

Take viable steps to save Chandpur town from Meghna erosion

Speakers tell rally

A CORRESPONDENT, Chandpur

People of Chandpur town and adjacent areas have demanded taking permanent steps to save the century-old river port from erosion by turbulent Meghna.

At a meeting organised by local River Erosion Resistance Action Committee at West Jafrabad village on the outskirts of Chandpur town, speakers said the government should take adequate steps to save already threatened Chandpur and its adjacent areas from further erosion.

Earlier on different occasions, steps were taken to save the town and river port but they proved too inadequate and short-termed to give any permanent solution to the problem, they said.

River erosion should be declared a national problem, they added.

Abdullah Sarker, former lawmaker and a central leader of River Erosion Resistance Action Committee, Gono Forum district President Advocate Selim Akbar, BNP district unit's Senior Vice President Abdul Hamid Master, Chandpur Bar President Advocate Zahurul Islam and UP chairman Dulal Miji spoke on the occasion, among others.

Bilal Hossain, local president of the action committee, presided over the meeting.

Earlier River Erosion Resistance Action Committee organised a long human chain in the afternoon from Jafrabad to Horina Ghat with call to 'Save Chandpur permanently from erosion by the Meghna'.

Meanwhile, sudden erosion by



Residents of Chandpur join a human chain on the bank of Meghna River at Jafrabad village on the outskirts of the town yesterday demanding adequate steps to protect the town from erosion

River Meghna has virtually rendered over 400 families homeless in Sakhu and Ibrahimpur unions under Sadar upazila during the last five days.

These unions are on the outskirts of Chandpur town. Erosion victims who have

already taken shelter at different places are leading sub-human life under the open sky, said Ibrahimpur UP Chairman Md Dulal Miji, who also has lost his house due to the erosion.

The worst affected villages are West Jafrabad, East Jafrabad,

Sakhua, East Sakhua, Ibrahimpur and Bohoria.

During a visit to the affected area, this correspondent saw panicked villagers dismantling their houses as preparation to take whatever they can to safer places.

PHOTO: FOCUS BANGLA

Constable held for 'killing' wife in Khulna

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

A constable was arrested after suspension from job yesterday following his alleged involvement in killing his wife at Khalishpur on September 3.

Shibani, 22, was burnt by her constable husband Kartik Robidas at his house in Mujunni residential area. She succumbed to her burn injuries while undergoing treatment at Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH) on September 4.

The arrestee also sustained burn injuries while setting on fire to his wife and is now under treatment at DMCH.

Blaming Kartik for the killing, Shibani's father Mukhlal Robidas lodged an FIR with Khalishpur Police Station under Women and Children Torture Prevention Act, 2000 on September 6. He blamed Kartik for killing his daughter for dowry. Kartik's father Jiten, mother Chameli, brothers Bimol, Dilip, Dulal, Narayan and sister Pushpo Rani were also named as other accused.

However, none of the other accused was arrested till 5 yesterday afternoon although a message was sent to Gheor police in Manikganj district for their arrest, said investigation officer sub-inspector Firoz.

Kartik allegedly used to torture Shibani for dowry since marriage on August 8, 2003. On my refusal to pay more dowry to Kartik, he killed my daughter, the complainant alleged.

Khulna divisional unit of Bangladesh National Women Lawyers' Association and Khulna district unit of Bangladesh Human Rights Implementation Committee assured legal aid to the complainant and started an investigation into the murder.

11 hurt in BCL-Shibir clash at Thakurgaon

A CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

At least 11 students were injured in a clash between the activists of Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) and Islami Chhatra Shibir at Thakurgaon Government College yesterday noon.

The clash started at about 1:00pm on the college premises when

As BCL activists were exchanging greetings with the newcomer students of first year at about 1:00pm, some Shibir cadres teased them and consequently the two groups engaged in a clash, sources said.

Of the injured, Rajur Rahman Rajek and Shah Paran Shifat of BCL and Harun-or-Rashid, Nazmul Alam, Omar Faruk and Alamgir of Shibir were admitted to Thakurgaon Sadar Hospital.

On investigation, police rushed to the spot and brought the situation under control.

Khaleque takes oath as KCC mayor today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

Talukder Abdul Khaleque will formally take oath in the capital today as the second elected mayor of Khulna City Corporation (KCC).

On return from Dhaka, he will start working at his KCC office on Thursday.

Forty-one ward councillors including 10 from the reserved seats for women will also take oath the same day.

Listed criminals Golam Mousa Shanu, elected from Ward No-26 and Mohammad Hossain Mukta, elected from Ward No-31 are among the councillors who will take oath from the Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives Advisor, Anwarul Iqbal.

Absconder gets life for killing wife in Barisal

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barisal

First Additional District and Sessions Judge Court of Barisal, in a verdict pronounced here yesterday, sentenced an absconder named Alamgir Hossain Kazi to life term rigorous imprisonment (RI) for killing his wife Henera Begum.

Alamgir married for second time without taking permission of his first wife Henera.

On pretext of a compromise meeting elsewhere, Alamgir brought Henera out of his house and beat her to death on the way at night on March 29, 2005.

Later, the culprit hung the body with a roadside tree in Shialghuni in Bakerganj upazila to prove the killing as a suicide.

Police recovered the body and a murder case was lodged by the victim's elder brother with Bakerganj Police Station on March 30, 2005. Since then Alamgir was absconding.

Sub Inspector Sheikh Shahjahan, also investigation officer of the case, submitted charge sheet against the accused on August 28, 2005.



Rab arrests police Sub-inspector Nabi Ullah red-handed as he tricked a woman to give him a motorcycle and Tk 20,000 at the showroom of Singer Bangladesh at Jalalabad in Chittagong yesterday (Story on page 2).



District administration brings out a campaign procession in Khagrachhari hill town yesterday marking International Literacy Day.

Jute workers bring out 'coffin procession' in Khulna

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

Workers of the state-owned Crescent Jute Mills, Star Jute Mills and Platinum Jubilee Jute Mills brought out a 'coffin procession' at Khalishpur industrial belt in Khulna yesterday.

The procession was brought out as part of their weeklong programme to realise their 8-point demand.

Police intercepted the procession when it reached near the private-owned People's Jute Mills.

However, no untoward incident was reported.

Meanwhile, workers snapped electricity and water supply connections on Sunday protesting non-payment of their arrears.

This programme will continue for an indefinite period till realisation of their demands, Jute Mills Workers' Development Committee (JMWC) convenor Gazi Masum said.

Sweepers and gardeners also began their work stoppage on Sunday as workers prevented them from entering the colonies and the administrative buildings.

The programme of workers' self-immolation on September 15 will remain unchanged if the demands are not met by September 14, JMWC convenor said.

Meanwhile, project directors of seven state-owned jute mills of

Khulna-Jessore industrial belt left

Khulna for Dhaka yesterday in response to the call of Bangladesh Jute Mills Corporation chairman Ataharul Islam to review the situation.

10 hurt in BCL-Chhatra Dal clash in Jhenidah KC College

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jhenidah

A clash between Chhatra League and Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) left 10 people injured yesterday noon.

Five of the injured -- Shimul, Khairul, Shipon, Salim and Hashem -- have been admitted to Jhenidah Sadar Hospital. They are all Chhatra League activists, said Chhatra League leaders.

Following altercation over playing carrom board at Government KC College auditorium on Monday noon, activists of the two student organisations started chasing and counter chasing and threw stones, Officer-in-Charge Kazi Wazed Ali of Jhenidah Police Station said.

Later two bombs exploded, leaving several Chhatra League activists injured. Two Chhatra Dal activists also got minor injuries during the incident.

Chhatra League and Chhatra Dal leaders blamed each other for the incident. Police have been deployed on the college campus to stave off any unwanted situation.

Fake graduate headmaster held

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Kushtia

Police yesterday arrested the headmaster of Joyrampur High School in Daulatpur upazila in the district on charge of continuing service for 13 years with a fake degree certificate.

Earlier in last month, Daulatpur upazila education officer filed a case against the headmaster, Jahangir Alam.

About two months ago, several people of the upazila lodged a written complainant to the upazila nirbahi officer (UNO) alleging that Jahangir Alam had been doing his service for around 13 years with a fake degree (pass) certificate.

After investigation, the then UNO Rupam Anwar investigated the matter and found the allegation true.

The UNO directed Upazila Education Officer Jufiqar Haider to file a case and accordingly the latter filed a case with Judicial Magistrate's Court in Kushtia against the headmaster and the court issued a warrant.

After the arrest, police produced Jahangir Alam before the court that sent him to jail.

Firearm, heroin seized in 4 dists

RU Correspondent

Rapid Action Battalion (Rab), in separate raids in four districts yesterday seized a firearm, bullet, Indian cosmetics, sari, heroin and arrested a drug peddler.

RAB seized the gun and bullet from Bindabonpur in Natore district. They seized 200-gram heroin from Uchhahara village and arrested drug trader Ziaul Karim Ripon of Teleshata village in Rangpur.

At Harandra Bazar in Panchbibi upazila in Joypurhat, Rab seized cosmetics worth about Tk 1,02,500. They seized 101 pieces of Indian sari at Bhaduria in Dinajpur.

Tea labourers to elect leaders Sept 21, 23

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

About 80 thousand labourers, working in the country's tea industry, will exercise their voting right to choose leadership as initiative has been taken to hold first ever election of Bangladesh Tea Labour Union after the country's independence.

On September 21, election of 'ponchayet' (garden unit) and 'valley' (regional unit) of the union will take place while election of local and central committee will be held on September 23, sources said.

There are seven 'valleys' comprising 163 tea gardens in the country. The valleys are Juri (Moulvibazar), Longla (Moulvibazar), Monu-Dholai (Moulvibazar), Balishira (Moulvibazar), Laskarpur (Hobiganj), and two in Chittagong and Sylhet districts.

Moulvibazar Deputy Commissioner has been appointed as chief election commissioner for the election of Bangladesh Tea Labour Union.

Authorities on August 11 took the decision to hold election of Bangladesh Tea Labour Union. Tea Labour Union leaders said Rajendra Proshad Banerjee had served as president of the organisation without any election for the last 34 years. A few years ago, tea labourers started movement to press home their demand to constitute the committee in a democratic way.

বড়পুকুরিয়া কোল মাইনিং কোম্পানী লিমিটেড
(পেট্রোবাংলা একটি কোম্পানী)
Barapukuria Coal Mining Company Limited
(A Company of Petrobangla)

Invitation for Tenders

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

1. Ministry/Division	Energy and Mineral Resources Division.
2. Agency	Barapukuria Coal Mining Company Limited (BCMCL), (A Company of Petrobangla)
3. Procuring entity name	Deputy General Manager (Purchase).
4. Procuring entity code	None.
5. Procuring entity district	Dinajpur.
6. Invitation for	Goods.
7. Invitation Ref No.	BCMCL/10/1(Elec/Bricks/Printing)/1548.
8. Date	03 September, 2008.

KEY INFORMATION

9. Procurement method	Open tendering method.
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FUNDING INFORMATION

10. Budget and source of funds	Company revenue budget.
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PARTICULAR INFORMATION

11. Project/programme code	Not applicable.
12. Project/programme name	Not applicable.
13. Tender package No.	UG-SUR-31-2008-2009.
14. Tender publication date	03-09-2008.
15. Tender last selling date	24-09-2008.
16. Tender receiving last date and time	Date: 25-9-2008 Time: 11:15
17. Tender opening date and time	25-09-2008 11:30
18. Name & address of the office(s)	Selling tender document: Tender documents are available in the following offices during office hours: 1. Accounts Division, Barapukuria Coal Mining Company Limited, Chowhati, Parbatipur, Dinajpur. 2. Accounts Division, Petrobangla, 3. Kawran Bazar C/A, Dhaka. Receiving tender document: BCMCL Head Office, Chowhati, Parbatipur, Dinajpur. Opening tender document: BCMCL Head Office, Chowhati, Parbatipur, Dinajpur.

INFORMATION FOR TENDERER

19. Eligibility of tenderer	1. Having a valid trade licence for the fiscal year 2007-2008 or for the fiscal year 2008-2009. 2. Income Tax clearance certificate for the fiscal year 2005-06 or Income Tax return submitted for the fiscal year 2006-07. 3. Valid VAT registration certificate 4. Other qualification as described in TDS.
20. Brief description of goods	Group-1: Electrical Items: Cabtyre Flexible Cable, Cable, Enamel Wire, Fish Paper, Varnished Sleeve etc. Group-2: First Class Bricks. Group-3: Printed Material: Ledger Books, Bin Card, Identification Card.
21. Price of tender document (Tk.)	500/- (five hundred) only for each group.
22. Identification of goods	Location: Tender security amount (Tk.) Completion time
Group-1: See clause 20	BCMCL Store, Parbatipur, Dinajpur, 30,000.00/- (Tk thirty thousand only) 20 working days from the date of contract agreement.
Group-2: See clause 20	BCMCL Store, Chowhati, Parbatipur, Dinajpur, 5,000.00/- (Tk five thousand only) 15 working days from the date of contract agreement.
Group-3: See clause 20	BCMCL Store, Chowhati, Parbatipur, Dinajpur, 3,000.00/- (Tk. three thousand only) 25 working days from the date of contract agreement.

PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS

23. Name of the official inviting tender	A B M Kamruzzaman.
24. Designation of official inviting tender	Deputy General Manager (Purchase).
25. Address of official inviting tender	Barapukuria Coal Mining Company Limited, Chowhati, Parbatipur, Dinajpur.
26. Contact details of official inviting tender	01713077906.
27. The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders.	

Md Aminul Islam
Assistant Manager (Purchase)
On behalf of
Deputy General Manager (Purchase)

GD-4078

Govt. of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Bangladesh Betar
Maintenance Section
Administrative Building
Agargaon, Dhaka-1207

Invitation for Tender

Sealed tenders in triplicate are hereby invited from the bonafide distributor/supplier/genuine bidder for the undermentioned goods with the following conditions.

1. Ministry/Division	Ministry of Information.
2. Agency	Bangladesh Betar.
3. Procuring entity name	Director General, Bangladesh Betar.
4. Procuring entity district	Dhaka.
5. Invitation for	Supply of Recordable CD and Re-Writable CD for Bangladesh Betar on free delivery Dhaka basis.
6. Invitation Ref No & date	MES/3/2474/2008-212, Dated: 03-09-2008
7. Procuring method	Open tendering method (national competitive tendering).
8. Budget & source of funds	GOB.
9. Tender package No.	G5.
10. Tender publication date	07-09-2008.
11. Tender last selling date	At 4.00pm (BST) on 23-09-2008.
12. Tender closing date & time	At 11.00am (BST) on 24-09-2008.
13. Tender opening date & time	At 12.00 noon (BST) on 24-09-2008.
14. Name and address of the office(s)	Address: Station Engineer, Maintenance Section, Bangladesh Betar, Administrative Building, Agargaon, Dhaka-1207.
15. Place/date/time of pre-tender meeting	Not applicable.
16. Eligibility of tenderer	All eligible tenderers except Israel.
17. Brief description of goods and services	Supply of 1,000 Nos. of Re-Writable CD (700 MB, 1X-4X), 1,000 Nos. of Recordable CD (700 MB) and 5,000 Nos. of Re-Writable CD (700 MB) for Bangladesh Betar on free delivery Dhaka basis.
18. Price of tender document	Tk. 500/- to be deposited (non-refundable) in the form of Treasury Challan to the code 1/3351/0001/2366 on the account of Director General, Bangladesh Betar.

Lot No	Identification of lot	Location	Tender security amount (Tk.)	Completion time in weeks/months
19. 1	Supply of Recordable CD and Re-Writable CD for Bangladesh Betar on free delivery Dhaka basis	Maintenance Section, Bangladesh Betar, Agargaon, Dhaka	Tk. 15,000.00 (fifteen thousand) only in the form of Pay Order/Bank Draft/Bank Guarantee from any scheduled bank of Bangladesh Bank in favour of the, Director General, Bangladesh Betar	4 (four) weeks

20. Name of official inviting tender	Md Taimur Rahman.
21. Designation of official inviting tender	Station Engineer on behalf of Director General.
22. Address of official inviting tender	Maintenance Section, Bangladesh Betar, Administrative Building, Agargaon, Dhaka-1207, Bangladesh.
23. Contact details of official inviting tender	Tel: +880-2-9123057, Fax: +880-2-9118784.
24. The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders.	

Md Taimur Rahman
Station Engineer
for Director General

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