

## News snaps

### 2 killed in separate incidents

**BENAPOLE:** Apr 19: Two people, including an alleged dacoit, received injuries in separate incidents in Sharsha thana on Friday, reports UNB.  
Police said Hazrat Ali, 30, a notorious activist of a gang of dacoits, was injured in a bomb blast while making bomb at a residence owned by Abdus Sattar at village Putkhal Obhoyas. Hazrat Ali hails from village Mohinikati in Jhikorgasa thana. In another incident, Ekser Ali, 26, received burn injuries when a gang of miscreants threw acid on him. Police said Ekser, son of Hamizuddin Dhali of village Rajnagar in Sharsha thana, was attacked by the gang when he came out of his house to respond to the call of nature. Separate cases were filed with the police.

### Dam on Khowai yet to be completed

**HABIGANJ:** Apr 19: Farmers in Baniachang thana of the district has been apprehending damage of their Boro crops in the coming rainy season as the dam on the river Khowai is yet to be completed, reports UNB.  
Water Development Board has started construction of the dam over the river near village Shatamukha of Sujatpur union in the current fiscal year. But the construction remained suspended near the village when a UP chairman objected to the work being done over his crop land. Meanwhile, due to the flash flood of the river Khowai on March 23 caused by incessant downpour and onrush of hilly waters from Tripura, standing Boro crops on 2000 acres of land in Shatamukha, Sujatpur, Ikram, Balla Modhupur and some adjacent villages were damaged. Flood water entered through the suspended portion of the dam causing huge loss to the farmers. Villagers demanded construction of the dam as per the original plan in the area without further delay.

### Bumper output of potato in 16 N-dists

**NAOGAON:** Apr 19: A total of 16 northern districts were secured the second position in producing potato in the country during the current season, reports UNB.  
According to Agriculture Extension Department (AED), a scheme was taken to cultivate potato on 96,8553 hectares of land with a production of about 11.62 lakh metric tons in the northern districts. But exceeding the target a total of 1.12 lakh hectares were cultivated with the production of additional 1.84 lakh metric tons of potato. Despite fog and continuous cold wave the bumper production was achieved, the sources added.

### Certificate cases filed against farmers

**NETRAKONA:** Apr 19: Bangladesh Krishi Bank has filed some 5,238 certificate cases against the defaulter farmers in 12 thanas of the Mymensingh district in the current fiscal year, reports UNB.  
According to the official sources, about Tk 10 crore have been lying outstanding to the farmers in the district. During the period, Sadar thana branch of the bank filed 697 cases while Muktagachha branch 198 cases, Trishal 157 cases, Fulbaria 101 cases, Gafargaon 287 cases, Valuka 1,347 cases, Gouripur 624 cases, Ishwaganj 158 cases, Nandail 233, Halaughat 364 and Dhobpura branch filed 230 cases. Meanwhile, only three cases in Sadar branch and two cases in Valuka were settled after payment of the money by the defaulters.

### 9 uplift schemes undertaken in Madaripur

**MADARIPUR:** Apr 19: The Local Government and Engineering Department (LGED) has undertaken nine development projects in Sadar thana at a cost of Tk 9.40 lakh, reports UNB.  
According to officials, the project works include construction of latrines, bridge, culvert and renovation of educational institutions.

## Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Facilities Department Ministry of Education Sikha Bhaban, Bangladesh, Dhaka Tender Notice

No. PED/155/98/FD/01 Dated: 02-04-98  
Sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No 2911 are hereby invited from Facilities Department's A-1 class enlisted/renewed contractors for construction of three and a half room single storied building under different zones under "Selected Secondary Schools Development (Govt & Private)" Project.

- A) Estimated cost of: Taka 17,50,000/- each institution
- B) Amount of earnest: Taka 35,000/- money
- C) Time limit for: 6 (six) months. completion of work
- D) Price of each tender: Taka 750/- schedule
- E) Last date & time of: 30-04-98 (up to office hours). selling tender
- F) Date & time of: 04-05-98 (up to 12-00 Noon). receiving tender
- G) Date & time of: Tenders will be opened at 12-30 PM of 04-05-98 before the opening tender

- H) Tender document of the zones under the respective circles will be available at all zones of the respective circle and office of the respective Divisional Commissioner during office hours. Schedule of Dhaka, Savar, Narayanganj and Narsingdi zones will be available at Section-12 of the Ministry of Education.
- I) Tender documents will be received at the same offices where the tender documents will be had at.
- J) Detailed information with name of educational institutions will be available in the tender document of the respective zone. Earnest money of the tenders/tender documents should be submitted through Pay Order/Bank Draft from any scheduled bank of Bangladesh in favour of the respective Executive Engineers.

### Terms & conditions:

- 01) Tender documents should be purchased on production of original copy of up to 1997-98 financial year renewal fee depositing receipt, registration book and VAT registration certificate and attested copies of the said papers should be submitted with the tender document. If any furnished information is found to be wrong any time, then the tender of the respective tenderer will be treated as cancelled.
- 02) Copy of 1995-96, 1996-97 (as applicable) financial year's Income Tax clearance certificate should be submitted with the tender.
- 03) Participating contractors should submit their 1997-98 bank statement with the tender. Any one day's deposit of the contractor concerned at the respective bank should stand at Tk 3 (three) lakh.
- 04) Attested photocopy of licence registration book should be submitted with the tender.
- 05) Contractors/contractors' firms who could not complete their earlier allotted work within the prescribed time without any specific reason and whose progress of the allotted work is not satisfactory can not take part in the tender.
- 06) Tender of the participating contractor/contractors' firm will be treated as cancelled if wrong information is furnished in the "eligibility evaluation form".
- 07) Income Tax and Value Added Tax (VAT) will be deducted from all kinds of bill as per govt rules.
- 08) Tender will be treated as cancelled outright if the rate quoted is more than 5% (five per cent) below the estimated cost.
- 09) Contractor cannot claim any financial benefit in case of any change or cancellation of name of any institution under any unavoidable circumstances.  
The authority reserves the right to accept/reject any/all tenders without assigning any reason.

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## RU 1st yr (Hons) admission tests begin

From RU Correspondent.

**RAJSHAHI:** Apr 19: Admission tests in first year (Hons) courses of Rajshahi University have begun on Saturday.  
On the first day, tests were held for admission into Physics, Accounting and Mathematics departments. Examinations were held peacefully. No untoward incident occurred. Police were posted at different spots of the campus.

A large number of candidates took part in the admission tests. Residential halls are overcrowded with new comers.  
Vice-Chancellor Prof Abdul Khaleque and Pro-Vice-Chancellor Prof Sayeedur Rahman Khan visited different examination halls on the first day. Proctor Mokhesur Rahman, Press Publication and Public Relation Administrator Prof Farukuzzaman, RUTA Secretary Prof Mozaffar Hossain accompanied the VC and pro-VC.  
It is to be mentioned, departmental admission test was introduced in the varsity from the previous session scrapping the former faculty-wise admission system.

## 5 dacoits arrested from Sundarbans

From Our Correspondent

**SATKHIRA:** Apr 19: Police arrested five dacoits from Naikati canal in the Sundarbans on April 6 following exchange of gunfire.

The arrested dacoits are: Saheb Ali, 35, son of Rustam Mollah and Isarul Islam, 30, both of village Dumuria in Shyamnagar thana and Abdul Ahaad, 28, son of Abu Bakar Sheikh, Mukul Islam, son of Momin Uddin Sheikh, and Abdur Razzak, 16, son of Golam Sarowar, all of village Gobindakati in sadar thana.  
Police also recovered four fire arms including seven rounds of cartridges from their possession.

Police sources said, acting on a secret information, police arrested Saheb Ali from Shyamnagar bus stand. After his confession, police personnel led by Abu Bakar Siddique, Police Super, Satkhira, raided the den of dacoits at Naikati canal. The dacoits opened fire on the police party. Police on retaliation opened fire on the dacoits. After two hours' gunfight police were able to arrest the dacoits.

Police also recovered three pipe guns, one shattergun and seven rounds of cartridges from their possession.  
A case was lodged with Shyamnagar police station in this connection.

## Pirates attack oil tanker: One killed, 10 hurt

From Staff Correspondent

**BARISAL:** Apr 19: One crew of an oil tanker was killed and 10 others were injured, two seriously, when pirates attacked the tanker on the Meghna river at Santirhat in between Bhola and Charfaisan at about midnight on April 11.

According to police and witnesses, about 12 pirates in a trawler attacked the crew with lethal weapons when the vessel was aground in a under-water char land at Santirhat. It was carrying a huge quantity of furnace oil to Khulna from Chittagong.  
The pirates decamped with Taka 30,000 from the crew. Critically injured Ranjit, 45, was taken to Barisal Medical College Hospital where he died later.

The two seriously injured crew Wahab Ali, 32, and So-laiman, 35, — were admitted to Bhola Hospital.

## Diarrhoea attacks 1,000 at Savar, Dhamrai

**SAVAR:** Apr 19: Over 1,000 people were attacked with diarrhoea and other water-borne diseases in Savar and Dhamrai thanas during the last week, reports UNB.

Hospital sources said more than 100 people were given treatment in the thana health complexes.

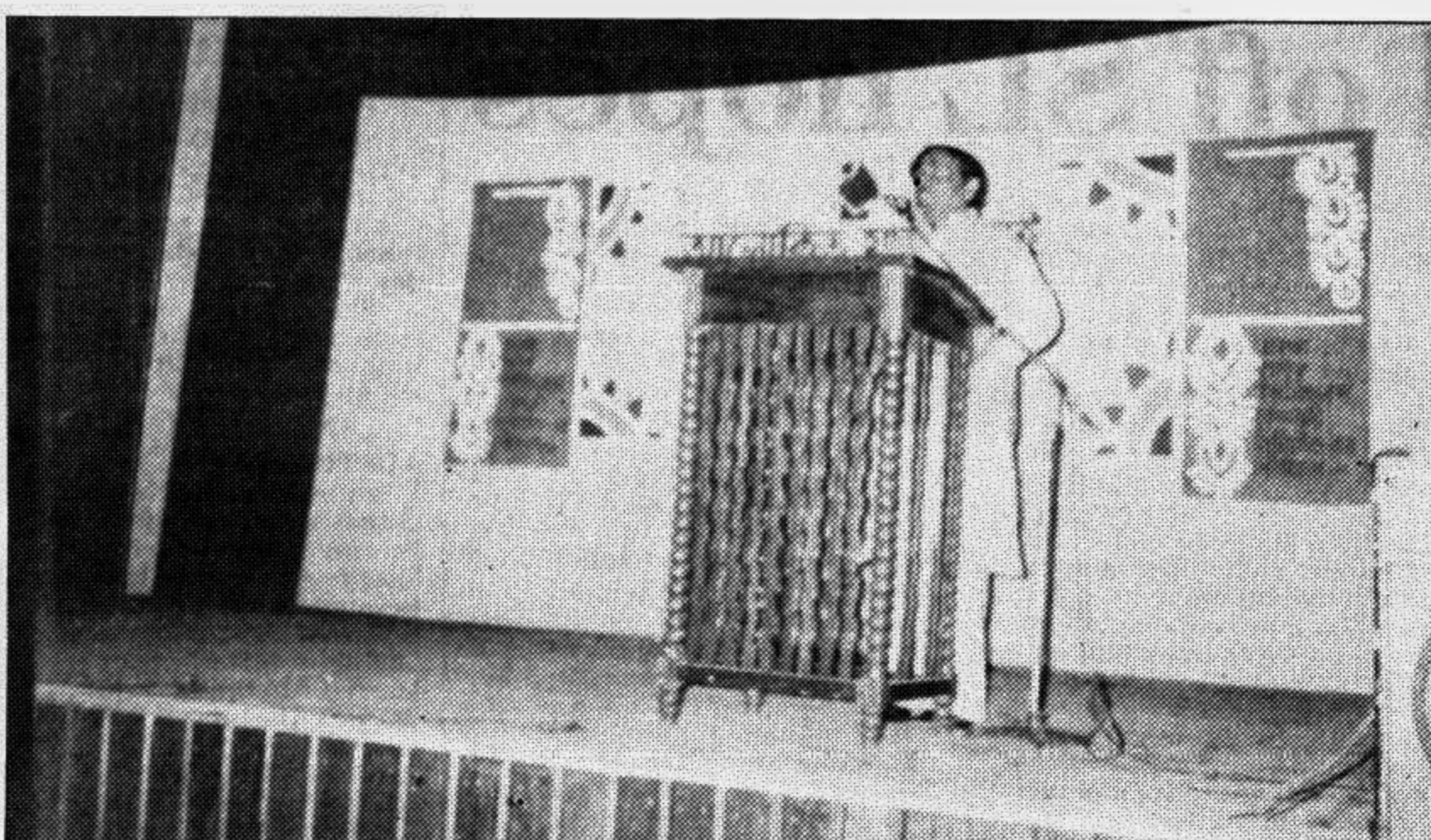
Doctors attributed the outbreak of diarrhoea to scarcity of safe water and consumption of adulterated food.  
Witnesses said local people were seen to take water either from ponds or rivers as they were not getting water from their tube-wells due to abnormal fall in the subsoil water level.

Local health workers are distributing oral saline in the affected area which was said to be too inadequate to meet the requirement.

## One stabbed to death in Gazipur

**GAZIPUR:** Apr 19: A young man was killed at Bilaspur in the town on Thursday when he tried to save a neighbour from a dagger-wielding attacker, reports UNB.

Shamim, 18, died on the spot, stabbed allegedly, by Russel, 25 who first attacked Nannu Mia 27.  
Russel was mercilessly beaten up by the local people. Police said Russel stabbed Nannu Mia after an altercation in the morning. He also stabbed Shamim who came to the aid of Nannu.  
A case was filed with Joyde-vpur police in this connection.



**COMILLA:** Prize distribution ceremony of Book Reading Competition '97 of the Comilla branch of Bishwa Sahitya Kendra and opening ceremony of a library were held on March 9 at Comilla town hall. Noted writer and Chief organiser of the Kendra Prof Abdullah Abu Syeed was present as the chief guest.

## Scarcity of quality seeds

# Jute farming likely to be hampered in S-W dists

From Our Correspondent

**MAGURA:** Apr 19: Jute cultivation is likely to be hampered in the south western districts due to scarcity of High Yielding Varieties (HYV) of jute seeds during the current season, according to jute growers.

Jute growers of Magura, Jhenidah, Narail, Jessore, Khulna, Satkhira, Kushtia, Chuadanga and Meherpur districts are trying to collect jute seeds after preparing their land. But due to non-availability of HYV seeds from the Agriculture Extension Department and BADC, they have to depend on Indian varieties from black markets.

Most of the growers are showing interest to sow smuggled Indian jute seeds in lieu of locally available BADC vari-

eties due to various causes. Farmers do not produce jute seeds locally due to lack of proper initiative of the Agricultural Department. A small number of growers who only produce jute seeds were not able to supply improved quality of seeds this season.

A source of Agriculture Extension Department said, about two lakh one thousand two hundred twenty acres of land were brought under jute cultivation in the south-western districts of the country last year. But many growers did not get good harvest last year due to inferior quality of seeds.

While talking to a group of jute growers including marginal landless they told this correspondent, there was

no marketing facilities of BADC jute seeds. They did not get seeds according to their demand from the BADC offices.

Grabbing the opportunity of jute seeds crisis, smugglers have become active in procuring jute seeds from India. These Indian seeds have flooded rural markets in Magura, Jhenidah, Narail, Jessore, Satkhira, Chuadanga, Kushtia and Meherpur district. Jute seeds are being sold at an exorbitant price in these rural markets. The local jute seeds are being sold at Tk 30 to Tk 40 per kg while smuggled jute seeds at Tk 80 to Tk 100 per kg.

According to the market observers, jute growers are being cheated, buying low quality of jute seeds this season.



**BOGRA:** The district unit of Bangladesh Photo Journalists' Association arranged a five-day photographic exhibition here to celebrate *Pahela Baishakh* at Woodburn Public Library auditorium. Noted writer Romena Afaz was the chief guest at the opening ceremony while Mahbul Alam, president, Bogra Press Club was the special guest. Asaf-ud-Dowla, president of district unit of the association, presided over there. A total of 112 photographs were on display.

## Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Office of the Executive Engineer Local Government Engineering Directorate Joypurhat

Memo No-LGED/EE/Jaypur/534

Dated: 31/3/98

## Tender Notice No-15/97-98

Tenders in Bangladesh Form No-2911, under sealed cover are invited from the respective projects pre-qualified (as per class and eligibility) contractor's firms for depositing itemwise rate quoted in the tender schedule for implementation of the undermentioned works under Baharampur FCD Sub-Project (SP-78) under Thana & Union Level Miniature Water Resources Development Sector Project under the Executive Engineer, LGED, Jaypurhat during 1997-98 financial year. Tender documents of the work can be purchased at the prescribed price from the office of the Project Director, Divisional Commissioner, Rajshahi, Executive Engineer, LGED, Bogra, Thana Engineer, Panchbibi and office of the undersigned during office hours daily up to 27/4/98. Tenders will be received in the tender box kept at the said offices up to 1:00 PM of 28/4/98 and the tender box will be opened on the same day at 1:30 PM before the tenderers or their representatives (if any) present.

The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason. This notice is short. Detailed informations can be known from the office of the undersigned during office hours daily.

### Project List:

| Sl. No. | Description of work  | Price of schedule (non-refundable) | Earnest money (2.50%)    | Time limit for completion of work |
|---------|--|------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1.      | Construction of 1-vent 1.5m x 1.5m regulator at chain 3.376 km. of Baharampur FCD Sub-Project under Panchbibi thana. (1997-98).  | Tk-500/=                           | 2.50% of the quoted rate | 5 (five) months                   |
| 2.      | Construction of 1-vent 1.2m x 1.2m regulator at chain : 4.197 km of Baharampur FCD Sub-Project under Panchbibi thana. (1997-98). | Tk-500/=                           | 2.50% of the quoted rate | 5 (five) months                   |
| 3.      | Construction of 1-vent 1.5m x 1.5m regulator at chain : 6.644 km of Baharampur FCD Sub-Project under Panchbibi thana. (1997-98). | Tk-500/=                           | 2.50% of the quoted rate | 5 (five) months                   |

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## Two murderers to die

From Our Correspondent

**CHANDPUR:** Apr 19: Two murderers were sentenced to death by hanging for killing Dr Monindra Kumar Das (father). Nazmun Ara Sultana, District and Sessions Judge, Chandpur in a judgement delivered on April 15 found six persons guilty for the sensational murder. She sentenced two persons Md Rafiqullah Khan and Abdul Kuddus to death by hanging. Four accused persons Md Sirajul Islam, Khalilur Rahman, Jamal Gazi and Kashaai Jamal (absconding) were given life imprisonment with a fine of Taka 1,000, in default to suffer rigorous imprisonment (RI) for one year. Six persons were acquitted of the charge.

The prosecution case in brief is that at midnight on January 6 in 1997, about 25 persons suddenly entered into the house of Dr Monindra Kumar Das of village Bakila in Haziganj thana. The accused persons entered into his house in guise of patients and killed him with

lethal weapons.  
Besides, Gouri Rani Das (wife), Seema Rani Das (daughter), Asim Kumar Das and Bijoy Kanti Das (sons) were seriously injured.

A case was registered with Haziganj thana in this connection.  
The case was later transferred to district and sessions court at Chandpur.

## Boy injured in cocktail blast

**KHULNA:** Apr 19: A five-year-old boy received serious injuries as a cocktail he was playing with exploded at the Shishu Academy Bhaban at Gobarchaka here recently reports UNB.

Police said the victim, Rana, was playing with a small tin-made can but he did not know that it contained explosives. The boy was admitted to Khulna Medical College Hospital.

## Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Office of the Executive Engineer Public Works Division, Rangpur Tender Notice

No Public Works 14 E/M-1997-98

Tenders in Bangladesh Form No 2911 under sealed cover are invited from Public Works Directorate's special first class and E/M works enlisted first class and Public Works Directorate, Rajshahi Zone, Rajshahi enlisted second class (electrical) contractors (who have maintained minimum 10 lifts) for the undermentioned work. Tenders will be received at the office of the undersigned and offices of all Executive Engineers under Public Works Directorate Rangpur Circle up to 12:00 Noon of 30-4-98 and will be opened on the same day at 12-15 PM in presence of the tenderers (if any).

Name of work: Annual maintenance and operation of 4 (four) bed lifts, 3 passenger lifts and 1 (one) carrier lift of Rangpur Medical College Hospital. 1-1-98 to 31-12-98= 1 year.

Estimated cost: Tk 5,15,136/=

Earnest money: Tk 10,303/=

Tender form and other descriptions and detailed terms & conditions, schedule etc can be seen and purchased from the office of the undersigned, all Executive Engineers under Public Works Circle, Rangpur and office of E/M, Sub-Division, Rangpur during office hours up to 5-00 PM of 29-4-98.

Md Motiur Rahman

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Public Works Division, Rangpur

## Mongla Dock Workers' Management Board Mongla, Bagerhat

## Tender Notice

Sealed tenders in respective firm's own letterhead pad on the undermentioned terms & conditions are invited for enlistment of established 'consultancy firm' for construction of some multi — storied buildings of the Dock Workers' Management Board at Old Mongla. Tenders will be received in the tender box kept at the office of the undersigned/Executive Engineer (B-4), Mongla Port Authority, Khalishpur, Khulna/office of the Liaison Officer, 90, Nayapalton, Dhaka up to 12:00 Noon of 28/04/98 and the tender box will be opened on the same day at 12:30 PM in presence (if any) of the tenderers.

### Terms & conditions of tender:

- 1) Description of constitutional structure of the consultancy firm with list including bio-data of appointed architect, civil engineer, designer, estimator & other manpower including attested copy of appointment letters should be submitted with the tender.
- 2) The firm should have minimum 5 (five) years' practical work experience which should include experience of consultancy work for 6/8 stories building. Attested certificate of said experience should be submitted.
- 3) Attested copy of valid trade licence, Income Tax and VAT certificate should be attached with the tender.
- 4) Fees for the undermentioned works should be mentioned:
  - (A) Fee for submitting 2 (two) copies soil test report of minimum 3 (three) bore holes 100 (hundred) feet (may be more, if necessary) deep for each building.
  - (B) Fees for completing soil test and producing lay out plan & draft design of related work within 2 (two) weeks of receiving work order and preparing estimate (tender document) with final design, structural design & calculation, detailed measurements (of civil, plumbing & electrical works) & submitting in eight copies as well as supervising the work (including ensuring qualitative standard of work):

**Total estimated cost**      **Rate of fee**  
 up to Tk 25 lakh      (%)  
 up to Tk 50 lakh      (%)  
 up to Tk 1 crore      (%)  
 up to Tk 2 crore      (%)  
 Above Tk 2 crore      (%)

5) Estimate with specification (tender document) should be prepared in accordance with Mongla Port Authority's recent approved rate schedule, & Public Works Department's recent approved rate schedule and its sale price decided.  
 6) For delay in completing work, fine is deductible at the rate 1% (one per cent) of due bill per day.  
 7) Income Tax & VAT will be deducted from the due bill as per rules.  
 8) Subscription to Board's Welfare Fund is deductible at the rate 0.50% from the due bill.  
 9) Incomplete or erroneous tender will be treated as cancelled.  
 10) The authority to accept/reject any tender without assigning any reason is reserved by the authority.

**Sardar Sirajul Islam**  
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Mongla Dock Workers'  
Management Board  
Mongla, Bagerhat

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