

News snaps

17 held from Sylhet on various charges

SYLHET, Mar 28: Police arrested 17 people on various charges from different parts of the district last week, reports UNB.

Babar Hossain was arrested from city's Dakshin Surma area while Ibrahim from Bianbazar thana on charge of stealing two motorcycles on March 16. Sumon, 16, and Habibur Rahman, 30, were caught red-handed while they were selling phensidyl at Chhorapar area in the town on March 15. Besides, police arrested Maya Begum, Chuna Mia, Munir Mia, Firoz Mia, Bachchu Mia Moshahid, Akkas and Akbul Dev for their alleged involvement in anti-social activities from different places on the same day. Saidur Rahman was nabbed from village Saola in Bianbazar thana in a rape case on March 13. Police arrested Helal Mia, Bahauddin, Azimuddin and Abdul Malek in an abduction case from separate planes in the district.

Progress of uplift works discussed

NOAKHALI, Mar 28: A meeting at the district development coordination committee, Noakhali was held at the Deputy Commissioner's conference room here on Monday, reports BSS.

K M Abul Kalam, Deputy Commissioner, Noakhali presided over the meeting. The meeting discussed progress of development works in different sectors including agriculture, Food for Works Programme, family planning, public health in different thanas. All Thana Nirbahi Officers and district level officials were present in the meeting.

Bangabandhu's birth anniversary

NETRAKONA, Mar 28: The 78th birth anniversary of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman was celebrated here on Tuesday in a befitting manner, reports BSS.

Different socio-cultural organisations, political parties including Awami League and professional bodies chalked out elaborate programmes to mark the day. The day's programme included holding of discussion meetings, seminars on the life and works of Bangabandhu. Placing of floral wreaths at the foot of the portrait of Bangabandhu, organising at milad mahfil, Quran khwai and special prayers, Mukti Joddha Sangsad, Netrakona district unit held a discussion meeting on "political life of Bangabandhu" at its office premises here.

Re-excavation of pond starts

RANGPUR, Mar 28: The Water Development Board has started re-excavation of Sharola-Chalunia khal in Pirgachha thana under Rangpur district in the current dry season, reports BSS.

The work has been started under canal re-excavation programme. About 45 tonnes of rice have been sanctioned and the work on the scheme is expected to be completed by May 15, official sources told.

Freedom fighter dead

TANGAIL, Mar 28: Mir Shamsuddoza, 63, a company commander of great Liberation War, of village Konora under Nagarpur thana breathed his last in his house on March 14, reports BSS.

He left behind wife, three sons and one daughter and a host of admirers to mourn his death. Chief of former Baten Bahini Kondokar Abdul Baten, freedom fighter advocate Mir Shamsul Alam along with a large number of freedom fighters saluted the body and paid last respect to him. The body of Mir Shamsuddoza was buried in his family graveyard.

4000 cases pending in Naogaon

NAOGAON, Mar 28: Pending cases in the different courts of the district are increasing gradually causing much suffering to the complainants and defendants, reports UNB.

About 4000 cases remained pending in the district due to several administrative complexities and shortage of Judges, court sources said. According to the sources, the cases are lying pending since long in different Magistrate, Sub-Judge and Judge courts in the district. Most of the cases are relating to murder, clasi, theft, snatching and robbery, the sources added.

People showing interest in CHT uplift work

BANDARBAN, Mar 28: Competition for submitting tenders for various development programmes under Development Board of Chittagong Hill Tracts has been gaining momentum in the district, reports UNB.

About 600 contractors, mostly unemployed youths have submitted their tenders showing enthusiasm to get the work orders after the CHT peace agreement. According to the local people, many tribal and non-tribal contractors are showing increasing interest to take part in development activities due to the prevailing peaceful condition in the CHT. Development Board of Chittagong Hill Tracts called tender of Tk 1.40 crore for the development of communication network and infrastructure in different areas including Ruma, Bongchhori and Thanchhi thanas.

Science week in Sylhet

SYLHET, Mar 28: National Science Week was here on March 15 under the auspices of Sylhet Women's College and different science clubs at district sports association gymnasium, reports BSS.

Presided over by Prof Mudabbir Ali, acting principal of Sylhet Women's College, Habibur Rahman, Divisional Commissioner, Sylhet was the chief guest in the inaugural function. The 21st science week was observed in a befitting manner. A science exhibition was held on this occasion at the local gymnasium. Different science clubs of Sylhet participated in the exhibition. The chief guest, Habibur Rahman stressed the need of science and technological education for socio-economic development of the country.

Huge quantity of liquor seized

SUNAMGANJ, Mar 28: Department of Narcotics Control seized huge quantity of home made liquor and liquor manufacturing materials from different parts of the district last month, reports UNB.

During the period the officials also arrested nine people in connection with drug trading and filed 11 cases against them. The seized goods are 39 litres of home made liquor, seven ganja plants, 2,350 kg finished ganja and other liquor manufacturing tools. Meanwhile, BDR jawans recovered 740 ganja plants from Laundergarh in frontier Tahirpur thana. Two separate cases have been filed with the Tahirpur police in this connection. Sources said ganja trading is alarmingly on rise in the district causing concern among the conscious people.

Sanction for mushroom farming project

RANGAMATI, Mar 28: The Rangamati Hill District Local Government Council (RHDLCG) has sanctioned Taka 50,000 more to the district agriculture extension directorate to put into operation the existing autoclave machine for implementation of the mushroom cultivation project, reports BSS.

The sanction was made at the monthly meeting of the RHDLCG held in its conference room. The meeting was attended by the heads of offices, transferred under the disposal of the RHDLCG with the chairman of RHDLCG Ching Kieu Roaza in the chair.

The meeting also decided to release necessary funds from the revolving fund to set up block nurseries at Baghachhari, Langadu and Zurachhari to bring more areas under mushroom cultivation.

Independence Day celebrated in dists

The 28th Independence and National Day was celebrated all over the country on Thursday with great enthusiasm, report agencies.

In Narayanganj The Independence and National Day was celebrated in a befitting manner.

Highlights of the days' programme included placing of floral wreaths at Shaheed Minar, hoisting the national flag atop all public and private buildings, children's rally, supply of improved diets in hospital, orphanage centres, children's painting competition on Liberation War, friendly football match, documentary film show, special prayer, discussion meeting, musical soiree and illumination.

An impressive children-juvenile rally was held at Chashara Osmany Stadium in the morning. Police, Ansars, VDP, BNCC, Rangers, Fire Brigade, Civil Defence, Boy Scouts and Girl Guides displayed physical exercises in the rally.

Abdur Rahman, DC Narayanganj, and AKM Shamim Osman MP were among those present on the occasion.

A discussion meeting on the significance of the War of Independence and the use of indigenous products to attain self reliance in national economy was held at Mukti Joddha hall in the evening.

In Chittagong the Independence Day was celebrated with a pledge to uphold the ideals and spirit of Liberation War and build an exploitation free society.

Hundreds of leaders and workers of different political parties and socio-cultural organisations placed wreaths at the Shaheed Minar at KC Dey Road at one minute past 12 midnight.

Minister for Labour and Manpower M A Mannan, Minister for Civil Aviation and Tourism Engineer Mosharrif Hossain and acting Mayor Jalaluddin Ahmed placed wreaths at the Shaheed Minar to pay homages to those who embraced martyrdom for liberating the country.

National flags were hoisted atop all important private and public buildings to mark the day.

In Rajshahi the day was heralded with the booming of 21-gun salute at one minute past midnight and national flag was hoisted atop private and public buildings.

Rajshahi University Vice-chancellor Prof Abdul Khaleque, Rajshahi City Corporation Mayor Mizanur Rahman Minu, Awami League leader AHM Khairuzzaman Litor, freedom fighters and others

placed wreaths at local Shaheed Minar to pay their respect to the martyrs, who laid down their lives for the cause of independence.

Different socio cultural organisations, educational institutions, political parties including Awami League, BNP and others observed the day through holding discussions, seminars and cultural functions highlighting the significance of the day.

The leaders, workers and supporters of Rajshahi district and city Awami League garlanded the portrait of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and four national leaders — Syed Nazrul Islam, Tajuddin Ahmed, Capt M Monsor Ali and AHM Kamaruzzaman Hena on the day.

In Khulna various political, socio-cultural and educational institutions drew up elaborate programmes to mark the occasion.

The day's programme heralded with placing of wreath at the martyrs Memorial Tomb at Gollamari and 21 gun salutes at one past midnight.

The other programmes of the day included discussions, children's rally, cultural functions and mass processions.

A grand rally of the children and juveniles was held at the Khulna Stadium in the morning.

Awami League, among other programmes, brought out a colourful procession in the city.

BNP also brought out a procession.

In Barisal The programmes of the day began with placing of wreaths at the foot of the Central Shaheed Minar by Divisional Commissioner Yahia Mollah at one-minute past midnight. The DIG of police, Barisal range, Nurul Alam Chowdhury, Deputy Commissioner M Allauddin, Police Super Altaf Hossain Mollah, Barisal district units of Awami League, BNP, Jatiya Party, Jamaat-e-Islami, different student organisations, Biman Bangladesh.

Sanskrit Sangathan Samannay Parishad, Barisal district unit, lit the candles at the foot of the Shaheed Minar at 11-20 pm on March 25 to mark the night of destruction.

They brought out silent procession from the Shaheed Minar and paraded different thoroughfares of the city. Chief Whip Abul Hasanat Abdullah led a procession of Awami League and its front organisation.

The national flag was hoisted atop all private and public buildings at dawn.

In Gazipur different political parties, socio-cultural organi-

sations and district administration organised programmes like children rally, sports and get together for freedom fighters, discussions and cultural functions.

A discussion and prize distribution ceremony was held by district administration at Rajbari playground. Labour leader and local parliament member Ahasan Ullah Master was present as the chief guest and distributed prizes among children.

The function presided over by Nazrul Islam, Deputy Commissioner of Gazipur were addressed among others by AKM Mozammel Haque, Prof Abdul Mannan Akandha, Abul Hossain and Nurul Islam Master.

Valuables worth Tk 5 lakh looted in Magura

From Our Correspondent
MAGURA, Mar 28: A daring dacoity was committed at Sachilapur bazaar under Sripur thana of the district on Saturday evening, according to the police and shopkeepers.

About 15 to 20 armed dacoits forcibly entered into the shops of Ramkrishna Kundu, Jiban Saha, Mridul Saha and Sukharanjan at Sachilapur bazaar on the weekly hat day of last Saturday and looted cash and valuables including a motor cycle worth Taka five lakh. At least four shopkeepers were injured by attack of the sharp weapons of the dacoits.



PABNA: The local unit of Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) brought out a procession in the town demanding arrest and punishment to the killers of Shamin Hossain, a JCD leader who was murdered in November last year. — Star photo

Bangladesh Power Development Board Tender Notice

বিদ্যুৎ ব্যবহারে মিতব্যয়ী হোন

Name of office : Zonal Repairing Workshop, PDB, Jessore. Name of work: Supply of "Leatherrate Paper" to the stores of Zonal Repairing Workshop, PDB, Jessore. Eligibility of contractor: Power Development Board enlisted "A" to "D" contractors & supplier firms. Estimated cost: Taka 3,40,000/- (three lakh forty thousand) only. Price of tender: Taka 300/- (three hundred) only. Tender to be had at: (A) Janata Bank, Chanchra Branch, Jessore, (B) Addl Chief Engineer, Distribution, West Zone, PDB, Khulna, (C) Superintending Engineer, (0&M) Circle, PDB, Jessore. Last date of selling tender: 05-04-98 (during office hours). Date of receiving & opening tender: 06-04-98 to be received & tender box opened up to 12-00 Noon & at 12-30 PM, respectively).

Tender Memo No: ZRWJ/Accounts-5/97-98/503 Dt - 02-03-98.

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DPI-5036-8/3
G-606
Executive Engineer
Zonal Repairing Workshop
PDB, Jessore.

BJMC Advertisement Tender Notice

Sealed tenders are invited by the General Manager, UMC Jute Mills, Narsingdi from bonafide manufacturers and their authorised agents/stockists/suppliers for supply of 1998 Model White Colour 1300 CC Car on free delivery at Mill Site basis.

Tenders will be received in the tender box kept at the office of the (1) Deputy-General Manager (Maintenance), BJMC, Dhaka Zone, 19, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka, (2) Deputy-General Manager (A. Purchase), 44, Dikusha C/A (4th Floor), Dhaka up to 12:00 Noon of 6-4-98 and will be opened on the same day at 12:30 PM in presence of the tenderers (if any).

Tender schedule consisting detailed description, terms & other conditions can be purchased on cash payment of Tk 370.00 (non-refundable) only from the office of the (1) Deputy-General Manager (A&F), BJMC, Dhaka Zone, 99, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka, (2) General Manager (A&F), UMCJM, Mill Site, Narsingdi, (3) Deputy-General Manager (A. Purchase), 44, Dikusha C/A (4th floor), Dhaka except the opening date of tender. Tk 15,000.00 as earnest money (refundable) should be submitted with the tender through DD/Pay Order/Bank Draft in favour of the Mill. Detailed terms & conditions will be available in the schedule. The authority reserves the right to accept/reject any tender without assigning any reason.

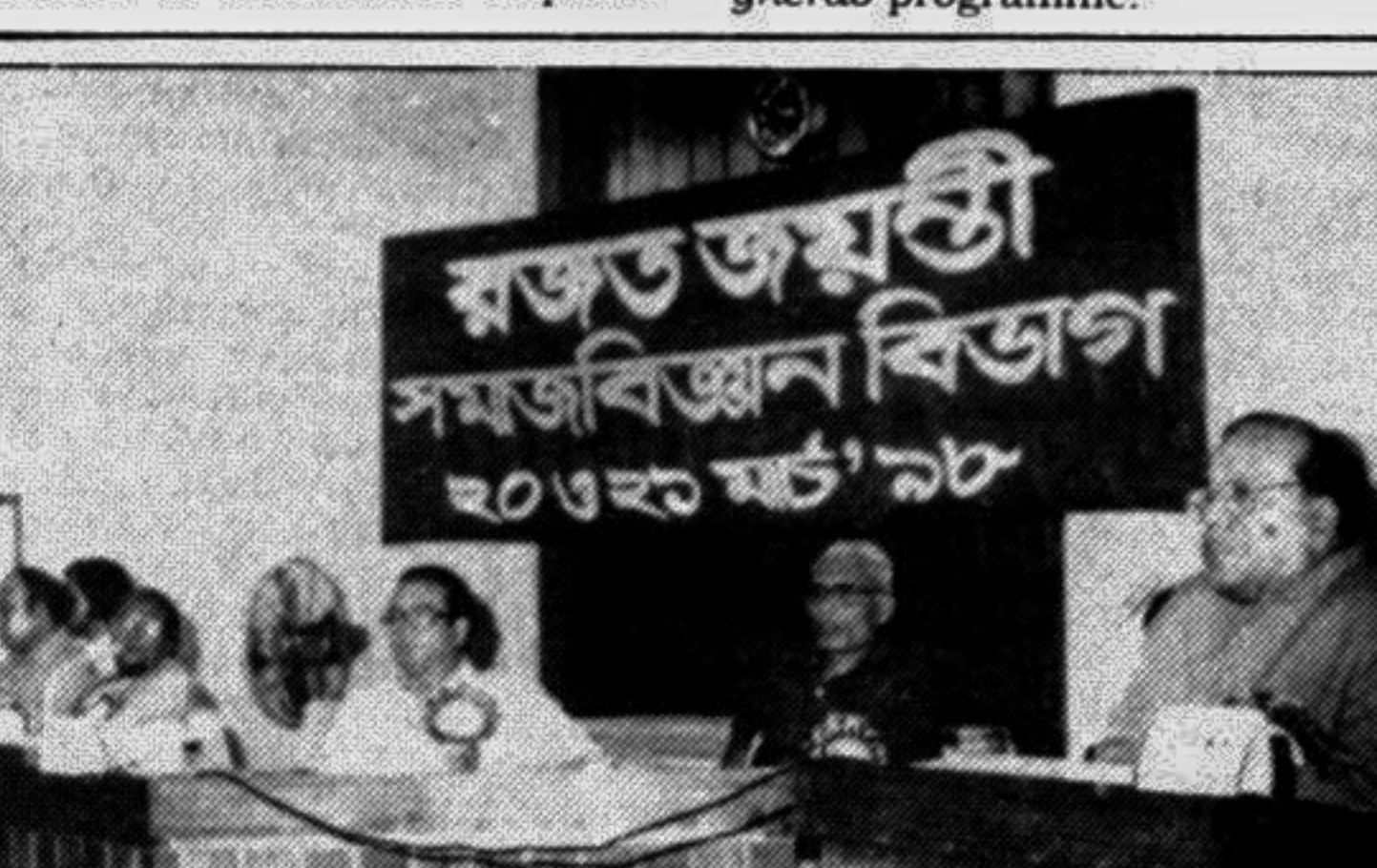
BJMC-148 dated-11/3/98
DPI-6129-19/3
G-605

5,000 farmers gherao Rajshahi Barendra Project office

From Our Correspondent

RAJSHAH, Mar 28: About five thousand peasants of various thanas of Rajshahi held a meeting and gheraoed the office of Barendra Project office of the city demanding fulfilment of their seven-point demands immediately.

The demands include: Fixation of irrigation charge at Taka 30 per hour, supply of uninterrupted supply of electricity in the deep tubewells, stoppage of levying of 5 kilograms of paddy per bigha of land as transmitter installation charge, regularisation of job of deep-tubewell operators, ensuring security of deep tubewells in the project areas and withdrawal of transmitter-deposit from farmers.



RAJSHAH UNIVERSITY: Prof Mazharul Islam, former vice-chancellor of the university recently addressing the inaugural function of the Silver Jubilee programme of Sociology Department. — Star photo

Free treatment to heart patients

FARIDPUR, Mar 28: Bangladesh Heart Foundation, district unit, will render free treatment to heart patients of the district every Saturday, reports UNB.

Heart specialist Dr Mustafizur Rahman Shamim and Dr Jalaluddin will give the service at the foundation office at Jheeltul in the town from 11 am to 12 pm.

This was disclosed in a meeting of the foundation held on Monday with its President Munshi Harun-ar-Rashid in the chair.

Another report says: A total of 70 cataract patients were operated upon in a week-long eye-camp concluded here on Sunday.

Organised by district unit BNSB, the camp was inaugurated by Deputy Commissioner A F M Abdul Huq Chowdhury on March 16 at its officer premises.

On the concluding day, Press Club President Munshi Harun-ar-Rashid distributed spectacles class and necessary medicines free of cost.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Office of the Executive Engineer Mohakhali PWD Division, Dhaka Notice Inviting Tenders

- Tender No : 56/1997-98.
- Name of work : Construction of BNCC Headquarters Office Building at Sector No 6 at Uttara, Dhaka (Sub-Head: Cladding of 8'x2 1/2'x1" size ceramic bricks on wall of the office building).
- Estimated cost : Tk 8,44,176/-.
- Earnest money : Tk 16,884/-.
- Time allowed for : 3 (three) months. completion of work
- Entitlement of : Spl Class-I/Class-I & Class-II & Class III civil contractors/firms enlisted in PWD.
- Tender selling : SB Nagar PWD Division No I, II, III, Eden Building and Mohakhali PWD Division.
- Tender receiving : SB Nagar PWD Division No I, II, III, Eden Building and Mohakhali PWD Division.
- Last date of : 5-4-98 during office hours. tender sale
- Date and time : 6-4-98 at 12-00 Noon. of receiving of tender
- Date and time : 6-4-98 at 12-15 PM. of opening of tender
- Those contractors/firms who have no VAT registration are not eligible to participate in the tender.
- The undersigned reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.
- If two or more contractors become lowest by quoting same rates the successful contractor will be selected by conducting lottery. In that case the lottery of this work will be held on 15-4-98 at 11-00 AM in the office of the undersigned.

Executive Engineer
Mohakhali PWD Division
Dhaka.
DPP-6449-23/3
G-608

PWD Notice Inviting Tenders No 53 of 1997-98

Sealed tenders in BD Form No 2911 are hereby invited from approved Spl Class-I, Class I, II, III (Civil) contractors of PWD for the undermentioned work & will be received by the undersigned as well as the Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Comilla/B'baria/Chandpur/Lakshimpur/Feni up to 12-00 Noon of 6-4-98Eng and will be opened on the same day at 12-15 PM in presence of the contractor who may like to remain present. Each tender shall be in a sealed cover with the name of work superscribed on it.

- Name of work : Special repairs to the Judicial Record Poom Sheed No 1 (one), Near District Judges Court Building at Majdee, Dist-Noakhali during the year 1997-98.
- Estimated cost : Tk 3,32,359/-.
- Earnest money : Tk 6,648/-.
- Time for completion is : 2 (two) months.
- Contracts documents consisting of BD Form No 2911, schedule of items, Tender Notice, addl terms and conditions etc can be seen & purchased up to 5-4-98 from the office of the undersigned as well as the Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Comilla/B'baria/Chandpur/Lakshimpur/Feni & the Sub-Divisional Engineer, PWD Sub-Division, Noakhali during the office hours on all working days on payment of usual charges.
- (a) The tender schedule will be corrected as per approved estimate.
- (b) If more than one contractor stood lowest quoting same rate the lottery for the same will be held in this office by the undersigned among the lowest tenderer on 15-4-98 at 12-00 Noon.
- (c) Certified copies of VAT Registration certificate to be enclosed with the tender, failing which tender will be cancelled.
- (d) The work order will be issued after getting administrative approval & payment will be made on receipt of allotment of fund.

DPP-6228-22/3
G-609
Executive Engineer
Noakhali PWD Division.

Directorate General Defence Purchase Ministry of Defence, New Airport Road Tejgaon, Dhaka-1215 Tender Notice

Sl No	Description of Stores & Qty	Date of Selling		Date of Opening	Currency	Tender No
		From	To			
a.	Vertical Lathe Machine Qty — 01 in No	5-4-98	30-4-98	3-5-98	Foreign	5552
Re-Tender						
b.	Oil Servo Unit Qty — 01 in No	5-4-98	30-4-98	3-5-98	Foreign	5368
c.	Various Painting Appliances Qty — 24 L/Items	5-4-98	30-4-98	3-5-98	Foreign	5496

2. The tender schedule with detail specification will be available at given rate (Not refundable) on any working day between 0800 hours to 1200 hours. The tender will be opened at 1000 hours on the above-mentioned date in presence of the tenderers.

ISPR/Misc/98/259
DPP-6454-23/3
G-607
Lt Cdr BN
For Director General

Bangladesh Small & Cottage Industries Corporation 137/138, Motijheel Commercial Area, Dhaka-1000 Tender Notice

Tenders under sealed cover are invited from BSCIC enlisted 1st class contractors for the undermentioned work. This is to be noted that only those who have VAT registration certificate can take part in the tender by purchasing tender schedule.

Sl. No.	Name of work	Estimated cost	Earnest money (from any scheduled bank)	Price of tender form (non-refundable)	Time limit for work	Tender Receiving			Tender Opening		
						Place	Date	Time	Place	Date	Time
01	Road Construction (Soling), Industrial City, Jamdani & Research Centre, Tarabo, Narayanganj Civil Engineering-04/98.	19,40,516/78	38,810/34	1000/=	4 months	Director (Technology), BSCIC Head Office (5th Floor), Dhaka & Regional Director, BSCIC P.O. Office, 128, Malek Mission (9th Floor), Dhaka & Offices of all Divisional Commissioners	13/04/98	11:00 AM	Director (Technology) BSCIC Head Office (5th Floor), Dhaka.	15/04/98	11:00 AM

Detailed description of the work can be known from the office of the Chief Engineer, Civil Engineering Division, BSCIC Head Office, 137/138, Motijheel C/A, office of the respective Regional Director and office of the Chief of respective Industrial Assistance Centre during office hours on all workdays. This is to be noted that work order will be issued subject to receipt of allotment from the Govt.

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DPP-6275-22/3
G-604
Chief Engineer