

TRAINING OF FAKE HEADMASTERS

5 found guilty, suspended

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Two officials and three employees of Secondary Teachers' Training Institute here were suspended yesterday for selecting 56 fake headmasters for a government training programme held between May 22 and 27, official sources said.

nator Dr Selina Afroze although she was also held responsible for neglect of duty during registration of fake participants. Earlier on May 26 last, the authorities formed the probe committee when they came to know that there are 56 fake headmasters among the total 84 participants of the six-day follow-up training programme on "teaching quality improvement" that began on May 22.

"The fake headmasters were enrolled as trainees without any teachers' registration," Prof Azad said adding that the admission process was completely improper. The institute authorities enlisted the 56 fake headmasters from five northern districts of Nilphamari, Dinajpur, Rashahi, Chapainawabganj, Naogaon and Natore, although as per official document all 84 participants should have been taken only from Dinajpur district.



The big ball has reached Rajshahi. Sponsored by Sajib, a beverage company, the football is moving from district to district to popularise the game in the country. The ball will return to the capital on completion of its mission on June 30.



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Soccer fans block highway for smooth power supply

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of Dinajpur Palli Biddyt Samity-1 as he failed to maintain smooth power supply to the upazila. The programme was withdrawn at 3.30pm. The power hungry people of the upazila organised it under the banner of 'Birganj Bidyut Unnayan Parishad' yesterday and gathered at Old Shaheed Minar in the morning before staging the blockade.

General of Dinajpur Md Shamsul Alam, UNO Hasan Maruf, ASP Shanjit Kumar Roy and OC of Birganj upazila assured them of necessary steps in this regard. Soccer fans of Kaharol upazila of Dinajpur also blocked Panchagarh-Dhaka highway yesterday afternoon demanding smooth power supply.

Houses of 5 stalkers set on fire

Agitated people yesterday set fire to the houses of five stalkers at Kalupara village in Tarash upazila of Sirajganj district immediately after the death of a villager who was injured by the gang the day before.

The victim, Aser Ali, 50, succumbed to his injuries while he was being shifted from Sirajganj Sadar Hospital to Rajshahi Medical College Hospital at around 12:30pm yesterday. When the news spread at Kalupara village, the villagers attacked the houses of stalkers Rauf, Mujibar, Motaleb, Tofazzal and Mozammel and set them afire.

POLICE RAID RUET HALL Lethal weapons, jihadi books seized from Shibir rooms

The authorities of Rajshahi University of Engineering and Technology (Ruet) with the help of law enforcers raided Ziaur Rahman Hall of the university early yesterday and seized lethal weapons, leaflets and books on Jihad (pro-Islamic uprising) from four Shibir-controlled rooms.

University (RU) beat up three activists belonging to their rival faction on Wednesday night alleging involvement of the three in stealing a bicycle from the hall recently. The injured are Ferdous, Mithun Kumar Hawlader and Tuhin. Ferdous was admitted to Rajshahi Medical College Hospital with head injury.

Hunger strike at KU called off

Seventy students of Khulna University (KU) called off their fast-unto-death programme at 1:30 pm yesterday following an assurance given by City Mayor Talukder Abdul Khaleque that their demand would be considered sympathetically.

The punished students while joining the fast-unto-death programme along with 36 general students pleaded innocence, saying they have been made worst victims of an internal rift between two groups of teachers of the university---

Cattle trader killed as BSF opens fire in Naogaon

Border Security Force (BSF) of India shot dead a Bangladeshi cattle trader on Chakelam border under Dhamurhut upazila of Naogaon district early yesterday. The dead is Motaleb Hossain, 36, son of Abed Ali of Sabdall village of the upazila.



The newly built school-cum-cyclone shelter at Mirzaganj in Patuakhali district can accommodate around five thousand people during storms.

School-cum-cyclone shelter

A multipurpose cyclone shelter was inaugurated at Mirzaganj upazila headquarters yesterday. The school-cum-cyclone shelter was jointly opened by Saria Sadique, managing director of BASF Bangladesh and Hans Hinrich Schnelle, first secretary of German Embassy.

High School, it was financed by BASE, a German based multinational company. A local construction firm built the three-storied building at a cost of Tk 75 lakh. The cyclone shelter was built in remembrance of cyclone Sidr that hit the area and killed at least 115 people on November 15 in 2007.

not accommodate many of them. Subhas Chandra, headmaster of the school himself died when one of his school buildings collapsed on him. Salma A Shafi, project Manager of UN Habitat, Gazi Ataharuddin, Mirzaganj upazila chairman, Kazi Mokhlesur Rahman, president of upazila unit Awami League, Abdul Aziz, headmaster of the institute were present at the inaugural function.

'Brutal killing' of a domestic help

A teenage domestic help, allegedly set on fire by younger brother of her employer Wednesday morning, succumbed to burn injuries at 11:55 at night at Khulna Medical College and Hospital. According to police, she was set on fire by Khurshid Alam alias Rubel at the house of her employer at Arambag under Sonadanga police station in the city.

Neighbours rushed to the house after they heard the girl's screaming and loud cry for help. They rescued Halima and admitted her to Khulna Medical College and Hospital (KMCH). Her entire body was badly burnt, police said. S I Khairul Bashar of Sonadanga police station recorded statement of the girl at 11:30 am as her condition continued to worsen.