



Send dumb woman to safe home

HC order on Khagrachhari DC

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Khagrachhari

The High Court division bench issued suo moto rule upon the deputy commissioner, superintendent of police, chief judicial magistrate and jailor of Khagrachhari, asking them why the detention of the dumb women in safe custody, should not be declared illegal and without lawful authority.

The HC Division Bench comprising Justice Md Mozammel Hossain and Justice AB Mahmudul Huq also directed Khagrachhari Deputy Commissioner Mohammad Shahadat Hossen to take necessary steps for sending the aforesaid dumb women to social welfare ministry's safe home for women and children at Farhadabad in Chittagong and take adequate steps for finding out her parents or legal guardians within two weeks.

The HC passed the order on July 16 following an appeal by advocate Seema Zahur of Bangladesh National Women Lawyers Association.

The lawyer submitted the appeal to the High Court Division on July 13. Earlier on July 12, The Daily Star ran a news item headlined 'Dumb women in safe custody for a year'.

Admitting getting the HC order, Additional District Magistrate Monindra Kishore Majumder and Chief Judicial Magistrate Abul Bashar Munshi said they will send the dumb women to the directed place as early as possible.

4 to die for gangrape, killing mother, daughter

RU CORRESPONDENT

A Rajshahi Court yesterday sentenced four persons to death in a double murder case at Dhuapara under Godagari upazila of Rajshahi.

Judge ATM Mesbaudullah of Speedy Trial Tribunal also fined the convicts Tk 1 lakh each.

The convicts are Tariqul Islam, Ismail Hossain, Muktar Hossain and Sonaruddin of Dhuapara village.

They gangraped t Niliara Begum and slaughtered her daughter Parvin as she saw the incident on October 20, 2006.

They also slaughter Niliara Begum at the same time.

Rafiqul Islam, father of victim Niliara Begum, filed a murder case with Godagari Police Station the day after the incident against Tariqul Islam, Ismail Hossain, Muktar Hossain.

Police submitted charge sheet on February 27, 2007, accusing the four persons.

After examining 19 witnesses, judge pronounced the verdict in a crowded courtroom.

Three out of four of the accused were on the dock during delivery of the verdict. Mustar Hossain is absconding.

FACE TO FACE WITH VOTERS IN BARISAL

Contenders vow to ensure transparency if elected

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barisal

Nine mayoral and more than 50 councillor candidates in Barisal City Corporation elections yesterday vowed that, if elected, they will take up 'massive' programmes to provide more civic amenities to city dwellers and to develop the divisional city.

At a face-to-face programme with voters in the city, the candidates signed a 13-point code of conduct for a free and fair election and present a transparent, accountable, and corruption-free city corporation after the polls.

At the programme organised by Barisal district unit of Shushashoneer Janney Nagorik (Shujan), the electorate present there also took oath to elect honest and competent candidates and not to vote for war-criminals.

Barisal Shujan President Prof. Syed Aminul Huq presided over the

Promise to supply gas, check crime, corruption and set up citizens' bodies

meeting. Prothom Alo, The Daily Star and Channel-1 were media partners of the programme, held at Barisal Club auditorium.

Nine out of 10 mayoral and more than 50 out of 184 councillor candidates and people from different professions attended the programme.

Replying to questions, Nagarik Parishad candidate advocate Enayet Pir Khan said if elected he would take steps to restore the 22 canals and 200 ponds grabbed by encroachers.

"I will make Barisal the Venice of Bengal and free it from corruption", he said.

Answering to female voter Safia Sultana, he said he would try to create employment and entertainment facilities for all, particularly youths, so that eve teasing automatically declines. He said he will

design a sustainable master plan for development of the city.

Advocate Shawkat Hossain Hiron, enjoying support of 14-party alliance, claimed himself to be an honest and competent candidate.

Former district BNP secretary and Barisal Chamber of Commerce and Industries president Ebaudul Huq Chan said, if elected mayor, he would take steps to supply pipeline gas to the city from Bhola, speedy construction of Padma Bridge and modernisation of Barisal river port.

Answering a question from Freedom Fighter Enayet Hossain Chowdhury, he said he would exempt freedom fighters from paying for municipal services.

He told another questioner that, if elected mayor, he will form a 'citizen committee' which will

advise him in running the city corporation properly.

Former BCC mayor and expelled city BNP president Ahsan Habib Kamal claiming himself to be the most popular among contenders, said he served citizens for long 18 years as ward commissioner, municipal chairman, administrator and mayor and want to do more.

Progressive Democratic Party (PDP) leader Sarfuddin Santu promised to develop slums take steps for linking Barisal with railway with rest of the country.

District CPB secretary Abul Kalam Azad assured that if the city dwellers elected him as mayor, he would 'launch a war against corruption' in the Barisal City Corporation.

Another mayor candidate former ward commissioner and Jatio Party leader Kabiruddin Hannu said he would eradicate drug dappling from the city.

Try culprits, ban Jamaat politics

Assault of freedom fighter protested in Rajshahi, B'baria, Satkhira

STAR NATIONAL DESK

Freedom fighters and common people in Brahmanbaria, Rajshahi and Satkhira yesterday held separate programmes demanding punishment of Jamaat-Shibir cadres responsible for assaulting freedom fighter Sheikh Mohammad Ali Aman in Dhaka on July 11.

Brahmanbaria district chapter of Muktiyoddha Sector Commanders Forum yesterday held daylong programmes including human chain and protest rallies demanding ban on Jatiya Muktiyoddha Parishad, a fake freedom fighters organisation floated by Jamaat-e-Islami, reports our Brahmanbaria correspondent.

They demanded punishment of Jamaat-Shibir activists who assaulted freedom fighter Sheikh Mohammad Ali Aman in Dhaka on July 11 and ban on Jatiya Muktiyoddha Parishad, an organisation of fake freedom fighters floated by anti-liberation force Jamaat.

Several organisations including Brahmanbaria Ghatak Dalal Nirmul Committee and Brahmanbaria Zilla Muktiyohda Dabi Bastabayan Parishad attended the programmes.

Jamaat floated the fake freedom fighters body to serve their interest by playing trick on common people, speakers said at the rally in front of Brahmanbaria Adhunik Super Market with poet Joydul Hossain, convener of Brahmanbaria Ghatak Dalal Nirmul Committee, in the chair.

They urged all progressive organisations including freedom fighters, professionals and cultural activists to get united to fight against anti-liberation forces and socially boycott them.

They urged the government to make a law so that anti-liberation forces cannot form so-called bodies in the name of heroic sons of the soil.

Among others, freedom fighter Md Haroon-Ar-Rashid, secretary of Brahmanbaria district Muktiyoddha Sector Commanders Forum, freedom fighters Amanul Haque Chento, Al Mamun Sarker, and Md Ali Akbar Majumder, advocate Abdus Samad, president of district Nagorik Committee, Prof Md Mukhlesur Rahman, former pourasbha chairman Md Helal Uddin, addressed the rally.



Voluntary organisation Bandhan forms a human chain at Rajshahi University yesterday demanding trial of war criminals.

Our RU correspondent reports: Rajshahi University unit of Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) yesterday staged a demonstration on the campus demanding punishment of Jamaat-Shibir cadres who assaulted freedom fighter Sheikh Muhammad Aman Ali.

After a procession led by central BCL leaders on the campus, they held a protest meeting in front of central library where BCL central leaders and RU leaders took part.

They demanded punishment of Jatiya Muktiyoddha Parishad leaders for their derogatory comments about the principles of Liberation War.

They demanded trial of war criminals by constituting a special tribunal and ban on Jamaat-Shibir politics in the country.

Earlier, four left leaning students' organisation of RU and cultural activists jointly under the banner of Progotishil Chhatra Jote of RU brought out a protest procession on the campus.

Rajshahi University unit of Bandhan, a campus-based voluntary organisation, yesterday also formed a human chain in front of RU Central Library demanding punishment of Jamaat-Shibir

cadres who assaulted freedom fighter Sheikh Mohammad Ali Aman Ali.

Bandhan activists urged all progressive organisations to be united and resist anti-liberation forces.

Our Satkhira correspondent adds:

Local people and freedom fighters organised separate programmes in Debhata and Shyamnagar upazilas demanding punishment of attackers on freedom fighter Sheikh Mohammad Ali Aman.

Over 300 freedom fighters and local people in Debhata formed a human chain in front of Debhata Muktiyoddha Sangsad office at Debhata demanding punishment of the attackers on the freedom fighter Sheikh Mohammad Ali Aman.

They urged the government to disqualify the identified war criminals in the next general and local government bodies' elections.

Freedom fighters in a meeting in Shyamnagar upazila yesterday condemned Jamaat-Shibir cadres' attack on the freedom fighter.

GD against KCC mayoral candidate for violating code

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulana

A general diary was filed with Khanjahan Ali police station yesterday against mayoral candidate BNP leader Moniruzzaman Moni for violation of electoral code of conduct by using loudspeakers before 2 pm.

SI Pritom Kumar of the police station seized two loudspeakers at 11.30 am while Moni's supporters were campaigning in Phulbarigate area under the police station.

Mohammad Baig, a voter of that area, filed the general diary as a complainant, demanding punishment of the mayoral candidate for violating election code of conduct.

The officer-in-charge of Khanjahan Ali police Station said that he would investigate the allegation before reporting it to the Returning Officer tomorrow.

VIOLATION OF SCC POLLS RULES

Charges against Babul, 5 others being probed

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

Law enforcers have started probe into allegations of violation of electoral rules by a mayoral candidates and five councillor aspirants in Sylhet City Corporation (SCC) election.

The accused are 'rebel' Awami League leader and mayoral candidate former pourashava chairman Babul Hossain Babul, and councillor candidates MA Mugni Khoka in ward no 5, Mujibur Rahman Niru in ward no 7, Abul Hossain Babul in Ward no. 26, and contenders for women's reserve seats Ruhena Akhtar Mukta and Nurun Nahar Begum Moyna.

Police caught six members of a band party along with the driver of a truck as they were campaigning for Babul Hossain Babul Monday night in Shibganj area, violating election rules. The truck was also seized.

MA Mugni faces allegation of hiding information about his marriage. A former ward commissioner of the then Sylhet pourashava, councillor candidate Najibur Rahman Niru is accused for attacking and threatening his rivals.

Violating election rules, Abul Hossain Babul arranged feeding 400 to 500 people.

Women councillor candidate Rumena Begum faces the allegation of being locked in a clash with her rival. The other women councillor candidate --Nurun nahar Begum Moyna allegedly gave fake information during campaign, sources said.

If the allegations are found correct, their candidature may be cancelled, an official said.

Sylhet Divisional Deputy Election Commissioner Khondker Mizanur Rahman, also returning officer for SCC polls, told The Daily Star yesterday after investigation, police will file report with judicial magistrate court.

CHINA MURDER CASE IN SATKHIRA

Warrant to arrest ex-Jamaat MP Khaleque, four others

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Satkhira

A court in Satkhira yesterday issued an arrest warrant against all the five charge-sheeted accused including former Jamaat lawmaker Maulana Abdul Khaleque Mondal as they remained absent before the court yesterday fixed for hearing in the sensational China Khatun murder case.

Judge Motazidur Rahman of the District Women and Children Repression Prevention court passed the order and fixed August 4 for next hearing of the case.

The other accused who were issued warrant of arrest are China Khatun's husband Azad Hossain, her father-in-law Abdul Aziz, brother-in-law Rafiqul Islam and neighbour Nazrul Islam of village Machhkhola in Sadar upazila.

China Khatun, 19, daughter of Ahmad Ali of village Nagarghata in Tala upazila, was married with Azad Hossain, son of Abul Aziz of village Machhkhola in Sadar upazila 2001, court sources said.

Ten days after the incident, the victim's mother-in-law Mariam Begum submitted an allegation with the same police station against Nazrul Islam, son of the victim's husband's sister, with a recommendation of former Jamaat lawmaker Maulana Abdul Khaleque Mondal who asked the Sadar Police Station authorities to take action against the accused.

The then officer in charge (OC) of Sadar Police Station Ruhul Islam Malik filed a murder case accusing Nazrul Islam.

It is clear to the court that the complainant Mariam Begum filed the case as per advice by the former Jamaat lawmaker and the former lawmaker, complainant Mariam Begum, the victim's father-in-law Abdul Aziz and husband Azad tried to conceal the facts in a pre-planned



Maulana Abdul Khaleque

way, the judge observed in his order. The second investigation officer of the case, Assistant Superintendent of Police Sukharanjan Samaddar of the Criminal Investigation Department submitted the charge sheet against the five persons including Khaleque Mondal before Satkhira Women and Children Repression Prevention court on June 10.

4 Sust teachers stop agitation

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

Four senior teachers of Shahjalal University of Science & Technology (SUST) yesterday suspended their agitation after the VC assured steps to meet their demand as soon as possible.

The Sust authorities fixed August 14 for holding a meeting of the promotion committee to decide promotion of the four associate professors, sources said.

They are associate professors Dr. Syed Badiuzzaman Faruque, Dr. Abdul Hannan, Dr. Shamsunnahar Begum and Dr. Mahfuza Ahmed, all of Physics department.

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Memo No. LGED/PP/SSWRDP-JBIC/2008/390

Date: July 21, 2008

Invitation for Bids (Re-Tender)  
International Competitive Bidding (ICB)  
JBIC Loan No: BD-P57  
IFB No: ICB/01/2008-09

1. The Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh has received an ODA loan from Japan Bank for International Cooperation (hereinafter referred to as "JBIC"), in the amount of yen towards the cost of Small Scale Water Resources Development Project (Loan No. BD-P57) and intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of the loan to payments under the contract for supply the following vehicles (the "Goods"):

Serial No.	Bid package number	Description of vehicles	Quantity	Bid security in BDT
01.	LGED/SSWRDP/BD-P57/ICB/G-02	4 wheel drive long wheel base cross-country vehicles, with four side doors and one rear door, seating capacity minimum eight and with four cylinders diesel engine.	05 Nos.	2,50,000.00
02.	LGED/SSWRDP/BD-P57/ICB/G-04	4 wheel drive double cabin pick-up with four side doors, seating capacity minimum five and with four cylinders diesel engine.	06 Nos.	2,28,000.00

2. JBIC requires that bidders and contractors, as well as Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, under contracts funded with JBIC ODA loans and other Japanese ODA, observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of such contracts. In pursuance of this policy, JBIC:

- (a) Will reject a proposal for award if it determines that the bidder recommended for award has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for the contract in question;
- (b) Will recognize a contractor as ineligible, for a period determined by JBIC, to be awarded a contract funded with JBIC ODA loans if it at any times determines that the contractor has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for, or in executing, another contract funded with JBIC ODA loans or other Japanese ODA.

3. The Local Government Engineering Department (LGED) now invites sealed bids from the eligible bidders of eligible source countries for the supply of the goods for the purpose of the project.

4. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information on the bid from and inspect the bidding documents at the office of the Project Director, Small Scale Water Resources Development Project, Local Government Engineering Department, RDEC Bhaban (Level-6), Agargaon, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207, Bangladesh, Telephone: +(88)-02 8143120, Facsimile: +(88)-02 8143119; e-mail: akazad60@yahoo.com on all working days during normal office hours up to August 31, 2008.

5. A complete set of bidding documents may be purchased by any interested eligible bidder on submission of a written application to the above address and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of (i) Tk. 3,000.00 (three thousand) for bid package No. LGED/SSWRDP/BD-P57/ICB/G-02 and (ii) Tk. 3,000.00 (three thousand) for bid package No. LGED/SSWRDP/BD-P57/ICB/G-04 only.

6. The estimated date of award is within December 31, 2008.

7. All bids must be accompanied by a bid security mentioned in Bangladesh Taka (BDT) or an equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency in the form of Payment Order/Bank Draft/Bank Guarantee in favour of the "Project Director, Small Scale Water Resources Development Project" and must be delivered in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders on or before 12:00 hours (Bangladesh local time) on September 1, 2008.

8. Bids will be publicly opened in presence of bidders or their authorized representatives who choose to attend at 12:15 hours (Bangladesh local time) on September 1, 2008 at the office of the undersigned.

9. The Project Director, Small Scale Water Resources Development Project, Local Government Engineering Department will not be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred by bidders in connection with the preparation or delivery of bids including cost and expenses related to visit to the site of commissioning of the equipment.

10. The authority reserves the right to accept any bid, or to accept any part of the bid, or to reject any or all the bids without assigning any reason thereof and in such case no compensation will be entertained.

11. This invitation for bid is available at the websites [www.lged.gov.bd](http://www.lged.gov.bd) and [www.cptu.gov.bd](http://www.cptu.gov.bd)

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**Amendment of Invitation for International Tender against DFID Fund under the 9 PBS Project of Rural Electrification Board.**

The invitation for International Tender under the above caption published in the The Dainik Ittefaq, The Daily Star, The Bangladesh Observer & Dainik Jugantar on 21 July 2008 is amended as per following description:

- SI. No. 13: Tender closing date is to be read as 28-08-2008 in the place of 27-08-2008.
- SI. No. 14: Tender opening date is to be read as 28-08-2008 in the place of 27-08-2008.

All other provisions as stipulated in the Invitation of tender shall remain unchanged.

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Partial view of the anti-graft rally arranged by ACC and TIB at Chapainawabganj stadium yesterday.