

News snaps

Cultivation of 'Rabi' crops going on
MEHERPUR, Nov 9: The cultivation of major 'Rabi' crops is now going on in full swing in the two thanas of Meherpur district, reports BSS.

Clash over shoal leaves 10 hurt
SHARIATPUR, Nov 9: A clash over occupying of shoal land in the river Padma in Verdeganj thana left 10 people injured on Tuesday, reports UNB.

Distribution of agri inputs begins
MUNSHIGANJ, Nov 9: The distribution of agricultural inputs including fertilisers and seeds among 5,192 flood-affected marginal and small farmers has begun in six thanas of the district under the post-flood rehabilitation programme-3 of the government, reports BSS.

Memo submitted to IUVC
ISLAMIC UNIVERSITY (Kushtia), Nov 9: Zia Parishad and Green Forum, two separate teachers organisations of the Islamic University recently submitted a memorandum to the Vice-Chancellor demanding impartial role of the authorities, reports UNB.

People deprived of medical service
KISHOREGANJ, Nov 9: People here have been deprived of proper medical service as a total of 21 posts of medical officers at the thana health complexes are lying vacant for long, reports UNB.

R&H driver hurt in attack by thugs
KHAGRACHHARI, Nov 9: A driver of the Roads and Highways Department was injured in an attack by an unidentified gang on Khagrachhari-Dighinala highway on Wednesday, reports APB.

Shortage of pry teachers
NOAKHALI, Nov 9: Mismanagement, lack of infrastructure facilities and shortage of teachers have brought the primary education in six thanas of the district on the verge of collapse, reports UNB.

Widow allowance distributed
NARSINGDI, Nov 9: Under the countrywide widow allowance distribution programme of the government, Narsingdi district Social Welfare Department has disbursed Taka 9,000 as widow allowance on Monday among 90 distressed women of nine thanas in Pashchotli union of Raipura thana, reports BSS.

Alleged abductor arrested
JHALAKATHI, Nov 9: Police on Tuesday arrested a teacher of a local Madrasa on charge of his involving in abduction and raping one of his students, reports UNB.

Schoolboy killed
NAOGAON, Nov 9: A schoolboy was killed in a road accident at Ukilpara in the town on Monday, reports UNB.

Relief distributed among flood victims
NETRAKONA, Nov 9: Bangladesh Red Crescent Society Netrakona district unit has undertaken a programme of distribution of relief materials among the flood-hit people of eight thanas, reports BSS.

Firearms seized: Three arrested
COMILLA, Nov 9: Police in separate drives seized some firearms and arrested three people including a couple from three districts including Comilla, reports UNB.

10 edn projects being implemented
TANGAIL, Nov 9: The Facilities Department of the Ministry of Education has been implementing 10 projects in Tangail Education Zone comprising Tangail and Jamalpur districts in the current fiscal year, reports BSS.

Arsenic poisoning claims four lives in Barisal

From Aroop Talukdar

BARISAL, Nov 9: Arsenic poisoning has affected more than 100 families of Sapania village in sadar thana. During the last three years four people including three of a family died of arsenic contamination, it has been alleged. Abdur Rashid Sikder, 67, a mason and head of big Sikder family consisting of 32 members said that arsenic had affected himself.

Experts say first black spots appear on the skins and gradually decay starts at the black spots. Excessive presence of arsenic, a chemical compound, causes harm to the human bodies. It can enter into the bodies through ground water or wind. A person can absorb up to 0.05 PPM arsenic and beyond this level can do harm to human body, experts added.

They have heard about VGF cards

MYMENSINGH, Nov 9: Irregularities have been reported in distribution of Vulnerable Group Feeding (VGF) cards from seven unions of Dhobaura thana, reports UNB.

Case against BNP leader
From Staff Correspondent
BARISAL, Nov 9: A case was filed with Kotwali Police against Sheikh Abdul Malek, Vice President, BNP, Barisal town committee while Manirul Hasan Monir, President, Jubala Dal town committee, Meshbahuddin Farhad, BNP, Dist (North) Joint Secretary and Mohammad Hasan, district Jubala Dal leader were awarded one-month's detention each on Friday, according to police.

25 injured in AL-BNP clash at Noopara

JESSORE, Nov 9: At least 25 people were injured in a clash between the supporters of ruling Awami League and opposition BNP at Noopara industrial area here on Sunday, reports UNB.

Road barricade by Feni JCD

FENI, Nov 9: Jatityabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) brought out a procession here on Saturday evening protesting the attacks on BNP's public rally at Paltan Maidan in the capital, reports APB.

Verdict of Bangabandhu murder case hailed

RAJSHAHI, Nov 9: Awami League and its front organisations brought out a procession in the city welcoming the verdict of the Bangabandhu murder case pronounced in capital Dhaka on Sunday, reports APB.

Erosion threatens existence of Hatiya island

NOAKHALI, Nov 9: The existence of the island of Hatiya has been threatened by erosion of the river Meghna, reports UNB.

People having several bighas of agriculture land have been reduced to beggars as their homesteads have gone under the river bed, people said. Previously the river Padma was flowing six miles away from the Raita Mohishkundi Flood Protection Embankment and now the river has devoured a vast tract of area rendering the inhabitants homeless.

Pilot project of using bio-gas as substitute of fuel

BARISAL, Nov 9: A pilot project of using bio-gas as substitute of fuel has been undertaken by the government. The government will implement the programme phase by phase.

Smuggling on rise along border areas in Naogaon dist

NAOGAON, Nov 9: Smuggling in the border areas of the district has increased alarmingly as the members of the law enforcement agencies seem indifferent to take any action against them, reports UNB.

Goods worth crores of taka are being smuggled into the country from neighbouring India every day and these are being supplied to the retailers and small traders across the district.

The Thana Nirbahi Officer of Chowkighata had carried out a raid, soon after his takeover, here, and seized some smuggled items. He also registered a case against the alleged smugglers with Daulatkhan police.



MYMENSINGH: Director General of Bangladesh Institute of Nuclear Agriculture (BINA) Dr M Idris Ali recently distributed seedlings of Binashail, a latest High Yielding Variety (HYV) of paddy among the farmers as part of the institute's massive post-flood agriculture rehabilitation programme.



BOGRA: Commodore (ret'd) Mohammad Aatur Rahman, Chairman of Islamic Bank Bangladesh Limited, addressing as the chief guest at the inaugural ceremony of Islamic Bank Technical Institute unit-2 here on on November 6.