

# Rehabilitate Aila victims, repair embankments

## Human chain in Khulna demands

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

Unnayan, a socio-economic organisation, formed a huge human chain yesterday morning at the Picture Palace cinema intersection in the city.

The participants demanded rehabilitation of Aila affected people in coastal belts of greater Khulna including step for care of the homeless and effective and sustainable plan to save millions from being victims of adverse impact of climate change in future.

The programme was followed by a rally at the same place.

Presided by chairperson of Unnayan and editor of The Daily Tribune Begum Ferdausi Ali, the rally was addressed by editor of Dainik Purbanchal and president of Greater Khulna Development Action Coordination Committee Alhaj Liakat Ali, president of Khulna Press Club Ahmad Ali Khan, general secretary of Khulna Press Club S M Zahid Hossain, secretary general of Greater Khulna

Development Action Coordination Committee Haider Gazi Salahuddin Runu, executive director of NGO Rupantar Swapon Guha, chairperson of Khulna Nagorik Forum freedom fighter Sheikh Abdul Qayum, executive director of Manab Sheba Samajik Unnayan Sangstha Shamima Sultana Shilu, executive director of Rupsha Mahila Kalyan Sangstha Arifa Yasmin, president of Nirapad Sarak Chai Hasibur Rahman and ex-ward councillor of KCC Mamnura Zakir Khukumoni.

Addressing the rally, Ferdousi Ali called upon the government to complete repair of all damaged embankments in the coastal belts before the rainy season to save lives and property of Aila-hit people of Khulna, Bagerhat and Satkhira districts.

She said thousands of people are still staying in a sub-human condition in the makeshift camps under open sky in all these Aila-hit districts without adequate food, drinking water and medicine.



A large number of people join a human chain arranged by socio-economic organisation Unnayan at Picture Palace intersection in Khulna city yesterday demanding rehabilitation of Aila victims and early construction of embankments.

### SNIPPETS

#### Criminal held with arms

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Patuakhali

A Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) team from Patuakhali camp arrested another criminal with a foreign made pistol and 22 bullets at Angaria village under Dumki upazila on Friday midnight. Arrestee Alauddin alias Roki, 34, was second-in-command of 'Changa Babu Bahini' of Savar area in Dhaka. Earlier on Tuesday, Rab arrested four more criminals of the same gang from Labukhali ferry ghat with two foreign made pistols and a stolen private car. During Tuesday's drive two including Roki had managed to flee, Rab said. A case has been filed with Patuakhali Sadar police station under arms act in this regard.

#### Fake notes seized, one held

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Nilphamari

Dimla police arrested a man with fake currency notes of Tk 37,200 yesterday. Sub-inspector of Dimla police station Sharif said one Tofael Ahmed, 30, son of late Salimuddin of Jashati village of Basail upazila of Tangail district came to the house of one Ibrahim, son of Moyezuddin of Purbo Chhatnai village of Dimla upazila five days ago. He started circulating the fake notes from the house in collaboration with his local agent Ibrahim. Tofael was arrested but Ibrahim managed to flee. Police later searched Ibrahim's house and recovered Tk 37,200. Of the amount, 11 were fake 1,000 taka notes and rest 262 were fake 100 taka notes.

#### Killer surrenders to police

UNB, Panchagarh

A man surrendered to police after killing his wife at Pithakhawa village in Tentulia upazila Thursday night. Police said, Abdus Sattar, 35, strangled his wife Sultana Begum Ratna, 30, following a feud over a trifling matter. Sattar divorced his first wife and married Ratna, daughter of Ismail Hossain of nearby Ranchandi village, a year ago. Ratna's father bought a piece of land at Pithakhawa village and constructed a house on it for Sattar. But the couple used to quarrel over trifling matters since their marriage. On the fateful night, Sattar strangled Ratna at one stage of altercation at about 10:30pm. Later, he went to Tentulia police station at about 11:00pm and confessed to killing his wife.

#### 3 held with heroin, hemp

UNB, Sylhet

Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) personnel arrested an alleged drug peddler along with 10 grams of heroin in Bharthkhala area of South Surma upazila on Friday night. Acting on secret information, a team of Rab-9 conducted the drive in the area and arrested M Jiban Ahmed Sumon, 20, son of late Haris Mia of Sonasar village in Zakiganj upazila with the heroin. Later, he was handed over to Kotwali police and a case was filed. In Magura, Rab members in a drive arrested two alleged drug peddlers along with 17kg hemp at Kalinagar in Sadar upazila on Dhaka-Magura highway Friday. Acting on a tip-off, a team of Rab-6 searched a bus and arrested the two - Rafiqul Islam, 24, and Ashiqur Rahman, 22, - with the hemp worth Tk 1.7 lakh. They were handed over to police.

# 22 shops gutted in two dists

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At least 22 shops were gutted in Kishoreganj and Brahmanbaria on Friday and Thursday.

A correspondent from Kishoreganj reports: A devastating fire at Bazitpur upazila Sadar market on Friday night gutted at least a dozen shops.

Locals said, the fire originated from a cotton shop at about 9:15pm and spread to the adjacent furniture and stationary shops within a short time.

Local firemen and Bhairab fire brigade personnel rushed to the spot and brought the fire under control in an hour-long hectic effort.

Shop owners claimed that the fire damaged goods worth Tk one crore.

In Brahmanbaria, at least 10 shops were gutted by fire near Sultanpur bus stand in Sadar upazila on Thursday night.

UNB quoting fire brigade sources said the fire originated from a furniture shop of Dewan market at about 9:30pm and soon

engulfed the adjoining shops.

On information, fire fighters rushed in and doused the flame with the help of local people.

The victim shop owners claimed that cash and valuables worth Tk 20 lakh were gutted in the blaze.

In Benapur, three people were injured as fire broke out in a cold storage following a gas cylinder explosion yesterday morning.

The three were trying to douse the fire at Ulashi Cold Storage. Seriously injured Akbar Ali has been admitted to Jessore Sadar Hospital, reports a correspondent.

Witnesses said, the gas cylinder exploded with a big bang in the morning. Locals informed the fire service men who rushed to the spot and brought the flames under control in three hours of hectic efforts.

Villager Monirul Islam said, people from nearby houses fled their homes in fear. The farmers suffered loss as crops in the fields near the cold storage caught fire. The fire also damaged machineries and other goods of the cold storage.

# List of war criminals in Saidpur

BSS, Nilphamari

Names of more than 100 people, who opposed the independence of Bangladesh and involved in killing innocent people in 1971, have been listed as war criminals in Saidpur in the district.

The list was prepared by the Commander of the Muktiyoddha Sangsad Saidpur Upazila Mohammad Ekarmul Huq and local leaders after 38 years of independence of the country.

The sources said the people would be put on dock for trial for their crimes during the War of Liberation in 1971 according to the election pledge of Awami League.

The draft list of the war criminals was prepared in a period of over two months, where the number of non-Bengali people is more than the local people. The draft list will be re-checked to avoid any fault.

Sources said the name of the listed criminals would be published in due time.

During the nine months War of Liberation, repression and killings of Bengali people were carried out by the Pakistani occupation forces, in collaboration of the Razakars, Al-badars and other local collaborators.

# Second Bogra industrial estate plan shelved

UNB, Bogra

Finding no space in BSCIC industrial area of Bogra, small and medium entrepreneurs are establishing their industrial units in residential areas making the town inhabitable.

In 1964 the government established Bogra BSCIC industrial estate on 14 acres of land in the town to accommodate the small and medium scale industrial units and the plot allocation was completed by 1972.

Later, the industrial area was extended to 18.67 acres in 1980 in a bid to accommodate the increasing industrial units and the allocation of plots was completed by 90s.

Now there are 85 industrial units on 233 plots of the industrial area. Meanwhile, government later acquired 15 acres of land to make second BSCIC industrial estate at Soipukuria under Sadar upazila in 1980.

A four member-committee was formed making Deputy Secretary of Planning and Development Commission as convener on February 6, 2005

during the four-party alliance government to accomplish the feasibility study of the area.

The committee proposed to establish the industrial estate in the acquired land in Soipukuria considering the availability of gas and other raw materials in the area.

About 15,000 people will get job in the 104 industrial units in the proposed second industrial area - the committee observed. But the second BSCIC industrial area is yet to be established as it has been shelved in the planning ministry.

Altaf Hossain, deputy general manager of Centre for Industrial Co-operation of Bogra BSCIC said a high profile delegation from

Industries Ministry visited the area last year but no steps have yet been taken in this regard.

# 10,000 sacks urea seized, hoarder held in Jessore

A CORRESPONDENT, Jessore

Task force seized 10 thousand sacks of urea fertiliser from five godowns in Noapara of Jessore yesterday and arrested a trader on charge of hoarding the fertiliser in the warehouse illegally.

Led by Abhaynagar UNO Zahid Hossain, the task force comprising police and agriculture official raided the godowns of Rahmat Traders in Pachkabor area in Noapara at noon and seized the fertiliser.

General Secretary of Noapara Fertiliser Traders Association Shah Jalal Hossain was present during the raid. The task force sealed the warehouses, realised Tk 2 lakh as fine from Rahmat Ali, owner of Rahmat Traders,

and arrested him.

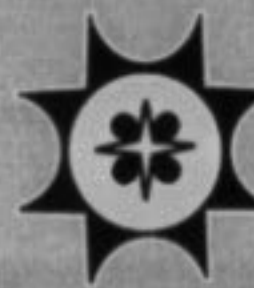
Task forces sources said Rahmat stocked urea to get extra profit by creating its shortage in the market.

UNO Zahid Hossain said Rahmat bought the fertiliser from different districts and stocked it in the godowns to create an artificial crisis of urea in the market. He will face action for this criminal act, the UNO said.

Shah Jalal Hossain said 10 thousand sacks of urea were stocked for selling those at high rate in the adjacent districts. Refuting the accusation, Rahmat said he did not stock the seized fertiliser. Shundar Saha and Nirmal Saha, two traders of Narail, rented the warehouses from him and stocked the fertiliser.



Shipyard workers form a human chain at Kumira in Sitakunda on Dhaka-Chittagong highway yesterday protesting commerce ministry's decision to stop importing scrap ships without pre-import cleaning.



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### Secretary's Division

Subject:- **Notice of Dividends on ICB Mutual Funds for the year 2007-2008 and 2008-2009 and Record Date for Mutual Funds.**

This is for information of all concerned that the Board of Directors of the Investment Corporation of Bangladesh in its meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2010 approved Dividend on ICB Mutual Funds for the year 2007-08 and 2008-09 as follows:

Sl. No.	Name of the Fund	Dividend Per Certificate of Tk. 100.00 each	
		2007-08	2008-09
01.	First ICB Mutual Fund	265.00	310.00
02.	Second ICB Mutual Fund	75.00	95.00
03.	Third ICB Mutual Fund	65.00	85.00
04.	Fourth ICB Mutual Fund	60.00	80.00
05.	Fifth ICB Mutual Fund	45.00	56.00
06.	Sixth ICB Mutual Fund	30.00	37.00
07.	Seventh ICB Mutual Fund	30.00	35.00
08.	Eighth ICB Mutual Fund	25.00	32.00

02. The record date for all ICB Mutual Funds for both the years 2007-08 and 2008-09 will be on 04-03-2010.



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