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Cattle graze on the premises of Liberation War martyrs' memorial in Jhenidah town, thanks to utter indifference of the authorities concerned.

## Jhenidah was freed from Pak forces on this day

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jhenidah

December 6 is Jhenidah free day.

On this day in 1971, heroic freedom fighters freed Jhenidah district (the then subdivision) from Pakistan occupation forces.

Responding to the call of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, the people of Jhenidah started non-cooperation movement against the Pakistan army and administration in March.

Under the leadership of the then subdivisional superintendent of police Mahbub

Uddin, the freedom-loving people prepared to resist the occupation forces while Awami Svechchhasebok League played a vital role during the period.

After the declaration of independence on March 26, several battles took place in the area and the occupation army aided by their local collaborators started massacre.

In the last week of November in 1971, freedom fighters entered different areas of Jhenidah and defeated Pakistani troops in a few battles. Finally they declared the subdivision (now district) free on December 6.

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## Martyrdom of 5 FFs recalled

BSS, Gaibandha

A memorial meeting on martyrdom anniversary of freedom fighters was held at Muktinagar High School under Shaghata upazila in the district on Friday.

Freedom fighters here recalled that, on December 4 in 1971 a group of freedom fighters led by Rostam Ali Khandaker launched repeated grenade attack on the Fulchhari police station. At this the Pak occupation forces fled the station and took shelter in Gobindibari embankment area under Shaghata police station.

Chasing the Pak forces, the Rostam Bahini cordoned the area and took position. At one stage, a massive fighting took place between the freedom fighters and the Pak forces. In the battle, 22 Pak soldiers were killed and 5 freedom fighters Zahedul Haque Badal, Afzal Hossain, Kabez Ali, Osman Gani and Abdus Sobhan embraced martyrdom.

After some days, the Pak forces left the area and thus Fulchhari and Shaghata were freed from the clutches of the occupation army.

In order to pay homage to the martyred

sons of the soil the fourth December celebration committee formed by a group of freedom fighters, arranged the meeting in cooperation with local social organisations.

Local lawmaker and chairman of a parliamentary standing committee Advocate Fazley Rabbi Miah attended the function and addressed it as the chief guest and Deputy Commissioner M Shahidul Islam was present as the special guest.

The lawmaker in his speech said that the independence was achieved after a nine-month long armed struggle and supreme sacrifices by the freedom fighters and the people.

He urged all to protect the hard-earned independence at any cost and join development efforts with the spirit of the liberation.

Presided by freedom fighter M Jasim Uddin Mondal, the meeting was also addressed by freedom fighters Goutam Chandra Modak, Enamul Haque and Mostafizur Rahman.

A large number of people including freedom fighters, political leaders, local elite and the journalists were present on the occasion.

## Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Bangladesh Forest Research Institute (BFRI)

Chittagong

## Invitation for Tender (Goods)

1.	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Environment and Forest.
2.	Agency	Bangladesh Forest Research Institute, Chittagong.
3.	Procuring entity name	Director, Bangladesh Forest Research Institute, Chittagong.
4.	Procuring entity district	Chittagong.
5.	Invitation for	Supply of Equipments, Research Items, Chemical & Glassware and Computer & Accessories.
6.	Tender package no.	03
7.	Invitation Ref No & date	SED/BFRI/PT/09-10/22 01 December, 2009
8.	Procurement method	OTM
9.	Budget and source of funds	GOB
10.	Tender last selling date	14/12/2009.
11.	Tender closing date and time	15/12/2009 at 12:00 noon.
12.	Tender opening date and time	15/12/2009 at 12:05pm.
13.	Name & address of the office(s):	
	-Selling tender document	Cash Counter, BFRI, Chittagong.
	-Receiving tender document	Service & Engineering Division, BFRI, Chittagong.
	-Opening tender document	Service & Engineering Division, BFRI, Chittagong.
14.	Price of tender document	Lot-1 Tk. 1,500/- non-refundable
		Lot-2 Tk. 500/- non-refundable
		Lot-3 Tk. 400/- non-refundable
		Lot-4 Tk. 800/- non-refundable
15.	Lot No	Identification of lot
	1	Central Store, Service & Engineering Division
	2	Central Store, Service & Engineering Division
	3	Central Store, Service & Engineering Division
	4	Central Store, Service & Engineering Division
16.	Name of official inviting tender	Md. Ramiz Uddin
17.	Designation of official inviting tender	Divisional Officer.
18.	Address of official inviting tender	Divisional Officer, Service & Engineering Div., BFRI, Ctg.
19.	Contact details of official inviting tender	031-681589.
20.	The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders.	

Divisional Officer (Add. Charge)

Service & Engineering Division

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## Peasant leader killed at Satkhira

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Satkhira

President of Bangladesh Krishak Sangram Samity Saifullah Laskar was murdered by unidentified assailants in the town early yesterday.

Locals found the body in a thatched house near his Katia Laskarpura residence and informed the police who recovered the body and sent it to Sadar Hospital morgue for autopsy. The body bore several injury marks.

Family members said Laskar went out of his house at about 3:00am sensing the presence of the law enforcers who raided his house.

He left behind his wife, two sons, a daughter and a host of relatives and political colleagues to mourn his death. As the news spread, hundreds of people, including political leaders, thronged the house of the peasant leader.

Different political parties condemned the killing and demanded immediate arrest of the culprits involved.

## Prisoner dies

OUR CORRESPONDENT, C'awabganj

An under-trial prisoner at Chapainawabganj district jail died allegedly of cardiac arrest at Adhunik Sadar Hospital yesterday morning.

Deceased Abdul Karim alias Bhodu, 40, was son of Raisuddin alias Rasu of Hatinagar-Kuritola under Shibgonj upazila in the district.

He was accused in a drug case. Police arrested him in September this year.

Didarul Alam, superintendent of Chapainawabganj district jail said, Abdul Karim was gossiping with his jailmates when he suddenly fell sick on Friday morning. Jail police took him to Sadar hospital and after treatment the hospital authorities sent him back to the jail.

Jail police again took him to Sadar hospital yesterday as he made fresh complaint at around 4 am. But Karim succumbed to his illness after fighting for life for about an hour. His body would be handed over to his relatives after an autopsy, Didarul Alam said.

He urged all to protect the hard-earned independence at any cost and join development efforts with the spirit of the liberation.

Yousuf Ali, resident medical officer (RMO) of Adhunik Sadar Hospital said, Abdul Karim died of a cardiac arrest.

## Stern action if any dealer sells fake fertiliser

Warns Matia Chowdhury

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

The government will take stern action against the dealers found selling adulterated fertilisers and insecticides to the farmers, Agriculture Minister Matia Chowdhury warned yesterday.

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She urged the agriculture officials, researchers and scientists to work together to make the government's initiative to boost food production a success.

Chaired by Deputy Commissioner AN Shamsuddin Azad Chowdhury, the meeting was also addressed by Director General of the Department of Agriculture Extension (DAE) Md Sayeed Ali, Chairman of BADC (in-charge) Dr Dil Afroz Haque and Secretary of the Agriculture Ministry CQK Mushtaq Ahmed.

No government officials, found involved in irregularities, would be spared, the minister warned. She stressed the need for proper monitoring to ensure smooth supply of fertiliser and irrigation during the coming boro season.

## 10 injured as bus catches fire in Sirajganj

Godown gutted in Rangpur

STAR NATIONAL DESK

At least 10 people were injured as a passenger bus caught fire in Sirajganj while a godown was gutted in a devastating fire in Rangpur yesterday.

Our Correspondent in Sirajganj reports: At least 10 people were injured as a passenger bus caught fire on the Dhaka-Bogra highway in Koddarmoar area in the morning.

The injured were admitted to Sirajganj Sadar Hospital and local clinics in the town. Of the injured, condition of two is stated to be critical, hospital sources said.

Police and victims said, the incident took place at around 6:15am while a Dhaka-bound bus of Lam Yea Paribahan from Rangpur reached Koddarmoar. The fire triggered by spark rapidly spread and engulfed the bus.

Being informed, fire fighters from Sirajganj rushed to the spot and brought the fire under control.

Our Correspondent in Thakurgaon reports: A godown was gutted in a devastating fire on Thakurgaon Road areayesterday.

Fire fighters and locals said the fire that broke out from an unknown source at about 12:30pm.

On information, fire fighters of Thakurgaon unit rushed to the spot and brought the blaze under control after an hour of frantic efforts with the help of local people.

Warehouse owner AKM Habib Sarkar claimed that the fire damaged goods worth about Tk 20 lakh.

Habib is a local distributor of Varosa Group of Industries that keeps match, coal, biscuit and other goods.

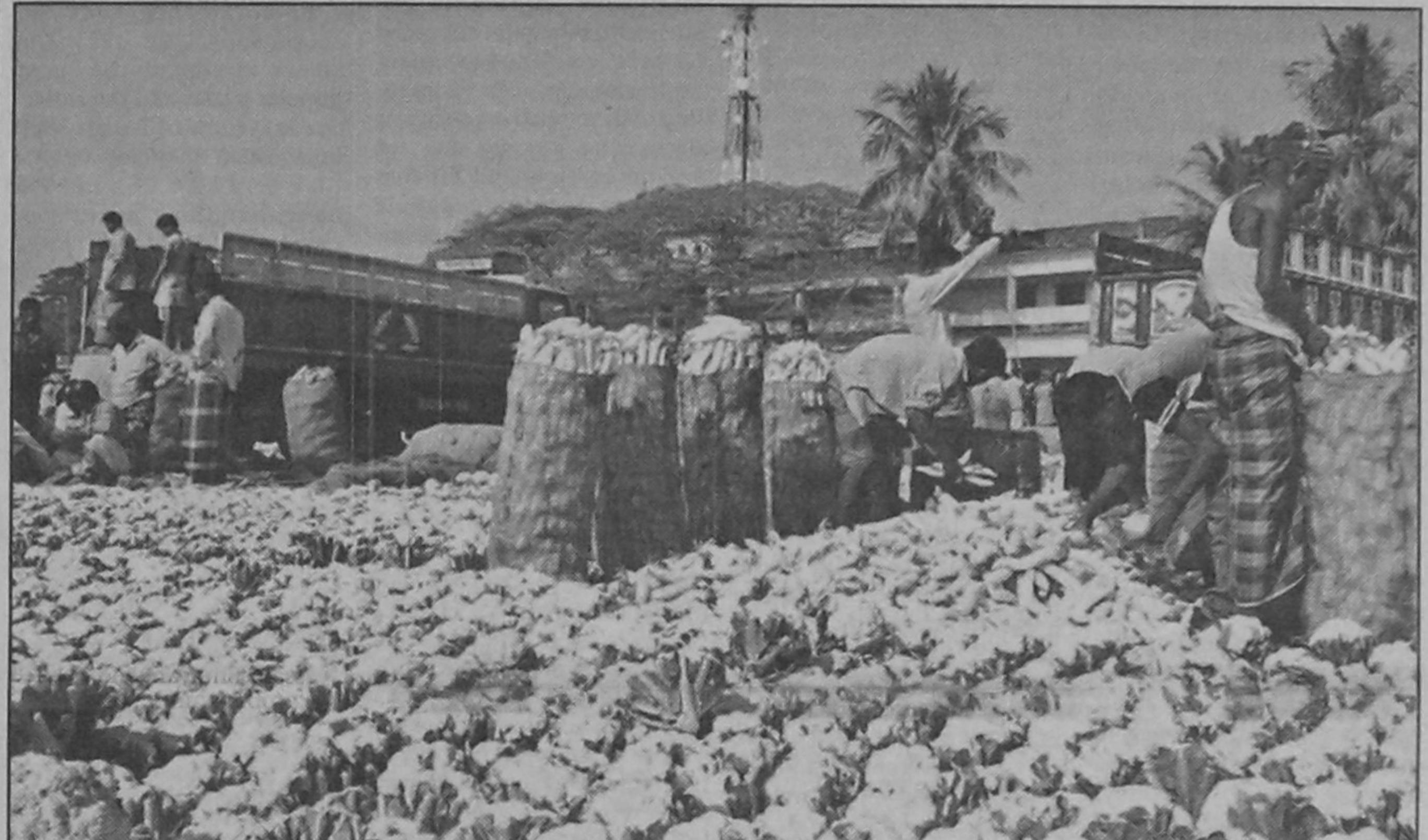


PHOTO: BANGLA CHOKH  
A large amount of vegetables being readied for transportation to different districts from Bogra, one of the largest vegetable producers in the northern region. However, the area lacks facilities for preserving the produce as no cold storage has been set up there.

## 10 robbers held in Sylhet, Rangpur

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Friday, a house owner was injured and a robber was held at a house in Sylhet city's Lamabazar Chayataru area.

The arrested robber was identified as M Zafor, son of Abdul Jalil of Rangpur village in Balaganj upazila.

Sources said, a gang of dacoits numbering 4/5 swooped on Hazi Aroz Ali's house breaking open the door at about 4am and looted valuables, including cash and three tolas of gold ornaments, taking Aroz hostage at gunpoint. During the robbery, Aroz was alone in the house.

The robbers stabbed the house owner indiscriminately as he tried to resist them, leaving him seriously injured.

Hearing his screams, locals rushed to the spot and caught fleeing Zafor and handed him over to police.

In Rangpur, a police team on Friday arrested an absconder leader of inter-district gang of robbers who is accused in dozens of robberies and other criminal cases.

Rayhan Dakat, 30, is son of Shafiq of village Mithipur Panbazar under Pirganj upazila.

The arrestee was sent to the jail hajat after Pirganj police produced him before a Rangpur court, according to a BSS report.

## Outlaw held, arms recovered

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pabna

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Acting on a tip off, Rab-12 raided Shimulchari Primary School area at about 9:30pm on Friday where the criminals were holding a secret meeting.

When the law enforcers reached the spot the criminals tried to flee the scene. However, Rab arrested Sattar but others managed to make good.

Law enforcers said, Sattar was accused in several cases including murder, looting and robbery.

## BPDB's International Tender Notice

"বিদ্যুৎ সম্পর্কী বাতি ব্যবহার কর্মসূলী"

1	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Power, Energy & Mineral Resource/Power Division.
2	Agency	Bangladesh Power Development Board.
3	Procuring entity name	Director, Purchase, BPDB, Dhaka.
4	Procuring entity code	Not used at present.
5	Procuring entity district	Dhaka.
6	Invitation for	Procurement of different types 33KV Isolator & 11KV Isolator.
7	Invitation for tenders Ref. No.	Pur-133/REV(CF)/2009.
8	Date	24/11/2009.
9	Procurement method	Open tendering method.
10	Budget and source of funds	Revenue (Foreign) Budget.
11	Development partners (if applicable)	Not applicable.
12	Project/programme code (if applicable)	Not applicable.
13	Project/programme name (if applicable)	Not applicable.
14	Tender package No.	GDF-2 (FY: 2009-2010).
15	Tender package name	Procurement of different types 33KV Isolator & 11KV Isolator.
16	Tender publication date	24/11/2009.
17	Tender selling date	4/12/2009 to 17/01/2010.
18	Tender closing date and time	18/01/2010 at 11:00am.
19	Tender opening date and time	18/01/20