

5 bombs, arms recovered in Pabna, Benapole

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Law enforcers recovered five bombs and some firearms in Pabna and Benapole yesterday.

Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) and police recovered a bomb from the premises of Pabna Diabetic Hospital in the morning, our correspondent reports.

The bomb with red tapes strapped around contained in a polythene bag was seen by hospital staff at about 9 am. On information, Rab personnel and police rushed to the spot and recovered it.

They took it away in a bucket of water. The incident created a panic in the hospital area.

None was arrested. Police said they are interrogating some hospital staff.

A special team from Rab-6 recovered four bombs, a pistol and two bullets hidden in a straw heap near the house of one Md Asaduzzaman Ahsan at Dakhnkhola village under Benapole police station in Jessor.

After recovery, the bombs were defused while the pistol and the bullets were handed over to police, said a press release issued by Rab-6, our Staff Correspondent in Khulna.

It said Rab and police are investigating the matter. None was arrested.

Freedom fighter elected secretary of Khulna Shishu Foundation

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

Freedom fighter Shaikh Abdul Kayum was elected secretary general of Khulna Shishu Foundation (KSF) yesterday.

He polled 21 out of 35 votes of members of its executive committee.

His nearest rival Shafiqul Alam Mona, secretary of Khulna district BNP, got 11 votes.

The election was held at the conference room of Khulna Shishu Hospital.

Khulna Divisional Commissioner Md Yunusur Rahman conducted the election as ex-officio president of Khulna Shishu Foundation, said a press release.

Kayum is also chairperson of Khulna Citizens Forum.

Ex-BNP MP accused of grabbing Tk 15cr

Nitai demands probe into Salimul Huq's 'corruption'

HOSSAIN SERAI, Magura



Nitai Roy Chowdhury

Former minister and BNP central leader Nitai Roy Chowdhury has alleged that former party lawmaker Quazi Salimul Huq alias Quazi Kamal and his cronies grabbed at least Tk 15 crore through tender manipulation in different government departments during the alliance rule.

The manipulations were done by a syndicate styled 'negotiation committee' led by him, Nitai said while talking to this correspondent.

He also demanded probe into various corruption and irregularities done by Quazi Kamal and his aides. Quazi Kamal was elected from Magura-2 constituency. He is chairman of Econo Ball Pen Company.

Quazi Kamal, convener of Magura district unit BNP, is on the run after Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) on May 29 filed a bribery case against him with Shahbagh police station in Dhaka. Nitai Roy is joint-convener of Magura BNP.

In the case, the ACC alleged that Quazi Kamal along with detained former state minister for communications Salahuddin Ahmed realised Tk 1 crore bribe from contractor Mir Zahir Hossain to help him get a business, according to ACC sources and police here. Metropolitan Sessions Judge in Dhaka Mohammad Azizul Huq on September 16 ordered attachment of Salimul's property for not appearing before the court.

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sell tenders, Nitai Roy said.

Earlier, in 2006, at a meeting

held on the occasion of BNP's founding anniversary on Magura Government College premises, Nitai Roy accused Quazi Kamal of grabbing huge amounts of money through tender manipulation and other illegal means.

Industrialist turned lawmaker Quazi Kamal then filed a defamation suit against Nitai Roy.

"I was sued by Kamal as I protested their corruption and irregularities, but now it has been proved that I was right," Nitai said.

"Many of our party men have now raised voices against their misdeeds that defamed our popular organization", Nitai said.

During alliance rule Quazi Kamal and his aides filed a syndicate styled 'negotiation committee' and manipulated tenders for development projects of most government departments. They also 'occupied' water bodies and markets in the name of lease, Nitai said.

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sell tenders, Nitai Roy said.

They also realised money in appointment of primary school teachers and persons in health department.

"In my opinion, all the irregularities done by Quazi Kamal and his cronies should be investigated and stern action should be taken so that in future no body dares to do such offenses", Nitai Roy said.

Later on September 1, investigation officer in the case, sub-inspector Nasir Uddin Mondol pressed charges against six teachers and the court framed charges on September 17.



PHOTO: STAR
Big Gen Jamil Ahmed Khan hands over a goat to a flood victim in Jaldhaka in Nilphamari yesterday. The army distributed 460 goats among affected families.



পাত্যার প্রীতি কোম্পানী অব বাংলাদেশ লিঃ POWER GRID COMPANY OF BANGLADESH LTD.

(An Enterprise of Bangladesh Power Development Board)

Red Crescent Concord Tower, 17, Mohakhali C/A, 6th Floor, Dhaka-1212, Bangladesh.

Memo No.: g.OI/PGCB/DGM/Project-212007/532

Date 11.10.2007

Invitation for Bids

1. Project Name	: Construction & Extension of Grid Substations including Transmission Line Facilities (Phase-1)
2. Ministry/Division	: Ministry of Power, Energy and Mineral Resources, Power Division
3. Procuring Agency	: Power Grid Company of Bangladesh (PGCB) Ltd.
4. Type of tender	: Single envelope system
5. Name of the Work	: Lot-1: "Land Development of 132/33 KV Substation site at Brahmanbaria" Lot-2: "Land Development of 132/33 KV Substation site at Monsihiganj" Lot-3: "Land Development with Retaining wall of 132/33 KV Substation site at Doudkandi, Comilla" Lot-4: "Land Development with Retaining wall of 132/33 KV Substation site at Meghnaghat, Narayanganj"
6. Work Completion time	: 120 (One Hundred & Twenty) days for lot 1 & lot 2 180 (One Hundred & eighty) days for lot 3 & lot 4
7. Place of the Work	: Brahmanbaria, Munshiganj, Doudkandi and Meghnaghat
8. Work Method	: Dredger filling by Hydraulic Compaction or Carried Filling by Roller/ Hydraulic Compaction.
9. Source of Fund	: GOB (Local Currency)
10. Bid Security	: Lot-1: Taka 1,20,000/- (One Lac Twenty thousand) only Lot-2: Taka 60,000/- (Sixty thousand) only Lot-3: Taka 16,00,000/- (Sixteen Lac Twenty thousand) only Lot-4: Taka 16,00,000/- (Sixteen Lac Twenty thousand) only Taka in the form of pay Order/Bank draft/Bank Guarantee from any scheduled Bank in favor of Power Grid Company of Bangladesh Ltd.
11. Cost of Tender documents	: Taka 2500/- (Two Thousand and Five Hundred) only per set (Non refundable) by Bank Draft/pay Order in favor of Power Grid Company Of Bangladesh Ltd.
12. Eligibility of bidder	: a) Enlisted 'A' class contractor of BPDB, BWBD, LGED and R&H Department b) Having past experience on land filling works & valued minimum Tk. 50 (fifty) lacs per lot 1 & 2 and Tk.5(five) crore for lot 3 & 4 in a single Work order. For lot 3 & 4 experience on retaining work is also required. c) The original qualification documents are to be shown during purchase of the tender document d) Any bidder can participate either single or more than one lot.
13. Name & Address of Office(S) collecting tender documents	: a. Deputy General Manager & Project Director, Project-2, PGCB House # 6 (1st Floor), Road # 23/A, Gulshan-1, Dhaka-1212 b. Deputy General Manager & Project Director, Project-1, PGCB Aftabnagar, Rampura, Dhaka-1219. c. General Manager & Project Director, West Zone Project, PGCB 80 Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212.
14. Name & Address of the office for submission & opening of tenders	: Deputy General Manager & Project Director, Project-2, PGCB, House # 6 (1st Floor), Road # 23/A, Gulshan-1, Dhaka-1212.
15. Last date & Time selling	: During office hours upto 28th November, 2007
16. Date & Time Submission of Tender	: Upto 11 a00 A.M. on the 29th November, 2007
17. Date & Time for Opening of Tender	: At 11:15 A. M. on the 29th November, 2007
18. Special Instructions	: PGCB reserves the right to reject all the tenders prior to acceptance

(Engr. Farid Uddin Ahmed)
Deputy General Manager & Project Director,
Project-2, PGCB, Dhaka.

RU VIOLENCE

PW Prof Islam declared 'hostile'

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Rajshahi

Rajshahi speedy trial court yesterday recorded deposition of the tenth prosecution witness (PW) in the case against six Rajshahi University teachers for violating the Emergency Power Rules 2007.

The PW, Prof M Khademul Islam, chairman of mass communication department of RU, was however, declared 'hostile' at the court following the prayer of court sub-inspector Shamsul Islam.

The PW had stated before the court that he did not know the plaintiff and neither did he know anything about involvement of the teachers in the alleged incidents.

The six accused teachers -- former RU vice chancellor Dr M Saidur Rahman Khan, syndicate member Dr M Abdus Sobhan, Moloy Bhoumik, Dulal Chandra Biswas, Sayed Selim Reza Newton and Abdullah Al Mamun -- were also produced before the court.

The teachers were charged for violating the EPR through holding protest procession, observing strike and instigating the late August campus violence.

Former officer-in-charge of Motihar Police Station Khondoker Ferdous Alam lodged the case against three teachers on August 26.

Later on September 1, investigation officer in the case, sub-inspector Nasir Uddin Mondol pressed charges against six teachers and the court framed charges on September 17.

311 legalise Tk 3.66cr income in Moulvibazar. Scores with undeclared income yet to be detected, officials say

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

As many as 311 people have legalised their undeclared Tk 3 crore 66 lakh income in the entire district.

Taking advantage of flexibility of the National Board of Revenue (NBR), the defaulters paid tk 1 crore 73 lakh as tax for the purpose. They included businessmen, physicians, lawyers and expatriates.

But, it was learnt from the office of the Commissioner of Taxes of Sylhet, the number of defaulting businessmen and

expatriates would be much more. A large number of people of the district live in USA, UK, Canada and the Middle Eastern countries.

Besides, the district has forest resources. Local people said, a large number of people who were involvement in politics became rich by trading with forest resource in the last 15 years.

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Gono Unnayan Kendra and Udayan Swabhalombi Sangstha organise a human chain at Gaibandha town yesterday marking the International Day for Eradication of Poverty.

PHOTO: STAR

EU team to visit Khulna shrimp centres Oct 21, 22

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

Exporters of frozen shrimp are making preparations to welcome a four-member EU inspection team that will visit shrimp cultivation and processing centres in Khulna and Bagerhat districts on October 21 and 22.

The team will inspect shrimp landing centre of Farikhart and a shrimp enclosure at Rampal upazila of Bagerhat district on October 21.

The EU team will also visit the

laboratory of quality control section of Khulna Fisheries Office and two shrimp processing factories in Rupsa upazila of the district, said Sheikh Abdul Baki, vice president of Bangladesh Frozen Food Exporters' Association (BFFEA).

Their Khulna programme will be followed by visits to two or three factories and hatcheries in

Bagerhat district on October 22, the BFFEA leaders said.

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shops at low rates and causing loss of government money, the ACC official said.

The name of another accused, pourasava administrator Md Rafiqul Islam, could not be included in the cases as he died on April 17, said an ACC source.

ACC sues 11 Kashba ward commissioners

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bagerhat

The Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) yesterday filed cases against 11 commissioners of Kashba pourasava in Brahmanbaria district for corruption and causing loss of government revenue.

Shaheen Ara Mamata, assistant director of ACC in Brahmanbaria, filed the cases with Kashba Police Station following investigation of a written complaint filed by Commissioner Tajul Islam seven months ago.

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