

News snaps

Scholarships awarded among poor students

RANGPUR, May 16: Sandhani Rangpur Medical College unit, awarded scholarships among 35 meritorious and poor students of Rajshahi Division in a function here at the college auditorium on Saturday, reports UNB.

The scholarships were given among 15 students of class six and 20 students of class seven which will be continued for the next five years. Sandhani has been giving this scholarship with the financial support of Ashinaga Obasan Plan Executive Committee of Japan since 1994. Presided over by Feroj Ahmed, president of the unit, the scholarships were distributed by Prof Nazmul Islam, Vice Principal of Rangpur Medical College Hospital as chief guest.

Separate incidents claim 23 lives

FENI, May 16: At least 23 people died in separate incidents in the district during the last three weeks, reports UNB.

Police said, one Mominullah, 26, of Joshpur village, UP chairman and local Awami League leader Rezaul Karim, 60, of Sonagaji thana and shop worker Jeebon Chandra of Chandgazi were killed in separate attacks by miscreants. By this time, eight people were killed in three separate road mishaps on Feni by pass road, two babies drowned, three died by lightning, another three by snake bite, two died while came in contact with live electric wire and two allegedly committed suicide. Separate cases were lodged with the police.

Dredging work of Korotoa going on

BOGRA, May 16: The dredging work of Korotoa river is going on in full swing under the Food for Works programme with an allotment of 280 metric tons of wheat, reports UNB.

Official sources said the dredging is being done from Shibganj hat to Amtoli. About 10 metre mud will be dredged from the river bed. After completion of the work which is expected in next month, the irrigation facilities of the nearby areas will be improved to a great extent.

Stealing of motor cycles up in Noakhali

NOAKHALI, May 16: Stealing of motor cycles, its parts and glass sheets of motor cars are rampant in the district headquarters and other areas, reports UNB.

Official sources said 20 motor cycles, glass sheets and parts of eight micro buses and six private cars were stolen from the town and Begumganj sadar headquarters in last year. The extent of loss was estimated at Tk 30 lakh. In last month, two motor-cycles from the town and one from Begumganj were stolen. Police said an organised gang is involved in stealing. The affected people demanded of the authorities to take steps to nab the miscreants without further delay.

2 held for possessing hemp

COMILLA, May 16: A special squad of Narcotics Control Department in separate drives in the town arrested two people along with liquor and hemp, reports UNB.

The squad aided by police raided Chowdhurypara and Poduarbar areas in the town and nabbed Kamrul and Aziz. The recovered items included 18 litres of liquor, eight phensidyl bottles and 150 grams of hemp. A case was filed with Kotwali thana in this connection.

Lease-holders realising excessive toll

NAOGAON, May 16: The lease-holders at various hat-bazars under Naogaon Municipality have reportedly been collecting tolls according to their whims, reports UNB.

The shopkeepers and vendors complained that with the connivance of some dishonest officials the lease-holders realise excessive tolls from them regularly. Although there is a provision for displaying charts of tolls at suitable places in the markets but no such charts are seen at anywhere. Moreover, the lease-holders are collecting tolls illegally from both the buyers and the sellers at the same time. If any body refuses to pay the toll at the higher rate he is to undergo various torture and harassment by hired musclemen. Local elite several times met with the municipal authority, but the situation remained as before. Local sufferers urged the concerned authority to take necessary steps to save them from unnecessary harassment of the lease-holders.

Foodgrains distributed among poor men

BANDARBAN, May 16: Government has allocated 89 metric tons of foodgrains to face acute food scarcity in Ruma and Thanchi thanas of the district, reports UNB.

About 34,000 people are living in the eight unions of those thanas. Among them, 18,000 in Ruma and 16,000 in Thanchi. Deputy Commissioner Atiqul Islam Chowdhury informed that out of 84 mts some 77 mts were allocated as test relief by the Disaster Ministry. Meanwhile, 25 mts have already been distributed among the distressed people in the two thanas and the rest 52 mts will be distributed till June next. Parliament Member Bir Bahabur distributed nine metric tons of foodgrains and cash money during his visit at Thanchi on April 4.

Housewife gangraped

From Our Correspondent

RAJSHAHI, 16: A housewife of village Raskhitpara under Bagmara thana was allegedly raped by five miscreants on Wednesday night.

The housewife had earlier filed a case with Child and Women Repression Court against her husband Abdus Salam. Her husband remained absconding after the filing of the case.

The housewife was returning home with one of her brothers when five miscreants took her to the nearby jungle and raped her repeatedly. They left the place keeping her unconscious. She was recovered on Thursday morning by the local people from there. She was admitted to Rajshahi Medical College Hospital in a critical condition. Due to bleeding for the whole night, her condition was stated to be critical.

A case has been filed with Rajpara thana in this connection.

Old man killed in road mishap

From Our Correspondent

MAGURA, May 16: An old man was killed in a road accident that occurred recently in front of Magura police line on Magura-Jhenidah road, according to police and family sources.

Bahadur Ali, 82, of village Gaspara in Sripur thana was run over by a speeding passenger bus when he was crossing the road. He died at the spot.

A case has been lodged with Magura police.

Transport owners, workers clash in Sirajganj

SIRAJGANJ, May 16: A clash between the supporters of transport owners and workers at Shahebganj in Raiganj thana left 17 people injured, reports UNB.

Following the clash over toll collection, transport workers put up blockade on the highway at about 2:40 pm.

However, the blockade was lifted after three hours.

Of the injured, two were admitted to Raiganj thana health complex while others were released after first aid treatment.

Farewell reception

From Our Correspondent

FARIDPUR, May 16: Teachers' Club of Government Sarada Sundari Mahila College accorded a farewell reception to a faculty member at a function at the teachers room of the college on May 10.

Club president and Principal of the college Dr. Gasuddin Ahmed was in the chair.

Abdul Matin Fakir, Associate Professor of Social Welfare Department of the college has gone on Leave Preparatory for Retirement (LPR) since December 31, 1997.



PABNA: Over 500 trucks were stranded at Natakholra ferryghat on May 14. As a result a serious traffic jam was created. A quarrel among drivers of buses, trucks and BIWTA staffers was the reason of such traffic jam. —Star photo

Gangraped sisters commit suicide in Jessore

From Our Correspondent

JESSORE, May 16: Two girls of Belta under Dihl union of Sharsha thana committed suicide after being gang raped by local terrorists recently.

The 2 girls who were sisters took this decision when they were not allowed to file a case against the rapists.

According to reports, when the terrorists group were returning home from Jatra at Chulipur in early hours, they found the two sisters of their village on way. They were coming from the opposite direction. The terrorists intercepted them and beat them up as they refused to accept their proposal. They picked them up and moved towards a safe place and raped them serially time and again.

People from around rushed there when it was disclosed and rescued them. The same day, in utter helplessness, both the sisters fled away to their relative's house at nearby village.

Police Super, Jessore, Ali Imam Chowdhury, got the information and went to the spot. He investigated the matter. He was convinced from evidences furnished during enquiry. He ordered police to take up case against the terrorists and arrest them at once.

They were thinking to file a case against them with the local police station.

Meanwhile, the terrorists followed them and threatened them of dire consequence if any case was filed against them in this connection.

Finding no other way and apprehending insecurity all around them, they at last prepared to this tragic end of life.

His father who is a mason by profession was away from his house during the incident.

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Four killed in separate incidents in Sylhet dist

SYLHET, May 16: Four people were killed in the district in separate incidents in a week, reports UNB.

According to police, one Sirajul Islam, 70, was killed and his two sons sustained serious injuries at Gopshahor south Surma in the town recently following a clash between rival groups.

The clash ensued over a kabadi match at Gopshahor Purba Para area. Local village elders earlier tried in vain to settle the dispute.

Two seriously injured brothers Malek and Rahim were admitted to the hospital. A case was filed and police arrested one Rahmat Ali in this connection.

Meanwhile, a teenage girl allegedly committed suicide by taking poison at Sheel Jura village in Jakiganj thana here on the same day.

The victim was identified as Babul Ahmed, 22, son of late Feroj Mian.

According to witnesses, the terrorists abducted him from his residence following a previous enmity and cut his tendons. He was rushed to the hospital where he succumbed after a few minutes.

Separate cases have been registered with the police.

22. He was rushed to the Osmani Medical College Hospital where he succumbed at night.

Meanwhile, another person was killed by a gang of terrorists at Mira Bazar Khanpara area in the town on Saturday.

The victim was identified as Babul Ahmed, 22, son of late Feroj Mian.

Moulvibazar Newsletter

From Our Correspondent

Two blind students participated in SSC exam

MOULVIBAZAR, May 16: Two blind students of Moulvibazar Government Boys' High School participated in the Secondary School Certificate (SSC) examination this year.

The blind SSC examinees are Mainul Hussain of Muradnagar in Comilla district and Dewan Salam Raja Chowdhury of Sunamganj district. They were regular students of Moulvibazar Government High School.

resulting in decline in soil fertility.

According to farmers, application of cowdung raises crop production without any adverse effect. It supplies nitrogen in soil and helps plants grow faster.

Local people said, cowdung is now being used as fuel due to shortage of firewood. Almost all families make dried cakes of cowdung for use as fuel.

Experts said, farmers are destroying an important natural manure due to sheer ignorance. They stressed the need for mass awareness about cowdung to boost agri-output.

Nutrition Week observed

National Nutrition Week, 1998 was observed here by the district health department recently.

A colourful rally jointly organised by the district administration and the district health department was held to mark the week. The rally paraded different roads of the town where songs related to health and nutrition were delivered. Workers of different government and non-governmental organisations participated in the rally.

Tea Estate Staff Assoc's meeting

The 38th Annual General Meeting of Longla circle of Tea Estate Staff Association was held at the Luhaituni Tea Garden recently.

The Tea Estate Staff Association's, Longla circle was constituted with 35 tea gardens of Rajnagar Kulaura and Baralekha thanas of Moulvibazar district.

The meeting was presided over by M M Boga, Chairman of Longla circle of the association. M A Motin, President of the Association attended it as the chief guest.

Arms recovered

Rajnagar police recovered firearms from a hilly area of 'Chelar Chwak' under Uttarbhag Union Parishad (UP) of Rajnagar thana recently.

The recovered arms included 2 Indian revolver and one country-made pipe gun.

Police says, when a police team of Rajnagar thana went to 'Chelar Chwak' area to arrest a warrant criminal at midnight. But police found these arms in a nearby hilly area. No arrest was made in this connection. General Diary (GD) was registered with Rajnagar thana.

Housewife beaten to death

One young housewife was allegedly beaten to death by her 'brother-in-law, at Boutachara village under Srirangal police station recently.

According to police, the victim Rashida Begum, 27, wife of Nasim Miah was killed by Abdus Sabur, her brother-in-law on refusal of foul demand.

Nasim Miah, husband of the victim filed a murder case against his younger brother in this connection. Police of Srirangal thana recovered the dead body and sent it to the Moulvibazar morgue for post-mortem. Murderer Abdus Sabur was also arrested by police and he gave a confessional statement.

Use of cowdung as manure being diminished

Use of cowdung as traditional manure is not a common practise among farmers here

Civil Aviation Authority of Bangladesh Headquarter, Kurmitola, Dhaka

Re-Tender Notice

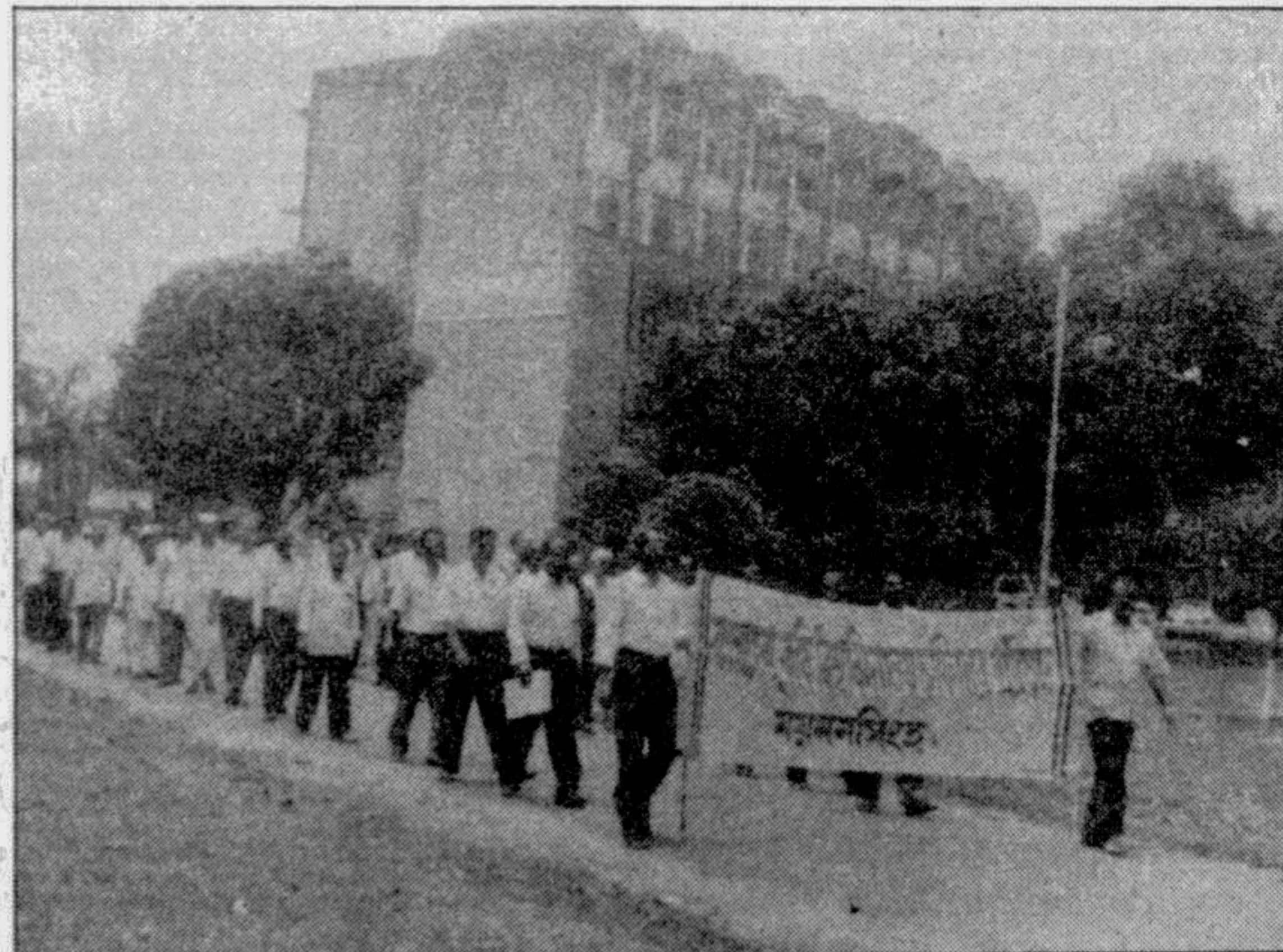
- Name of work: Development of Osmani Airport (S.H. Replacement of old circuit cable from Runway lighting system i/c. related works).
- Bidders: A. Bidders will use 2 (two) separate envelopes one for technical proposals and the other for financial offer and individual envelope should be marked accordingly B, C. Technical proposal will be opened first in presence of the bidders or their representatives immediately after closing the tender. C. The Financial offers of only those bidders whose technical proposal will be found valid and acceptable on technical evaluation will be opened in their presence on a subsequent date to be notified later on in writing to the bidders.
- Qualification of bidders: For purchasing tender documents contractors are to apply with following parts:- a) Attested copy of CAAB enlisted "A special" and above class (E/M) contractory valid licence. b) Attested copy of valid ABC electrical contractory and supervisory licence. c) Bio-data of engineers and technical staffs employed in the firm. d) List of tools & equipment certified by an officer not below the rank of Executive Engineer. e) Satisfactory completion certificate on similar nature of works from an officer not below the rank of Executive Engineer of same status. f) Satisfactory completion certificate on E/M works amounting to Tk. 25.00 (Twentyfive) lacs minimum in a single work order. g) Attested copy of VAT Registration certificate.
- Earnest money: Tk. 1,09,200/= (One lac, nine thousand two hundred) only in the form of Pay Order/Bank Draft drawn on any schedule Bank in Bangladesh in favour of Superintending Engineer, P&D/QS Circle, CAAB, Kurmitola, Dhaka along with the Technical offer without which the tender will be rejected.
- Place where the tender document will be available: a) Office of the Divisional Commissioner, Dhaka and Sylhet b) Superintending Engineer, P&D/QS. Circle, CAAB, Kurmitola, Dhaka. c) Director, CEMSU, CAAB, Kurmitola, Dhaka. d) Executive Engineer, E/M Division-3, CAAB, Kurmitola, Dhaka. e) PA to Member (Ops & Plans), Chief Engineer, CAAB, Dhaka and Director (ZIA), CAAB, Kurmitola, Dhaka. f) Airport Manager, Osmani Airport, Sylhet.
- Country of origin: European countries/USA/Canada/Japan.
- Cost of tender documents: Tk. 750/= (Seven hundred fifty) only (Non-refundable).
- Place of submission/opening of the tender documents: Office of the Divisional Commissioner, Dhaka and Sylhet, Chief Engineer, CAAB, Kurmitola, Dhaka.
- Last date of issue of tender documents: 24-5-98 (during office hours).
- Last date and time of receiving tender: 25-5-98 (up to 12.00 hours).
- Date and time of opening tender: 25-5-98 (at 12.30 PM).

In case of unavoidable circumstances if the total transport & communications are disrupted on the last date of receiving & opening tenders will be received and opened on the next office day. Other terms and conditions of the tender will remain unchanged.

Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders or part thereof without assigning any reason.

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Chief Engineer CAAB, Kurmitola, Dhaka.



AGRI-VARSITY (Mymensingh): Bangladesh Agricultural University Officers' Association brought out a procession on the university campus to press home their four-point demands.

Accommodation problem in B'baria poura markets

From Our Correspondent

BRAHMANBARIA, May 16: Brahmanbaria pourasava markets need expansion.

With population boom in the town, gathering in poura markets has also increased.

Vendors have already occupied the footpath and unauthorised places by the side of the markets due to shortage of space.

During day time vendors who come from outside, sit on footpath on the main roads and nearby markets of the town.

The main fish and vegetable market especially Faruki market and Ananda bazar are comparatively small. Accommodation problem for buyers and sellers is acute. As a result the approach roads and link roads of the markets are now being occupied by the sellers hampering smooth movement of pedestrians and buyers.

On the other hand, illegal parking of rickshaw on roads of the markets are creating traffic jam everyday. It is increasing various problems. The buyers, sellers and pedestrians are suffering a lot.

Meanwhile, most of the roads are narrow and have no footpath. Only TA Road and Sarak Bazar road have footpath. In many places, footpath have been damaged and traders have setup shops to sell fruits, vegetables, fowls. Some vendors have also setup old garments shop or make sift shops here and there.

The sufferers have urged the authorities concerned to develop the area.

Myanmar national held in Bandarban

BANDARBAN, May 16: Bangladesh Rifles rounded up a Myanmar national from Chakdala bazar in Sadar thana here on Sunday, reports UNB.

The arrested person was identified as Mongcha Thoai, 28, of Arakan.

He has been sent to Naikhangchhari thana and a case has been filed against him.

Seminar on repression on women

RAJSHAHI, May 16: A seminar on "resistance to women repression and role of society in creating mass awareness" was held at Barendra Project auditorium here reports BSS.

State Minister for Primary and Mass Education Prof Zinnatunnesa Talukdar was the chief guest while Deputy Commissioner of Jatiya Mohila Sangstha, Rajshahi, Akhtar Jahan were special guests. Setara Begum, Assistant Director, Mohila Assistance Programme Project, presided.

Dr Farida Sultana, professor of Bangla Department, Rajshahi Government College, presented the keynote paper, while Dr Safuddin Chowdhury, Director, Barendra Research Museum, Mohammad Abul Kashem, president, Rajshahi Bar Association, Prof Syeda Surayya Haque and Murshida Morshed participated in the discussion.

Speakers at the seminar underlined the need for creating mass awareness against women repression

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Technical Officers/Managers:

Administration (one): Master's Degree (Management)/MBA with at least five years administrative experience.

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Grainage Operation (one): M.Sc. in Zoology (Sericulture)/Botany/ Post Graduate Diploma in Sericulture with at least five years experience in nursery management and research experience related to sericulture.

Promotion & Extension (one): Master's Degree in any of the social science subjects with at least five years experience in field level research, promotional and extension activities.

MIS & Market Intelligence (one): Master's Degree in Management/Marketing/Communication Science or MBA majoring in Marketing/MIS with at least five years MIS and Marketing experience.

For the above posts good working knowledge and proficiency in languages (both Bengali and English) and capability of preparing reports are desirable and computer literacy is essential. Age: 30-35 years.

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Messengers (two): S.S.C. with at least two years experience. Age: 25-30 years

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Expert Rearers/Planters (twelve): Certificate Course in Sericulture or S.S.C with at least five years experience in silkworm rearing, mulberry management and silkworm egg production. Age: 25-30 years.

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Expert Rearer/Planter: Starting Tk.2,200/month plus children education allowance, medical allowance and accommodation within the grainage premises.

Driver: Starting Tk.2,500/month plus house rent allowance, children education allowance for two children, conveyance allowance, medical allowance and provident fund.

Security Guard: Starting Tk.1,800/month plus children education allowance for two children, conveyance allowance, medical allowance, provident fund and accommodation within the grainage premises.

Messengers: Starting Tk.1,800/month plus house rent allowance, children education allowance for two children, conveyance allowance, medical allowance and provident fund.

Contract: Initially for 5 yrs. with six months probation and may be renewed.

Age limit: May be relaxed for experienced candidates.

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