (One) No.	Tk. 35,43,898/-	Tk. 70,878/-	-do-
Group-3: Ferry	-do- 1 (one) No.	Tk. 35,43,898/-	Tk. 70,878/-	-do-
Group-4: Ferry	-do- 1 (one) No.	Tk. 35,43,898/-	Tk. 70,878/-	-do-

(Ch.to-266-Dev (Thana connecting rd). Sealed tenders are hereby invited from the pre-qualified dock/shipyards for the above works in prescribed schedule along with BD Form No. 2911. Bonafide dock/shipyards can also participate in the tender with the permission of Chief Engineer, RHD, having experience of new construction of such Ferry. But in case of bonafide dock/shipyards they will have to submit necessary documents of fitness as per pre-qualified dock/shipyards with the application for permission as mentioned below. Their tenders will be treated as valid only after their documents are verified and approved by the competent authority of RHD. Any false documents lead to rejection of the tender along with forfeiture of the earnest money.

- Attested copy of valid trade licence as requisite dock/shipyards from the competent authority & also recognition of the Ministry of Industry (if any).
- Bank solvency certificate & up-to-date VAT & income tax certificate.
- Attested copy of the documents as real owner of dock/shipyards of agreement with real owner of dock/shipyards.
- Certificate of detail particulars, scope of work, slipway along with equipments/machinery and concerned staff etc. from class-I gazetted officers.
- Experience certificate from an officer not below the rank of Executive Engineer from any govt/semi-govt. organisation.
- Original copy of certificate/documents shall be produced, if necessary.

The price of tender documents is Tk. 1000.00 (non-refundable) per set of the each group. The undersigned reserves the right to reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reason. Individual tender must be submitted for each group.

Executive Engineer, RHD

Ferry Construction Divn.
House No. 536, Rd. 11, Baridhara, Dhaka

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JHENIDAH: A demonstration plot of maize cultivation at village Barbari under Jhenidah thana. — Star photo

Maize farming gains popularity

From Our Correspondent

JHENIDAH, Oct 28: Maize cultivation has been gaining popularity in the district as it is now a cash crop like paddy and jute.

According to District Agriculture Extension Department (DAE) sources, the department has taken a target of maize cultivation on 100 hectares of land in the district where 250 metric tonnes of maize is likely to be produced.

Mohammad Giasuddin, 35, a farmer of village Barbari under Parganah union of Jhenidah sadar thana while showing his maize demonstration plot told he cultivated maize on three hectares of land this year. This crop might be harvested within 85 days. At least 75 maunds of maize worth Taka 60 thousand is expected to be produced from the land. Gias expressed his hope.

Ahmed Ali, Thana Agriculture Officer (TAO) Jhenidah sadar said that maize is usually a winter crop and in this season it was cultivated as extra crop which is more profitable than the cultivation of banana or other crops.

DAE has arranged one-day

training to the farmers who were interested in maize farming. DAE supplied also high yielding seeds, fertilizers and other inputs to make the programme a success. TAO said. He also said, maize cultivation might be more profitable if vegetables, chili, pulses and groundnut are cultivated along with maize.

Shakhawat Hossain, Subject Matter Scientist (SMS) of DAE, Jhenidah expressed optimism that maize might be used like rice or wheat.

25157 hectares of khas land distributed among landless

KHULNA, Oct 28: Twentyfive thousand one hundred fifty seven hectares of khas land has been distributed in 9 districts of Khulna division among the landless people, reports BSS.

A committee has been formed in each district for the allotment of khas land among the landless people. Similar committees will also be formed at thana level.

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Office of the Executive Engineer
PWD Division, Lakshmipur

Notice Inviting Tenders

No. (Civil) 3 of 1997-98

- Sealed tenders in BD Form No. 2911 are hereby invited from the Special Class I, Class-I, civil contractor of PWD, Class-II, civil contractor of Ctg. PWD Zone, Ctg. Class-III, civil contractor of Comilla PWD Circle, Comilla & Class-IV, civil contractor of this division for the undermentioned work and will be received by the undersigned and the Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Comilla/B'baria/Chandpur/Feni/Noakhali in their respective offices up to 12-00 Noon of 6-11-1997 and will be opened on the same day at 12-15 PM in presence of the intending tenderers who may like to remain present. Each tender shall be in a sealed cover with name of work superscribed on it.
- Name of work : Constn. of Fire Service and Civil Defence Station at Lakshmipur (Sub-head: Providing drum sheet palasiding in the bank of tank (East & West side) during the year 1997-98.
- Estimated cost : Tk. 1,51,999/51
- Earnest money : Tk 3100/-
- Time for completion of work : 60 (sixty) days from the date of issue of work order.
- Tender form will be sold up to 5-11-1997.
- (a) Contract documents consisting of BD Form No. 2911, tender notice, schedule of items, additional terms and conditions etc. can be seen and obtained from the office of the undersigned & all Executive Engineers under Comilla PWD Circle on payment of usual charge of Tk. 400/- (Non-refundable) per set of schedule and a sum of Tk. 25/- (Non-refundable) per sheet of Tender Form No. 2911. The intending tenderer shall have to produce their registration book of enlistment letter bearing the photo and full signature of the contractors duly attested by an Executive Engineer of this Deptt. along with challan for depositing the current fees at the time of purchasing of tender form as in absence of which no tender form will be sold. No complain in this respects will be entertained.
- In case of lowest equal rate the contractor will be selected by drawing lottery. The lottery will be held on 12-11-97 at 12-00 Noon without further information.

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Executive Engineer
PWD Division, Lakshmipur.

Notice Inviting Tenders

(RHD) Road Division, Dinajpur

- Tender Notice No : EE/DRD/1997-98.
- Name of work : Flexible pavement const/pavement widening/carpeting/repair with sealcoat/earth work at diff location of diff roads under Dinajpur Road Divn during the year 1997-98 (in 8 groups) as per group list.
- Estimated cost : As per group list
- Earnest money : As per group list
- Time allowed for completion of work : As per group list
- Eligibility of contractor : As per group list
- Name of offices where tender documents will be sold : For group No 1 to 8
1. Executive Engineer (RHD), Road Divn, Dinajpur/Thakurgaon/Nilphamari.
2. Executive Engineer (RHD), Planning Divn, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka/Planning & Design Division, Rangpur.
For group No 1
3. Divisional Commissioner, Rajshahi.
For group No 1 to 7
1. Addl Chief Engineer (RHD), Rangpur Zone, Rangpur.
2. Superintending Engineer (RHD), Monitoring and Evaluation Circle Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka.
For group No 1-8
3. Superintending Engineer (RHD), Road Circle, Dinajpur.
4. Executive Engineer (RHD), Road Divn, Dinajpur/Thakurgaon/Nilphamari.
5. Divisional Commissioner, Rajshahi.
- Name of offices where the tender bids will be received : As per group list
- Last date of selling tender documents during office hours : Up to 11.11.97.
- Last date and time for receiving tender bids : Up to 12:30 PM on 12.11.97.
- Date and time of opening tender bids : At 12.45 PM on 12.11.97.
- Date and time of opening tender bids (At the office of the undersigned) : At 11.00 AM on 16.11.97.
- Date of lottery (if necy) : At 11.00 AM on 24.11.97.

Sl No	Name of Road	Group No	Name of works with location	Estimated cost Tk with head of A/C	Earnest money	Time for completion of work	Eligibility of RHD enlisted contractor
1.	Rangpur-Badargoni-Parbatipur-Dinajpur Road (Dinajpur-Parbatipur portion)	1 (One)	Pavt const & widening at 14th (p), 15th (p) & 20th (p) KM	Tk 10,58,758/- (266 Road)	Tk 21,176/-	60 (Sixty) days	A to D general.
2.	-do- & Khalabati Link Road	2 (Two)	Pavt repair, carpeting with sealcoat at 3rd (p), 4th (p) & 11th KM of Khalabati Cant Link Rd.	Tk 7,08,479/- (266 Road)	Tk 14,170/-	20 (Twenty) days	A to E general.
3.	Dinajpur-Bachagani-Bokultala Road	3 (Three)	Pavt widening at 7th (p), 20th (p) & 28th (p) KM	Tk 7,99,111/- (266 Road)	Tk 15,983/-	60 (Sixty) days	*
4.	-do-	4 (Four)	Pavt repair with sealcoat work at 18th (p), 22nd & 23rd KM	Tk 5,76,122/- (266 Road)	Tk 11,523/-	20 (Twenty) days	*
5.	Chirbandar-Amtali Bazar-Amtali BOP Road.	5 (Five)	Earth work in road embankment from 10th to 11.50 KM	Tk 5,75,262/- (266 Road)	Tk 11,506/-	50 (Fifty) days	*
6.	-do-	6 (Six)	Flexible pavt const at 3rd KM	Tk 5,76,864/- (266 Road)	Tk 11,538/-	60 (Sixty) days	*
7.	Saidpur-Parbatipur Road (Dinajpur portion)	7 (Seven)	Pavt repair with sealcoat work at 8th (p) & 9th, 13th (p) KM	Tk 5,43,751/- (266 Road)	Tk 10,875/-	20 (Twenty) days	*
8.	-do-	8 (Eight)	Earth work on road shoulder at diff location	Tk 2,53,888/- (266 Road)	Tk 5,078/-	20 (Twenty) days	*

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Executive Engineer (RHD)
Road Division, Dinajpur.