

SNIPPETS

BSF detains Bangladeshi

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

Indian Border Security force (BSF) yesterday detained a Bangladeshi citizen from a point near Ratnai Border Outpost (BOP) under Baliadangi upazila. BDR and locals said BSF members at Sonamoti camp detained Dilbahar, 28, son of Ismail Hossain of Ratnai village at about 9:00am as he went a few metres inside Indian territory to bring back his cow. Bangladesh Rifles (BDR) strongly protested the incident and asked its Indian counterpart to return Dilbahar.

Railway staff missing

A CORRESPONDENT, Chandpur

Activities at Shahtoli railway station under Chandpur-Laksham route came to a halt on Sunday as booking clerk Ziaul Haq who was in charge of the station master went missing from morning. An employee at the station said, Ziaul left his workplace for Meghna Sunday morning. Earlier, he handed over the keys to station master Tapan Kumar Mitra of Chitosh railway station. The incident stopped all activities at the station. Earlier, the activities at the station remained suspended on January 11 and 12 as the station master of the station was transferred.

Guidebooks seized

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pabna

A mobile court yesterday seized 200 banned notebooks from a library in Pabna town. Additional deputy magistrate (ADM) Emam Uddin Kabir aided by members of Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) seized the books from 'Taj Library' in the town. The mobile court recovered 100 notebooks of class three and 98 of class four and the library owner was fined Tk 2 thousand.

Body recovered

UNB, Sathkhira

Police on Sunday recovered the body of an unidentified man at Kanchrahati in Shyamnagar upazila. Locals found the body of the man, aged about 40, on the road beside BRAC office early in the morning and informed the police. Later, police rushed to the spot and sent the body to Sadar hospital morgue for autopsy. Fazlur Rahman, OC of Shyamnagar police station said the unidentified man might have been killed in a road accident.

Journo taken to DMCH

UNB, Chandpur

Chandpur district correspondent of daily Bangla Bazar Patrika, Shawkat Ali, was shifted to Dhaka Medical College and Hospital (DMCH) on Sunday afternoon from the General Hospital here as his condition deteriorated. Family sources said, Shawkat remained almost unconscious and his condition showed no improvement. Hence, he was referred to DMCH by the attending physicians. Members of local press club visited Shawkat at the hospital on Saturday evening. Shawkat along with six others were injured in an attack by a mob suspecting them to be robbers while he went to collect information at Ketua village in Sadar upazila early Friday. None was arrested till Sunday in connection with the attack on Shawkat.

10 injured in clash

UNB, Jhenidah

At least 10 people were injured in a clash between two groups of villagers over possession of land at Sondai village in Shailakupa upazila on Thursday. Locals said there has been a longstanding enmity between Jalal and Siraj Member of the village. The clash ensued between the supporters of the two following an altercation over irrigation of boro at the field. Critically injured Akul, Golam Rasul and Rezaul were rushed to the upazila health complex.

SUSTTA polls today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

Annual election of Shahjalal University of Science and Technology Teachers' Association (SUSTTA) will be held today. Awami League and left leaning group fielded Prof Dr Muhammad Anwarul Islam of the department of mathematics and Md Faruque Uddin of the social science department for the posts of president and general secretary while pro-BNP group has fielded Prof Sajedul Karim of the department of mathematics and Muhammad Taj Uddin of statistics department against them. A total of 380 voters will elect their representatives to the 11-member committee. Voting would start at 10:00 am and continue till 5:00 pm today.



The Coordination Committee of Khulna City Corporation yesterday forms a human chain at Daulatpur auto-richshaw stand demanding exemplary punishment to the killer of KCC councillor Shahid Iqbal Bithar.

Criminals fell 1,000 trees in Gaibandha

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gaibandha

Criminals cut down about one thousand small trees planted around a pond at Bishnupur village under Palashbari upazila on Sunday night.

Khalilur Rahman of Shampur village under the upazila purchased 1.20 areas of land at Bishnupur village four years ago and dug a big pond on it for fish cultivation.

Khalil has been cultivating fish in the pond for the last few years. In 2008, he planted saplings of different kinds of trees around the pond and within

one and a half years the saplings have grown into small trees.

Khalil said the criminals cut down the trees at dead of night and present value of the felled trees will be Tk two lakh.

He filed a case with Palashbari Police Station yesterday morning. No one was arrested in this connection as of filing of this report at 5:00pm yesterday.

In Sherpur, two people were injured early Sunday in an attack by timber lifters at Baghabata village in Sribordi upazila, reports UNB.

Balijuri range forest officer Kazi Abdul Mannan said, a

gang of thieves stole valuable 'Akash Moni' timbers from the area late at night.

When they were fleeing away along with the timbers in two trolleys, local people and forest guards after a hot chase held two of them identified as Alfaz and Nurul Huq.

Later, the lifters regrouped and attacked them at about 2:30am leaving two local people - Jauj Mia and Dr Akram - injured.

On information, police rushed in and rescued the injured and seized the trolleys.

The two arrested timber lifters were later sent to jail.



Criminals cut down trees on Sunday night around a pond at Bishnupur village under Palashbari upazila of Gaibandha district. Khalilur Rahman, who planted the trees in 2008, stands despaired at the site yesterday.

6 jailed for rape, murder attempt

UNB, Bagerhat

A court here on Sunday jailed six people in a rape and attempt to murder case.

The court sentenced Al Amin Kazi, 20, to 17 years, M Rais Kazi, 21, to five years, Naem Kazi, 24, to three years, Doulat Kazi, 37, to three years, Ful Mia, 42, to six years and Nur Mohammad alias Ukiluddin to four years rigorous imprisonment.

All the six convicts hailed from Gholargati village in Mollarhat upazila.

According to the prosecution, the accused stormed into the house of Yusuf Ali Kazi, an army man of the village and tried to violate his married daughter Mukta begum, 22, and abduct her on the night of August 3, 2008.

As her mother Parvin Begum tried to resist them, the attackers cut off her wrist by a sharp weapon and attempted

to kill her.

Liakat Ali Sharif, maternal uncle of Mukta Begum, filed a case with Mollarhat police station against the six in this connection.

Police on investigation submitted charge sheet against the accused on November 6, 2008.

After examining the witnesses and records, Additional District and Sessions Judge M Rezaul Karim handed down the verdict.

Drugs seized, peddlers arrested

STAR NATIONAL DESK

Police arrested two drug peddlers in Chandpur and Faridpur yesterday and the day before and recovered Yaba tablets and phensidyl syrup.

Police in Chandpur Sadar yesterday arrested Jamal Sayal, 32, and recovered Yaba tablets from him, reports a correspondent.

Acting on a tip-off, police held the drug peddler from the bank of the Dakatia River adjacent to Pakistan Bazar under Rampur union.

In Faridpur, members of Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) and officials of Narcotics Control Department in a joint drive on Sunday arrested a drug peddler and seized 32 bottles of phensidyl at Sobharampur in Sadar upazila, according to UNB.

The team raided the spot and arrested M Mirazul Islam, 21, while he along with his accomplice Ranjan Jamader, 34, was going to sell phensidyl. But Ranjan managed to flee leaving behind his bag containing 11 bottles of phensidyl.

The elite force also recovered 21 bottles of phensidyl from Mirazul's possession.

Housewife commits 'suicide'

UNB, Magura

A housewife allegedly committed suicide at Barashia village in Sadar upazila on Thursday.

The victim was identified as Khukumoni, 28, wife of Touhid Biswas of the village.

Police and family sources said, Khukumoni killed herself under the wheels of a running train in front of her house in the morning following a brawl with her husband.

A case was filed in this connection but none was arrested.

TENDER SCAM IN THAKURGAON

Jubo League, BCL activists beat up contractor

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

Activists of local Jubo League and Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) beat up a contractor for dropping tender against their will at Ranishankoil upazila Local Government Engineering (LGED) office yesterday.

The activists created obstacle to dropping tender for construction of a union parishad building as they had decided to 'give' the work to a contractor of Thakurgaon through 'negotiation' in exchange of a handsome amount of money, said locals and victim Khokon Sarkar, who is also organising secretary of upazila Jubo League.

Tender was invited on December 22 last year for construction of Lehema Union Parishad building in Ranishankoil upazila at a cost Tk 59 lakh, said upazila LGED Engineer Paritosh Chandra.

Last date for collection of schedule was Sunday and that for dropping tender was Monday.

Thirty copies of schedule were sold in Ranishankoil, 11 in Thakurgaon Sadar, seven

in Haripur and eight in Pirganj upazila, said sources at LGED offices.

At about 11:00am on Monday, Khokon Sarkar went to LGED office to drop tender, he said, adding that there he saw Moti Master and Batul sitting on the tender box while about 150 men of Jubo League and BCL were present.

As they asked Khokon to leave the place without dropping tender, he went to the upazila nirbahi officer (UNO) and informed him of the matter.

UNO Ershadul Haque instantly called police and helped him to drop tender.

When Khokon was going out of the upazila complex compound, the activists beat him up, leaving him injured. Hearing screams, the UNO with the help of the officer-in-charge of Ranishankoil Police Station rescued Khokon and sent him to Ranishankoil Upazila Health Complex for treatment.

Contacted at about 5:30pm yesterday, upazila LGED Engineer Paritosh Chandra Roy could not say how many tenders were dropped for the work.

VIOLENT STUDENT PROTEST

Dinajpur Textile Institute closed

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

Dinajpur Textile Institute was yesterday declared closed for an indefinite period in the wake of a violent protest by general students.

The students boycotted their examinations in the morning, took out a procession and vandalised several rooms of the institute as the authorities permitted seven BCL men, who were earlier expelled from the institute, to sit for examinations.

The authorities of the institute expelled the seven students after they severed tendon of the right leg of a fifth year student on the campus under the wheels of a running train on December 19, 2009.

The victim, M D Nuruzzaman, is now undergoing treatment at a hospital in Dhaka.

The authorities also filed a case with Dinajpur Sadar Police Station against the seven students.

Following yesterday's violent protest, the authorities also suspended all ongoing examinations and asked the students to vacate their dormitories by this (Tuesday) morning, campus sources said.

A large number of police have been deployed in and around the campus to avert any further incident, sources added.

While contacted, acting principal of Dinajpur Textile Institute Md Shahjahan Ali admitted to allowing seven BCL men to sit for examinations by the authorities of the institute. He declined to give details about the authorities decision.

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Re-Tender Notice

1. Sealed tender in foreign currency is invited from bonafide manufacturer/dealer/suppliers/importers (enlisted with DGDP) for supply of the following items for Bangladesh Navy:

Sl. No.	Name of item	Date of selling		Date of opening	Tender number	Currency
		From	To			
1.	Spare parts for Machinery Control and Monitoring System (MCAM) (Quantity: 01 L/L)	21-01-2010	08-02-2010	08-02-2010	9348/NP-8 3rd Time	Foreign
2.	Spare parts for C-802 SSM (Quantity: 23 Line Items)	21-01-2010	07-02-2010	08-02-1010	9549/NP-7 2nd Time	Local
3.	Synthesized Signal Generator (Quantity: 01 Set)	21-01-2010	07-02-2010	08-02-2010	9477/NP-8 2nd Time	Local
4.	Spare parts for Reduction Gear (Quantity: 10 L/L)	21-01-2010	07-02-2010	08-02-2010	9349/NP-7 3rd Time	Foreign
5.	HP Air Compressor (Quantity: 07 in number)	21-01-2010	08-02-2010	09-02-2010	9275/NP-7 4th Time	Foreign
6.	Spare parts for Diesel Generator Engine (Quantity: 14 Line Items)	21-01-2010	8-02-2010	9-02-2010	9555/NP-7 1st Time	Local

2. Tender schedule with detailed specification/condition will be available in this Directorate General on payment as per I/T selling rate (non-refundable) during office hours between 0800 hours to 1300 hours on the above-mentioned date of selling. The tender can be dropped in the tender box latest by 1000 hours and the same will be opened at 1005 hours on the specified date of opening in the presence of the tenderers (if present).

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Water-logging in Bagerhat remains a tale of woe

UNB, Bagerhat

Water-logging has forced the farmers of Bagerhat district to keep vast tracts of land uncultivated.

A total of about 62,000 bighas of land in all the nine upazilas of the have remained uncultivated due to water logging.

Of the total waterlogged land, 15,750 bighas are in Sadar upazila, 17,775 bighas in Mullahat, 16,875 bighas in Rampal, 788 bighas in Fakirhat, 1,875 bighas in Moreganj, 3,900 bighas in Sharankhola, 3,000 bighas in Mongla, 937 bighas in Chitalmari and 500 bighas in Kachua upazila.

Fresh areas are also becoming waterlogged every year due to rise in sea level, siltation on riverbeds, unplanned embankments, lack of river management and unplanned shrimp cultivation.

Sources said the farmers could get additional 20,000 tonnes of paddy if the water-logged land could be brought under the cultivation. They are incurring a loss of about Tk 20 crore every year, they

added. Coastal embankment project, which was designed to protect the low-lying coastal areas from inundation, has been the major factor in causing water-logging.

After the construction of the polders, the silt was deposited on the riverbeds, resulting in silting up of the rivers, while subsidence of the land within the polders continued.

Eventually, the exit point of the sluice gates became blocked and the tide then became weak as silt weakened its current.

Sources said fish cultivation through creating artificial dams across the canals is another reason behind the water logging. Some local influential people use the stagnant water for fish cultivation, barring the water flow.

Besides, water cannot recede as canal excavation programme in this region has been suspended for long.

The Department of Agriculture Extension has sent a letter to the agriculture ministry for resolving the water logging problem in the region.

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 ৩৭/৩, ইকটন গার্ডেন রোড, ঢাকা
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১। মন্ত্রণালয়/বিভাগ ও সংস্থার নাম : মহিলা ও শিশু বিষয়ক মন্ত্রণালয়, মহিলা বিষয়ক অধিদপ্তর, ঢাকা।
 ২। সংগ্রাহক সত্তার নাম : পরিচালক, মহিলা বিষয়ক অধিদপ্তর, ঢাকা।
 ৩। অর্ধের উৎস : জিএবি।
 ৪। দরপত্র সূত্র ও তারিখ : ০৯/২০১০/৬৩ তারিখ ১৭/০১/২০১০ইং।
 ৫। দরদাতার যোগ্যতা : প্রকৃত প্রতিষ্ঠান ও সরবরাহকারী যাদের হালনাগাদ ট্রেড লাইসেন্স, ভ্যাট রেজিস্ট্রেশন, টিআইএন সনদপত্র, ব্যাংক সলভেন্সি সার্টিফিকেট।
 ৬। কার্য সম্পাদনের সময়সীমা : প্রশিক্ষার্থীদের বাবার ও বেশন সামগ্রী কার্যদেপ্তর গ্রান্ডির ৬ (ছয়) মাসের মধ্যে।
 ৭। সিডিউল বিক্রয়কারী অফিসের নাম ও ঠিকানা : মহিলা বিষয়ক অধিদপ্তর (কক্ষ নং ৮০৮), ৩৭/৩, ইকটন গার্ডেন রোড, ঢাকা।
 ৮। দরপত্র গ্রহণকারী অফিসের নাম ও ঠিকানা : পরিচালকের দপ্তর, মহিলা বিষয়ক অধিদপ্তর (২য় তলা), ৩৭/৩, ইকটন গার্ডেন রোড, ঢাকা।
 ৯। মূল্যায়ন কমিটি কর্তৃক দরপত্র খোলার স্থান, ঠিকানা, তারিখ ও সময় : মহিলা বিষয়ক অধিদপ্তরের পরিচালকের কার্যালয়ে আগামী ০৮/০২/২০১০ তারিখ বেলা ২.৩০ ঘটিকা। উক্ত সময় দরদাতা/প্রতিনিধি ইচ্ছা করলে উপস্থিত থাকতে পারবেন।
 ১০। দরপত্র তফসিল ক্রমের শেষ তারিখ ও সময় : ০৮/০২/২০১০ তারিখ অবিস চলাকালীন সময় পর্যন্ত।
 ১১। দরপত্র খোলার শেষ তারিখ ও সময় : ০৮/০২/২০১০ তারিখ বেলা ১.০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত।
 ১২। কাজের বিবরণ : সর্ববাহের স্থান : প্রতিটি সিডিউলের মূল্য : জামানতের পরিমাণ (ফেরতযোগ্য, ব্যাংক ড্রাফট, পে-অর্ডার) নগদ : ৭৫০/- (সাতশত পঞ্চাশ) : ৩০,০০০/- (দশ হাজার)

১৩। বাংলাদেশ ব্যাংক বা সোনালী ব্যাংক টেন্ডার সিডিউলের মূল্য বাবদ ১-৩০২১-০০০০-২৬৩৬ কোডে (অফেরতযোগ্য) জমা দিয়ে চাপানের ফটোকপি দাখিল সাপেক্ষে দরপত্র সিডিউল পাওয়া যাবে।
 ১৪। দরদাতাগণকে দরপত্র তফসিলে বর্ণিত প্রতিটি আইটেমের দর অর্কে ও কথায় পরিকারভাবে লিখতে হবে। কোন কাটাকাটি হলে পুনরায় লিখে স্বাক্ষর করতে হবে।
 ১৫। দরপত্র খোলার তারিখে সরকারি ছুটি কিংবা অন্য কোন কারণে অফিস বন্ধ থাকলে পরবর্তী দিন একই সময়ে দরপত্র খোলা হবে।
 ১৬। মালামালের বিস্তারিত বিবরণ ও শর্তাবলী দরপত্র সিডিউলে উল্লেখ থাকবে।
 ১৭। কর্তৃপক্ষ কোন কারণ দর্শালে বাতিল করে যে কোন দরপত্র গ্রহণ বা সকল দরপত্র বাতিল করার এবং সর্বমিল দরদাতার দরপত্র গ্রহণ করা বা না করার ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করে।
 ১৮। দরদাতাগণ The Public Procurement Regulation-2008 এর শর্তাবলী মানতে বাধ্য থাকবেন।

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