

Rab arrests five outlaws in Khulna

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Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) arrested five cadres of outlawed New Biplobi Communist Party at Bhandarkot under Batiaghata upazila early yesterday morning. Ismail Hossain Babu, chairman of Bhandarkot union, and four others were

arrested by Rab from his house at Bhandarkot.

Babu is an armed cadre of outlawed New Biplobi Communist Party, Rab press release said. Other arrestees are Pritish Gain, Tapash Herhi, Moinul Islam and Jalal Hossain.

They are being interrogated at Khalishpur Rab headquarters in connec-

tion with several murder and arms cases. Meanwhile, Rab arrested Awami League leader Mohammad Shaharul Islam in Jessore town and recovered a home-made pistol, two rounds of 303 rifle ammunition and a live hand bomb from his possession. Shaharul is the Jessore Sadar thana Awami League organising secretary.

13,200 phensidyl bottle seized

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Detective Branch of Police recovered 13,200 bottles of phensidyl from a truck at Link Road at Sign Board area in Siddhirganj and arrested eight people.

The arrested included truck

owner. Police also seized his private car and the truck yesterday.

Police also arrested owner of the goods Kamal along with his accomplices Moniruzzaman, Babul, Khokon, Al Amin and Solaiman when they came to the spot to release the arrestees.

International Literacy Day today

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The International Literacy Day 2004 will be observed across the country today through massive campaign for promoting education.

To mark the day, the government has chalked out elaborate programmes that include discussions, broadcasting

of interview-based radio-television functions and publication of supplements, posters and festoons.

As part of the central programme, a function has been arranged at the Bangladesh-China Friendship Conference Center in observance of the day and also marking the inauguration of the Second Primary

Education Development programme.

Prime Minister Khaleda Zia will attend the function as chief guest, while Finance Minister M Saifur Rahman will be special guest, an official announcement said.

