

News snaps

Jute seeds distributed among growers

RANGPUR, July 11: Bangladesh Agriculture Development Corporation (BADC) distributed 126 tonnes of High Yielding Variety (HYV) jute seeds among the growers in five districts of Rangpur zone in the current season...

10,000 hectares of land lying uncultivated

SHERPUR, July 11: Some 10,000 hectares of land in three thanas of the district have been lying uncultivated for want of irrigation facilities, reports UNB.

Old-age allowance distributed

JAMALPUR, July 11: State Minister for Land Alhaj Rashed Mosharraf launched old-age allowance programme at Islampur thana of the district on Friday, reports UNB.

Plant fair begins

TANGAIL, July 11: A five-day long plant fair organised by the Forest Department began on Wednesday at Shahid Smriti Paura Udyan here, reports BSS.

Training course on fodder cultivation

NARSINGDI, July 11: A week-long training course on modern system of fodder cultivation sponsored by the Livestock Department concluded on Wednesday at Monohordi Thana Live Stock Office, reports BSS.

CHTDB organised workshop held

RANGAMATI, July 11: A workshop on 'role of public representatives in implementation of projects', was held on Monday at Rangamati sadar thana of the district, reports BSS.

Housewife gangraped

MADARIPUR, July 11: A housewife was gangraped by six miscreants at a village in Kalkini thana here, police said, reports UNB.

Heroin addicted labour leader dies

JHENIDAH, July 11: A local leader died after smoking excessive heroin at Arappurin in the town recently, reports UNB.

Number of drug addicts on rise

NOAKHALI, July 11: The number of drug addicted people is increasing alarmingly posing threat to the law and order situation in the district, reports UNB.

Alleged murderer of student leader held

NETRAKONA, July 11: Barhatta police arrested one person on charge of his alleged involvement in the murder of Salim Ahmed, a student leader of Barhatta thana under Netrakona district, reports BSS.

Work under TR programme progressing

NOAKHALI, July 11: Work on 135 projects under Test Relief (TR) programme are in full swing in different areas of six thanas under Noakhali district, reports BSS.

Country-made liquor recovered

NAOGAON, July 11: Police recovered 40 litres of country-made liquor and liquor making equipment in separate raids in Dhamoirhat thana on Saturday, reports UNB.

Smuggled Indian goods seized

COMILLA, July 11: Bangladesh Rifles has seized smuggling Indian goods worth of over Tk 11 lakh in separate drives in frontier areas of Sadar and Brahmanpara thana last week, reports UNB.

Abductions on rise in 4 Kushtia thanas

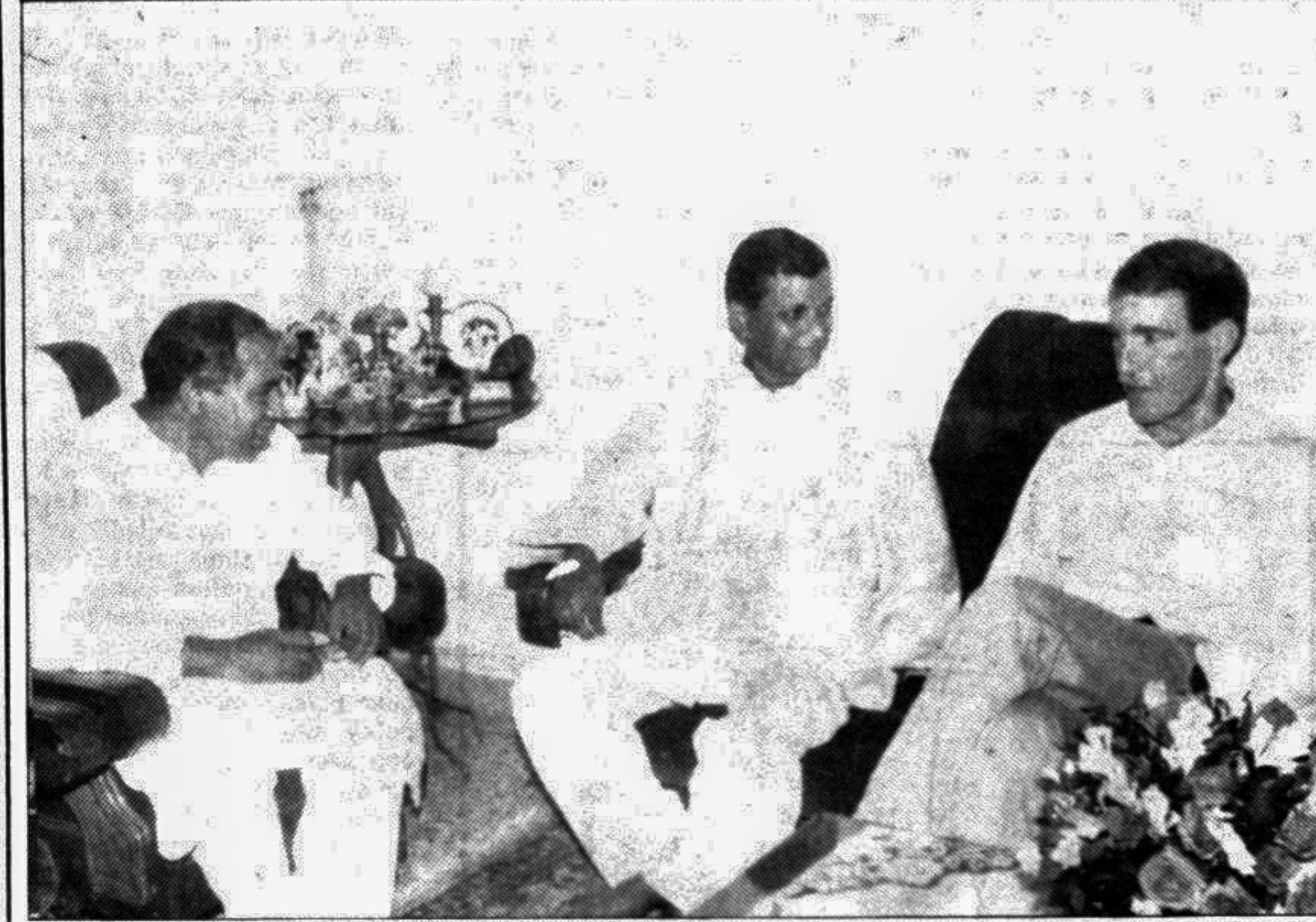
From Our Correspondent

KUSHTIA, July 11: People have been passing their days in great panic as abduction cases at gun-point by armed terrorists are on rise in the district.

Arazman Ali of village Dakhula in Sadar thana was abducted and he was shot dead on January 31 for non-payment of ransom.

jacking, dacoity and toll collection. They created a region of terror in Mirpur and Daulatpur thanas, police said.

Habil, a night guard of Jagoit Bazar of Sadar thana was abducted while he was on duty. On June 5, Amir Hossain, a truck owner of Bheramara was abducted and in the face of tough movement by the general people he was released after five days.



SYLHET: US Ambassador John C Holzman during his recent visit to Sylhet met leaders of the main stream political parties. He is seen with M A Haque and Ariful Huq Chowdhury, president and general secretary of the district unit of BNP.

Paddy procurement drive in C' nawabganj faces setback

From Our Correspondent

CHAPAINAWABGANJ, July 11: Procurement drive of IRRI-Boro rice has been progressing. The target of rice procurement of the first phase has already been fulfilled.

On phase the target was fixed up at two thousand 5 hundred metric tons. Out of which seven hundred and 30 metric tons have been procured.

ment price. Besides, the farmers have to bear the carrying cost to transport rice to the LSD godown.

Flash flood in Jamalpur

JAMALPUR, July 11: Onrush of hilly waters from the upstream and heavy downpour during the last few days caused flash flood in 12 unions of three thanas of the district, reports UNB.

Water levels of all the rivers in the district, including the Jamuna marked a sharp rise and the Jamuna is flowing 16 cm above the danger mark at Bahadurabad ghat on Friday.

4 of a family hacked to death in Bagerhat

BAGERHAT, July 11: Four members of a family were hacked to death at village Rajair under Sarankhola thana in the district on Thursday night, reports UNB.



SATKHIRA: A huge quantity of fish was exterminated when a group of miscreants poured poison into a pond at village Gunakostani in Assassuni thana recently.

Accidents kill 3 in 2 districts

By Staff Correspondent

Three persons including a boy were killed and 20 others injured in road and rail accidents in Kushtia and Lalmonirhat on Thursday and Friday.

Our Kushtia Correspondent adds: One person was killed and another 20 were injured in separate road accidents Thursday. Jagmal, 75, was crushed under the wheels of a Kushtia-bound bus near Taragonia on Pragpur-Kushtia road.

Manifold problems grip Bajitpur Paurasava

KISHOREGANJ, July 11: The dwellers of Bajitpur Paurasava here have been facing manifold problems including deplorable condition of roads, scarcity of pure water and frequent power failure, reports UNB.

21 power stations in Ctg on verge of collapse

CHITTAGONG, July 11: Twenty-one power sub-stations in greater Chittagong, which were damaged by cyclone seven years ago, may go out of order any time as rehabilitation work on the stations could not yet be taken up by the authorities concerned, reports UNB.

CHTSFD earned revenue of Tk 5 cr last fiscal

RANGAMATI, July 11: Chittagong Hill Tracts South Forest Division (CHTSFD) has earned a revenue of above Taka five crore in fiscal 1997-98, ever highest during the period of insurgency prevailed in the Chittagong Hill Tracts, reports BSS.

about 6.28 lakh acres including reserved forests and unclassified state forests possessing different valuable trees worth over thousands crore of taka, he added.

Tragic!

SATKHIRA, July 11: A mother after poisoning to death her minor son allegedly committed suicide by taking poison at Bhamiya village in Shyamnagar thana here on Sunday, reports UNB.

Chalan Beel development project yet to make headway

NATORE, July 11: The proposed Chalan Beel Integrated Area Development Project (CBIAD), covering Natore, Pabna and Sirajganj districts, is yet to make any headway.

Two killed in Comilla road accidents

COMILLA, July 11: Two people were killed and another 26 injured in three road mishaps on Dhaka-Chittagong highway on Sunday, reports UNB.

140 homeless families to be rehabilitated

MAGURA, July 11: A total 140 homeless families will be rehabilitated in 14 rehabilitation centres in four thanas under the government Safe Home programme, reports UNB.

River erosion renders 400 families homeless

FARIDPUR, July 11: Dwelling houses and standing crops of a vast tract of land of Sadarpur thana of this district were eroded by the river Arial Khan during last few days and the erosion is still continuing alarmingly, reports BSS.

300 affected by diarrhoea in Lalmonirhat

LALMONIRHAT, July 11: Diarrhoea that broke out in three unions of Kaliganj thana in an alarming proportion on Tuesday has so far affected about 300 people, reports UNB.