

## Agri official held for fertiliser racket

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gaibandha

Army on Monday night arrested three persons including a sub-assistant agriculture officer for selling fertiliser in black market.

Tipped off, an Army team led by Major Jahangir raided the shop of fertiliser dealer Sudev Chowdhury at Tulshighat Bazar and arrested salesman Readul Islam Rimon and Ruhul Amin on charge of black marketing fertiliser allocated for the Boro farmers of Shahpara union.

Another person involved in the act, Abdul Jalil, however managed to flee while post owner Sudev Chowdhury was not available.

The army team also arrested Shahpara union Sub-Assistant Agriculture Officer Anisur Rahman for involvement in misusing fertiliser that the government allocated for the Boro farmers of the union.

The district administration cancelled the dealership of Sudev Chowdhury, owner of Bhai Bhai Traders, following the allegation of flouting government rules by selling fertiliser at higher price.

## ASI suspended for immoral act

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

An assistant sub-inspector (ASI) of Juri Police Station in Moulvibazar district has been suspended following allegation of illicit act with a married woman.

People of Digholbagh village of Juri upazila captured ASI Azim Uddin as he was involved in illicit act yesterday morning and informed Juri Officer in Charge (OC) Md Shahajan, police and locals said.

The OC came to the spot and took the ASI with him. Consequently ASI Azim was suspended.

Strict measures will be taken against the accused ASI, if found guilty, Md Khurshid Hussain, Moulvibazar Superintendent of Police said.

# More 25,000 hectares under Boro in Sylhet

Loss of Amon this year compelled farmers to cultivate hitherto fallow lands

IQBAL SIDDIQUEE, Sylhet

About 25,000 hectares are turning into double-crop lands in Sylhet district this year with cultivation of Irri-Boro in the current season for the first time.

Loss of Amon paddy this year compelled farmers to cultivate Irri-Boro on the vast lands left fallow earlier.

Farmers in large number in Sylhet Sadar, Golapganj, Beanibazar, Kanaighat, Zakiganj and Jaintapur upazilas are bringing the lands under paddy cultivation to recoup crop loss due to floods.

While visiting some areas in Beanibazar, Golapganj and Jaintapur recently, this correspondent saw farmers sowing Irri-Boro in their lands. They are hopeful of getting a bumper Boro crop.

Abdul Hasib Rezu at Maichabari village in Golapganj said, "We never grew Boro on the lands. We have decided to grow Boro this year and have arranged irrigation".

Abdul Haq of Charkhai village in Beanibazar said, "Loss of Amon paddy compelled farmers in the area to go for Boro cultivation for the first time". This will change

paddy cultivation scenario in the area, he said.

Deputy director of Sylhet Agriculture Extension Department (AED) Zahurul Islam said, farmers in large numbers in the district have come up with the idea of expanding Boro cultivation on hitherto fallow lands. Most of the lands remained uncultivated for long as their owners stay abroad, he said.

The AED official said, about one lakh hectares remain uncultivated in Sylhet district. This year for the first time, about 25,000 hectares are being brought under Boro.



Khulna University students bring out a demonstration on the campus yesterday demanding cancellation of increased fees.

## NID card being given in Pabna

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pabna

Two hundred voters of ward No 7 of Pabna municipality area received national identity cards as the programme started in a function held at Pabna Sadar upazila auditorium at about 11:00am yesterday.

Brigadier Choudhuri Hassan Sarwardi, chief guest of the programme, distributed the NID cards among the people.

Pabna Deputy Commissioner Md Golam Molla chaired the function while Pabna Army camp commander AKM Saiful Islam, Pabna Superintendent of Police AFM Masum Rabbani, Pabna Sadar Upazila Nirbahi Officer Md Abdul Hakim, District Election Officer Md Faridul Islam were present in the programme, among others.

Gradually the cards would be distributed among other places, District Election Office sources said.

## Outlaw killed in Pabna

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pabna

Party rivals chopped to death an outlawed activist to death at village 'Sonakandi' in Santhia upazila under the district early yesterday.

The dead, Md Farman Ali, 32, of the same village, belonged to outlawed Janajuddha' faction of Purbo Banglar Communist Party, police said, adding that he was accused in several cases including murder and robbery.

The outlawed activists called Farman from his residence on Monday noon and chopped him to death near Sonakandi Beel at the early hours of yesterday, police quoted the family members as saying.

Santhia police recovered the body and sent to Pabna General Hospital morgue for autopsy.

# CORRUPTION CHARGE AGAINST SCC CEO 29 ward commissioners' no confidence', memo for steps

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

Twenty-nine ward commissioners of Sylhet City Corporation (SCC) yesterday expressed 'no confidence' against SCC chief executive officer Kazi Abdul Noor for his alleged corruption and irregularities.

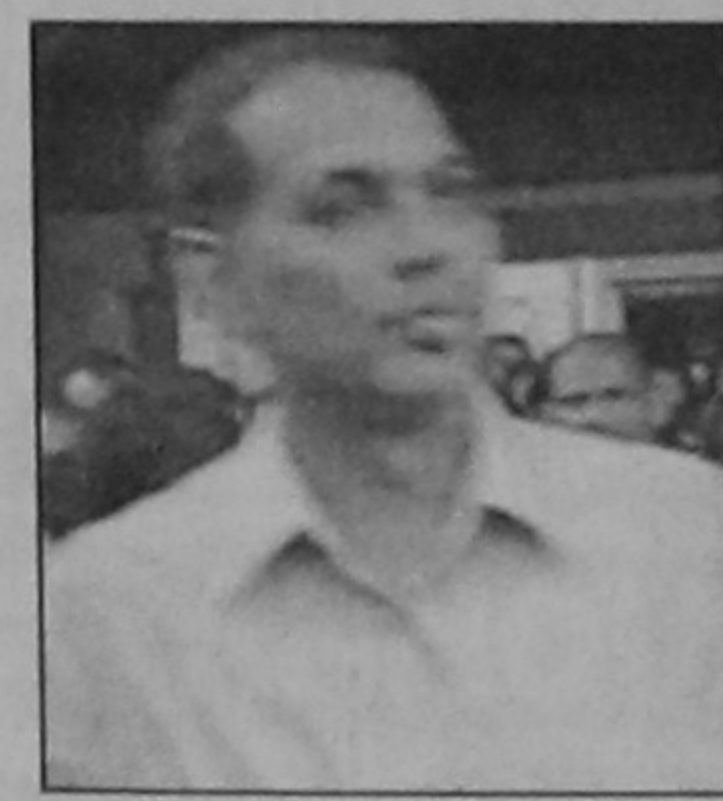
They also demanded immediate steps against him to ensure a better working atmosphere at the SCC Office.

Noor, a BCS (Admin) cadre official, joined as chief executive officer (CEO) of SCC on deputation. He enjoys the status of a deputy secretary.

The ward commissioners at an emergency meeting discussed the issue of the CEO's alleged corruption. SCC acting Mayor Azam Khan chaired the meeting.

Noor was absent from the meeting 'guessing something wrong', meeting sources told this correspondent.

He left for Dhaka without taking permission from the acting mayor, the sources claimed.



Kazi Abdul Noor

After the meeting, the ward commissioners handed over a memorandum to the acting mayor demanding steps against Noor, acting mayor Azam Khan said.

At the meeting, the commissioners alleged that the CEO's corruption brought the SCC administration to a near-collapse situation.

Noor withdrew huge amounts of money as advance in the name of transport cost and took fuel for his

official transport beyond entitlement. They also brought a number of other corruption charges and irregularities against the official, the sources said.

Signatories to the memorandum were panel mayors advocate Rokshana Begum Shahinaj and Dinar Khan Hashu, Santanu Datta Santanu, Md. Mujibur Rahman, Md. Mokhlisur Rahman Kamran, Jamal Ahmed, Mohammad Shahjahan, Nazrul Islam Munim, Md. Azadur Rahman Azad, Saleha Kabir Shepy, Armana Begum Rumi, Kuhnur Yasmin Jharna, Saleh Ahmed Chowdhury, Abdul Quaiyum Jalali Ponki, Papiya Chowdhury, Shahana Ara Begum, Zebunnahar Shirin, Rezaul Hasan Koyes Lodi, Syed Ahmed Hossain, Mohiuddin Ahmed Lokman, Syed Misbah Uddin, Rokshana Khatun, Sikondar Ali, Faruque Ahmed, Farhad Chowdhury Shamim, Azizul Haque Manik and Ashique Ahmed.

The rest six ward commissioners are either in jail, or absconding or staying abroad.

# Hell befell them with change of govt 2 villages in Kishoreganj haor disappearing as erosion prevention project cancelled by next govt



Shimulbagh village in Itna upazila in Kishoreganj being devoured by haor.

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Kishoreganj

Two adjoining villages in haor areas of Karimganj and Itna upazilas in Kishoreganj could be saved if the work started by a previous government could be completed.

Vast areas of Chong Nowagaon village in Karimganj upazila and Shimulbagh in Itna upazila have been eroded by Dhono river, rendering about 300 families homeless in last several years.

Locals said, they fell victim when the then Ershad govern-

ment in 1988 dug a four kilometer canal, locally known as Katakhal, in the haor at Boribari union in Itna upazila to link Dhono and Ghorautra rivers to the reduce waterway distance.

During Awami League government, the then deputy speaker advocate Abdul Hamid took up another project in 1998 to save the villages by digging another canal to divert the waterway link. It was named Koira Kanda Khal project.

Work was started at the end of the then AL government and 100

tons of wheat were allocated to dig the half a mile canal, said M A Malek of Shimulbagh village, one of the many victims.

With 100 tons of wheat, two-thirds of Koira Kanda Khal was dug and another 50 tons of wheat was sanctioned.

When BNP came to power, the project was cancelled.

MA Malek and other members of the elite in the area said the Koira Kanda Khal project should be completed to save the two villages.

## Notice for Handling of Un-Delivered Cargo

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## NOTICE OF THE NINETEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Nineteenth Annual General Meeting of the shareholders of United Leasing Company Limited will be held at the Banquet Hall of the Bangladesh-China Friendship Conference Centre (BCFCC), Agargaon, Sher-E-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka on Tuesday, **March 25, 2008** at 11:00 a.m. to transact the following business:

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Accounts for the year ended December 31, 2007.
2. To declare Dividend for 2007.
3. To elect Directors as per Articles of Association of the Company.
4. To consider the appointment of Auditors for 2008 and fix their remuneration.
5. Approval of issuance of Bonds.
6. Authorization for issuance of Bonds and Debentures.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Dated : Dhaka  
February 13, 2008

COMPANY SECRETARY

### Notes :

1. A Shareholder entitled to attend and vote at the meeting may appoint a proxy to attend and vote in his/her stead. The proxy form must be affixed with a revenue stamp of Tk 8.00 and submitted to the Registered Office of the Company no later than 48 hours before the day of the Annual General Meeting.
2. February 28, 2008 is the **Record Date**.
3. Shareholders are requested to submit their queries on the Directors' Report and Audited Accounts, if any, at the Registered Office of the Company by Sunday, **March 23, 2008**.

# AUG 17 SERIAL BLASTS IN SATKHIRA Trial resumes tomorrow, five accused JMB men yet to be netted

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Satkhira

Five out of 19 charge-sheeted accused in August 17 serial blasts cases are yet to be netted though trial of the cases is expected to resume here tomorrow (February 14).

Earlier on January 3, Judge Mahbubul Alam of Additional Sessions Judge's court at Satkhira, fixed February 14 for recording statement of witnesses as they did not appear before the court on that day.

The absconding charge sheeted accused are Montaz alias Montaz, Abul Khair, Fakar Uddin, Nayeem and Syed alias Asaduzzaman.

They went into hiding soon after the serial blasts in the town, police said.

Officer-in-charge (OC) of Satkhira Sadar police station Abdul Kader Beg said they are trying to net the absconding accused.

The charge-sheeted accused now in jail are Nasir Uddin Dafadar, Monwar Hossain Ujjal, Maniruzzaman Munna, Nur Ali Member, Anisur Rahman Khokon, Gias Uddin, Mahbubur Rahman Liton, Billal Hossain, Asadul Haque, Ismail alias Habibur, and Rakib Hasan alias Russel.

Police filed the five cases with Sadar police station soon after the

blasts in the town on August 17, 2005.

Criminal Investigation Department (CID) submitted charge sheet against 19 people on April 4, 2006. The charge-sheeted accused included JMB chief Shaeikh Abdul Rahman, its 'military commander' Aatur Rahman Sunny and MJMB (Jagrata Muslim Janata, Bangladesh) chief Siddiquil Islam Bangla Bhai.

Meanwhile, names of Shaikh Abdur Rahman, Aatur Rahman Sunny and Siddiquil Islam Bangla Bhai have been dropped from the charge sheet as they were executed.

# EU mission talks CHT issues in Rangamati

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Rangamati

A eleven-member high profile mission of European Union (EU) now on a three-day tour of CHT visited different areas of Rangamati yesterday and talked to public representatives and officials on different issues.

The mission reached Rangamati on Monday to observe the current situation, implementation of CHT peace accord, voter registration and also to see implementation of different development projects under United Nations Development Programmes (UNDP) in the hills.

The team members at a meeting exchanged opinion with local public representatives, political leaders and officials on CHT issues. It was held at the conference room of CHT Regional Council (CHTRC).

Member of the team are Soven Austborge of Swedish embassy, German ambassador Frank Maik, Denmark ambassador Nathalia Fainbure, Norway ambassador Inezbjorge Stofring, Freize Majly Dart of Netherlands embassy, British High Commissioner Anwar Chowdhury, EU ambassador Stephen Froin, UNDP resident representative Renetluk Desalin, EU observer Charlage Eutheli, Febrizo Phensi and UNDP representative in Bangladesh Aothar Dal.

Santu Larma, chairman of CHTRC, chairman in-charge and member of Rangamati Hill District Council Bibhari Ranjan Chakma, Deputy Commissioner Md Nurul Amin, CHTRC member Goutam Kumar Chakma, its chief executive officer Sukriti Ranjan Chakma and civil society leaders attended the meeting.

The mission will visit healthcare projects being jointly implemented by Rangamati Hill District Council and UNDP and other projects of UNDP at Suvalong of Barkal upazila today (Wednesday). They will leave Rangamati for Dhaka this evening, sources said.

## CASE AGAINST JMB CHIEF'S WIFE Warrant against 5 PWs to appear before court

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

A court in Sylhet yesterday issued warrants against five prosecution witnesses (PW) in the case against hanged JMB chief Shaikh Abdur Rahman's wife, daughter and other accomplices, filed under the Explosives Act.

Sylhet Additional District and Sessions Judge Ferdous Ahmed passed the order as deposition in the case could not be recorded because none of the prosecution witnesses turned up yesterday.

However, all the accused including Shaikh's wife were on the dock.

The PWs are, complainant of the case the then Sub Inspector of Sylhet Kotwali police station Wali Ullah, residents of the city's Shaplabag area Shahin Ahmed, Tuhiin Ahmed, Abdul Quader and Shamsul Islam Mithu. The judge fixed 4 March for deposition.

Mainul Haque, caretaker of the house-Surjodighol bari- from where Abdur Rahman and his family were arrested, and a resident of the area Zainal Abedin gave their depositions on January 23. With them deposition of 8 PWs out of 36 were recorded in both the cases.

# CAREER OPPORTUNITY

**Southeast Bank Limited** is a fast growing modern banking institution having a unique corporate culture & friendly working environment which unites our people towards achieving tremendous results in every aspects of Bank's operations.

The Bank is looking for some young, energetic, dynamic and self motivated citizens of Bangladesh of exceptional promise and aptitude who are willing to face the challenges, work hard and contribute in a modern technology driven banking environment for a successful career in banking for recruitment in the position of **Probationary Officer**.

**Eligibility :** The candidate should be **BBA Degree** holder with minimum CGPA 3.00 out of 4.00 scale and 4.00 out of 5.00 scale or **Master Degree** holder in Commerce/ Economics/ English/ Public Administration/ International Relations/ Political Science/ Law/ General History/ Statistics/ Mathematics/ Physics/ Computer Science/ Bank Management/ Business Administration from any reputed university with minimum **2 first divisions/classes** and **no 3<sup>rd</sup> division/class** and below **CGPA 2.75** on scale of 4.00 & **3.75** on scale of 5.00 in academic career shall be acceptable.

**Compensation Package:** The selected candidates shall be on probation for a period of 2 years with a monthly consolidated pay of **Tk.18,500/-** for the **1<sup>st</sup> year** and **Tk.20,500/-** for the **2<sup>nd</sup> year**. Any revision of salary and compensation package to be approved by the Board of Directors for all categories of employees during the period the salary of Probationary Officers shall also be increased at proportionate level. After successful completion of probationary period he/she will be absorbed as a **"Senior Officer"** as per prevailing compensation package.

The selected candidates shall have to sign a Bond on non-judicial stamp valuing of Tk.150/- to the effect that he/she shall serve the Bank for a minimum period of 3 (three) years after completion of his/her probationary period.

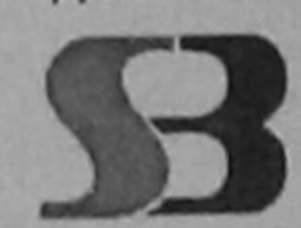
**Age:** Not over 30 years as on 31.01.2008.

Computer Knowledge in MS Word and MS Excel is essential.

Eligible and interested candidates are requested to send their application with 3 (three) copies of recent passport size photographs, attested copies of all academic certificates including transcript (s) along with a complete resume mentioning the following chronologically : Name, Father's Name, Mother's Name, Date of birth, **Age as on 31-01-2008**, Permanent address, Mailing address, Home District, Contact Telephone number (if any), Marital status, Religion, Nationality, Educational Qualifications (Name of degree, Name of Institution, Year, Result), other Qualification, Computer Literacy, Name of 2 referees addressed to the **Executive Vice President, Human Resources Division, Southeast Bank Limited, Head Office, 1 Dilkusha C/A (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor), Dhaka-1000** in a sealed envelop **within 15.03.2008**.

A Payment Order / Demand Draft for **Tk.250/- (two hundred fifty)** only (**Non-refundable**) issued from any scheduled Bank favoring Southeast Bank Limited shall have to be enclosed with the application.

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