

News snaps

Jack-fruit being sold at cheaper rate

MEHERPUR, June 24: An excellent production of jack-fruit has been experienced in Meherpur district this year presumably due to favourable climatic condition, growers and horticulturists said, reports BSS.

According to an official source, there are about 30 lakh jack-fruit trees in Chuadanga district. Last year the production was not up to the expectation. Because of bumper production jack-fruit is being sold at a cheaper price in the local market. Jack-fruit growers of the district called upon the government to establish a jack-fruit processing industry in Meherpur in the interest of national economy.

Telephone exchange being expanded

CHUADANGA, June 24: The Telegraph and Telephone Board will give 300 new telephone connections in Chuadanga town from the next month, reports BSS.

According to an official source, the expansion work of the switch room of Chuadanga Telephone Exchange for accommodating new connections has already been completed and at present the underground cable work in the concerned areas of the town is in full swing. The present capacity of Chuadanga Telephone Exchange is 900. With 300 new connections, the capacity of the telephone exchange will be 1200.

One killed in road accident

JESSORE, June 24: A man was killed and four others received injuries in a road accident at Charatola in Jhikhorgachha thana here on Jessore-Benapol highway Tuesday morning, reports UNB.

The dead was identified as Sekander Ali, 60. Police and witnesses said the accident took place when two trucks coming from opposite direction collided head-on killing Sekander on the spot. The injured were rushed to Jessore General Hospital. A case has been filed with the police.

Wheat procurement drive being hampered

NATORE, June 24: Wheat procurement drive is being hampered in the district and some other parts of North Bengal during the current season as the local market price is almost same as the government procurement rate, reports UNB.

Market sources said per maund of wheat is being sold between Tk 350 and Tk 375 while the government procurement rate is Tk 352 per 40 kg. The procurement target in 16 northern districts was fixed at 1.15,000 metric tons. But, the officials said, only 30 per cent of the target was so far achieved. The drive began on March 15 and will end on July 31.

Fake examinee arrested

KISHOREGANJ, June 24: A fake HSC examinee was arrested from Wali Newaz Khan College centre here on Tuesday, reports UNB.

Police said Atiqul Arefin, 18, of Nuiyudya village in Hossainpur thana was arrested while appearing at Social Welfare first paper examination in the afternoon. He was allegedly giving proxy for his friend Rashed Jahangir Pallab, an examinee of Gurudayal Government College. A case was lodged with the police.

Steps to ease acute housing problem in Rajshahi div

NATORE, June 24: An extensive housing project has been taken up in the Rajshahi division with an aim to ease the acute housing problem in the region, reports UNB.

Rajshahi Housing Department sources said the project includes construction of a total 1.60 lakh housing units in 16 northern districts within the year 2005 for the low income group of people, which is part of the country's nationwide programme of 20 lakh housing units at a cost of Tk 55.33 crore.

According to the sources, the housing and accommodation problem in the northern region has become acute in recent years and specially the people of low and fixed income group

are facing hardships for their accommodation.

No initiative has so far been taken up by the government in the region to solve the housing problem. Only a few solvent people have built some flats for rental purpose without any proper plan.

According to sources, a total of 1.60 lakh units will be built at 16 district headquarters, 127 thana headquarters and city areas of the division.

Among the housing units, 1.50 lakh units will be built under the project and 10,000 units by the Bangladesh House Building Directorate in the region under its programme.

Under the programme 3,000 units will be built in Rajshahi

Metropolitan City alone.

Besides, the House Building Finance Corporation will undertake programme to provide 2 to 3 katha plots to the people in the region for housing.

Each family of low income group will be provided with a loan of Tk 25,000 for long term with 5 to 7 per cent interest.

Besides, the 15-year term loan, people will be supplied with construction materials at reasonable prices and technical assistance to build their houses at a comparatively low cost.

The House Affairs Organisation of the United Nations will extend its technical assistance to make the programme a success.

Four alleged terrorists held in Khagrachhari

From Our Correspondent

KHAGRACHHARI June 24: Khagrachhari police on Monday arrested an alleged tribal terrorist from village Narankhaiya of Khagrachhari sadar in connection with various crimes.

The arrested person has been identified as Sonamori Chakma, 27.

According to informations, some tribals intercepted a Khagrachhari road passenger bus at Perachhara area and damaged it protesting the arrest. Tension has been prevailing in the area after the arrest. A huge contingent of police force has been deployed in the area mainly at Swanirvar area.

It is to be mentioned, a group of tribals attacked two construction workers and damaged a medicine carrying van on Monday at Swanirvar area.

Meanwhile, the construction workers demonstrated in the town on Monday afternoon protesting the attack on them. All-party Unity Council will also hold a rally in protest against the attack.

According to a latest report, police arrested three more alleged terrorists from village Narankhaiya on Monday. However, identity of these terrorists could not be known.

BCIC Tender Notice

বিসিআইসি'র পণ্য শিলায়নে জাতীয় অধঃপতির প্রতীক

Project Head, Takerghat Limestone Mining Project, Takerghat, Sunamgonj invites quotations from the bonafide contractors for supply of (1) hiring of engine operated boat, (2) supply of casual labourers/employees. Tender documents for item No 1 Tk 200/= and item No 2 Tk 300/= only per set will be available from (1) BCIC Head Office, 30-31, Dilkusha, Dhaka (2) BCIC Branch Office, 6, Agrabad, Chittagong (3) Chhatak Cement Co Ltd and Takerghat Limestone Mining Project and Purchase Dept of Chhatak Cement Co Ltd on 12-7-98 and 13-7-98 at 3:00 PM on the same date and time as mentioned above. Tender documents will not be sold on the date of opening. Management reserves the right to accept or reject any tender or all without assigning any reason thereof.

BCIC 501-17/6/98
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Managing Director, Polish Urea Fertilizer Factory Ltd Polish, Narsingdi, invites sealed quotation against Tender Enquiry No. COM/12.024/97-98 dt. 13-6-98 for supply of SODA ASH (LIGHT). Tender will be receipt up to 11:00 AM on 6-7-98 in the offices of the (a) General Manager (Com.), PUFFL, (b) Sr General Manager (Purchase), BCIC Head Office, 30-31, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka and will be opened immediately thereafter on the same day. Tender documents will be available on payment of Tk. 25/- only per set (non-refundable) from the offices of (i) BCIC Head Office, 30-31, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka (ii) BCIC Branch Office, 6, Agrabad C/A, Chittagong and (iii) PUFFL Accounts Deptt. No tender documents will be sold on the date of its opening.

BCIC-514-17/6/98
DFP-13943-18/6

Md Mokarram Hossain
Manager (Purchase)
For Managing Director

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Export Promotion Bureau Notice

This is for information of all exporters/manufacturers/govt and private organisations and other concerned agencies that the following International Trade Fairs and Single Country Exhibitions will be organised in different countries of the world by Export Promotion Bureau under the market development programme of 1998-99 fiscal year:

- International Trade Fairs:**
- India International Trade Fair, New Delhi, India (Nov 14-27, 1998)
 - India Industrial Trade Fair, Calcutta, India (December 1998)
 - Yangon International Trade Fair, Myanmar (October 22-25, 1998)
 - Asia Pacific Leather Fair, Hong Kong (Fashion and finished products) (October 5-7, 1998)
 - SAARC Fair, Colombo, Sri Lanka (September 9-14, 1998)
 - Tokyo Gift Show, Tokyo, Japan (September 2-4, 1998)
 - International Household Goods Fair, Tokyo, Japan (June 1999)
 - Singapore Gift Show, Singapore (April 1999)
 - Dubai International Autumn Trade Fair, Dubai, UAE (Nov 8-12, 1998)
 - Autumn Trade Fair, Bahrain (Nov 26-December 4, 1998)
 - Saudi Consumer Goods Fair, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia (September 1998)
 - International Autumn Trade Fair, Muscat, Oman (Sept 28-Oct 4, 1998)
 - Frankfurt International Trade Fair, Tendence Frankfurt, Germany (August 29-Sept 2, 1998)
 - Frankfurt International Trade Fair, Ambiente, Germany (February 19-23, 1999)
 - Import Fair, Berlin, Germany (March 18-22, 1999)
 - CIBet'99 Hannover, Germany (March 1999)
 - Heim Textil'99, Frankfurt, Germany (January 13-16, 1999)
 - International Spring Fair, Birmingham, UK (February 1999)
 - Bari International Trade Fair, Italy (September 12-20, 1998)
 - Limapalle, Boiogna, Italy (Nov 4-6, 1998)
 - European Sea Food Exposition, Brussels, Belgium (April 1999)
 - Asia Pacific International Trade Fair, Almaty, Kazakhstan (October 15-19, 1998)
 - Boston International Sea Food Fair, Boston, USA (March 1999)
 - Chicago Household Goods Fair, USA (January 1999)
 - Comdex Fall, Las Vegas, USA (Nov 16-20, 1998)
 - 14th International Fashion Fabrics Exhibition, New York, USA (Oct 20-22, 1998)
 - TCF, International Textile Clothing, Footwear and Fashion Accessories Fair, Melbourne, Australia (March 23-25, 1999)

Single Country Exhibition
1. Bangladesh Single Country Exhibition, Tokyo, Japan (March 1999)

Firms/Organisations interested to participate in the above fairs and single country exhibitions are requested to apply in the prescribed proforma to the Fairs and Display Division of Export Promotion Bureau (122-124, Motijheel Commercial Area, Dhaka). Proforma for application may be obtained from the Fairs and Display Division of the Bureau Head Office and other regional and branch offices located at Chittagong, Khulna, Rajshahi, Barisal, Sylhet, Comilla and Bogra.

Deputy Director
Fairs and Display Division
Export Promotion Bureau
DFP-13982-21/6/98
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Terrorists extort money regularly Patients being deprived of medicare service from hospitals in Faridpur

FARIDPUR, June 24: People of the district are being deprived of proper medicare service though two hospitals are situated in the town.

The hospitals are Faridpur Medical College Hospital and Faridpur General Hospital. But both the hospitals have become hostage in the hands of terrorists. The terrorists extort money regularly from patients, doctors, nurses and other employees working in the hospitals. Innocent patients who come from far flung areas of the district fall victim to the malpractice of the terrorists. Sometimes these innocent patients have to go back home empty-handed without receiving any medical treatment at all. Even doctors are not spared of it.

Doctors are usually forced to admit and release patients under duress by these anti-social elements. When this correspondent visited the hospital campus it appeared to him, the total administration of the hospitals are being run by the dictation of these touts.

Besides, scarcity of medicine, shortage of doctors and nurses in both the hospitals are hindering proper treatment to scores of patients.

3 woman traffickers get RI on various terms

From Our Correspondent

SATKHIRA, June 24: One person has been convicted and sentenced to suffer 10 years rigorous imprisonment (RI) and to pay fine of Taka 2,000 in default, to suffer 3 months more RI on charge of woman trafficking recently.

Two other woman traffickers have been convicted and sentenced to suffer seven years' RI and to pay fine of Taka 1,000 in default, to suffer RI for one month more.

The convict who has been awarded 10 years' RI is Habibur Rahman of village Debnagar in the sadar thana. Two others who have been awarded seven years' RI are Asgar Ali of village Nagar ghat and Mashur Rahman of village Alipore, both in Tala thana.

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A case was lodged with Tala thana in this connection.

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Parveen's voice was like 15,000 of sex workers of the brothel who brought a number of complaints for the first time to the members of civil society at a conference here on Monday.

The conference, first of its kind in the country, was held at the brothel premises organised by Save the Children Australia (SCA) in collaboration with Karmojibi Kallyan Sangstha (KKS), a non-governmental organisation (NGO) working in the red light area.

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Durgapur Thana Awami League organised the workers rally to year up the organisational activities. Durgapur Thana Awami League office sources said.

Jalaluddin Talukder MP attended the rally as chief guest while vice president of Durgapur Thana Awami League advocate Abdul Gani was in the chair.

The rally was addressed, among others, by Vice-President of Netrakona District Awami League Shamsuzzuha, General Secretary of Netrakona District Chhatra League Zillur Rahman Noman and organising secretary of Netrakona district Chhatra League Monwar Jahan Sujon.

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tients. In fact no medicine is being supplied from any of the two hospitals to poor patients. Patients have to purchase emergency medicines from the adjoining medicine shops at an exorbitant price. Even the gauze, cotton, bandage and saline are not supplied from the two aforementioned hospitals.

If the authorities concerned do not take any stern action against the miscreants and remove the existing problems, the patients will remain ever deprived of medicare service from the hospitals.

BIT classes suspended till July 13

From Staff Correspondent

KHULNA, June 24: The BIT authority has suspended all classes till July 13 and asked the students to vacate residential halls by 10 pm on Monday in view of a tense situation on the campus. Such tense situation has been created following a clash on June 13 between supporters of JCD and BCL. The clash took place over viewing of World Cup match up on TV at BIT auditorium.

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RHD Notice Inviting Tender

1. Tender Notice : 27/MRD of 1997-98.

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2. Name of work : Repairing of work shed No 07 & 16 at Sarak Bhaban Compound under Mymensingh Road Division during the year 1997-98.

3. Estimated cost : Tk 89,690/-

4. Earnest money : Tk 1,798/-

5. Time allowed : 30 (thirty) days.

6. Eligibility of : RHD, General Contractor as per financial capacity and territorial jurisdiction.

7. Last date of purchasing of tender : 5-7-98 during office hours.

8. Last date of receipt of tender : Up to 12-30 PM of 6-7-98.

9. Date of opening of tender : 11-00 Noon of 9-7-98.

10. Date of lottery : 11-00 AM of 14-7-98.

11. Name of offices of availability of tender : Office of the Executive Engineer, RHD, Mymensingh/Sherpur/Tangail/Jamalpur/Kishoreganj/Netrakona/Executive Engineer, RHD, Planning & Design, Dhaka Zone, Dhaka and Sub-Divisional Engineer, RHD, under Mymensingh Road Division, Mymensingh.

12. Name of offices will be received tender bids : Superintending Engineer, RHD, Mymensingh Road Circle, Mymensingh & Executive Engineer, RHD, Mymensingh/Tangail/Jamalpur Sherpur/Kishoreganj/Netrakona.

Executive Engineer, RHD
Mymensingh Road Division
Mymensingh
DFP-13859-18/6
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Notice of Tender Military Engineer Services

Notice No. 600/15/19/1997-98/E-6

Dated: 14 June, 1998

1. Applications are invited by AHQ, E-in-C's Branch, Works Dte, Dhaka Cantonment for issue of tender documents for the following work. Applications to be submitted to this office within 07 (seven) days from the date of publication of the advertisement:

a. Construction of 1X2 (Unit) Class-1 Officers Qtr (5-stored foundation) at Jhenidah Cadet College.

2. Contractors borne on the approved list of MES category 'C' may apply for tender documents for the above work. Enlistment Index No, Class, VAT Registration No, Name of Proprietor, Permanent/Temporary address and Telephone No (if any) must be shown clearly in their applications. Incomplete application will not be accepted.

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Works Dte
E-in-C's Branch
Dhaka Cantonment
ISPR/Army/98/527
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Bangladesh Power Development Board

বিদ্যুৎ ব্যবহারে মিতব্যয়ী হোন

Addendum No. 1 (One)

Dated: 14/6/98 against

Tender Enquiry No. Pur-411/98 Dated 29/4/98

The closing & opening date of BPDB's International Tender Enquiry No. Pur-411/98 dated 29/4/98 for procurement of spare parts for Barisal Gas Turbine Power Station, PDB, Barisal is hereby extended up to 6/7/1998.

All other terms & conditions will remain unchanged.

Directorate of Purchase PDB, Dhaka

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