

Govt firm on freeing canals

LGRD minister admits difficulties in fighting highly influential, financially powerful grabbers

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government is facing difficulties in recovering the city's canals and water bodies encroached upon by real estate companies and individuals who, the LGRD minister yesterday said, are "much influential and financially powerful".

He said it is even difficult to fight these quarters legally.

However, despite all these obstacles the government has taken up various measures to recover the canals and water bodies in and around Dhaka city, Ashraf

said during the question-answer session in the House yesterday.

The government has also planned to treat the water of the Meghna for supplying within the city, he added.

Lawmakers had expressed serious concern over the current situation of the water bodies in the capital and asked the government to take stern actions against grabbers to save the city.

"Different developers, including Bashundhara, are filling up water bodies in different parts of the city. All natural ways for water flow in the city have been

grabbed," said Ashraf. "We are trying our best to address the problem."

He informed the House that the government wants to dig a canal in the Airport Road area to ensure water flow from Mirpur and Mohammadpur areas in particular.

"The prime minister has asked me to talk with landowners in these areas about land acquisition at a price more than what is shown in registration papers," he said.

In its efforts to recover 43 city canals

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Dinajpur MPs' role slated

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

The government representatives of Birampur upazila in Dinajpur and its seven unions alleged that fair recruitment of fertilizer retailers has been impaired under the political influence of local ruling party lawmaker Azizul Haque Chowdhury.

Birampur upazila Chairman and General Secretary of Birampur Municipality unit of Awami League Md. Khairul Alam, Vice-Chairmen Jannatun Nesa and Monsur Ali, Birampur Municipality Mayor Hossain Ali, and chairmen of seven union parishads brought the allegations of interfering in recruitment procedure and appointing

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Fingers crossed for fertiliser

Distribution already delayed; retailers not appointed yet for political interferences, irregularities

ANWAR ALI, Rajshahi

Fertiliser distribution in the northern region is being delayed by at least two weeks as the government move to recruit retailers at grassroots level has been largely marred by alleged politicisation of the process and various irregularities.

Department of Agriculture Extension (DAE) sources said the distribution could not be started on October 1 as scheduled earlier.

The last date for completing recruitment of 10,629 retailers under 1,600 fertiliser dealers appointed by Bangladesh Chemical Industries Corporation (BCIC) in 85 municipalities and 1096 unions in 16 northern districts expired on September 30.

The sources said distribution of fertiliser is unlikely to begin before the third week of this

month. This would adversely affect production of Rabi crops in the coming season, farmers fear.

Braja Hari Das, DAE deputy director at Rajshahi, said the government adopted the new policy of distributing fertiliser at grassroots level by appointing retailers in every municipality and union.

Unusually large number of applicants against a limited number of retailers required is creating problems in many areas. In Rajshahi alone, 20,000 have applied while 774 retailers are to be recruited, he said.

The DAE official however declined to comment on allegations that the delay is being caused by politicisation of recruitment process and irregularities.

Sources said ruling Awami League (AL)

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BANGABANDHU MURDER HEARING Faruq provoked all with monarchy story

Said in his confession that monarchy to be declared Aug 15

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Supreme Court yesterday heard for the second day yesterday the Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman assassination case.

Syed Faruque Rahman, a convict in Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman assassination case, said that he, on August 14, 1975, had excited his colleagues, saying that President Sheikh Mujibur Rahman would proclaim monarchy in the country on August 15, the democracy will be damaged and the country will go under the possession of India and therefore they should depose the government of Sheikh Mujib.

Following his brief, the army men attacked the Dhanmondi house of Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and killed him and others in the morning on August 15, 1975, he said it to the magistrate in his confessional statement.

Barrister Abdullah-al Mamun, counsel for convicts Bazul Huda and AKM Mohiuddin Ahmed, yesterday placed this confessional statement of Faruque Rahman while placing submission before the Supreme Court (SC) during the second day hearing of the case.

Meanwhile yesterday, the five-member Appellate Division headed by Justice Md Tafazzal Islam asked the lawyers and journalists

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HOARDING 14 sugar traders get bail

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court granted anticipatory bail to 14 sugar traders from Jessore and Khulna yesterday in two cases filed on charges of illegally stocking sugar last month.

The HC bench of Justice AFM Abdur Rahman and Justice Md Emdadul Haque Azad also issued separate rules upon the government to explain why the accused should not be given regular bail.

The people, who were granted bail, are--Abdul Wahab, Anisur Rahman alias Boro Anis, Anisur Rahman alias Chhoto Anis, Abdul Wadud, Modhusudan Saha, Raju Ahmed, Mohammad Amin, Chitta Ranjan Kundu, Hafizur Rahman Babu, Safer Rahman, Rafiqul Islam, Alok Kumar Kundu, Sirajul Islam

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Sugar prices may be reset

STAR REPORT

The government is likely to reset the price of sugar both at wholesale and retail levels to stabilise it in the local market.

Commerce Minister Faruk Khan held a meeting with business leaders at his secretariat office yesterday. A follow-up meeting will be held at the secretariat today to fix the sugar prices.

Annisul Huq, president of the apex trade body the Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FBCCI), who led a business delegation at the meeting, said they agreed to reset sugar prices.

After the meeting Huq briefed waiting journalists as Faruk Khan declined to comment.

"We'll also try to fix the retail prices of sugar in the local market so that nobody can make a brisk business keeping the consumers under pressure," Huq said.

In the daylong meeting both the commerce ministry and businesspersons decided that from Monday the date and rate of sugar must be written on the delivery order (D/O) letters and the buyers must lift the sugar from the warehouses in 30 days, Huq said.

"The validity of D/O letters will remain effective for 30 days from the date of issuance. This decision was taken at the meeting and it comes into effect instantly," Huq said.

He also said from now on buyers can bring sugar from the selling companies' warehouses by any trucks.

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An alleged broker of a doctor, top, makes calls on his phone while persuading a patient with a broken leg to go to a nearby clinic instead of the Pangu Hospital at Sher-e-Banglanagar in the capital. The same broker, inset, is seen putting a child with a broken arm on a rickshaw to a clinic. Another broker, bottom, is seen looking at the x-ray film of a patient in his bid to get him admitted elsewhere. All the photos were taken inside the Pangu Hospital compound.

PHOTO: SHAFIQUL ALAM

Hospital taken over by touts

SHAHEEN MOLLAH and AMENA KHATUN

Around 10:00am on September 27, Safar Uddin and some others were eagerly waiting for someone at the emergency gate of National Institute of Traumatology and Orthopaedic Rehabilitation (Nitor), popularly known as Pangu Hospital.

Every time a rickshaw, auto-rickshaw, taxicab or ambulance carrying a patient arrived at the emergency gate they were seen rushing to that vehicle and trying to persuade the patient or relatives.

It didn't take long for Safar to get his pick. After a while he was seen leading a tender-aged boy and his father out of the hospital premises.

The boy had his leg broken and it was very clear they came to Nitor for treatment. But it might surprise anyone to see them leaving before even entering the hospital.

Asked where he was taking the patient, Safar replied, "As the guardian of the boy is interested to take him to a private clinic, I am just helping them."

Safar claimed he was a staff of Shebika Clinic opposite to the children's amusement park Shishu Melan Shyamoli.

Mazed Biswas, father of the 10-year-old patient Zummon, who hailed from Patuakhali, however

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Abdul Jalil axed from JS body

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Former general secretary of the ruling Awami League (AL) Abdul Jalil was dropped from the post of chairman of the parliamentary standing committee on commerce ministry yesterday.

On a proposal from Chief Whip Abdus Shahid, parliament appointed another party lawmaker, Lutful Hye, replacing Jalil.

Shahid placed the proposal on behalf of Leader of the House Sheikh Hasina.

Jalil was however made a member of the House petition committee headed by Speaker Abdul Hamid.

The veteran AL leader annoyed the party high command by making derogatory statements about the party

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Ashraf blasts media over 'negative' reporting

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

LGRD and Cooperatives Minister Syed Ashrafur Islam yesterday in parliament criticised newspapers for what he said negative reports on the city corporation bill.

The bill was passed Monday rejecting a parliamentary body's recommendation to make MPs advisers to city corporations.

Newspapers should have run it as positive news since the bill was passed without making MPs advisers to the city corporations, he said. "But the newspapers ran negative reports saying that the desire of MPs to be advisers to city corporations was not fulfilled," the LGRD minister said when the local

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Chief Election Commissioner Shamsul Huda tries out the electronic voting machine at the Election Commission Secretariat yesterday during a demonstration of the device developed by Buet.

Trial of e-voting in DCC polls

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Election Commission (EC) is mulling over a plan to introduce electronic voting system to make the election management up-to-date.

"We would like to introduce e-voting system at least in one of the wards of DCC in late January or early February on experimental basis," Chief Election Commissioner ATM Shamsul Huda said yesterday during a demonstration of electronic voting machine at the EC secretariat.

Institute of Information and Communication Technology (IICT) department of Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (Buet) has developed the EVM technology.

A team led by Prof SM Lutful Kabir gave the demonstration of electronic voting machine (EVM) they prepared.

They said introduction of EVM would make the voting system more transparent and relieve the EC of mammoth task of printing ballot papers and preparing ballot boxes.

Apart from this, it will be easy for the EC to complete vote counting very quickly and it will also reduce possibility of vote rigging.

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