

Gang of certificate forgers detected in Nilphamari

Many with fake certificates are working in educational institutions, government offices, Bac says

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Nilphamari

The Bureau of Anti-corruption (BAC) has detected a gang engaged in forging certificates and mark sheets of education boards for long.

Acting on a tip-off, BAC Assistant Inspector Abdus Salam with the help of police raided a house in Dhalagang near Syedpur town and arrested the alleged gang leader Abdus Salam alias Salam Master. Two cases have been filed with Syedpur thana.

The forged certificates had been sold at between Tk 10,000 and Tk two lakh depending on the level and many people who collected those are now doing jobs in educational institutions and government offices including Bangladesh Railway in Nilphamari and other districts, Salam Master confessed to the BAC official.

A section of teachers and clerks at some schools and colleges collabora-

rated with the gang, the BAC official told this correspondent.

On investigation, the BAC detected that SSC examinee Abul Kalam Azad (Roll-Syed, No-485 and Registration No-24664/91) and Moinul Islam (Roll-Syed- No 74, Registration No 24676/91) from Syedpur Muslim High School under Rajshahi Education Board had failed in 1991. Their marks were tampered in the tabulation sheet and the tampered result sheet was preserved in the school.

During investigation, it was found that in the original documents with the Register of Rajshahi Education Board, Abul Kalam Azad had got 23 in English First Paper, 31 in English Second Paper and 07 in General Mathematics. Moinul Islam had got 07 in Higher Mathematics. The pass is 33.

The result sheet of Rajshahi Board showed that they had failed but in the tampered result sheet sent to Syedpur Muslim High School they

were shown passed.

Moinul Islam also gave a confessional statement to the BAC official that Salam Master of Dhalagach had supplied him the tampered marksheets.

The BAC official also said that headmaster of Syedpur Muslim High School Shamsheruddin Pramanik and Office Assistant Azizul Islam; Head Clerk of Syedpur College Abdul Hamid and Office Assistant Yunus Ali; and the two candidates Abdul Kalam Azad and Moinul Islam. The cases have been filed under Sections 420, 468, 471 and 109. Salam Master is in custody now.

Other sources claimed that during a special investigation by the Education Ministry in some educational institutions in Syedpur a few years ago, some teachers could not show their original certificates. They had told the investigators that they lost their original certificates.

But no action was taken against them.

BAC official Golam Molla said nine cases were filed with courts in the district earlier in connection with certificate forgery.

Ward commissioners indeed!

Elderly allowance pocketed before Eid

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Nilphamari

Nine ward commissioners of Jaldhaka municipality secretly drew the government allowance Tk 1,47,600 for 82 elderly people from Sonali Bank just before the Eid and distributed it among themselves.

But they were put to a very humiliating situation as municipal chairman Anwarul Kabir Chowdhury disclosed it to the recipients.

The ward commissioners are now trying to arrange the money to give to the recipients, the municipal chairman told this correspondent.

The nine ward commissioners had expressed 'no-confidence' against the chairman a few months back alleging irregularity.

The nine commissioners are Montu Mia, Biswajit Roy, Mosfequr Rahman, Mostafizur Rahman, Mazed Begum, Ranjita Kumaz-Roy, Eibpar Rahman and Afrozeh Hafiz, according to the municipal chairman.

They drew the money from the bank on November 10.

As this was made known to the recipients, all of them thronged the bank, raised a hue and cry and kept the officials confined for several hours on November 11.

This drew sympathy of the local elite, who persuaded the elders to leave the bank.

They left the bank on assurance from the elite but later on the day filed a case with Jaldhaka thana.

Elderly Komir Ullah filed the case.

"After drawing the money from the bank on Wednesday (November 10) they secretly shared the money equally among themselves," said the municipal chairman.

The ward commissioners later agreed to repay the money.

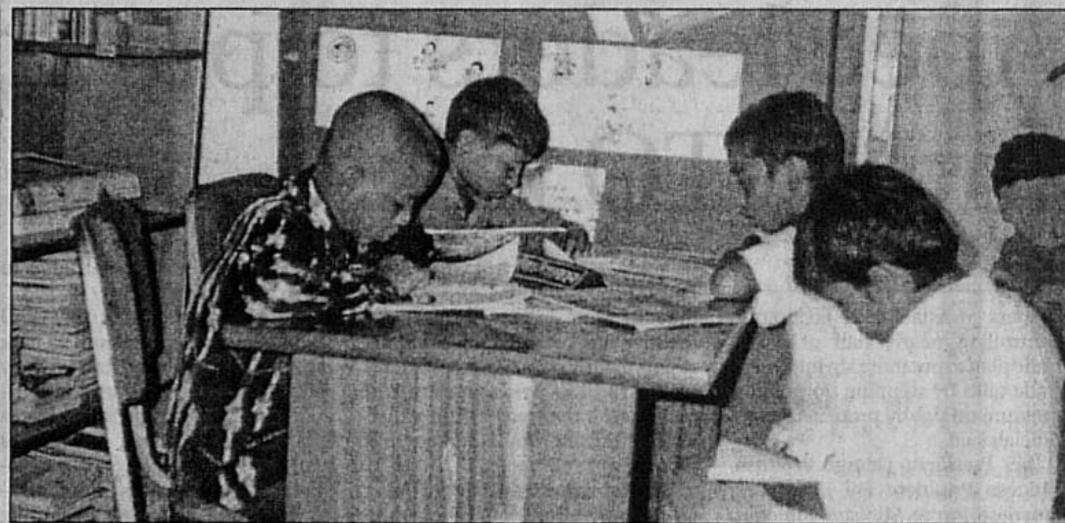


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Children engrossed in books at the Gano Unnayan Library at Gaibandha. At least 90 people including 20 children come to the library everyday.

A library that enlightens children

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gaibandha

Alibrary here helps produce enlightened citizens for the last one decade.

The library, Gano Unnayan Library, a branch of Dhaka based Community Development Library (CDL) caters to the intellectual needs of readers of all ages and genders since 1990. Initially established on the V-Aid Road here with only 50 books, the library has now, in its capacity, 10,000 books of all categories. Local and national

newspapers, magazines and periodicals are also available here. Over three lakh readers are its direct beneficiaries during the decade. On average, over 90 male and female readers including 20 children come to the library daily.

The most attractive feature of the library is its children's section named Children's World. Besides educating children, the library makes children aware about child rights. Fascinating cartoons including Meena cartoons, drawing books

on child rights, posters on different issues created by UNICEF and UNESCO have enriched the Children's World.

Besides, performing its routine programme, Gano Unnayan Library organises discussion meetings and workshops on different social issues where members of civil society take part.

Not only that the library also comes to the aid of NGOs and students.

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Tender Invitation Notice

Notice No-6/2004-2005

Tenders in sealed cover are invited as per terms and conditions from the contractors having eligibility as per "The Public Procurement Regulations-2003" for execution of repair work of undermentioned roads in Pabna district under the Local Government Engineering Department.

Package No.	Name of work	Tender security (Tk)	Last time limit for completion of work	Price of tender document (Tk)
Pab/W38	Repair of 18m bridge at 150m chainage on Barashila RNGPS-Haturia Road (Bera).	18,000.00	31/03/05	500.00
Pab/W39	Repair of 45m bridge at 3750m chainage on Aminpur Bazar-Nagarbari Ghat via Ranigram Road (Bera).	15,000.00	31/03/05	500.00
Pab/W40	Repair of 25m bridge at 0.600m chainage on Sarisha R&H-Sonatala Bazar Road (Santhia).	7,500.00	31/03/05	300.00
Pab/W41	Repair of Atgharia GCM-Chandva UP Office Road (Atgharia) Ch: 00-1340m	45,000.00	31/03/05	300.00
Pab/W42	a) Repair of Karamja R&H-Nakalia GCM Road (Bera) Ch: 4000-4900m b) Repair of Karamja R&H-Nakalia GCM Road (Bera) Ch: 4900-5900m	60,000.00	31/03/05	750.00
Pab/W43	a) Repair of Karamja R&H-Nakalia GCM Road (Bera) Ch: 5900-6900m b) Repair of Karamja R&H-Nakalia GCM Road (Bera) Ch: 6900-7600m	60,000.00	31/03/05	750.00
Pab/W44	Repair of Karamja R&H-Nakalia GCM Road (Bera) Ch: 7600-8370m	28,000.00	31/03/05	750.00
Pab/W45	Repair of Natun Bharenga Bazar-Kushira Bazar Road (Bera) Ch: 00-2200m	19,000.00	31/03/05	500.00
Pab/W46	Repair of Bera Upazila H/Q (GC)-Chakia UP Office via Barashila Road (Bera) Ch: 00-1145m	33,000.00	31/03/05	750.00
Pab/W47	Repair of Chatmohor R&H Janata Bank-Mirzapur GCM via Nun Nagar Road (Chatmohor) Ch: 1350-4000m	32,000.00	31/03/05	750.00
Pab/W48	Repair of Barwaringar GCM-Sharatnagar GCM (via Alabidhati Road) (Fardipur) Ch: 00-700m	60,000.00	31/03/05	750.00
Pab/W49	Repair of Upazila H/Q-Nechhrapara R&H via Madarjani, Savar Road (Fardipur) Ch: 00-1500m	22,000.00	31/03/05	500.00
Pab/W50	Repair of Dashuria Traffic Crossing Naodapara (R&H) Road (Ishwardi) Ch: 00-612m	21,000.00	31/03/05	500.00
Pab/W51	Repair of EPZ Ghat (R&H) Baghali Railway Bridge via Baghali High School Road (Ishwardi) Ch: 700-1563m	38,000.00	31/03/05	750.00
Pab/W52	Repair of Calico Mills-Pabna-Sujanagar R&H Road (Pabna Sadar) Ch: 826-2090m	64,000.00	31/03/05	750.00
Pab/W53	Repair of Ataikula GCM-Ekdanta GCM Road (Pabna Sadar) Ch: 00-750m	8,500.00	31/03/05	300.00
Pab/W54	Repair of Meril Bazar (Forest Crossing)- Malanchi UP Office Road (Pabna Sadar) Ch: 00-1785m	23,000.00	31/03/05	500.00
Pab/W55	Repair of Upazila Headquarters-Bahaikula R&H via Pustigachha Road (Pabna Sadar) Ch: 1752-3705m	37,000.00	31/03/05	750.00
Pab/W56	Repair of Terokhada UZR-Alekdiar Hat Road (Santhia) Ch: 00-1425m	32,000.00	31/03/05	750.00
Pab/W57	Repair of Tatibanda UP Office-Poradanga Bazar Road (Sujanagar) Ch: 00-1000m	18,000.00	31/03/05	500.00
Pab/W58	a) Repair of Upazila H/Q-Mahishat R&H via Mondolosh Railgate Road (Bhanga) Ch: 00-1450m. b) Repair of Upazila H/Q-Mahishat R&H via Mondolosh Railgate Road (Bhanga) Ch: 1450-2750m	65,000.00	31/03/05	750.00

1) Date, time and place of pre-tender meeting	:	2 November 2004, 10:00am and office of the undersigned.
2) Last date, time and places of selling tender documents	:	27 November 2004, up to 4:00pm. a) Additional Chief Engineer (Maintenance), LGED, LGED Bhaban, Argaoon, Dhaka. b) Office of the Executive Engineer, LGED, Pabna. c) Deputy Commissioner, Pabna. d) Executive Engineer, LGED, Sirajganj. e) Upazila Engineer, all upazilas, District-Pabna.
3) Last date, time and places of receiving tender	:	28 November 2004, up to 12:00 Noon. (Tenders can be submitted on any day before the last date during office hours/also by post). a) Office of the Executive Engineer, LGED, Pabna. b) Deputy Commissioner, Pabna. c) Executive Engineer, LGED, Sirajganj. d) Upazila Engineer, all upazilas, District-Pabna.
4) Date, time and place of opening tender	:	28 November 2004, 3:00pm and at the office of the undersigned.
5) Tender document should remain valid for 119 days after the date of opening tender as per Section-2 of tender document. The tender security should remain valid up to the stated date. Besides, the authority reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders without assigning any reason. Interested tenderers may obtain detailed information such as eligibility of tenderer, tender document, terms and conditions etc from the office of the undersigned and purchase tender document on payment of the price of tender document from the places mentioned above. The tenderers themselves or their authorized representatives should remain present at the time of opening tender.		

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