

News snaps

Killings condemned

From Our Correspondent

KUSHTIA, Oct 21: District BNP in a meeting on Monday condemned the killings of Akkas Ali and Hasan Ali during the hartal hours on Sunday in Dhaka and a JCD leader Wahiduzzaman Chanchal in Khulna.

The meeting decided to bring out processions in support of the countrywide half-day hartal called by BNP-led seven party alliance on Thursday. Senior vice-president of district BNP Advocate Azizur Rahman presided over the meeting which was addressed, among others, by Sajedur Rahman, adv Golam Mohammad and Kutubuddin.

Ahasania Mission's literacy programme

NARSINHDI, Oct 21: Dhaka Ahasania Mission has undertaken a programme to provide basic education to 11,000 illiterate people in two municipalities and five unions of the sadar thana here, reports UNB.

The project will be implemented as part of the Mission's social welfare programme. The non-formal education programme run by the mission for 2,500 people is also going on in 100 centres. The Mission is also supporting 625 people by providing free education apart from giving necessary education appliances through its 25 centres in the two municipalities and five unions of the thana.

Unnatural death cases pending

NOAKHALI, Oct 21: A large number of unnatural death cases are lying pending in the greater Noakhali district since 1992 due to non-availability of viscera report, reports UNB.

Sources in the police department said about 500 UD cases are awaiting disposal in 16 thanas of Noakhali, Feni and Laxmipur districts. Sub-Inspector Iqbal Hossain of Ramgati thana of Laxmipur district told that viscera report of a victim of 1992 is yet to be received. He said the situation in almost all the thanas is same. It was learnt from the sources that more than 150 such cases in Laxmipur district, 250 in Noakhali and 200 in Feni districts are lying pending since 1992 due to lack of the viscera reports.



PABNA: Protishruti, a Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO) conducting relief operations among the flood victims of the sadar thana. — Star photo



MAGURA: An acute scarcity of fodder has been prevailing throughout the district. Grabbing such a situation some farmers whose paddy fields are situated outside the flood affected areas are uprooting half-ripe paddy plants to make straw through an artificial process. Ultimately they sell it to the cattle owners at an exorbitant price. (L) Customers purchasing such straw. (R) Straw being carried by van to local markets like many other essential commodities. Now one bundle of straw is being sold at Taka 8 to 10 in rural markets. — Star photo by Monojit Kumar Das

31,456 hectares will be brought under 'Boro' farming in Moulvibazar

From Our Correspondent

MOULVI BAZAR, Oct 21: A total of 31 thousand 456 hectares of land will be brought under 'Boro' cultivation in six thanas of the district under post-flood agricultural rehabilitation programme.

According to the district Agriculture Extension department (AED), out of the total land 23 thousand 361 hectares will be brought under High Yielding Variety (HYV) and 8 thousand 95 hectares will be brought under local variety.

With implementation of the scheme it is expected that about 70 thousand 546 metric tons of 'Boro' will be produced in the district, of which 58 thousand 403 metric tons HYV and 12 thousand 143 local variety.

Besides, 2 thousand 638 hectares will be brought under 'Boro' cultivation where production target of the paddy has been fixed at 3 thousand 414 metric ton. Balanced fertiliser and certified seeds will also be distributed. Agriculture Extension Department sources added.

Moreover, 328 hectares will be brought under wheat cultivation in a normal way. The

break-up is 22 hectares in the sadar thana, 195 hectares in Srimongal thana, nine hectares in Rajnagar thana, 46 hectares in Kamalganj thana, 44 hectares in Kulaura thana and 12 hectares in Baralekha thana.

Under the programme 2,500 hectares will be brought under potato cultivation, 2,800 hectares under mustard, 650 hectares under sweet potato, 515 hectares under pulses, 5,000 hectares under winter vegetables 105 hectares under maize, 209 hectares under onion, 40 hectares under ginger and 350 hectares under turmeric cultivation.

The production target of 'Rabi' crops has been fixed at 30,000 metric tons of potato, 2,500 metric tons of mustard, 6,500 metric tons of sweet potato, 334 metric tons of pulses, 75,000 metric tons of vegetables, 73 metric tons of onion, 200 metric tons of garlic, 170 metric tons of chilli, 220 metric tons of ginger and 875 metric tons of turmeric.

UNB reports from Kishoreganj: A total of 1,74,537 hectares of land have been brought under 'Rabi' crops cultivation programme in 13 thanas of the district during the coming winter season.

According to Agriculture Extension Department, the production target has been fixed at about 5,17,952.5 metric tonnes.

The selected thanas are Sadar, Pakundia, Hossainpur, Katiadi, Bajitpur, Kuliarchar, Bhairab, Nikli, Itna, Tarial, Austragram, Karinganj and Mitamain.

According to the AED, under the programme 'Boro' paddy will be cultivated on 1,38,171 hectares, potato on 3,000 hectares, sweet potato on 1,600 hectares, maize on 225 hectares, mustard on 3,700 hectares, ground nut on 2,500 hectares, vegetables on 5,100 hectares, lentil on 1,000 hectares, grain pea on 400 hectares, makhkali on 200 hectares, khesari on 1,500 hectares, ararah on 15 hectares,

onion on 500 hectares, garlic on 450 hectares, coriander on 200 hectares, chilli on 1,000 hectares, ginger on 109 hectares and turmeric on 450 hectares.

It is expected that after the implementation of this programme, the district will harvest 3,37,138 metric tonnes of paddy, 29,093 mts of wheat, 36,000 mts of potato, 1,013 mts of maize, 3,330 mts of mustard, 4,750 mts of ground-nut, 76,500 mts of vegetables, 780 of pulse, 370 mts of chhola, 750 mts of makhkali, 270 mts of mugh dal, 150 mts of grain pea, 1,140 mts of khesari dal, 10.5 mts of ararah, 5,000 mts of onion, 2,587 mts of garlic, 400 mts of coriander, 2,000 mts of chilli, 545 mts of ginger and 1,125 mts of turmeric.

An official of AED told that necessary measures have been taken to sanction loans, supply high yielding varieties of seeds, fertilisers, pesticides and other necessary agricultural inputs to the flood affected farmers under post-flood rehabilitation programmes for successful implementation of the scheme.

Town dwellers in panic as terrorism grips Faridpur

From Abdul Matin Fakir

FARIDPUR, Oct 21: The people in and around Faridpur town are now panic stricken following deterioration of law and order situation.

Two persons were murdered and 21 others injured in two separate gun fights between rival groups of terrorists in the town within a fortnight.

Biswanath Ghose 45, was gunned down in East Khabashpur area of the town while Babu 24 was shot to death after 13 days' at Alipur area in the town.

Over these two incidents a tense situation has been prevailing in and around the town. Chasing and counter chasing are frequently taking place creating a reign of terror in the town. In both the murder cases filed with kotwali thana some Awami League and Jubo League top-ranking leaders were included in the lists of accuseds. Over the incident on October 10, more than 100 rounds of gun shots were fired and hundreds of bombs and crackers exploded for a few hours in sporadic clashes between the two rival groups one led by Jahangir and the other led by

Babu Kasha. Both of them are wanted by police in several criminal cases.

Five persons were arrested following the second murder case filed on October 11. They are Majibur, 28, Sajjad Kabiraj, 28, Kabir Biswas, 28, Mamun, 24, and 20. But none of the accused persons of the murder case filed on September 28 has yet been arrested.

In protest against implicating Hasibul Hasan Lablu, President, district Sramik League and a member of the district Awami League convening committee, traffic movements to and from here were suspended for two hours and militant processions were brought out by the transport workers.

Condemning the conspiracy being hatched against Hasibul Hasan Lablu allegedly by some interested quarters and demanding the withdrawal of Hasibul Hasan's name from the accusation lists, angry mob caused damaged a number of vehicles. The situation was however, brought under control by police.

Tk 550 cr BRDB post-flood development programme

From Staff Correspondent

BARISAL, Oct 21: Bangladesh Rural Development Board (BRDB) has undertaken Taka 550 crore post-flood development programme.

The amount will be disbursed as micro-credit among cooperative farmers and asset-less people of the flood-hit areas with a view to promoting income generating activities, according to a highly placed official source.

The programme includes a plan to disburse Taka 100 crore as credit support to agriculture sector and Taka 300 crore for non-farm activities under poverty alleviation projects of BRDB.

Side by side BRDB has also planned for an extra allocation of Taka 150 crore to meet the post-flood requirement.

Meanwhile, works have already been started under the programmes, it is learnt.

So far 17 lakh cooperative members of 39,029 cooperative societies in 349 thana areas of 50 districts under BRDB were affected by flood.

According to the survey report assessed and prepared by

BRDB, primarily 250 thana office buildings, 121 stores of thanas, 20 thana training units, 10 thana workshops, 1,007 low-cost houses, 8,524 deep tubewells and pump houses, 12,310 shallow tubewells and 132 power pumps were damaged partially or fully.

Besides, crops on 3 lakh acres, 1,30,000 poultry birds, fish hatcheries and nurseries were damaged. Taka one thousand 22 crore 68 lakh will be needed for the BRDB post-flood rehabilitation programme.

Man swallows tooth brush, falls sick!

From Our Correspondent

GAIANDHA, Oct 21: A person swallowed a tooth brush while cleaning his teeth at village Ramhadra in Sundarganj Thana on October 11.

Nure-e-Alam, an Imam of kadamtola Jame-mosque in the early morning on the day was brushing his teeth. At one stage the brush entered into his mouth and ultimately into the feeding tube.



GOPALGANJ: Agrani Bank recently distributed agricultural loan among the flood victims at Gopalganj town. — Star photo

Man killed, 10 hurt in Kushtia road accident

From Our Correspondent

KUSHTIA, Oct 21: A man was killed and 10 others received injuries when a truck skidded off the road and fell into a roadside ditch near Mathurapur Bazar, 45 km away from here on Sunday.

The accident occurred in the evening when the driver of the truck which was bound for Pragpur from Khulna lost control over its steering, according to witnesses.

Seed scarcity of 'Rabi' crops in Sirajganj Massive pest-attack on 'Aman' crop land in Sherpur dist

SHERPUR, Oct 21: Massive pest-attack on a vast tract of 'Aman' crop land in the district just after the devastating flood has created panic among the farmers, reports UNB.

Growers said over 300 hectares of land have been at-

tacked by one kind of grasshopper which increases its procreation between 18 to 35 days and damage the crops.

Poura area Kasba, Mirganj, Talukpara, Naovanga, Suryadi, Charshepur, Lachmanpur, Kamarerchar, Sutirpar and Chawkanaria in Sadar thana, Singaburua and Borokichi in Sribordi, Andharupara, Sanupara, Sidhali, Nayabil, Hatibagar, Sheoratali, Khujiora, and Nichpara in Naliabari, Chandrapara, Ganapaddi and Jalalpur in Nakla and Naikura, Kusaiakura, Gazariyara, Baubadha, Varua, Dakabar, Pratnagar, Ramanagar and Dighirpara in Jhenaijali thana are the worst affected.

The insect first attack the root of the plant and suck all the juice from the plants making the crop land barren.

According to Agriculture Extension Department, about 109.5 hectares of land have been attacked by pests. Besides, virus diseases have also broken out in the crop lands.

To check the menace, AED is motivating farmers by providing training, holding discussions and visiting the affected areas under its Integrated Pest Management (IPM) programme. It also provided seven power sprayers, 27 hand sprayers, 34 lanterns, 200 hurricanes, 200 sweeping nets and 150 kg pesticides to the farmers free of cost to eradicate the menace, it added.

The growers have been advised to use pesticides on their lands and other methods under IPM to control the pest attack.

Another report from Sirajganj says: Seed scarcity of various 'Rabi' crops has seriously been hampering its cultivation in the district. A good number of seedbeds of these crops including potato, mustard and vegetables have been affected by the recent flood causing scarcity of seeds in the markets.

Higher price of seed was also reported from other districts of the northern region.

The potato growers in Bogra, Rangpur, Joyprhat and Dina-

pur have been deprived of cultivating it due to the crisis.

They feared that the production target of 'Rabi' crop would not be achieved in the coming season due to acute seed scarcity.

Meanwhile, the farmers of some areas can not cultivate vegetables and other 'Rabi' crops due to water stagnation on their fields.

They said flood water in many areas remained stagnant due to various reasons causing serious problem to them in cultivating crops. They would not be able to overcome the losses incurred due to the flood, feared some farmers.

Bangladesh Agricultural Development Corporation Office of the Superintending Engineer (Irr) Rangpur Circle, Rangpur Re-Tender Notice

- Tender No : 1/98-99.
- Description of saleable goods : Used and preserved Tank Lorry of Region of Rangpur and Gaibandha area under Rangpur Irrigation Circle will be sold on 'as is where is basis'. Separate tender for each lorry will have to be submitted. Containing capacity of each lorry is 2000 gallons for petroleum products. A) Bedford Tank Lorry- 1 No of Rangpur region B) Bedford Tank Lorry-1 No of Gaibandha Region.
- Eligibility of tenderer : Person/businessman must have valid licence.
- Place of selling and receiving tenders schedule : (1) Office of the Chief Engineer (S&W), BADC, Dhaka. (2) Office of the Additional Chief Engineer (Irr), BADC, Rajshahi Division, Bogra. (3) Office of the Superintending Engineer (Irr), BADC, Rangpur Circle, Rangpur. (4) Office of the Executive Engineer (Irr), BADC, Rangpur/Gaibandha Region. (5) Regional Controller of Accounts, BADC, Dhap, Rangpur.
- Selling cost of tender schedule : Rate of selling each tender schedule is Taka 300/- (three hundred) only to Taka 750/- (seven hundred fifty) only (non refundable).
- Place and time of availability of tender schedule : Tender schedule may be obtained from the concerned offices mentioned at serial no during office hours up to 16.11.98.
- Place of receiving and opening tender : Tenders will be received in the concerned offices mentioned at serial No 4 up to 12.00 Noon on 17.11.98 and will be opened on the same day at 12.30 PM in presence of the tenderers (if anybody) present.
- 5% of total quoted value of tank lorry will have to be deposited as earnest money through Accounts Payee Pay Order/Bank Draft from any Commercial scheduled bank of Bangladesh Bank in favour of BADC, Rangpur along with the Tender No SDR/CDR will be accepted under any circumstance.
- Tenders collected from different offices will be opened on 25.11.98 at 11.00 AM in presence of the tenderers (if anybody) present.
- Tender committee reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason thereof.

ADC-560 Mamtaz Uddin Ahmed  
DFP-22037-18/10 Superintending Engineer (Irr)  
G-2360 BADC, Rangpur Circle, Rangpur.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Office of the Police Super Gazipur Tender Notice

Sealed tenders are invited from bonafide suppliers/contractors as per terms & conditions mentioned in separate schedules for supply of the undermentioned items for the Gazipur District Police Force during 1998-99 financial year.

- Supply of iron frame cot for the Police Force of Gazipur District.
- Supply of furniture for the Police Line Armoury of Gazipur District.
- Supply of cash register and other stationery goods for the police ration stores of Gazipur District.

Tenders will be received in the tender box kept at the office of the Police Super of Gazipur District up to 12:30 PM of 03/11/98. Tender box will be opened on the same day at 01:00 PM in presence of the tenderers (if any). No tender without tender schedule will be received. Besides attested photocopy of valid Trade Licence, Bank Solvency Certificate and Income Tax Certificate (current year's) must be submitted with each tender. Each schedule can be collected at Tk 400/= (four hundred) in cash from the Police Office during office hours up to 02/11/98. The tender committee reserves the right to accept or reject any tender.

Sultan Ahmed  
Police Super  
Gazipur  
DFP-21843-15/10  
G-2357

গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার  
পরিবেশ ও বন মন্ত্রণালয়  
ন্যাশনাল কনজারভেশন স্ট্র্যাটেজী  
(এনসিএস) বাস্তবায়ন প্রকল্প-১  
বাড়ি ৫০/১, সড়ক ১১এ, ধানমন্ডি (২য় তলা)  
ঢাকা-১২০৯, বাংলাদেশ

বিষয় : স্থানীয় বিশেষজ্ঞ নিয়োগের জন্য বিজ্ঞাপন

নোয়াড সাহায্যপুষ্ট পরিবেশ ও বন মন্ত্রণালয় কর্তৃক বাস্তবায়নধীন ন্যাশনাল কনজারভেশন স্ট্র্যাটেজী (এনসিএস) বাস্তবায়ন প্রকল্প-১ (বিজিডি ০৪৯) স্থানীয় বিশেষজ্ঞ হিসাবে নিয়োগের জন্য বাংলাদেশী নাগরিকদের নিকট হতে দরখাস্ত আহ্বান করা যাচ্ছে।

বিশেষজ্ঞ নিয়োগ সংক্রান্ত বিবরণ নিম্নরূপঃ

- বিশেষজ্ঞর নাম : প্রজেক্ট ডেভেলপমেন্ট (Project Development Specialist) - ১ জন।  
- মেয়াদ : ২ মাস (নভেম্বর-ডিসেম্বর, ১৯৯৮, সময় কাল আরও ৪ মাস বৃদ্ধি হওয়ার সম্ভাবনা রয়েছে)।
- বিশেষজ্ঞর নাম : ইনভেস্টমেন্ট প্ল্যানার (Investment Planner) - ১ জন।  
- মেয়াদ : ৪ মাস (নভেম্বর, ১৯৯৮-ফেব্রুয়ারি, ১৯৯৯)।
- বিশেষজ্ঞর নাম : বারিন্ড ট্রেট এন্ড চলন বিল ম্যানেজম্যান্ট প্র্যান ডেভেলপম্যান্ট স্পাসিালিস্ট (Barind Tract & Chalan Beel Management Plan Development Specialist) - ১ জন।  
- মেয়াদ : ৫ মাস (নভেম্বর, ১৯৯৮-মার্চ, ১৯৯৯)।
- শিক্ষণত যোগ্যতা : প্রকৃতি বিজ্ঞান অথবা পরিবেশ বিজ্ঞান অথবা সমাজ বিজ্ঞান অথবা অর্থনীতি বিষয়ে পিএইচডি এবং ১০ বৎসরের বাস্তব অভিজ্ঞতা অথবা উপরোক্ত বিষয়ে মাস্টার্স ডিগ্রি এবং ১৫ বৎসরের বাস্তব অভিজ্ঞতা।
- ডিউটি স্টেশন : ঢাকা
- বেতন : মাসিক টাকা ৪২,০০০/- (টাকা বিয়ার্লিশ হাজার মাত্র সর্বসাকুল্যে)

নিম্নলিখিতকরী অফিস হতে অফিস চলাকালীন সময়ে বিস্তারিত টার্মস অব রেফারেন্স সংগ্রহ করা যাবে। এই বিজ্ঞপ্তি প্রকাশের তারিখ হতে ১৫ দিনের মধ্যে জীবন বৃত্তান্ত এবং পাসপোর্ট আকারের দুই কপি ফটোসহ প্রার্থনাপত্র প্রকল্প অফিসে আবেদন করার জন্য অনুরোধ করা যাচ্ছে।

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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Office of the Executive Engineer Facilities Department, Ministry of Education Savar Zone, B-8, Anandapur, Savar, Dhaka Tender Notice

No. 04/VTI/FD/SZ/1998-99 Dated: 12-10-98

Tenders in Bangladesh Form No. 2911 under sealed cover are hereby invited from Facilities Department's A-1 & A-2 class enlisted contractors for construction of two room new pucca building & repair/renovation of existing community school section at the undermentioned educational institutions under the project titled "Introduction of SSC Vocational Course at Private Secondary Educational Institution."

A) Description of work:

Name of District	Name of Thana	Group No	Name of educational institution	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Time limit	Price of schedule
Dhaka	Dhamrai	1	Hardinge Pilot High School	10,00,000/=	20,000/=	90 days	400/=
Do	Nababganj	2	Nababganj Pilot High School	10,00,000/=	20,000/=	90 days	400/=
Manikganj	Saturia	3	Saturia Girls' High School	10,00,000/=	20,000/=	90 days	400/=

- Last date & time of selling tender document : 8-11-98 (within office hours).
- Last date & time of receiving tender document : 10-11-98 (up to 1:00 PM)
- Date and time of opening tender box : To be opened on 10-11-98 (at 1:30 PM) in presence (if any) of the tenderers.
- Offices where tender document to be had at & submitted at : Offices of Secretary, Ministry of Education, Attention: Senior Assistant Secretary, Section-12 (Development-2), Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka; Deputy Commissioner, Dhaka/Manikganj district/Executive Engineer, Facilities Department, Savar/Dhaka/Narsingdi/Narayanganj/Kishoreganj/Tangail/Mymensingh/Faridpur/Madaripur Zone & Assistant Engineer, Facilities Department, Manikganj district.
- Earnest money : Prescribed earnest money should be submitted with each tender in the form of Pay-Order/Bank Draft from any scheduled bank in Bangladesh in favour of Executive Engineer, Facilities Department, Savar Zone, Savar, Dhaka.

Terms & conditions

- Tender document can be purchased on production of up-to-date enlistment renewal fee deposit receipt, 1997-98 financial year's income tax, clearance certificate & VAT registration certificate and licence book (if any) and attested photocopy of the said papers should be submitted at the time of submitting tender. Otherwise tender will be treated as cancelled.
- Tender will be treated as cancelled outright if the rate is quoted at more than 5% (five per cent) below the estimated cost mentioned in the tender.
- Such contractors as have failed to complete this zone's allotted work in prescribed time without any reasonable ground, cannot purchase the tender document. Even if they do their tender will be treated as cancelled.
- Income Tax & VAT will be deducted from each bill as per govt rules.
- Bill of contractor/contractors will be paid subject to receipt of allotment but he/she shall be bound to complete the work within the prescribed time.

The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any/all tenders without assigning any reason.  
Executive Engineer  
Facilities Department  
Savar Zone, Savar, Dhaka.  
DFP-21963-15/10  
G-2358

Runner editor's murder condemned

From Our Correspondent

MAGURA, Oct 21: The murder of Md Saiful Alam Mukul, Editor of The Daily Runner, Jessore was condemned at a condolence meeting held recently at Magua Press Club.

The condolence meeting was presided over by Advocate Dipak Roy Chowdhury of Magua Press Club while Mihir Lal Kuri, Champak Roy Chowdhury, Shamim Ahmed Khan, and Shaful Islam Shaifque spoke in the meeting.

Speakers condemned the brutal killing of the editor and expressed their profound grief and shock.

They also demanded of the authorities to bring the culprits to book.