



Indigenous people bring out a colourful procession in Rangamati marking their traditional Boisabi festival (celebrated as Boishuk, Sangrai, Biju, Bishu and Bihu in different areas of Chittagong Hill Tracts) observed on the occasion of new year.

PCJSS formally splits

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Khagrachhari
 'Deprived' leaders of Parbatya Chattagram Jana Sanghati Samiti (PCJSS) have formed a seven-member convening committee, terming Santu Larma-led central PCJSS committee as 'illegal, undemocratic and anti-party constitution'.
 Rupayon Dewan has been made convenor, Sudha Sindhu Khisha joint convenor and Tatindra Lal Chakma (also known as Major Peley) member secretary of the 'counter convening committee' announced at the ending session of the two-day council on Boradom High School premises in Dighinala upazila of Khagrachhari yesterday afternoon.
 The other members of the committee are Mrinal Kanti Tripura, advocate

Shaktiman Chakma, Uday Kiron Tripura and Kakoli Khisa.
 Terming the 9th national council held at Rangamati during March 29-31 (where Santu Larma was again selected as president of the PCJSS) illegal, the dissident leaders said Santu Larma made the committee depriving dedicated and experienced leaders of CHT and favouring his relatives.
 Pointing to suspension of over a hundred leaders and activists before the council, they said Santu included unwanted persons as part of plan to make the PCJSS inactive and continue his autocracy.
 The dissident leaders said they announced the new PCJSS committee to ensure full implementation of CHT

peace accord as the hills people still feel unhappy over non-activation of Chittagong Hill Tracts Regional Council and the three Hill District Councils that were formed following the peace agreement.
 PCJSS Advisory Committee member Uday Kiron Tripura, Central Committee member Sudha Sindhu Khisha, Rupayon Dewan, advocate Shaktiman Chakma, Tatindra Lal Chakma, Bagaichhari upazila Chairman Sudarshon Chakma, Dighinala upazila Chairman Dharma Veer Chakma, Vice Chairman Shatorupa Chakma, Mohalchhari upazila Vice Chairman Thaila Aung Karbary and Manikchhari upazila PCJSS President Ching Thowai Aung Chowdhury were present at the council.

GBB Power Ltd defaulter again

Tk 3.72cr gas bills unpaid

HASIBUR RAHMAN BILU, Bogra
 Bogra-based private power generation company GBB Power Ltd has again kept unpaid over Tk 3.72 crore bills for gas taken from Pashchimanchal Gas Company Limited (PGCL) during November 2009 to January this year.
 According to the statement of PGCL revenue section, GBB Power Ltd never paid gas bills properly as per agreement since its starting operation in April 2008, a senior PGCL officer said.
 GBB Power Ltd also kept unpaid Tk 57 crore surcharge during the period, PGCL sources said.
 On March 8 this year, PGCL authority sent a letter to GBB Power Ltd for payment of over Tk 3.72 crore gas bills due for November 2009 to January 2010 as per contract.
 Although the letter mentioned that legal action will be taken if GBB Power Ltd keeps gas bills unpaid without valid grounds, PGCL authority is yet to take any legal action

against the private power generation company, PGCL sources said.
 According to agreement, GBB Power Ltd has to pay gas bills within 45 days of receiving gas bills, PGCL sources said.
 Contacted over cell phone on April 5, GBB Power Limited Managing Director engineer Fauzal Akbar, however, told The Daily Star that he has paid gas bills up to January 2010 according to the agreement.
 Claiming that PGCL authority has been submitting 10 percent additional gas bills violating agreements for a long time he said, "I will never pay the 10 percent extra gas bill to the company. I have sent letters to the PGCL authorities to solve some disagreement through arbitration but the company ignored the letters."
 Besides, GBB have to pay over Tk 1.22 crore gas bill of March 2010, before May 15, 2010 and Tk 43.19 lakh gas bills of last February within April 15 this year, PGCL revenue section sources said.

Playmates kill boy over trifling issue

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet
 A group of schoolboys stabbed a playmate to death at Sunamganj district town on Saturday.
 Severely injured Shamsul Haque, 15, succumbed to injuries at Sylhet hospital at night.
 Son of poor rickshaw-puller Lalshad Ali, the victim hailed from Teghoria in the town.
 Locals and police said Shamsul had an altercation over a trifle issue with Badrul Alam, a student of class ten at Bulchand High School at Barpara playground Friday afternoon.
 The next day, Badrul along with some of his classmates swooped on Shamsul at Kazir point in the afternoon. They stabbed him severely before fleeing the scene.
 Locals took the victim to local hospital. He was shifted to Sylhet MAG Osmani Medical College and Hospital where he died at

about 7:30 pm.
 Sources said locals caught one of the fleeing attackers and handed him over to police. But police freed him after a few minutes for reasons unknown.
 Meanwhile, the victim's father filed a case with Sunamganj Sadar police station accusing six. They are Badrul, Sarwar and Dilwar, their father Samaruddin, Naim and Shimul.
 Among them, Naim was caught just after the stabbing incident but police freed him after some time, locals alleged.
 Contacted, officer-in-charge of Sunamganj police station Ataur Rahman denied the allegation and said police can not arrest anybody without specific charge.
 "There was no case when the boy was brought to the police. However, police are now trying to nab all the accused", he said.
 Meantime, police yesterday arrested Shimul Miah, one of the six accused.

Agitation for power in several districts

Protesters in Barisal ransack power office, assault engr

STAR NATIONAL DESK
 Power subscribers yesterday ransacked Palli Bidyut office and assaulted resident engineer at Ujirpur upazila headquarters in Barisal.
 They also clashed with police and attacked the jeep of the local upazila nirbahi officer (UNO). At least 12 people, including UNO Priyasindhu Talukder, were injured during the clash.
 Meanwhile, agitations for power were also reported from Brahmanbaria, Jessore and Gopalganj yesterday.
 At Ujirpur, agitating subscribers went to Palli Bidyut office at around 8:30am and besieged the office demanding power supply. At one stage, they assaulted resident engineer Lutfar Rahman and ransacked the power office, according to a correspondent.
 As the UNO went to the spot to rescue the resident engineer, the power-hungry people attacked his jeep and beat up office assistant Anwar Hossain.
 The agitators clashed with police when they reached there to bring the situation under control. They hurled brickbats at the law enforcers and the officials of upazila administration during the clash that continued for an hour.
 Police arrested five agitators on the spot. They are local trader Jalal Sikder, Rezaul Hossain, Chandu Molla, Matiur

Rahman and Noman.
 Of the injured, engineer Lutfar Rahman, assistant officer of upazila cooperatives office Nurul Islam Hawlader and UNO office employees Nurul Islam Khalifa, Sohrab Hossain and Syed Abdur Rahman and police constable Mahatab Uddin took first aid from Ujirpur Upazila Health Complex.
 Our Brahmanbaria correspondent reported that Nagorik Forum took out a procession in the town yesterday morning and then formed a human chain protesting erratic power supply.
 Several hundred people joined the procession that started from in front of the local press club at around 11:00am. After parading the main streets, the processionists formed a

human chain at Tofael Azam Road, according to our correspondent.
 Addressing a rally at the venue, the speakers said frequent load shedding has made life of the townspeople miserable. They alleged that small industries have become dysfunctional and activities at business firms and other organisations are being greatly hampered as electricity goes off frequently.
 The agitating people urged the authorities concerned to resolve the problem within the next seven days. Otherwise, they threatened to launch a tougher agitation programme.
 According to a correspondent from Jessore, around 500 hundred women besieged the deputy commissioner's office yesterday

morning demanding smooth supply of water and electricity in the town.
 They also submitted memorandum to the DC demanding quick solution to water and power crises.
 Earlier, the agitating women brought out a procession in the town with empty pitchers and lanterns.
 In Gopalganj, farmers staged a demonstration in the district town yesterday demanding smooth power supply to keep power pumps operational.
 They alleged that growing Irri-boro plants are being destroyed due to lack of water. The farmers urged the government to ensure power supply so that they can operate the pumps to irrigate their croplands.

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