

## DRASTIC FALL IN KAPTAI WATER LEVEL

## Transport thru' Rangamati waterway threatened

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Rangamati

Prolonged drought-like situation in the current dry season has led to a drastic fall in the water level of Kaptai Lake, much to the sufferings of locals due to navigation problem in the area.

As plying of big passenger launches has remained stopped for the last 20 days,

people of six of the ten upazilas in the district are facing difficulty in maintaining communication with the district headquarters.

Due to the navigation problem, prices of daily necessities at markets in remote areas of the district have increased as the commodities cannot reach in time, locals said.

Water communication

through the lake will be totally closed in next few days if there is not adequate rainfall, said Moeen Uddin Selim, a launch owner.

Currently, a number of shoals have emerged in Baghaichhari, Longudu, Barkal, Jurachhari, Bilaichari and Naniachar routes, threatening big passenger launches and trawlers.

Even small steamers now

find it difficult to ply different routes due to sharp fall in water level.

Massive landslides occur in the hills during the rainy season every year, and consequent silt deposition from the upper streams causes decrease of navigability in the Kaptai Lake.

Kaptai, the biggest artificial lake in the Southeast-Asia, created to harness the current

of the Karnaphuli River for Kaptai Hydroelectric Power Project in 1960, plays an important role in development of trade and commerce in the area as it facilitates transport through the waterways.

The lake is also famous for sweet water fishes and the government earns crores of taka as revenue from it every year.

But production of fishes in the lake, especially of the large species including ruhi, mrigel and katla, is gradually declining as deposition of silt damages the natural breeding grounds in the lake, sources in Bangladesh Fisheries Development Corporation said.

If the lake is not dredged on an emergency basis, plying of launches and boats on different routes connecting six upazilas in the district might see a complete closure within a few years, experts said.

Launch owners and traders have also expressed similar fear.

Meanwhile, the district administration has requested the mayor of Rangamati Municipality to see that the town people refrain from dumping wastes into the lake to keep the water pollution-free.

"I have also asked the mayor to remain watchful about hill cutting so that natural disaster can be averted," said Rangamati Deputy Commissioner Sourendra Nath Chakraborty.



PHOTO STAR

With emergence of large islands and shoals on the Kaptai Lake in Rangamati, plying of vessels on the important waterway in the district is threatened at the end of the current dry season.

## Fake pro-VC, engr held

RU CORRESPONDENT

Police has arrested two persons from Talaimari in Rajshahi city for trying to cheat a job seeker by giving false identity as Rajshahi University pro-vice chancellor and an engineer.

Police also seized fake identity cards of RU and 'recruitment-related' papers from the procession of the arrestees -- Hadiul Islam Madhu of village Nawpara under Puthia upazila of Rajshahi and Zahidul Islam, a resident of Meherchandi area near the RU.

On Thursday night, Madhu and Zahidul introduced themselves as RU pro-vice chancellor and an engineer respectively, and demanded Tk 60,000 as 'donation' from one Mainul Islam assuring him job of a computer operator at RU, sources said. Mainul told locals of the matter and after interrogation it was revealed that Madhu and Zahidul had given false identity.

People beat them up and handed them over to police.

## Jubok chief, 4 others sued in Magura

OUR CORRESPONDENT,  
Magura

A client of Jubok Housing Ltd has filed a cheating and misappropriation case against Jubok Housing chief Lokman Hossain and four other officials of the organisation.

The five people misappropriated about Tk 5 crore from several hundred clients, complainant Mehedi Hasan Lipon said in the case filed with Magura Sadar Police Station on Thursday.

The other accused in the case are Jubok Executive Director Hossain-Al-Masum, its Khulna divisional chief Md Reza, Magura district office coordinator AFM Shamsul Ala and secretary Asaduzzaman Kanon.

## 'Punish temple attackers in Ctg'

STAFF CORRESPONDENT,  
Chittagong

Over five hundred Hindu devotees yesterday formed a human chain in front of Chittagong Press Club protesting attack on a temple at Nandankanan in the port city on Thursday.

At a rally during the programme arranged by International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON), speakers demanded punishment of the attackers on Sri Sri Gouro Nital Asram, an orphanage run by Sri Sri Radha Madhava Mandir at Nandankanan in the city.

After entering the temple at around 4:00pm on Thursday, a gang vandalised furniture and a statue and beat up devotees, injuring of them, sources said.

A section of people are trying to take control of the temple and the orphanage conducted by members of ISKCON, said Dibya Nimai Das Brahmachari, general secretary of Chittagong chapter of ISKCON.

Bangladesh Puja Uddjapan Parishad divisional Organising Secretary advocate Chandan Talukder, Parishad city unit General Secretary Gonesh Dey, former General Secretary Ashis Bhattacharya and ISKCON Chittagong unit President Lilaraj Gouro Das Brahmachari addressed the rally, among others.

Kotwali Police Station Officer-in-Charge Mohiuddin Mahmud said the incident was sequel to an internal feud between two groups in the organisation.

## 12 robbers held with booty

OUR CORRESPONDENT,  
Tangail

Police yesterday arrested 12 robbers in Mirzapur upazila under Tangail district while the gang was fleeing in a microbus after committing a robbery on a passenger bus on the Dhaka-Tangail highway.

The armed robbers in guise of passengers boarded a Tangail bound bus of Dhaleswari Paribahan from Mohakhali in the capital at around 9:30pm and looted money and other valuables from

bus passengers, police said.

When the bus reached Pakulla in Mirzapur upazila at around 11:30pm, the gang got down from it and was fleeing in a microbus.

On information, police took position in Charpara area, intercepted the microbus and arrested the robbers. The law enforcers also recovered 29 mobile phone sets, Tk 56,000 and some lethal weapons from their (robbers) possession.

Police said the arrested robbers hail from Mymensingh, Jamalpur, Barisal and Tangail.

## Quick solution to Khulna city water crisis demanded

STAFF CORRESPONDENT,  
Khulna

Over 200 people, carrying empty pitchers, took out a procession from Shaheed Hadis Park in the city yesterday demanding immediate solution to water crisis in the metropolis by installing more deep tube-wells. After parading thoroughfares, the

processionists assembled at Hadis Park and held a rally, which was addressed member-secretary of Khulna Nagorik Samaj Advocate Feroze Ahmed and leaders of different professional, non governmental and socio-cultural organisations.

Speakers demanded solution to water crisis in

the city by installing adequate deep tube-wells, gas supply to the city through pipeline, ban on sale of bottled water, immediate steps to free city's 22 canals from illegal occupation, ban on saline water-related cultivation of shrimp in the south-western region and protection of Mayur river at Gallamari in the city.

## SNAPS AND SNIPPETS

## Lightning kills 3

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Three people were killed by lightning in Chapainawabganj and Meherpur districts yesterday. In Chapainawabganj, Shamsuddin Miah, 80, and Chen Banu, 45, were killed as lightning struck them when they were working in their croplands at Alinagar in Gomastapur upazila at noon, reports UNB. Cattle trader Babul Kamar, 40, of Ramdashpur village under the upazila, was killed by lightning at Bamundi Market under Gangni upazila of Meherpur district at around 5:00pm yesterday, reports a correspondent.

## Two electrocuted in Faridpur

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Faridpur

Two boys were electrocuted at Shakrai village under Laskardia union of Nagarkanda upazila yesterday morning. The dead are Gonesh, 12, son of Deben Kirtania and Ratan, 9, son of Sunil Mondol. Police and local sources said the boys came in contact with a live electric wire when they were playing at a place near their houses. Ratan's mother was critically injured as she tried to rescue the boys. She is undergoing treatment at Faridpur Medical College Hospital.

## Attack on newsmen protested

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Patuakhali

Journalists of Patuakhali Science and Technology University (PSTU) on Thursday formed a human chain on the campus wearing black masks protesting attack on two university correspondents the same day. A gang of attackers allegedly led by a student leader named Milon attacked Atikur Rahman, university correspondent for the Daily Amar Desh and MA Raju, university correspondent for the Naya Diganta, on the campus. Participants demanded punishment to the attackers. Contacted, PSTU registrar said steps will be taken against the culprits after proper investigation.

## BTRC-Banglalink rally in Ctg

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Chittagong

A colourful procession was brought out here yesterday to mark the World Telecommunication and Information Society Day. Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory Commission (BTRC) and mobile phone operator Banglalink jointly organised it to make people aware about different aspects of the information and communications technology (ICT). The procession was brought out from GEC intersection at around 11:00am and ended at the Institution of Engineers Bangladesh (IEB) Chittagong.

## Heroin seized, one held

RU CORRESPONDENT

Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) yesterday seized heroin kept in 17 small packets from Atubata village under Godagari upazila of Rajshahi district. The Rab men also arrested a drug peddler named Sultan Ali, 30, in this connection. They later handed over the arrestee and heroin to the police station concerned.



PHOTO: BANGLAR CHOKH

Comilla Sadar (South) Upazila Parishad and Department of Social Welfare distribute wheel chairs among 32 physically challenged people in the area yesterday.



PHOTO: STAR

Protesters form a human chain on the premises of the Central Shaheed Minar in Chittagong city yesterday demanding punishment to the rapists and killers of a Marma girl at Gazalia in Bandarban.

| Civil Aviation Authority of Bangladesh                             |                                                          |                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                          |                                                 |                                                       |
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| Office of the Chief Engineer<br>Headquarter, Kurmitola, Dhaka-1229 |                                                          |                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                          |                                                 |                                                       |
| Tender Notice                                                      |                                                          |                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                          |                                                 |                                                       |
| 01.                                                                | Agency/Department                                        | :                                        | Civil Aviation Authority of Bangladesh.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                          |                                                 |                                                       |
| 02.                                                                | Source of funds                                          | :                                        | CAAB own fund.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                          |                                                 |                                                       |
| 03.                                                                | Procurement method                                       | :                                        | Open Tendering Method (OTM).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                          |                                                 |                                                       |
| 04.                                                                | Invitation for tenders Ref. & date                       | :                                        | No. CAAB/SE(EM)/Accts-70/                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                          |                                                 |                                                       |
| 05.                                                                | Eligibility of tenderers                                 | :                                        | CAAB enlisted "A" class & above class E/M contractors or equivalent class contractors enlisted in any gov/semi-gov/autonomous body's having valid "ABC" class electrical Contracting & Supervisory License and at least one E/M work within last 5 (five) years amounting Tk. 10.00 lac supported by completion certificate issued by an officer not below the rank of Executive Engineer from any gov/semi-gov/autonomous department.                          |                                                                          |                                                 |                                                       |
| 06.                                                                | Name & address of the office(s) selling tender document  | :                                        | Tender papers will be available from the CAAB office of the Superintending Engineer, E/M Circle, Director, CEMSU, Executive Engineer, E/M Division-I, P.A. to Member (Ops & Plans), P.A. to Chief Engineer & P.A. to Director, ZIA during the office hours. Up-to-date enlistment renewal fee receipt, VAT registration certificate, Income Tax, TIN & experience certificates in original must have to be shown at the time of purchasing the tender document. |                                                                          |                                                 |                                                       |
| 07.                                                                | Name & address of the office receiving & opening tender  | :                                        | Office of the Chief Engineer, CAAB, Headquarters, CAAB, Kurmitola, Dhaka.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                          |                                                 |                                                       |
| 08.                                                                | Last date & time for selling tender document             | :                                        | Up to 1700 hours on 03-06-2009.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                          |                                                 |                                                       |
| 09.                                                                | Last date & time for submission of tender                | :                                        | Up to 1200 hours on 04-06-2009.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                          |                                                 |                                                       |
| 10.                                                                | Date & time for opening of tender                        | :                                        | At 1230 hours on 04-06-2009.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                          |                                                 |                                                       |
| 11.                                                                | Brief description of goods & services (works & services) |                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                          |                                                 |                                                       |
|                                                                    | Lot No.                                                  | Identification of lot                    | Name of work                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Location                                                                 | Price of tender document in Taka                | Tender security amount in Taka                        |
|                                                                    | 1.                                                       | Package No. 55/CAAB/E-M-I(O&M)/2008-2009 | Roof Top Chilled Water Pipe Inter Connection from 2 X 200 RT Chiller Pipe Line to Boarding Bridge No. 1 & 6 Central A/C System                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Zia International Airport                                                | Tk. 1000/- (one thousand) only (non-refundable) | Tk. 58,500/- (fifty-eight thousand five hundred) only |
|                                                                    |                                                          |                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                          |                                                 | 15 (fifteen) days                                     |
| 12.                                                                | Special condition                                        | :                                        | The procuring entity reserves the right to accept any tender or part thereof or reject all the tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                          |                                                 |                                                       |
| 13.                                                                | Special instruction                                      | :                                        | In case of any unavoidable circumstances if the transport & communication systems are totally disrupted on the last date of receiving & opening of the tender, the tender will be received & opened on the next office day. Other terms & conditions of the tender will remain unchanged.                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                          |                                                 |                                                       |
| CAAB/PR-88/2009/620<br>Date: 11.5.2009<br>GD-2436                  |                                                          |                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Harunur Rashid Bhuiyan<br>Chief Engineer (C/C)<br>CAAB, Kurmitola, Dhaka |                                                 |                                                       |

| Civil Aviation Authority of Bangladesh                                     |                                                          |                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                               |                                                 |                                           |
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| Short Tender Notice                                                        |                                                          |                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                               |                                                 |                                           |
| 01.                                                                        | Agency/Department                                        | :                                          | Civil Aviation Authority of Bangladesh.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                               |                                                 |                                           |
| 02.                                                                        | Source of funds                                          | :                                          | CAAB own fund.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                               |                                                 |                                           |
| 03.                                                                        | Procurement method                                       | :                                          | Restricted tendering method.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                               |                                                 |                                           |
| 04.                                                                        | Invitation for tenders Ref. & date                       | :                                          | No. CAAB/SE(EM)/Accts-70/ Dated: 10-05-2009.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                               |                                                 |                                           |
| 05.                                                                        | Eligibility of tenderers                                 | :                                          | CAAB enlisted "A" class & above class E/M contractors having valid "ABC" class electrical contracting & supervisory license and at least one E/M work within last 5 (five) years amounting Tk. 5.00 lac supported by completion certificate issued by an officer not below the rank of Executive Engineer from any gov/semi-gov/autonomous department.                                                                                                                                     |                                                                               |                                                 |                                           |
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| 09.                                                                        | Last date & time for submission of tender                | :                                          | Up to 1200 hours on 02-06-2009.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                               |                                                 |                                           |
| 10.                                                                        | Date & time for opening of tender                        | :                                          | At 12:30 hours on 02-06-2009.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                               |                                                 |                                           |
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|                                                                            | 1.                                                       | Packaged No. 189/CAAB/E-M-I(O&M)/2008-2009 | Chilled pipe/valves arrangement modification with header system at Chiller Plants Boarding Bridge No. 5                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Zia International Airport                                                     | Tk. 1000/- (one thousand) only (non-refundable) | Tk. 33,000/- (thirty-three thousand) only |
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| CAAB/PR-58/2009/659<br>Date: 12-5-2009<br>GD-2473                          |                                                          |                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | AKM Abdur Rafique Dewan<br>Superintending Engineer<br>E/M Circle, CAAB, Dhaka |                                                 |                                           |