

Patuakhali health service limps with 48 docs for 17 lakh people

116 posts lying vacant in dist, upazila hospitals

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Patuakhali

Health service in Patuakhali is badly suffering as 116 of the 164 posts of doctors have remained vacant in different hospitals and health complexes in the southern district.

Forty-eight doctors are now working for about 17 lakh people of seven upazilas in the district, making only one doctor available for about 35,000 people on an average.

In Dashmina upazila, 13 out of 15 and in Dumki 7 out of 9 doctor's post are vacant. In Mirzaganj upazila 12 out of 15, in Kalapara 15 out of 18, in Galachipa 21 out of 26, in Baulal 17 out of 23, in Sadar upazila 15 out of 18 posts are lying vacant.

In Patuakhali General Hospital, 14 out of 33 posts including senior surgeon of child, ENT are vacant while the post of junior consultant at TB clinic is vacant. The posts of medical officer at Civil Surgeon's Office and another post at District Reserve Store are also vacant.

All the posts of 66 assistant surgeons at the union level are vacant.

During a visit to Dashmina upazila Health Complex on Thursday, this correspondent found many patients return-



Poor accommodation coupled with shortage of doctors patients struggle to get treatment at Dashmina Upazila Health Complex in Patuakhali. The situation is not much different in most other health care centres in the district.

ing home without any treatment as only two doctors working there are too insufficient to cope with a number of

patients visiting there.

"I have come here with my one and a half months old child Salman as he is suffering

from fever for several days. I collected ticket from outdoor yesterday but returned home without any treatment. Today [Thursday] I came at about 9:30am. Now it is 1:30pm but I am yet to visit the doctor," Masuma, 35, of Bashbaria village under Dashmina upazila, said.

"We have to cover both outdoor and indoor services with only two doctors while seven of the nine posts of doctors have remained vacant here. On an average, 150 to 200 patients come for outdoor treatment daily but it is too difficult for us to give them enough attention," said the upazila health officer.

The picture of indoor treatment is even worse as over 100 patients daily seek treatment there.

"Sometimes patients and their visitors become annoyed with us as we cannot give proper attention to the patients," the health officer said.

Asked about the situation, Patuakhali Civil Surgeon Dr Humayun Kabir said, "We sent several letters to the higher authorities concerned urging them to fill up the vacant posts but to no effect."

"Despite shortage of doctors, we are trying our best to ensure health service for patients," he said.

Rajshahi College reopens hostels for examinees

RU CORRESPONDENT

The authorities of Rajshahi Government College yesterday reopened the college hostels to the students who are taking part in the different years' final examination under National University (NU).

The authorities closed the institution for an indefinite period on March 15 following clashes between Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) and Islami Chhatra Shibir on Rajshahi University campus the day before.

College sources said the academic council took the decision at an emergency meeting held in the college's conference room on Thursday night.

The meeting decided to reopen two male hostels and two female hostels from today. The college authorities asked all resident and non-resident students, who are taking part in the examinations, to carry identity cards with them during their stay on the campus and at the hostels.

When contacted, Principal Prof Ali Reza Muhammad Abdul Majid confirmed the news.

2 PBCP men get 37-yr jail in arms case

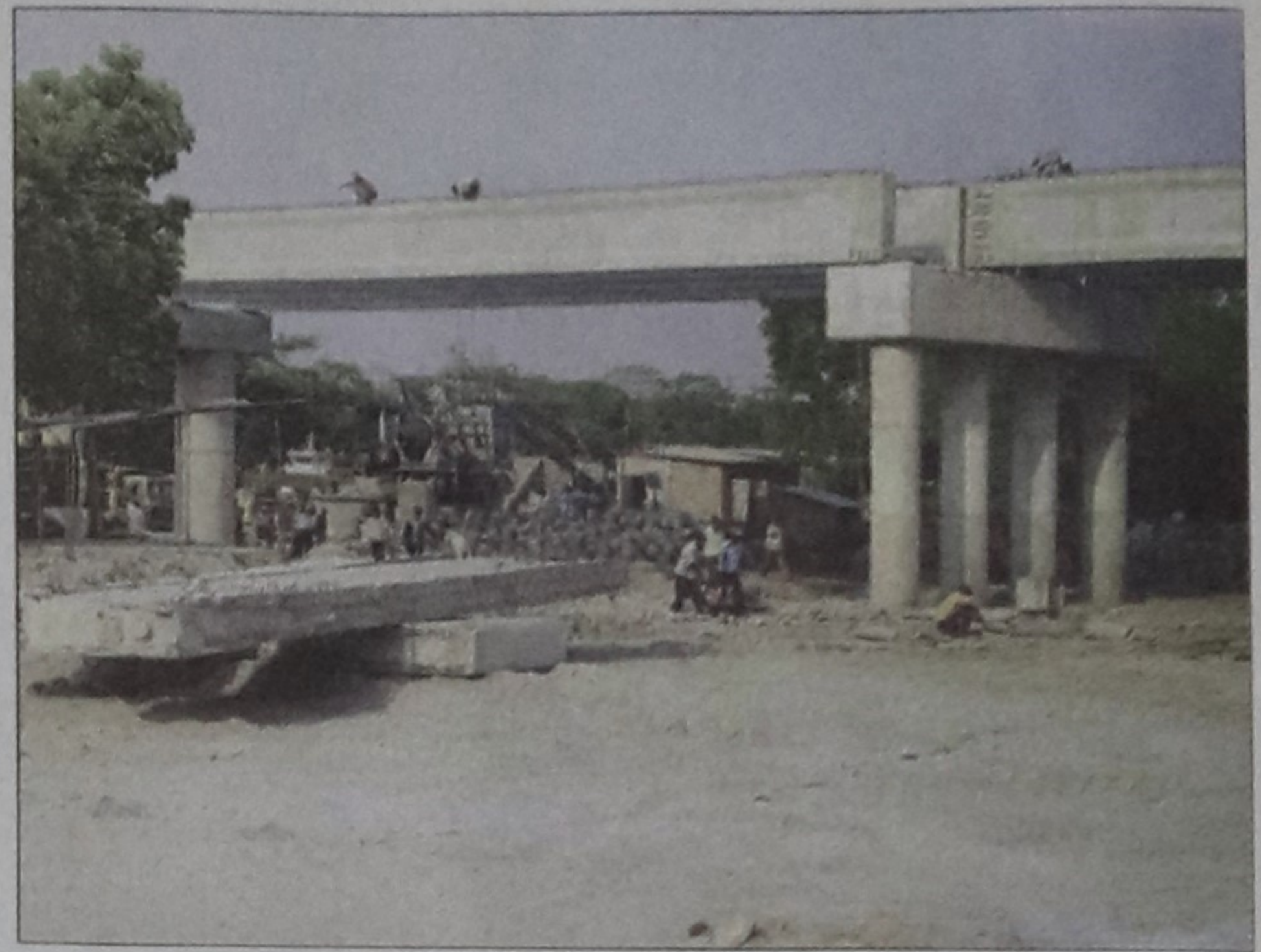
OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jhenidah

Two outlaws were sentenced to 37 years imprisonment each for possessing illegal arms while another was murdered by rivals in Jhenidah on Thursday.

Judge Rokeya Begum of Special Tribunal, Jhenidah, delivered the judgment in a crowded courtroom at noon. The convicts are Md Ayub Hossain of Brititidebi village and Md Ashraf Ali of Kacherkol village under Shaikupa upazila. Both are the members of Purbo Banglar Communist Party (PBCP-Janajuddha).

According to prosecution, law enforcers arrested the two PBCP members at a village in Shaikupa upazila on August 29, 2003 and seized a gun with 32 bullets from their possession. A case was filed against the two with Shaikupa Police Station under Arms Act the same day.

After examining witnesses and evidence, the judge pronounced the verdict.



Girder of this under-construction bridge across Khairabad River in Barisal district collapsed on Thursday. Project chief said the 'accident' will not affect work as the girder is going to be replaced soon.

250 BDR men under Dinajpur Sector marked as mutineers

They fired 3,288 bullets on February 26

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

At least 250 members of Bangladesh Rifles (BDR) have been identified as involved in Dinajpur BDR Sector headquarters under it -- Dinajpur-2, Phulbari-40, Thakurgaon-20, and Joypurhat-3.

As tension among the BDR men was quelled, Dinajpur police administration took over temporary charge of the four battalions under Dinajpur Sector on February 28 and sealed off their armours.

Counting of the bullets and arms of BDR sector and battalion headquarters, however, confirmed that no arms were missing.

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these battalions had led the BDR discipline-breakers.

As the unruly BDR men fired a number of bullets, panic spread among the villagers in areas around headquarters of BDR Dinajpur Sector and the four battalions under it -- Dinajpur-2, Phulbari-40, Thakurgaon-20, and Joypurhat-3.

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Bridge girder collapses

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barisal

A girder of under-construction bridge across Khairabad River in Barisal district collapsed on Thursday night.

The girder connecting pillars No 9 and 10 of the bridge across Khairabad River fell on the ground as it was misplaced, said Jewel Shah Kabir Shahin, chief coordinator of the Kirtankhola-Khairabad Bridges Construction Project.

Under the project, two-lane 1390 metres-long 'segmented box girder type' bridge across Kirtankhola and 274 metre-long 'pre-stressed concrete girder' bridge across Khairabad River with 4.3 kilometre-long approach roads are being constructed at Dapdapia and Khairabad points.

"The incident will not hamper construction of the bridge as the girder will be replaced very soon. It is an accident. This type of accident is not unusual," he said.

Food official jailed for corruption

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

A court here on Thursday sentenced a sub-inspector of Bagerhat Food department to 14 years imprisonment (SI) for misappropriating 321 tonnes of rice and wheat.

Judge Abdul Aziz Khalifa of Khulna Divisional Special Court also fined the convict Abdul Gani Sardar Tk 52 lakh, in default, he is suffer three more years in jail.

A case was filed against Gani with Rampal Police Station by now defunct bureau of anti-corruption, Bagerhat, on March 31, 2002 of misappropriating 321 tonnes of rice and wheat.

Dockers threaten strike, fast unto death at Mongla port

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

Over 4,000 sacked dockers of Mongla port has threatened to enforce a day-long strike in the port area on March 25 if their five-point demand are not met by March 24.

Mongla Sramik Sangha General Secretary Mohammad Shahabuddin announced the programme at a rally in front of the Sramik Sangha office yesterday. He said the dockers will again go on fast unto death to realise the demands.

The jobless dockers, who went on fast unto death last month, withdrew the programme after 48 hours on request of Khulna City Mayor Talukder Abdul Khaleque. The

mayor assured that he would play his role in getting demands of sacked dockers realised by March 15.

"We were really stunned when the mayor backtracked from his assurance of getting our demands realised after consultation with the ministry concerned," the Sramik Sangha leaders said.

The KCC mayor in a recent meeting with the leaders of Sramik Sangha, Mongla Port Authority and leaders of Stevedors' Association termed three out of five demands illegal. The three demands are repeal of Mongla Dock Workers Management Board Abolition Ordinance, abolition of newly introduced berth operating

system and reinstatement of all sacked dockers.

The mayor told this correspondent yesterday that any further attempt to create chaos at the port on the pretext of realisation of demands would be strongly resisted.

He said a vested quarter is inciting the sacked dockers at a time when Mongla Port is regaining its image lost earlier due to frequent labour unrests and factional clashes.

According to Member (operation) of Mongla Port Authority Md Lutfor Rahman, revenue earnings have gone higher than before only due to abolition of Dock workers' Management Board and introduction of berth operating system.

Motor Sramik League factions clash at Lalmonirhat

A CORRESPONDENT, Lalmonirhat

At least five people were injured as two factions of Motor Sramik League workers clashed each other over establishing supremacy at Lalmonirhat bus terminal yesterday noon.

The injured workers are bus driver Nurullah, 38, helper Remon, 25, Harun, 30, Sobur, 22, and Lokman, 25.

Backed by Chhatra League and Jubo League workers, a faction led by Lalmonirhat District Sramik League convener Tapon Kazi attacked the other faction jointly led by Aminul and Bulbul, secretary of Lalmonirhat Mortor Sramik Union, police and witnesses said.

Transport workers also blocked the Lalmonirhat-Burimari highway from 12.30 pm to 4.0 pm.

Both the groups claimed each others to be non-workers of the transport union.

Being informed, police rushed to the spot and brought the situation under control.

Tiger kills one in Sundarbans

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Satkhira

A fisherman was killed by a Royal Bengal tiger in Kachhikata canal in the Sundarbans yesterday morning.

Moksed Ali Sheikh, 50, son of Hayat Ali Sheikh of village Kashimari in Shyamnagar upazila was killed during fishing when a tiger swooped on him and dragged him into deep forest at about 10:00am, locals and police said.

স্বাস্থ্যসম্মত উপায়ে বাড়ির জলাধার পরিষ্কার করুন

ওয়াসা

ঢাকা ওয়াসার সম্মানিত গ্রাহকগণের অবগতির জন্য জানানো যাচ্ছে যে, নগরবাসীর জন্য যে খাবার পানি সরবরাহ করা হয় তা সম্পূর্ণভাবে নিরাপদ ও সুপেয়। শতকরা ৮৬ ভাগ ভূগর্ভস্থ আধার হতে গভীর নলকূপের মাধ্যমে এবং শতকরা ১৪ ভাগ পানি বুড়িগঙ্গা ও শীতলক্ষ্যা নদী থেকে এনে পরিশোধিত করার পর ল্যাবরেটরী টেস্ট এর মাধ্যমে ১০০% নিশ্চিত হয়ে নিরাপদ পানি হিসাবে লাইনে সরবরাহ করা হয়।

শুরু মৌসুমে শীতলক্ষ্যা ও বুড়িগঙ্গা নদীর পানি কিছুটা দূষিত থাকায় তা দূষণমুক্ত করার জন্য অতিরিক্ত ক্লোরিন এবং এলুমিনিয়াম সালফেট ব্যবহার করা হয়। ফলে পানিতে সহনীয় পর্যায়ে কিছুটা কেমিক্যালের গন্ধ থাকে।

নিরমিত পানির জলাধার পরিষ্কার না করার কারণে জলাধারে জমে থাকা শেওলা ও অন্যান্য আবর্জনা থাকার ফলে সরবরাহকৃত পানি দূষিত হতে পারে।

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DHAKA POWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY LTD

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Invitation for Tender

1. Ministry/Division	Ministry of Power, Energy & Mineral Resource / Power Division		
2. Agency	Dhaka Power Distribution Company Limited (DPDC)		
3. Procuring Entity Name	DGM (Technical), Grid O&M Circle, DPDC		
4. Procuring Entity District	Dhaka		
5. Invitation for	As stated in serial No. 13		
6. Invitation Ref. No. & Date	DPDC/DGM/Grnd O&M Circle/1 203/08/488,	Date:	18/03/09
KEY INFORMATION:			
7. Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method (OTM)		
FUNDING INFORMATION			
8. Budget and Source of Funds	DPDC'S Own Fund.		
PARTICULAR INFORMATION			
9. Tender last Selling Date, Closing & Opening Date and Time	Last Selling Date & Time	Closing & Opening Date	Closing Time
	07/04/09 3:00 PM	08/07/2009	12:00 Noon
			3:00 PM
10. Name & Address of the office for selling Tender Document, receiving & opening tender.	Selling		Receiving & Opening
	Office of the (a) GM (Technical), SOS, DPDC, 3, Sonargoan Road, Katabon, Dhaka.		Office of the Deputy General Manager (Technical), Grid O&M Circle, DPDC, 3, Sonargoan Road, Katabon, Dhaka.
	(b) DGM (Technical), Grid O&M Circle, DPDC, 3, Sonargoan road, katabon, Dhaka.		
	(c) Manager (Technical), Grid South, DPDC 12/1/B, Motijheel, Dhaka-1000.		
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER:			
11. Eligibility of Tenderer	(a) All tenderers regardless of whether enlisted or not enlisted with the Employer may submit Tenders providing they otherwise qualify. (b) The Required average annual turnover shall be greater than Tk. 10.00 Lacs for lot-1&2 and Tk. 5.00 (Five) Lacs for lot-3,4 & 5 over the last 3 (Three) years. (c) The Required No. of contracts similar to the proposed work completed shall be 1(One) over a period of last 3 (Three) years for lot-1, 2 & 3. The tenderer shall have a minimum of 3(Three) years of specific experience in the supply of Goods & related services for lot-4 & 5. (d) The minimum liquid assets or credit facilities will be Tk. 5.00 (Five) lacs for lot-1, Tk. 2.00 (Two) Lacs for lot-2 & Tk. 1.00 (One) lac for lot-3, 4 & 5.		
12. Price of the tender Document & Amount of Tender Security	As stated in Serial No.13. The amount of Money shall be payable in the form of Pay Order/Bank Draft issued from any schedule Bank in Bangladesh in favour of Deputy General Managing (Technical), Grid O&M Circle, DPDC for individual Lots.		
PARTICULAR OF LOTS			
Lot	Description of Work	Price of Tender Document	Tender Security Money
01	The yearly contract for cutting pacca road, earth work in excavation in all kind of soil for foundation of U/G cable trenches, RCC work and sand filling etc., including supply of related materials during repair & maintenance works of 132 kV Oil filled cable of Maniknagar to Narinda & Bangabhabon Grid S/S.	Tk. 1,000.00	Tk. 25,000.00
02	The repair and maintenance works of 33 kV O/H lines from Mirpur Grid to Satmosjit-Zigatola Sub-station for installation / replacement of Poles, conductor, Gaye Wire, anchor screw etc., including supply & fabrication of associated accessories.	Tk. 500.00	Tk. 15,000.00
03	Energization of 33 kV U/G cable from Satmosjit to Zigatola 33/11 kV S/S.	Tk. 300.00	Tk. 5,000.00
04	Supply & Installation of fire fighting equipment & refilling works of 132/33 kV Grid S/S, & 33/11 kV S/S under Manager (Tech.), Grid South.	Tk. 200.00	Tk. 5,000.00
05	Supply & Installation of fire fighting equipment & refilling works of 132/33 kV Grid S/S, & 33/11 kV S/S under Manager (Tech.), Grid Central.	Tk. 200.00	Tk. 5,000.00
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS:			
14. Name of Official Inviting Tender	Engr. Md. Aktarur Rahman		
15. Designation of Official Inviting Tender	Deputy General Managing (Technical), Grid O&M Circle, DPDC.		
16. Address of Official Inviting Tender	3, Sonargoan Road, Katabon, Dhaka.		
17. Special Instruction	(a) Tenderers should participate separately for each lot. (b) All other instruction is described in the tender document. (c) The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Tenders in any stage without assigning any reason whatsoever.		

(Md. Aktarur Rahman)
Deputy General Manager (Technical), Grid O & M Circle, DPDC.