

SNAPS AND SNIPPETS

Swine flu awareness campaign

A RU CORRESPONDENT

The students of Rajshahi University (RU) yesterday launched a campaign to create awareness against swine flu. They formed a human chain in front of the university central library at around 11:00am, urging the government and the university authorities to take measures to test swine flu at the university medical centre free of cost. They advised students to consult doctors if they have a high temperature accompanied by sneeze and cough.

Lightning kills 3 girls

A CORRESPONDENT, Comilla

Three people were killed by lightning in Muradnagar upazila of the district yesterday morning. The dead are Sumi Akhter, daughter of Rabiu, Maksuda Khatun, daughter of Khair Khan and Mitu Akhter, daughter of Nabiullah of Aicher village. Sources said the three were struck by lightning while plucking water lily in a pond. Lightning also killed two people -- Eshon Miah of Chandnail village and Tahidul Islam of Shahapur village under the upazila--Thursday evening.

Youth shot dead by criminals

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Kushtia

Criminals shot dead a young man at Jagannathpur village under Alamdanga upazila of Chuadanga district on Friday night. The body of Majnu, 22, son of Muktar Hossain of the village, was found beside a road near Alamdanga Railway Station yesterday. Police said Majnu might have been killed while returning home from Alamdanga Bazar.

Mother sues gambler son

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Nilphamari

An octogenarian woman at Palashbari village under Sadar upazila filed a case with Sadar Police Station against her gambler son yesterday. Mokona, 81, was beaten up by her son Dulal Mia, 45, for protesting gambling at her house. Mokona said she tried time and again to persuade her son to give up the bad practice but to no effect. Finding no way, she filed a case against her son with Sadar Police Station.



PHOTO: STAR

Cross sections of people join a human chain organised by Mukti Joddha Sangsad at Shaheb Bazar Zero Point in Rajshahi city yesterday demanding reinstatement of BRTC bus service on Rajshahi-Bogra-Charghat route.

Protest rally in Thakurgaon

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

National Committee to Protect Oil, Gas, Mineral Resources, Power and Ports Thakurgaon unit yesterday held a rally in the district town protesting police action on a procession of the committee in the capital on Wednesday. The speakers also demanded punishment to those who charged batons on the leaders and members of the committee including its member-secretary Prof Anu Muhammad. Chaired by Thakurgaon unit convenor Principal Merazul Hossain, the rally was addressed, among others, by local press club secretary Akther Hossain Raza and former president of Lawyers' Association Advocate Touhidul Islam. The committee also took out a procession in the town.

Body of housewife recovered

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Faridpur

Police yesterday recovered the body of a housewife from a water body at Char Danga village under Alfadanga upazila. The body was identified as Champa Begum, 25, wife of Masud Molla at the village. Police and locals said Masud had an extra marital affair with Champa's married sister Sima Begum. Police suspect the extra marital affair of Masud might be the reason behind Champa's death. Police arrested Sima but Masud has gone into hiding. Police sent the body to Faridpur Medical College and Hospital morgue for autopsy.

4 hurt as AL rivals clash

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Khagrachhari

Four people were injured as the rival activists of Awami League (AL) clashed allegedly over taking control of Ganjapara area under Sadar Upazila. They are Ganjapara ward Awami League president Suruj Ali, his wife Ambia Khatun, son Abu Bakar Siddik and daughter Sahida Begum. Police said, the clash ensued when a group of 10-15 people led by ward AL leader Zahangir Alam attacked the house of Suruj Ali, leaving four injured on the spot. Police rushed to the spot and sent all four to Khagrachhari Adhunik Sadar Hospital for treatment. No case was filed or none arrested.

Aila-hit Satkhira people still live in utter misery

35,000 in Shyamnagar upazila await rehabilitation

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Satkhira

Hundreds of families in Shyamnagar upazila, made homeless by cyclone Aila and tidal surge on May 25 last year, are still passing miserable life on roads and embankments and in makeshift tents on high lands as they are yet to be brought under rehabilitation programme.

About 35,000 homeless people in Gabura, Padmapukur, Munshiganj, Burigaoal and Kashimari unions in the upazila are yet to return home as they could not rebuild their damaged houses due to financial hardship.

They are suffering for want of food and safe drinking water.

During the rainy season, flooding caused by embankment collapse and rise in water level of rivers add to their sufferings, washing away their makeshift shelters.

Sita Rani, Devi Rani Gain, Alaluddin, Shafuddin, Dinesh Mondal, Swapon Mondal, Rashedul Islam and Saifullah of Munshiganj union in Shyamnagar upazila said they have to pass sleepless nights amid fear of storm and tidal surges when Met office advises hoisting cautionary signal.

As the Aila and tidal surges destroyed their houses and swept away rice, ducks and hens, they are passing days starved or half-starved on roads and embankments, they said.

Fear of attacks by man-eating Royal Bengal Tigers and snakes is another concern for the Aila-hit people living in makeshift houses built on the embankments adjacent to the Sundarbans.

Many of them have built temporary shelters on high branches of trees to save themselves from tigers and snakes.

Abdul Hamid Sana,



PHOTO: STAR

Failing to return home 16 months after last year's cyclone Aila, a family in Shyamnagar upazila of Satkhira live in a makeshift structure built on tree branches for safety from man-eaters and snakes.

Sadananda Mondal, Abinash Chakraborty and Gunadhar Biswas of Harnagar village said they are yet to be rehabilitated although their names were on the list of Aila-hit people.

A large number of Aila-hit people of the upazila have come to Satkhira district town in search of jobs but most of

them are frustrated as many small mills and factories are running with losses.

A good number of Aila-hit homeless people now pull rickshaws while many others are seen begging in the streets.

Many Aila-hit people of Shyamnagar upazila are seen wandering in front of shrimp hatcheries, rice mills, ice and biscuit factories, food godowns, and bus stands with the hope of getting a job.

"The fund allocated for rehabilitation of the Aila-hit homeless people is scanty," said HM Golam Reza, lawmaker from Satkhira-4 (Shyamnagar and Kaliganj upazilas).

Dangerous piranha on sale in Tangail

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Tangail

Carnivorous piranha is openly selling as Thai Rupchanda at different fish markets in 12 upazilas of Tangail district although there is a ban on import, sale and farming of the dangerous fish native to the South American rivers including the Amazon.

"Most of the supply of piranha come from Sirajganj and Bogra districts," several piranha traders at Karatia market in Sadar upazila told this correspondent.

"We sell the fish as middle class people like it. We do not know about any restriction on sale of this fish as no one has told this," they said.

A team from the Fisheries Department led by Upazila Fisheries Officer Mohammad Emdadul Haque on Tuesday seized 69 piranha weighing



PHOTO: STAR

Foreign fish piranha, a dangerous predator when attacking in large numbers, is now available in different markets in Tangail district where it sells as 'Thai Rupchanda'.

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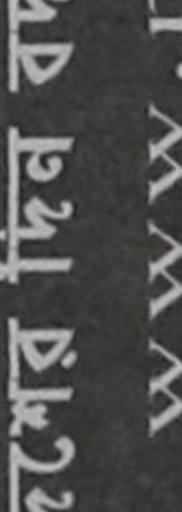
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JCD FACTIONAL CLASH
Injured Pirojpur Krishak Dal leader dies

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barisal

Krishak Dal leader Gazi Salauddin, injured in a clash between two factions of Jatiyabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) in Pirojpur on Thursday, died at Labaid Hospital in the capital yesterday.

Salauddin was president of Pirojpur district unit of Krishak Dal, a front organisation of BNP.

Another critically injured during the incident, Sheikh Emdadul Huq Masud, secretary of Pirojpur Shrawardhi College unit of JCD, is undergoing treatment at a private clinic in Dhaka.

Salauddin was rushed to a hospital in Khulna after sustaining serious injuries in a factional clash in Pirojpur town on Thursday evening, said Pirojpur municipality councillor Abdus Salam Baten and family members.

As his condition deteriorated, Salauddin was admitted to the Labaid Hospital on Friday where he died at midnight.

At least eight people including Salauddin and Sheikh Masud were injured in the clash that occurred between two groups led by JCD President Hasanul Kabir and Secretary Riazuddin Rana over observing the day of BNP Joint Secretary General Tarique Rahman's release.

Later police controlled the situation.

Pirojpur Sadar Police Station Officer-in-Charge Mir Fasir Rahaman said the case lodged by Gazi Salauddin's brother Gazi Giasuddin on Thursday against nine accused in connection with clashes and injuries will be turned into a murder case.

Police is trying to arrest the accused and teams are patrolling the town to control the situation following the death, the OC said.

11 people rescued from traffickers

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Kurigram

men of Shajhbor border outpost saw and rescued the 11 people from the spot.

Sensing the presence of BDR, the traffickers managed to escape.

The rescued -- Amjad Hossen, 45, Azizul Haque, 32, Rashedul Haque, 25, Mojia Begum, 40, Parvin Begum, 35, Maidul Islam, 17, Emdadul Haque, 12, Salma Begum, 12, Rezaul Karim, 8, Shabina, 5, and Sharmin Akbar, 2 -- are inhabitants of Shyampur village (near Gangar Hat) of Kashipur union under Fulbari upazila of the district.

Police said traffickers Abdul Awal, Abdul Zalil and Jakir Hossen of village Shajhbor gathered the 11 people in the border area, offering adult ones of the group, permanent job in India.

As the traffickers brought them to the 'no-man's land' near a border pillar at the village at about 3:00am, on-duty BDR

A few of them are relatives. BDR handed them over to police at about 5:00am.

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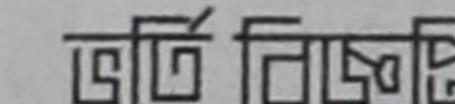
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