

News snaps

Frequent power outages

SHARIATPUR, Aug 28: Frequent power outages, attributed to short supply, have made the public life in the district miserable, reports UNB.

Mills, factories, computer shops and other commercial establishments face serious disruption in works due to erratic power supply. Local people said they experience power failure 30-35 times a day. They called on the authorities concerned to take effective measures to improve the power supply situation in the district.

Man gets life term for kidnapping girl

HABIGANJ, Aug 28: A court here Thursday sentenced a man to life term in jail and another to 17 years of rigorous imprisonment for kidnapping and violating a girl in 1997, reports UNB.

The court also fined lifer Umacharan Das and his accomplice Bikas Das Tk 15,000 each, in default, to suffer 18 months more R. According to prosecution, the accused of Hossainpur village in Bahubal thana kidnapped their fellow-villager Dali Rani, daughter of Dharendra Nath Das on the night of May 2, 1997. Umacharan aided by Bikas violated the girl overnight. After examining the records and 14 witnesses Additional District and Sessions judge M Miz Uddin Miah pronounced the verdict.

Notorious terrorist arrested

FENI, Aug 28: Chhagalnaiya police arrested an alleged notorious terrorist recently in collaboration with local people, reports BSS.

According to Chhagalnaiya police, Jashim Uddin alias Tiger Jashim of South Satara created a reign of terror in the villages of South Satara, North Satara, South Jashpur, North Jashpur, Bishpara, Muta and Hichchara for a long time. He was engaged in robbery, mugging, kidnapping, extortion and holding of illegal arms in the localities. Police raided his house with the help of local people. He tried to escape, but was caught by the people who handed him over to the police.

Seedlings damaged by mid-July flood

Renewed drive for T-Aman farming faces setback

NATORE, Aug 28: Transplantation of Aman paddy has been going on in full swing in the northern region for the second time after seedlings were damaged by the mid-July flash flood, reports UNB.

But farmers are facing setback in their renewed drive for T-Aman cultivation due to various problems, notably financial crisis.

Sources said the present drive is facing serious setback due to high price of seedlings amid short supply.

Well-off farmers are procuring seedlings at much higher price while the poor and marginal farmers face acute financial hardship.

Sources at the Agriculture Extension Department (AED) said the target for T-Aman cultivation in the 16 northern districts was fixed at about 11 lakh hectares during the current season. The production target was fixed at 25 lakh metric tons of paddy.

But the drive initially faced a setback in July due to flash flood when most of the seedbeds

for T-Aman in the low-lying areas went under water, they informed.

On the other hand, fertilisers are being sold in the region, including Natore district, by the BCIC appointed dealers violating the government policy.

Taking advantage of the situation, some dishonest traders are buying fertilisers from the dealers at the official price and selling the same in remote rural areas at exorbitant rates — between Tk 320 and Tk 365 per 50 kg of urea — causing immense sufferings to the farmers.

In most cases, dealers and traders sell fertilisers without any cash memo. As a result, the government is being deprived of VAT and the farmers denied the opportunity to get fertiliser at fair price.

Being informed, Rajshahi Divisional Commissioner Khan Shahabuddin instructed the Deputy Commissioners and AED deputy directors of Rajshahi division to strictly monitor the situation and take stern action against the dealers who violate the government rules to ensure marketing, sup-

ply and distribution of fertilisers at fair price.

Meanwhile, many farmers complained that they were not getting agricultural loans from banks. Some of them alleged harassment and malpractice in sanctioning loans by the bank officials concerned.

Another report from Magura says: A total of 40,700 hectares of land in the district have been brought under transplanted Aman cultivation in the current season.

Official sources said High Yielding Variety (HYV) paddy would be cultivated on 37,500 hectares of land while local variety on 3,200 hectares. The production target was fixed at 1.29 lakh metric tons of paddy.

Thanawise break-up of land are as follows: sadar-14,400 hectares, Sreepur-7,200 hectares, Shalikh-13,400 hectares and Mohammadpur-5,700 hectares.

Agriculture Department is providing quality seeds, fertilisers, pesticides and other agri-inputs to the growers to make a boost in the production.

Satkhira DIARY

Girl student killed in road accident

From Our Correspondent
SATKHIRA, Aug 28: One girl student was killed in a road accident near village Taltala in Sadar thana on Satkhira-Khulna road on August 9.

The victim was identified as Murshida Khatun, 1, daughter of Keyamuddin of the aforesaid village. Police sources said while the victim was crossing the road, a Satkhira bound truck knocked her down resulting her death on the spot.

Breast Feeding Week observed

World Breast Feeding Week was observed here recently in a befitting manner. To mark the occasion a discussion meeting was held at the conference room of Civil Surgeon, Satkhira with Dr Prashanta Kumar Kundu in the chair. Saiful Islam, Deputy Commission (DC) of Satkhira was present as the chief guest.

UP member hurt by dacoits

A dacoity was committed at the house of Sanatan Master of village Baintala in Assasuni thana on August 9.

Police sources said a group of dacoits numbering eight to 10 armed with deadly weapons raided his house at dead of night. At gun point they looted away cash and ornaments amounting to Taka 30,000.

While escaping, the villagers chased the dacoits who opened fire. As a result one UP member named Sachindranath Sarkar sustained bullet injuries.

Phensedyl recovered: 12 arrested

Two persons were arrested by police in two separate driver recently.

Twelve bottles of phensedyl syrup were also recovered from their possession. Police sources said, acting on a secret information Shyamnagar thana police arrested Gobinda Mistri, 55, of village Angthara in Koira thana of Khulna district from Manikkhal bazaar Shyamnagar thana on August 7. In another drive, Satkhira thana police arrested Khorsheed from Polashpota area of Satkhira pourasabha on August 6. One bottle of phensedyl syrup was recovered from his possession.

Woman strangled to death

One housewife was strangled to death by her husband at village Bayarbatan in Sadar thana on August 9.

The victim was identified as Sabitri Rani Sarkar, 32, wife of Solen Sarkar of village Bayarbatan in the sadar thana. Police sources said Solen Sarkar married Sabitri Rani about 10 years ago and at the time of marriage he took dowry. Recently, he demanded dowry and Sabitri's mother gave Taka 35,000 as dowry to her daughter in law. Solen Sarkar demanded more dowry a few days back which Sabitri's mother failed to pay. As a result he beat his wife mercilessly. At one stage he strangled her to death.

PM's donation for Pabna Press Club

From Our Correspondent

PABNA, Aug 28: Mohammad Nasim, Minister for Home, Posts and Telecommunications, called upon journalists to criticise the government in objective manner and depict the real picture of the society.

He was addressing a function organised by Pabna Press Club on August 20 in connection with hand over of a cheque for taka three lakh donated by Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina for the development of the press club.

He also expressed his gratitude to journalists of Pabna for their contribution in all democratic movements in the country.

Presided over by Mirza Shamsul Islam, President of Pabna Press Club, the function was addressed, among others, by Professor Jannatul Ferdous MP; senior journalist and for-

mer president of the club Ranesh Maitra and General Secretary of the club and chief editor of local daily 'Nirbar' Rabiul Islam Rabi.

The function was moderated by vice-president of the club Murshad Subhani.

Turning to the problems of the club, the Home Minister assured them of taking measures to turn the club into a modern one.

The minister ordered the deputy commissioner to take steps to hand over the existing club building, now a vested property, to the club authority.

Earlier, the secretary of the club requested the minister to make arrangement to install a card-phone booth in the club premises and to donate a fax machine. The minister said the demands will be fulfilled soon.



Donation to club: Home and Telecommunications Minister Mohammad Nasim handing over Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina's cheque amounting to Taka three lac to President of Pabna Press Club Shamsul Islam.

— Star photo



Chronic jam: Rickshaw pullers creating a permanent traffic jam on the Ghagot bridge in Gaibandha town causing sufferings to the passers-by and other vehicles.

— Star photo

Government of Bangladesh

Office of the Executive Engineer, RHD
Road Division, Madaripur.

Notice Inviting Tender of RHD

Sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No. 2911 are hereby invited.

- Tender No : 12/EE/MRD/1999-2000 Eng.
 - Name of work : Repairing potholes, depression and providing bituminous seal coat at 6th KM (Part), 7th and 8th KM (Part) of Panchar-Shibchar-Madaripur Road under Madaripur Road Division during the year 1999-2000.
 - Estimated cost : Tk. 6,11,425/-
 - Earnest money : Tk. 12,228/-
 - Time allowed for completion of work : 30 (thirty) days.
 - Eligibility of contractor : 'A' to 'C' RHD General category contractor, and D Class General category of Faridpur Road Circle and 'E' Class general category of Madaripur Road Division.
 - Name of office where tender documents will be available : Executive Engineer (RHD), Road Division, Madaripur/ Faridpur/ Gopalganj/ Shariatpur/ Rajbari/ Barisal/ Planning Division, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka. Sub-Divisional Engineer, RHD, Road Sub-Division, Madaripur/Bhanga/ Asstt. Engineer, RHD, 1st Line Workshop Sub-Division, Madaripur.
 - Name of office where tender will be received : Addl. Chief Engineer, RHD, Barisal Zone, Barisal/ Superintending Engineer, RHD, Faridpur Road Circle, Faridpur/ Superintending Engineer, RHD, Procurement and Monitoring Circle, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka/ Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Madaripur.
 - Last date of selling tender document : 13.9.99 Eng./29.5.1406 Beng/ during office hours.
 - Last date and time for receiving tender : 14.9.99 Eng./30.5.1406 Beng/ Upto 12.30 PM and opening of sealed tender from box at 12.45 PM.
 - Last date and time for opening of tender : 20.9.99 Eng./5.6.1406 Beng./at 4.00 PM. Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Madaripur in office room.
 - Date and time for lottery (if necessary) : 23.9.99 Eng./8.6.1406 Beng./at 4.00 PM.
- DFP-18529-24/8
G-1583
- Executive Engineer, RHD
Road Division, Madaripur.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Ministry of Industries
Bangladesh Industrial Technical Assistance Centre (BITAC)
Tejgaon Industrial Area
Dhaka-1208
(Avail Technical Assistance from BITAC)

Training Programme

The admission of the 99th Batch of 14-week duration Advanced Training Course conducted by Bangladesh Industrial Assistance Centre (BITAC) will start from 09-09-99 on the following trades.

Sl. No	Trade	Training Fee	
		Organization	Individual
01.	Machine shop practice	Tk. 2,000	Tk. 1,500
02.	Mechanical Drafting	" 1,500	" 1,500
03.	Automobile	" 2,000	" 1,500
04.	Auto-Electricity	" 2,000	" 1,500
05.	Electrical Maintenance	" 2,500	" 2,000
06.	Welding	" 2,500	" 2,000
07.	Machine Maintenance	" 2,000	" 1,500
08.	Heat-Treatment	" 1,500	" 1,000
09.	Electroplating	" 1,500	" 1,000
10.	Foundry	" 1,500	" 1,000
11.	Pattern Making	" 1,500	" 1,000

Hostel Accommodation Fee: Tk. 750/- per course for each candidate.
Eligibility: Technically experienced industrial personnel with SSC or equivalent/TTC/Vocational trade course/Diploma in Engineering.
Course duration: From 12-09-99 to 16-12-99.
Intending individuals and institutions/organizations/industries for sending their nominees may please contact to the address given below.

Training Engineer
BITAC, Dhaka
Telephone No. 600121, 600124.
DFP-18574-24/8
G-1584

Government of Bangladesh
Office of the Executive Engineer, RHD
Rangamati Road Division

Short Notice of RHD Inviting Tenders

- Tender Notice No : 8/EE/RRD/1999-2000
- Name of work : As per Group List.
- Estimated cost : As per Group List.
- Earnest money : As per Group List.
- Time allowed : As per Group List.
- Eligibility of contractor : A to E general category of RHD Department.
- Name of offices of availability of tender documents : The Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Rgti./Khagrachari-I/II(P&D) Division, Sarak Bhaban, Agrabad, Ctg. & Sub-Divisional Engineer, RHD, Rd.Sub-Division-I/II/Chandraghona/1st Line Mech. Sub-Division, Rangamati under this Division, up to 8.9.99.
- Name of officers to receive tender : The Superintending Engineer (RHD), Road Circle, Rangamati & Executive Engineer, (RHD), Road Divn., Rangamati.
- Last date of receipt of tenders : On 9.9.99 up to 12:30 PM.
- Date & time of opening bids : On 13.9.99 at 12:05 PM by the undersigned or his authorised representative in his office chamber in presence of the intending tenderers if they like to remain present.
- Date & time of lottery (if necessary) : On 15.9.99 at 11:30 AM.
- Chargeable to : 168 RBF

Sealed tenders in BD Form No. 2911 are hereby invited from A to E class enlisted contractors of RHD under general category for the above mentioned works.

Group List Of Works Against Tender Notice No. 8/EE/RRD/ During 1999-2000.

Tender Notice No./Group No.	Name and location of the work.	Estimated cost.	Earnest money.	Time allowed for completion of work
T/NO/8/Gr./NO.1 (One)	Emergency protective work by bullah palasiding at 26th KM left side (Ch.25+121-25+155) of Rangamati-Manikchhari-Mohalchhari-Khagrachari road under Rangamati Road Division during the year 1999-2000.	Tk. 319816/=	Tk. 6500/=	30 (thirty) days from the date of issue of work order.
T/NO/8/Gr./NO.2 (Two)	Emergency protective work by bullah palasiding at 20th KM (Ch. 19+878 to 19+908) of Rangamati-Manikchhari-Mohalchhari-Khagrachari road under Rangamati Road Division during the year 1999-2000.	Tk. 2,62,386/=	Tk. 5500/=	25 (twenty-five) days.....Do.....
T/NO/8/Gr./NO.3 (Three)	Emergency protective work by bullah palasiding at 20th KM (Ch. 19+908 to 19+938) of RMMK road under Rgti. Road Division during the year 1999-2000.	Tk. 2,60,029/=	Tk. 5500/=	25 (twenty-five) days.....Do.....
T/NO/8/Gr./NO.4 (Four)	Emergency Protective work by bullah palasiding at 20th K.M. (Ch. 19+165 to 19+190) of RMMK road under Rangamati Road Division during the year 1999-2000.	Tk. 2,18,897/=	Tk. 4,500/=	20 (twenty) days from the date of issue of work order.
T/NO/8/Gr./NO.5 (Five)	Emergency Protective work by bullah palasiding at 21st. KM of RMMK road (Ch. 20+878 to 20+894) under Rgti. Road Division during the year 1999-2000	Tk. 1,56,022/=	Tk. 3500/=	15 (fifteen) days from the date of issue of work order.

Tofazzal Hossain Bhuiyan
Executive Engineer, (RHD)
Rangamati Road Division
Phone-2101
DFP-18543-24/8
G-1585

Government of Bangladesh
Office of the Executive Engineer
PWD. E/M Division No-IV, Dhaka

Memo No. 245 Dated : 18/8/99

Notice Inviting Tender No-4 (1999-2000)

Sealed cover tenders are invited in Bangladesh Form No. 2911 for the undermentioned work from the enlisted PWD Special Class, Class I (E/M) and Class II (E/M) Contractors having valid 'A' 'B' 'C'/'B' 'C' Classes of "Contractors" and "Supervisory" Licenses. Tender will be received in the tender box of the Office of the Executive Engineer, PWD. E/M Division No-IV/V/VI & PWD. Eden Bldg. Division, Dhaka on 13/9/99 up to 12:00 Noon and the tenders will be opened on the same date on 12:30 PM in presence of the bidders who may like to remain present. Earnest money @ 2% of the estimated cost is to be furnished along with the tenders in the form of CD/BD/SDR/PO from any scheduled bank of Bangladesh in favour of the Executive Engineer, PWD. E/M Division No-IV, Dhaka.

Name of work : Replacing to the existing damaged/unservicable room aircooler by new one supply & fixing window type air-cooler for the State Minister, Ministry of Relief & Rehabilitation and Conference Room at BD Sectt. Dhaka (Fiscal Year 1999-2000)

Estimated Cost : Tk. 1,43,690/-
Earnest Money : Tk. 2,875/-
Time Allowed : 15 (fifteen) days
Opening Date : 13/9/99

Tender Form, Schedule, Terms & Conditions etc. can be purchased from the Office of the Executive Engineer, PWD E/M Division No-IV/V/VI & PWD Eden Bldg. Division, Dhaka during office hours on cash payment of usual charges (nonrefundable) upto 12/9/99 at the latest.

Tender forms can be purchased by the Contractors or his/their authorised representatives by showing necessary documents.

The competent authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the offers without assigning any reason thereof.

Apurba Kumar Roy
Executive Engineer
PWD.E/M Division-IV
Dhaka.
DFP-18447-23/8
G-1581

Pabna road mishap: Probe body formed

From Our Correspondent
PABNA, Aug 28: A seven-member enquiry committee has been formed to investigate into August 10 road accident at Satiakhola under Santhia thana in the district on Nagarbari-Bogra highway that killed at least 21 and injured 50.

Headed by Jamal Uddin Ahmed, Additional District Magistrate of Pabna, the committee will submit its report by August 31.

Terrorist killed in police firing in Ctg

From Our Correspondent
CHITTAGONG, Aug 28: A terrorist was killed in police firing in Pahartali Foy's Lake area here Wednesday night.

Shamim, a gang leader, went to a rickshaw garage in the area Wednesday evening along with his associates for toll collection. But local people made resistance and locked clash with the extortionists.

When Pahartali thana police reached the scene the terrorists traded fire with police. During firing, Shamim received serious bullet injuries. He succumbed to his injuries at Chittagong Medical College Hospital at around 11.30 pm.

Life term for killer husband

From Our Correspondent
SATKHIRA, Aug 28: A man was sentenced to life imprisonment on charge of killing his wife by court in the district on August 10.

The convict was identified as Farid Uddin Gazi of village Shikri under Sadar thana.

According to prosecution, Farid Uddin Gazi beat his first wife Rehana Parveen to death on July 4, 1992.

However, another accused in the case, Majeda, second wife of Gazi, was acquitted.

Government of Bangladesh Office of the Executive Engineer (RHD) Road Division, Narail

Notice of RHD Inviting Tender

- Tender Notice No. : 5 (Five) of 1999-2000, Narail Road Division.
 - Name of work : Social plantation work at 3 (p), 4 (p), 10 (p), 11 (p) 12 (p) & 14 KM of Narail-Fultala road and 1 (p), 2 (p), 3 (p) & 9th (p) KM of Narail-Bhatiapa road in two rows at an interval of 1.82 metre at both sides with one year maintenance under Narail Road Division during 1999-2000.
 - Estimated cost : Tk. 2,56,329/-
 - Earnest money : Tk. 5,130/00
 - Time allowed for completion of work : 30 (thirty) days.
 - Eligibility of contractor : 'A' to 'E' class under general category of RHD & 'D' to 'E' class under general category of Arboriculture Unit.
 - Name of offices of availability of tender documents : Office of the Executive Engineer (RHD), Road Division, Narail/Jessore/ Jhenidah/ Magura/ Kushtia/Chudanga/Sub-Divisional Engineer (RHD), Road Sub-Division, Narail.
 - Name of officers by whom tender will be received : Superintending Engineer (RHD), Road Circle, Jessore/ Executive Engineer (RHD), Road Division, Narail/Jhenidah/Magura/Kushtia /Chuadanga.
 - Last date and time for selling of tender : Up to 6.9.99 Eng./22.5.1406 Beng during office hours.
 - Last date and time for receiving tender : Up to 12:30 PM on 7.9.99 Eng./23.5.1406 Beng.
 - Date and time for preparing the list of sealed tender : At 12:45 PM on 7.9.99 Eng./23.5.1406 Beng.
 - Date and time for opening of sealed tender : At 10:30 AM on 9.9.99 Eng./25.5.1406 Beng.
 - Date and time of lottery : At 11:00 AM on 13.9.99 Eng./29.5.1406 Beng.
 - Chargeable head : 168-R, B&F.
- DFP-18470-23/8
G-1582
- Sabuj Baran Dutta
Executive Engineer (RHD)
(Current Charge)
Road Division, Narail.