

# 12-16hrs power outage a day in Barisal division

WZPDC sources say they get 200 MW against a demand for 600 MW

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barisal

Load shedding, coupled with rise in day temperature have made life miserable in 21 districts of Barisal division under the command area of West Zone Power Distribution Company (WZPDC).

Power outage stretched from 12 to 16 hours in a day while the day temperature varies between 33 and 35 Celsius. Weather officials said yesterday the temperature may rise in next few days.

Sources in WZPDC in Barisal said power supply in 21 districts decreased to 200 MW against the minimum demanded of 600 MW, which increased power outage up to 16 hours a day.

WZPDC officials seeking anonymity said they get only 155-175 MW power from Power Development Board (PDB) and another 90-100 MW from private power generation units for the 21 south-western districts against a daily demand for at least 600 MW.

It was scheduled that the rest of the demand would be met from the National Grid through the east-west connector, but that is a far cry, they said.

However, against a shortage of 345-355 MW, only 40 MW electricity is supplied by the Eastern Zone to Western Zone.

From this total of 275-285 MW supply a day, about 50 MW is 'lost' due to system loss and fault in the transmission lines. The rest is being

supplied to the 21 districts of southwest region including Barisal electric supply region against a demand for 600 MW, they said.

According to PDB sources, Barisal electric supply region has 18 feeders under 11 KV and 4 feeders under 33 KV power distribution line with a minimum demand for 80 MW.

On Monday, total only 26 MW power was supplied from the National Grid to 18 feeders of Barisal electric supply region including urban and rural areas, where the demand in Barisal city and adjacent areas alone is 40 MW, sources said.

Emergency services in hospitals, telecommunication exchanges and other public utility services like water supply are

severely affected. The industries sector bears the brunt of the power outage, many businessmen said while talking to this correspondent yesterday.

The situation is worse in remote rural areas of Uzipur, Agailjaha, Gournadi, Babuganj, Hiza, Muladi, Mehendiganj upazilas of Barisal where farmers suffer for irrigation. Executive engineers of Barisal Power Supply Division 1 and 2 of PDB said they have nothing to do as they only distribute whatever power they get from the National Grid.

The only hope is the gas-based under-construction 34.5 MW plant in Bhola, they said. The situation may improve if it starts generation after three-four months, they said.

## SHOOTOUT WITH CRIMINALS

SI hurt, 3 held, arms seized

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jhenidaha

Police arrested three bullet-hit criminals including the gang leader and recovered arms after a shootout in Jessore.

SI Sabir of Jessore Kotwali police station was also injured during the incident.

Tipped off that criminals were holding a meeting at around 11:30pm, police raided the rail gate area when the criminals opened fire, prompting the law enforcers to retaliate, police said.

After a shoot-out for 15 minutes police arrested Mensale and his accomplices Ratan and Nayan with bullet injuries while their cohorts managed to flee.

Police recovered a revolver, four bullets and a billhook from the spot. SI Sabir, who received a bullet in his knee during the shoot-out, has been admitted to Jessore Sadar Hospital.

Mensale is accused in several cases with Jessore Police Station, said Officer-in-Charge Abul Bashar.

## 8 Mymensingh journo get awards

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

Eight local journalists working for different national dailies were awarded 'Best Reporters of the Year- 2005 and 2006 Awards' at a function held at a local hotel here yesterday.

Mymensingh Reporters Unity (MRU) gave the prizes. Its president Sultan Uddin Khan was in the chair while Mir Kashem Ali, chairman of Diganta Media Corporation Managing Committee, was the chief guest and Shaukat Mhamud, president of Jatiya Press Club was the main speaker at the function.

Recipients of the prizes for 2005 are Babul Hossain, Staff Reporter of Daily Janakantha; Md. Aminul Islam of Daily Star; Ataul Karim Khokon of Jugantar and Zillur Rahman Khan of Sangbad.

Recipients for the year 2006 are Babul Hossain, Staff Reporter of Daily Janakantha; Sheikh Mohiuddin Ahmed of Ittefaq and Channel-1; Motiul Alam, Staff Reporter of Manab Jamin, Jahangir Alam Liton, Staff Reporter of Bhorer Kagoj and Shamsul Alam Khan of Inquilab.

A discussion was also held marking the prize giving ceremony. Among others, Additional District Magistrate Nazmul Hasan Khan, Additional Police Superintendent ASM Akhtuzzaman, municipal chairman Mahmud Al Noor Tareq, Executive Director of Naya Diganta Salahuddin Babar, general secretary of Dhaka Sangbadik Union Sarder Farid Ahmed, Mymensingh Press Club secretary Mozammel Hoque spoke on the occasion.

## Task Force starts work at KCC, meets officials

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

The Task Force began work formally in Khulna City Corporation (KCC) yesterday to make it a people-oriented institution.

On the first day, the Task Force team headed by Brig. Gen. Ehteshamul Huq PSC held a closed door meeting with acting Mayor Moniruzzaman Moni and all departmental heads of KCC. The meeting lasted from 10-30am to 2-30pm.

The meeting was attended by high officials of army, Rapid Action Battalion (Rab), joint forces and intelligence agency DGF.

The acting mayor and all high officials of KCC welcomed members of the Task Force team.

When asked alter, Brig Gen Ehteshamul Huq told journalists that they came to the corporation to discuss various matters.

Later, acting Mayor Moniruzzaman Moni said that matters relating to gearing up works and measures to make KCC more transparent and welfare-oriented were discussed at length in the four-hour meeting

with members of task force.

The acting mayor said that matters relating to financial irregularities, corruption, sources of revenue earning, manpower strength and work of different ongoing projects also came up for discussion.

The Task Force team members will sit separately with officials of each departments of the city corporation to get an idea about implementation of development projects, the acting mayor said.

He said the task force would not waste any time to gear up work in all sections and take drastic action against corruption and irregularities, if detected.

Commanding Officer of joint forces in Khulna Lt Col Kamrul Ahsan, Commanding Officer of Rab-6 Col Meftaul Karim and local high officials of Anti Corruption Commission and National Board of Revenue and he district administration were also present at the meeting.

It may be mentioned here that KCC Mayor Sheikh Tayebur Rahman and chief engineer Liakat Ali Sharif are now in Khulna district jail in extortion cases.

## NARCOTICS CASE Charge framing against mayor Kamran now on May 5

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

A Sylhet court yesterday deferred charge framing against detained Sylhet City Corporation (SCC) mayor Badar Uddin Ahmed Kamran in a case for keeping foreign liquor at his house.

Additional District and Sessions Judge Md Amir Uddin, also the judge of anti-smuggling court in Sylhet, deferred it until May 5 as the defence lawyers submitted a prayer stating that the High Court had stayed the case for three months.

The court earlier on March 17 had deferred it until yesterday as the defence lawyers prayed for.

Kamran was brought to Sylhet from Comilla Central Jail and was put before the judge yesterday.

Mayor Kamran was arrested in much talked 'kitchen market' graft case in April last year. He was released on interim bail issued by the High Court after a month. Kamran was caught for the second time on May 28 last year and within hours of his arrest, the joint forces recovered one bottle of foreign liquor, some documents of bank accounts, FDR worth Tk 35 lakh and others from his Chharpar house in the city.

## Norway envoy visits Dinajpur projects

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

Norway Ambassador Ingadborg Spotroing yesterday visited different development projects under RDRS (Rangpur-Dinajpur Rural Service) funded by Norway government in Birganj upazila of Dinajpur.

He visited different development projects in rural areas of the upazila including Adibashi Mohila Proshikshan Kendra, Kishori Kendra, Shishu Shiksha Kendra, Sujalpur Mohila Dal etc.

He was accompanied by Dr Selina Rahman, director of health, Azizul Karim and Al Montazeer, programme coordinators, Hasan Maruf, UNO of Birganj and Md Mozammel Haque, officer in Charge of Birganj Police Station.

The Norway envoy left for Thakurgaon in the afternoon.



Youth Engagement and Support (YES) launches a signature campaign at Baishakhi Mela at Shaheed Abdur Razzak Park at Sathkhira town to create awareness against corruption.

## বাংলাদেশ প্রকৌশল বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়, ঢাকা

### নীলাম বিজ্ঞপ্তি

(১) বিভিন্ন প্রকার পুরাতন লোহা ও সিরামিক জাতীয় এস্টেল, জানালার গ্রীন, বিভিন্ন সাইজের জিআইপাইপ ড্রেসার, এমএসটি, ওয়াস বেসিন, কমোড সিট কভার ইত্যাদি (২) ড্রিল মেশিন, লেমিনেটিং মেশিন, পাওয়ার প্রেসার মেশিন ও কডাক কন্ট্রোল প্রজেক্টর মেশিন, (৩) জানালার কাঠ, পুরাতন কাঠের দরজা-জানালা, পুরাতন টিন, পুরাতন ইট ইত্যাদি একলট মালামাল নীলামে বিক্রয়ের নিমিত্তে আগ্রহী ক্রেতা সাধারণের নিকট হইতে নিম্নস্বাক্ষরকারী কর্তৃক সীলমোহরকৃত খামে নীলাম কোটেশন আহবান করা যাইতেছে। নীলাম কোটেশন আগামী ০৬/০৫/০৮ইং তারিখে বেলা ১২:০০(বার)টা পর্যন্ত নিম্নস্বাক্ষরকারীর অফিসে/পিএডি পরিদপ্তর/কম্প্রট্রোলার অফিসে এবং নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী, পিডব্লিউডি, ডিভিশন-১, ১৫ আব্দুল গণি রোড, ঢাকা অফিসে গৃহীত হইবে এবং ঐ দিনই বেলা ৩:০০টার সময় উপস্থিত নীলাম কোটেশনদাতাদের সামনে বর্ণিত অফিসসমূহে খোলা হইবে। নীলাম কোটেশন গ্রহণের দিন কোন তফসিল দেওয়া হইবে না।

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## Thakurgaon massacre day today

A CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

Freedom fighters and different local organisations will today observe mass killing day in Thakurgaon district.

On this day in 1971, thousands of people of Jagannathpur, Gora, Sukantokhori and Balia union under Sadar upazila left their homes to go to India to save their lives from the Pakistani occupation army and their local collaborators, Razakars.

Razakars of the area informed the Pakistani troops who killed about 3,000 innocent people including many children and

women and buried them at the mass grave at Jhatibhanga under Sadar upazila of the district.

On the same day Razakars killed about 100 people of Pirganj municipality and Kosharanganj, Khongon and Shindura unions of Pirganj upazila while they were on the way to India.

The Pakistani army and their local collaborators killed about 1000 fleeing people after torture at Khuniadighi under Ranishankoil upazila. Most of the victims were women and children.

After Liberation War, thousands of human skulls and bones were recovered from the area.

## AGITATION FOR JOB REGULARISATION

# Police rescue 3 gas field officials after 23hrs

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

Police rescued three officials of the fractionation plant at Rupantarita Prakritik Gas Company Limited (RPGCL) yesterday evening after 23 hours of their confinement at their offices by workers to press their demands for job regularization.

RPGL is a concern of Petrobangla in Gopalganj.

A police official of Gopalganj police station told the Daily Star that there was however no untoward incident.

A meeting involving RPGCL officials, Gopalganj pourashava chairman and police officials has been scheduled to begin at 9 pm Wednesday, officials in Sylhet said.

Over a year ago, about 100 workers were absorbed as master roll employees in the LPG fractionation plant of RPGCL. They were assured on several occasions that their jobs would be made permanent, but nothing was done.

Rather, the authorities hired some new people from other districts in past few months, the agitated workers alleged.

Weeks ago, the authorities in presence of local Pourashava chairman and others assured of providing job to 20 in the first phase. Accordingly, they went to join on Tuesday. But, the authorities asked them to quit office. This angered the workers and they pressed on the officials for returning their applica-

tions, taken 7 months ago as well as to clear their arrears.

The workers wearing pieces of white cloth on their heads sat at the main gate of the plant Tuesday evening as a 3-hour meeting with officials ended without any result. RPGCL's GM Aziz Ahmed, Fractionation Plant in-charge Nur Ullah and Deputy Manager Ilyasur Rahman somehow attempted to leave the plant at about 10 pm in an official vehicle, but failed as the workers stopped them.

They asked the officials to remain inside.

Plant in-charge Nurullah yesterday admitted that they were kept confined by agitated workers.

## পাওয়ার গ্রীড কোম্পানী অব বাংলাদেশ লিঃ POWER GRID COMPANY OF BANGLADESH LTD. (An Enterprise of Bangladesh Power Development Board)

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All concerned are requested to contact the new address.

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### Invitation for Tenders (IFT)

1. Ministry/Division	: Ministry of Science and Information & Communication Technology.
2. Agency	: Bangladesh Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (BCSIR).
3. Procuring Entity Name	: Project Director, “Studies on Antibiotic, Mycotoxin and Pesticides in Food and Feed Stuff in Bangladesh”-Project
4. Procuring Entity Code	: Not in use
5. Procuring Entity District	: Dhaka
6. Invitation for	: National Tender
7. Invitation Ref. No	: SAMP/IFST/BCSIR(Procure)/1-1/2007-8/A-O
8. Date	: 08/04/2008
9. Procurement Method	: OTM
10. Budget and Source of Funds	: GoB
11. Development Partners (if applicable)	: N/A
12. Project/Programme Code (if applicable)	: 5060
13. Project/Programme Name (if applicable)	: “Studies on Antibiotic, Mycotoxin and Pesticides in Food and Feed Stuff in Bangladesh”
14. Tender Package No.	: Nil
15. Tender Package Name	: A) Supply of HPLC with others
16. Tender Publication Date	: 08/04/2008
17. Tender Last Selling Date	: 06/05/2008 up to 1:00 P.M.
18. Tender Closing Date and Time	: 07/05/2008 at 3:00 P.M.
19. Tender Opening Date and Time	: 07/05/2008 at 3:05 P.M.
20. Name & Address of the office (s)	
- Selling Tender Document	i) Office of the Project Director, “Studies on Antibiotic, Mycotoxin and Pesticides in Food and Feed Stuff in Bangladesh”-Project, Room No. 8, IFST, BCSIR, Dhaka-1205
- Receiving Tender Document	ii) Office of the Officer-in-charge, LRI, BCSIR, Nayarhat, Savar, Dhaka Office of the Project Director, “Studies on Antibiotic, Mycotoxin and Pesticides in Food and Feed Stuff in Bangladesh”-Project, Room No. 8, IFST, BCSIR, Dhaka-1205
- Opening Tender Document	: Office of the Project Director, “Studies on Antibiotic, Mycotoxin and Pesticides in Food and Feed Stuff in Bangladesh”-Project, Room No. 8, IFST, BCSIR, Dhaka-1205
Place/ Date/ Time of Pre-Tender Meeting (Optional)	: N/A
22. Eligibility of Tenderer	: Minimum 5 years experiences as a supplier of Scientific Equipment.
23. Brief Description of Goods	: As Per Specification.
24. Brief Description of Related Services	: As Per Specification.
25. Lot Number	Identification of Lot
A	HPLC with others
Location	IFST, BCSIR, Dhaka
Price of tender document In Taka	2000.00 (non-refundable)
Tender Security Amount in Taka	170,000.00
Completion Time in Weeks/Months	2 Months
26. Name of Official Inviting Tender	Dr Mamtaz Dawlatana
27. Designation of Official Inviting Tender	Project Director,
28. Address of Official Inviting Tender	Room No. 8, IFST, BCSIR, Dhaka-1205
29. Contract details of official Inviting Tender	Project Director Tel.: 8620104, E-mail: mamtaz12@yahoo.com
30. The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders.	

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