Police sergeants paint grim picture of sealed fate

Many serving the same post for over two decades

ABDULLAH AL MAHMUD, Crg

"It's over 24 years that I am in the same post. Some people who were born in the year of our joining are now working with us in the same rank. There are instances of our batchmates' daughters getting married to see us as colleagues of their husbands

enjoying the same rank and status." These few words painted the deep frustration of a police sergeant when he and some of his colleagues had an occasion to meet some reporters here on Thursday.

"I joined the police department as sergeant in 1985. Like me many sergeants are serving in the same post for over two decades," he said.

yesterday.

programme.

day programme.

were set up in the fair.

Jamalpur Additional District

Magistrate Belayath Hossain

Talukder, Pogaldigha College

Principal Muazzam Hossain,

local UP chairman

Shamsuddin, and farmer

Nazimuddin were present as

special guests. Development

Wheel Executive Director Shah

Abdus Salam presided over the

change, children's art competi-

tion, cultural programme, essay

competition on agriculture and

Bangladesh, farmers talk on

right and responsible use of

agro inputs, debate on the use of

organic fertiliser, video show on

agriculture and socio-

economic development

Bangladesh marked the three-

products of farmers and rural

craftsmen and artistes and water

and sanitation programmes

ing agriculture and biodiversity

and creating awareness on

climate change, will contribute

to sustainable development of

rural livelihoods, especially

among the char dwellers, said

delegates and organisers at the

fair supported by Oxfam-GB.

Barcik is coordinating the

The fair, aiming at promot-

Twenty-two stalls displaying

Open discussion on climate

Many of his contemporaries have

similar tales to tell, indicating serious resentment growing among them over

the awfully slow process of promotion. They expect an end to the 'discrimination' so that their departmental status upgrades and social and family honour increases.

"The havilders we met during our training at Sarda Police Academy were promoted as inspectors five to seven years ago and are now getting salute from us. Even many people earlier working as constables under us are now in the rank of sub-inspectors or armed sub-inspectors. But we are sergeants till date," said a police sergeant serving at Bandarban.

"Only 19 of the 39 sergeants of our batch got their names on the promotion list but the decision is yet to be

implemented after around one and a half years," said the sergeant who joined the service in 1989.

Filing cases against influential persons for violation of traffic rule often put them in troublesome situation, said a few sergeants present on the occasion.

Minor faults like delay in submitting cases, taking seat on bike during duty, putting off the caps for a while, engaging in altercation and false allegation of harassment also stand as barriers to promotion, they said.

"Bad remarks from commuters stuck up in tailback only add to our agony while performing duty in scorching heat of the summer sun. As frustration prevails among sergeants due to delay in promotion, a section of nymity.

them indulge in different crimes and unethical activities, said a sergeant.

The sergeants suggested that creation of traffic inspector and patrol inspector posts in every district as well as engaging the sergeants of traffic department in highway duties could put an end to the stalemate regarding promotion.

When contacted, a high official of the police department admitted that sergeants' agony and expectation regarding promotion are very much logical.

Besides, steps for improving the sergeants' living standard and their overall betterment should be considered, said the official preferring ano-

at festival

Dinajpur

sources said.

and Tuhin.

control.

OUR CORRESPONDENT,

They clash even

A feud developed in the

evening over a raffle draw

lottery at the puja mandap

(stage). At one stage, it turned

into a violent clash. The clash-

ing groups equipped with

sharp weapons including

hockey sticks and wooden

sticks attacked each other

Police and local senior AL

leaders rushed to the spot and

brought the situation under

leaving five people injured.



Milk traders stage protest

Agitating milk traders at Bera Bazar in Pabna district pouring milk on Pabna-Sirajganj highway demanding steps to save milk production and processing industry. The traders in Bera and Santhia upazilas, who flooded roads with over 50 thousand litres of milk during last two days, said their business is now threatened as collection centres drastically reduced milk purchase from them in the wake of import of huge quantity of what they claimed low quality milk from India.

36 sued in Rajshahi, At least five BCL men were wounded in a factional clash at Basantí Puja festival at Borobari in Bochaganj upazila Comilla for '71 killing yesterday, police and party Three of the wounded were identified as Shanker, Ahad

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terday filed against 36 alleged occupation forces for killing two freedom fighters in murder. Rajshahi and Comilla in 1971.

In Rajshahi, Majedur Rahman Majnu, son of martyred freedom fighter Moyej Uddin Pramanik of Puthia, filed a case with the Chief Judicial Magistrate's Court, Rajshahi, accusing five identified and 25 unidentified people of killing his father in Charghat upazila during reports our staff correspon-

The five identified accused are Abdus Samad of Badhua, Moslem Ali of Maria, Abdul Majed of Baduria and Abdus Charghat upazila, and Bakkar Ali of Namajgram under Magistrate Court no 4, graveyard.

Puthia upazila.

The plaintiff in his case Two separate cases were yes- mentioned that around 25 unidentified members of Al collaborators of Pakistani Shams, Al Badr and razakars were also involved in the

> Ehsan accepted the case and December 16, 1971. asked Charghat police to take necessary legal actions after investigation.

The complainant further said the accused picked up his father from their house and killed him in front of Charghat regard. Dakbungalow Six alleged collaborators

Liberation War, in 1971, (rajakars) of Chouddagram along with a group of Pakistani upazila under Comilla district were sued yesterday for killing an organiser of the Liberation Warin 1971.

martyred freedom fighter Samad of Maria under Abdus Sattar Bhuiyan, filed the case with the Judicial

Comilla, according to UNB.

The accused are M Mostafa Molla, 75, Abdullah Mollah, 55, Obaidul Haq Molla, 53, Julfu Molla, Bhanu Molla and Ashraf Molla. Of them, Julfu, Bhanu and Ashraf were killed Judge Abu M Amimul by the freedom fighters on

Judicial Magistrate M. Zahiruddin accepted the case and asked the officer incharge (OC) of Chouddagram Police Station to take necessary legal actions in this

In the case statement, Monwara said the accused militia picked up Abdus Sattar from their house at Karpati village on June 16, 1971.

The collaborators took Monwara Begum, wife of Sattar to Belpur village and killed him. Local people later recovered the body and buried it at Karpari Majumder Bari

Rural livelihood र्ज ভाতागर रेगोर्नीन तलू क्सर प्रवाल fair ends A CORRESPONDENT, Jamalpur A three-day 'rural livelihood fair' arranged by NGO Development Wheel on Pogaldigha College ground at Tarakandi in Shahrashabari under Jamalpur district ended Earlier on Friday, Prof HKS Arefeen of the Department of Anthropology of Dhaka University, also chairman of Development Wheel, inaugurated the fair as chief guest while

PHOTO: BANGLAR CHOKH Students of Hajee Danesh Science and Technology University yesterday demonstrate at the

Administrative Building after confining the VC and several other teachers to press demands. CLASS BOYCOTT ON AT HAJEE DANESH UNIVERSITY

VC, teachers confined for realising demand

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

The students of Hajee Danesh Science and Technology University (HSTU) yesterday confined Vice Chancellor Prof Md Afzal Hossain along with for realisation of their demands including introduction of internship programme with 'decent allowance'.

The confined persons could not be rescued till filing of this reportat7:30pm.

Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) students of the university started an indefinite class boycott programme. programme as the authorities

failed to meet their demands within the deadline that ended the previous day.

Students of five other faculties of the institution also joined the BBA students to realise the

several other teachers and staffs Proctor Prof Md Ruhul Amin said university authorities formed a 13-members committee headed by former acting vice chancellor of Prof Md Ruhul Amin to look into the students' demand.

During a visit to the univer-Earlier on Thursday, sity yesterday this correspondent saw several senior teachers trying to persuade the agitating students to withdraw their

But the students remained confined.

stiff on their stance saying that they are tired of hearing assurances of starting internship course under various faculties for the last three years.

In the morning, students brought out a procession on the When contacted, HSTU campus and locked the Academic Building confining around a hundred students, teachers and staffs. Later teachers with the help of police opened the gate after breaking the locks.

But the agitating students again gathered inside the Administrative Building and blocked its first and second floor staircases at 11:30am when the vice chancellor along with a number of teachers and staff got

Cop's arms 'missing'

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Satkhira

A pistol and 16 bullets of a police official of Patkelghata Police Station in Tala upazila 'mysteriously went missing' on Saturday night.

Satkhira Superintendent of Police (SP) Abu Sufian yesterday formed a probe team led by Assistant Superintendent of Police (ASP) Abdul Hannan to look into the incident.

A three-member police team led by Assistant Sub-Inspector (ASI) Amirul Islam went to arrest a drug peddl at village Garerdanga in T upazila at about 10 pm. Wh they returned to Patkelgha Police Station Amirul fou that he had lost his pistol a the bullets.



Vacancy Announcement for Managing Director & CEO

- 1. Biman Bangladesh Airlines Limited invites applications from deserving candidates for appointment as Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer of the Airline. The position demands the following requirements:
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 - Knowledge of International Aviation & Safety Regulations.
 - Knowledge of Airline Marketing Techniques.
 - Knowledge of Aviation Agreements and Labor Laws.
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- 2. Salary: Negotiable (Candidates are encouraged to mention salary expectation.)
- 3. Only Short-listed candidates will be called for interview.
- 4. Interested candidates are requested to send their applications along with Complete CV and Photograph by 15 April 2009 to the following address.

Human Resources Biman Bangladesh Airlines Limited 'BALAKA', Kurmitola, Dhaka-1229

DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER

Sacked dockers cal hartal at Mongla STAFF CORRESPONDENT,

Over 4,000 sacked dockers of Mongla port have called a half-day hartal (strike) at Mongla upazila headquarters including the port area on Tuesday to press home their five-point demand.

The demands include payment of all arrears, cancellation of labour law (amendment) ordinance 2008 promulgated by immediate past Caretaker Government, immediate action against 11 mafias detected by the parliamentary standing committee of the Ministry of Shipping in 2004, re-installation of call station booking system and removal of corrupt officials of Mongla Port Authority.

hartal call at a rally held at dling at the port, said a senio Mongla Shramik Sangha official of the port authority.

maidan on Saturday.

They will also bring out hungry procession on April They will carry empty plat and utensils in the procession They declared that they w lay a siege to the office Mongla Port Authority April 12 if their demands a not met by today.

The sacked dockers will on a tougher agitation aft April 12 if their demands as not met within the stipulate period, said Mongla Po Sramik Sangha Genera Secretary Shahabuddi Ahmed.

Meanwhile, security me sures have been stepped up: Mongla Port area following announcement of the hartal.

Stern action will be take against those who will try They announced their hamper normal cargo han



Bheramara-Jessore-Khulna Gas Pipeline Implementation Movement Committee forms a human chain at Daratana Moar in Jessore town yesterday protesting alleged move to cancel gas pipeline project from Bheramara to Khulna via Jessore.

Bangladesh Power Development Board Invitation for International

			Re	e-Ter	nder		
1.	Ministry/Division			Ministry of Power, Energy & Mineral Resources/Pov Division.			
2.	Agency						
3.	Procuring entity name			Bangladesh Power Development Board (BPDB). Directorate of Purchase, BPDB, Dhaka.			
4.	Procuring entity code			Not used at present.			
5.	Procuring entity district			Dhaka.			
6.	Invitation for			Procurement of Spares for Process Portal B System Instrument & Control Division of Sikalbaha 60 MW Por Station, BPDB, Chittagong.			
7.	Invitation Re	No.		Pur-303/20	008.		
8.	Date			Date: 25-03-2009.			
KEY	INFORMATION						
FIINI	Procurement	method		Open tend	ering method.		
10.	DING INFORMATION Budget and source of funds			1 Page 1 / 1/0 1 / 1			
11	Budget and source of funds Development partners (if applicable)			Revenue budget (Cash foreign exchange allocation) of BPD			
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13.	Project/programme code (if applicable) Project/programme name (if applicable)			Not applicable. Not applicable.			
14.	Tender package No.			15 (FY 2008-2009).			
15.	Tender package name			Procurement of Spares for Process Portal B System			
				Instrument & Control Division of Sikalbaha 60 MW Pow			
				Station, BPDB, Chittagong.			
16.	Tender publication date			25/03/2009.			
17.	Tender last selling date			03-05-2009	03-05-2009 during office hours.		
18.	Tender closing date and time			04-05-2009 at 11.00 am (BST).			
19.	Tender opening date and time			04-05-2009 at 11.30 am (BST).			
20.	Name & address of the office(s)			Directorate of Purchase, BPDB, WAPDA Building (9th Floo 12, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka.			
	Selling tender document (principal)			Directorate of Purchase, BPDB, WAPDA Building (9th Floor 12, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka.			
	Selling tender document (others)			Not applicable.			
	Receiving tender document			Directorate of Purchase, BPDB, WAPDA Building (9th Floor 12, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka.			
	Opening tender document			Directorate of Purchase, BPDB, WAPDA Building (9th Floor 12, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka.			
21 INFOR	Place/date/tim	e of pre-tender meet TENDERER	ing	Not applicat			
22	Eligibility of ter			As per tende	er document.		
23	Brief description of goods or works			Procurement of Spares for Process Portal B System			
-				Instrument & Control Division of Sikalbaha 60 MW Powing Station, BPDB, Chittagong.			
24	Brief description of related services Price of tender documents			As per tender document Non-refundable BD Taka 500/- (five hundred) only in the form of Pay-Order in favour of Director, Directorate of Purchase BPDB, Dhaka.			
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00		Identification		Location	Tender security amount	Delivery period (validity of shipment	
26	for P Syster	rement of Spares rocess Portal B in of Instrument & of Division	Sta	kalbaha 60 IW Power ation, PDB,	USD 2,000.00 or BDTk	120 days from date of L/C opening	
PROC	JRING ENTITY		U	hittagong	1,40,000/-		
30 T	Name of official inviting tender			Md Abduhu Ruhullah.			
31	Designation of official inviting tender			Director.			
32	Address of official inviting tender			Directorate of Purchase, BPDB, WAPDA Building (9th Floor) 12, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka.			
33		of official inviting ten	der	Tel. 7126144	, Fax. 7126151.		
34	Special instruction			Any tender received by the purchaser after the deadline for submission of tenders shall be declared late, will be rejected and returned unopened to the tender.			
				The purchaser reserves the right to accept any tender to annu- the tender process, or to reject any or all tenders, at any time prior to contract award.			

This tender will be performed according to "The Public Procurement Rules-2008."

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Director

Directorate of Purchase

BPDB, Dhaka