

SNIPPETS

AL men occupy BNP office

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Patuakhali

Activists of ruling Awami League (AL) forcibly occupied the BNP office of Patuakhali district unit on Tuesday morning. BNP yesterday protested the incident at a press conference where Maksud Ahmed Bayezid Panna, joint convener of district unit read out a written statement. According to the statement, over a hundred party leaders and activists on Tuesday gathered at BNP party office as the party announced its new convening committee for district unit. When they left the place a group of AL activists occupied the office. They also hung a signboard. BNP filed a case with Sadar police station in this connection.

2 killed in Chuadanga

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Kustia

Criminals slaughtered two people, aged between 30 and 35, in Chuadanga on Tuesday night. Police yesterday recovered the bodies from a field at Boalia village Jagannathpur in Damurhuda upazila. One of the victims was wearing half-shirt and jeans pant while the other was in T-shirt and lungi. The bodies were sent to Chuadanga Sadar Hospital for autopsy. Police suspect criminals abducted them before murder and dumped the bodies in the field.

BCL men sued for extortion

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Netrakona

A case was filed with Netrakona police station against 14 Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) activists including Sohel, Ibrahim and Iqbal of Satpai on charge of extortion and damaging a Chittagong bound passenger bus. Police and locals said, the BCL activists damaged the bus on Tuesday as the driver refused to pay illegal toll. During the incident at least 10 bus passengers were injured. Netrakona police arrested Sohel, Ibrahim and Iqbal and sued 14 alleging extortion.

Two outlaws get life

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barisal

A Barisal court yesterday awarded two outlaws belonging to Kamrul group to life imprisonment for murdering a cadre of rival Zia group in Gourmadi upazila. Nasir Pramanik and Lokman Bepari were also fined each Tk 5,000, in default, to suffer more three months in jail. Kamrul group leader Reazul Karim Faku earlier died in a 'shootout' with law enforcers on October 31, 2004. According to the prosecution story, Kamrul group cadres led by Faku raided the house of Khokan Sardar, 31, a cadre of rival Zia group on June 4, 2004. They shot Khokan to death in front of his house and left the spot chanting slogans.

Mother, daughter take life

A CORRESPONDENT, Comilla

A woman and her daughter committed suicide yesterday allegedly by taking poison in Purnabazar area in Debidwer upazila. Locals said Mazida Begum, 55, wife of Arafat Ali and her daughter Salma Akhter, 20, took poison at around 8.00am after a serious quarrel. Police recovered the bodies and sent them to Comilla Medical College Hospital for autopsy.

Wall collapse kills one

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Satkhira

An Aila victim who took shelter at a dilapidated building in Assassuni upazila was killed and two others were injured when a wall collapsed early morning yesterday. Karuna Bala Sarkar, 40, wife of Arabinda Kumar Sarkar of village Manikhal died on the spot while injured Arabinda Kumar Sarkar, 47, of village Manikhal and Beli Dasi, 38, of village Madia were admitted to Assassuni Health Complex.

JUST starts journey

A CORRESPONDENT, Jessore

The inaugural classes of the first batch at Jessore University of Science and Technology (JUST) started on the Ambort-tola campus yesterday. Vice chancellors of four public universities took the inaugural classes. To mark the day, a function was held at the academic building with JUST Vice Chancellor Prof Abdus Sattar in the chair. Prof Alaaddin, vice chancellor of Islamic University in Kushtia, Prof Saifuddin Shah, vice chancellor of Khulna University, Prof Nowsher Ali Morol, vice chancellor of Khulna University of Engineering and Technology spoke on the occasion.

Chevron-run school's success

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Nadampur High School, one of nine schools run by Chevron Bangladesh at Bibiyana in Habiganj district held a function on the school premises on Monday to mark the school's excellent results in SSC exams this year. The school captured 7th place among the ten best schools under Sylhet education board and 2nd position among all Habiganj schools. All 42 candidates from the school came out successful. Nadampur High School is the first to achieve hundred percent success among 16 Nabiganj high schools. Chevron's Director of External Affairs Naser Ahmed was present at the function as chief guest, says a press release.

15 hurt as AL men clash

A CORRESPONDENT, Benapole

At least 15 people including two policemen were injured when two AL factions clashed over capturing Horinapota Baor, a water body, at Sharsha yesterday afternoon. Police said, Mizan group and Hasan group locked in clash over possession of the water body and both the factions attacked police when they tried to bring the situation under control. Seriously injured policemen Abdul Wahab and Ayub Ali were admitted to local police hospital.

Nor'wester kills one

A CORRESPONDENT, Kishoreganj

Nor'wester killed one person and injured more than 200 and damaged hundreds of houses and uprooted trees on Tuesday night in Mithamoin upazila. The half-an-hour storm lashed seven unions of the upazila killing Taslima, 15, daughter of Samsuddin of village Daulatpur in a house collapse.

BNP men say 'no' to new convening committees

Leaders, activists stage protest in districts

STAR NATIONAL DESK

Aggrieved BNP leaders and activists yesterday brought out protest processions in Pabna, Chuadanga, Barisal and Barguna districts, rejecting the new convening committees.

BNP men paraded the main streets of Pabna town yesterday demanding cancellation of the newly declared convening committee of Pabna district unit BNP, reports our correspondent.

On Tuesday, the party central committee declared a seven-member convening committee of Pabna district unit BNP with Habibur Rahman Tota as convener and Major (ret'd) KS Mahmud, Toufique Habib, former law-maker Salim Reza Habib, Abdullah Al Mahmud Mannan, advocate Masud Khandaker and Purnima Islam as joint conveners.

Rejecting the new committee, BNP leaders and activists brought out a procession in the town on Tuesday night.

The aggrieved party men again brought out a large procession from Pabna town hall premises yesterday noon. They paraded the main streets of the town and chanted slogans demanding cancellation of the new committee.

The BNP activists burnt the effigy of Shamsur Rahman Shimul Biswas, the personal assistant of BNP chairperson Khaleda Zia, in front of Pabna town hall premises.

They declared Shimul Biswas and the new convening committee members unwanted in Pabna.

At a press conference on the Pabna Press Club premises at about 1.00pm, speakers said most of the responsible leaders of the previous committee were left out as the new committee was formed ignoring the opinion of grassroots BNP leaders.

Meanwhile, the leaders of



BNP leaders and activists bring out a procession in Pabna town yesterday demanding cancellation of the newly declared district convening committee, below, aggrieved party men burn the effigy of Shamsur Rahman Shimul Biswas, personal assistant to BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia

the new convening committee said the party central committee formed the new body with dedicated workers to form a regular district unit committee.

Our Kushtia Correspondent reports: Leaders and activists of BNP and its front organisations in Chuadanga yesterday protested formation of the new convening committee of the district.

They also declared new convenor Haji Mozammel Haq, a former lawmaker of Chuadanga-1, unwanted in the district.

Mozammel had joined with 'reformists' group during the hard days of the party when party Chairperson Khaleda Zia was imprisoned, said local BNP leaders in a meeting held at district BNP office.

Demanding immediate removal of Mozammel from the convening committee, they also declared fresh programmes including protest programme in every upazila today.

Our Barisal Correspondent adds: A large number of BNP leaders' and activists have rejected the newly announced



Barisal district and city committees of the party.

At a press conference in a restaurant in Barisal city yesterday afternoon, BNP leaders alleged that the Barisal district and city committees excluded dedicated leaders and included 'reformist' and 'controversial' persons.

They warned of resignation if the announced committees are not reconstituted removing the 'reformists and opportunists'.

District BNP Secretary Nazrul Islam Rajon read out a written statement at the conference.

Leaders and activists of Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal in Barguna district brought out a procession on Tuesday night protesting the announcement of district BNP committee with Matiur Rahman Talukdar as convener.

They declared the new convenor person a non grata.

BCL factions clash over CMC unit

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

At least eight activists of Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) Chittagong Medical College unit and a doctor of the college were injured during a BCL factional clash over formation of a new committee on Tuesday night.

Campus sources said the two factions—one led BCL CMC unit Convener Ripon Das and another by BCL leader Ridwan attacked each other when the college unit was holding a meeting over forming of a new body at the main male hostel in the city's Chatterswary Road at around 10.30pm.

Both sides chased each other and used iron rods and hockey sticks during the clash They assaulted Dr Dhiman Barua, also a former leader of BCL CMC unit, when he tried to pacify them.

Of the injured, Dr Dhiman and four BCL men— Irfan, Faisal, Sunny and Limon— were admitted to CMCH while the rest given first aid.

Police and Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) brought the situation under control at around 2.00am. The law enforcers later arrested 13 BCL activists, three doctors and two interns at the hostel.

The college authorities yesterday formed a four-member committee led by Vice-Principal Prof Amin Uddin A Khan to investigate the incident.

CMC Principal Prof Gofranul Hoque said the situation is under control and police have been deployed on the CMC campus and the main hostel to avert any further untoward incident.

SYLHET, BANDARBAN

Charge-framing dates for 91 mutineers fixed

STAR NATIONAL DESK

In another sedition case, Sylhet District and Sessions Judge's Court yesterday deferred charge-framing against 51 BDR personnel of 21 Battalion to July 13.

Judge Md Momin Ullah fixed the date as the public prosecutor prayed for time extension. The judge also fixed the same date for hearing the bail petition of the accused, court sources said.

Meanwhile, Bandarban District and Sessions Judge's Court yesterday fixed June 16 for charge-framing against 40 BDR personnel in a sedition case.

Our staff correspondent from Sylhet reported that the chief judicial magistrate had earlier sent the records of two sedition cases filed against 108 BDR men to the district and sessions judge to start trial process.

Officer-in-charge (OC) of

Sylhet Kotwali Police Station Syeduzzaman filed three separate cases with the Chief Judicial Magistrate's Court on May 17 accusing 142 BDR men of Sylhet Sector Headquarters and two battalions of staging mutiny at their respective stations following Pilkhana 'revolt'.

Of the mutineers, 51 are from 21 Battalion, 57 from 38 Battalion and 34 from Sector Headquarters in Sylhet.

Our Bandarban correspondent adds: District and Sessions Judge Hrisui Kesh Saha fixed June 16 to frame charges against 40 BDR men in a sedition case filed against them.

Police and Rab arrested the BDR personnel on May 14 on charge of staging a mutiny at zonal headquarters in Naikhongchari upazila on February 26.

The judge also rejected the bail petitions of the accused submitted to the court through Advocate Quazi Mohatul Hossain.



Bangladesh Chhatra League brings out a procession in Khagrachhari town yesterday protesting 'tender manipulation and extortion' by senior party leaders.

ATTACK ON ASSASSUNI BCL OFFICE

Charges pressed against 28 BNP, Jamaat men

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Satkhira

Charges were yesterday pressed against 28 people, including Assassuni upazila Juba Dal General Secretary Nurul Haque, in the case filed last month alleging ransack of Assassuni upazila Chhatra League (BCL) office.

The Investigation Officer (IO) of the case submitted the charge sheet to the Chief Judicial Magistrate's Court, Satkhira.

The other charge-sheeted accused are Idris Ali, Nur Islam, Karim Sardar, Kamal Hossain, Rajab Ali, Tutul, Ruhul Amin Bhandul, Morshed Ali, Ruhul Amin, Khorshed Ali, Abdul Mazid, Shakil ahmed, Kena gazi, Mizanur Rahman, Mostafa Moral, Senat Sardar, Abdul Wadood, Arshad ali, Bakul Gazi, Ferdous, Nazrul Islam, Bara Babu, Palash, Morshed Alam, Rashidul Alam, Dablu, and Shahidul Islam. All of them are leaders and activists of local BNP, Jamaat and their front organisations.

Sources said the investigation officer (IO) allegedly dropped names of four accused—Jewel, Ebadul, Jamal and Nur-e-Alam—from the charge-sheet as the complainant 'failed to prove' the charges brought against them.

On May 28, local leaders and activists of Jatiyatabadi Juba Dal and Chhatra Dal, youth and student fronts of BNP and Chhatra Shibir, student front of Jamaat-e-Islami and BCL, student front of ruling Awami League (AL) clashed over distribution of relief goods among the cyclone Aila victims at Assassuni.

To retaliate, leaders and activists of Jatiyatabadi Juba Dal and Chhatra Dal, and Chhatra Shibir attacked the BCL office and desecrated the portraits of father of the nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina there.

BCL leader Mahitur Rahman filed a case with Assassuni Police Station against them under the speedy Trial Act.

In guise of guests

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Nilphamari


Nine members of a family fell unconscious at their house at Markas Masjidpara of the town as a couple, introducing themselves as relatives, fed them some sweetsmeats yesterday morning.

Introducing themselves as relatives, Mazedul Islam and his wife Sathi Begum of Chak Jummapara village in Lalmonirhat district, came to the house of bus driver Idris Ali at Markas Masjidpara, on Tuesday night and stayed there after dinner, locals said.

While taking breakfast yesterday morning, they offered the inmates of Idris Ali's house some sweetmeat, saying that it had the blessings from a mazar. After taking the sweetmeat all the members of the family fell unconscious.

As neighbours sensed something wrong and charged the guests, the latter feigned losing sense.

Inmates were taken to Nilphamari Sadar Hospital. Locals detained Mazedul and Sathi and handed them over to police.



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Job Responsibilities	Qualification & Experiences
a. To advise the Commission on various technical matters and policy issues.	a. Minimum Bachelor or higher degree in Telecommunication/Electrical Engineering or related fields from a reputed university.
b. To assist the Commission in evaluating new technologies and related services.	b. At least 12 years effective experience in Telecommunication Industry in the area of new technology implementation and management.
c. To monitor the existing technologies and assessing compliance to appropriate licences.	c. Understanding of voice and data network switching and telecommunications applications in a diverse, multi-campus and wide area networked environment.
d. To recommend the Commission on formulating policies and regulations on technology importation and deployment.	d. Understanding of network (TCP/IP) and industry standard protocols such as Telnet, Remote Access Server (RAS), File Transfer Protocol (FTP), Trivial File Transfer Protocol (TFTP), Virtual Private Network (VPN), other various connection methods to support remote connections to systems.
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