



Sector Commanders' Forum forms a human chain in front of Ashwini Kumar Hall in Barisal city, brings out a motorcycle and truck procession in Chittagong port city while artistes of Udichi join a human chain in Bogra town yesterday demanding speedy trial of the war criminals.

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SNIPPETS

BSF kills Bangladeshi

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Satkhira

Indian Border Security Force (BSF) on Tuesday shot dead a Bangladeshi cattle trader on Haldia border in Gosaba police station in India opposite to Kalinchi border in Shyamnagar upazila, said a source across the border yesterday. The victim was identified as Amjad Hossain, 35, son of Mandar Gazi of the village. The BSF men of Haldia camp opened fire on the cattle traders while they were crossing the river Bidyasagar with cattleheads by a trawler. Amjad Hossain died on the spot at about 9:30pm. Other cattle traders -- Israfil, Mikail and Nimai Chandra of the same village however escaped unhurt as they jumped into the river and reached Haldia village by swimming.

Trafficker held, 3 rescued

UNB, Benapole

Members of Bangladesh Rifles (BDR) in a drive rescued three people while being trafficked to India and arrested one person at Sadipur border here on Friday. The rescued victims were identified as Rita Das, 32, wife of Subod Das, Sraboni Das, 14, of Khulna Khalishpur area and Boloy Bala, son of Sushil Kumar Bala of Gopalganj district. The arrested trafficker was identified as Bikash Pal, son of Mintu Pal, resident of Bahadurpur Road in Benapole. Acting on a tip-off, a team of BDR led by Subeder Humayun Kabir raided the area and arrested Bikash Pal while he was trying to cross the border along with three others, alluring them to give better job in India. Later, the border guards handed them over to Benapole port police. A case was also filed in this connection.

BRAC official shot, looted

UNB, Natore

Muggers shot and wounded a BRAC official and took away Tk 14,000 from him at Chamtia on Gouripur road in Lalpur upazila yesterday noon. Witnesses and police said Abdul Majid, collecting the money from Mahishakhola area, was returning on his by-cycle to Gopalpur BRAC office at Lalpur. On way at Chamtia, the muggers intercepted him at about 2:30pm. As he cried for help, the gang fired gunshots leaving him badly wounded and then decamped with the money. Locals rescued him and rushed to the Rajshahi Medical College Hospital in a serious condition.

14 statues recovered

A CORRESPONDENT, Benapole

A team of Bangladesh Rifles (BDR) seized 14 statues and Indian clothes worth around Tk 5 lakh from Sadipur border in Benapole, Jessore on Wednesday. Tipped off, a BDR team led by check post commander Humayun Kabir raided Sadipur village and recovered 14 silver statues and Indian saris, three pieces and T-shirts in abandoned condition. The recovered items were handed over to the Benapole Customs House. None was arrested in this connection, said the check post commander.

Thakurgaon Press Club body

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

The executive body of Thakurgaon Press Club was elected on Tuesday. District Correspondent of Daily Shangbad, BTV and Radio Today Akhter Hossain Raza and District Correspondent of NTV and Daily Dinkal Lutfar Rahman Mithu were elected as president and secretary respectively. The other office bearers are vice president Shaheen Ferdous, assistant secretary ATM Samsuzzoha, treasurer Abdullah Haque Dulal, office secretary Anisul Haque Babu. Other three members of the committee are Merazul Hossain, Abdul Latif and Rafiqul Islam. Earlier a day-long general meeting was held at the press club with former president of Thakurgaon Press Club Abu Torab Manik in the chair.

Housewife electrocuted

UNB, Chapainawabganj

A housewife was electrocuted at Chaitannapur village in Shibganj upazila on Friday noon. The deceased was identified as Shulekha Begum, 60, wife of Rezaul Haque of the village. Police quoting family sources said, Shulekha while taking bath in a pond suddenly came in contact with a snapped electric wire and died instantly. Police sent the body to hospital morgue for autopsy.

SCF HUMAN CHAINS, RALLIES IN DISTRICTS

'Arrest war criminals, hold speedy trial'

STAR NATIONAL DESK

Sector Commanders' Forum (SCF) yesterday formed human chains and held rallies in several districts across the country to press home its demand for speedy trial of the war criminals.

The forum urged the government to arrest the identified war criminals as early as possible and try them for committing crimes against humanity during the country's liberation war.

In Sylhet, the forum arranged a human chain programme in front of the Central Shaheed Minar in the afternoon. Members of the different political, professional and socio-cultural organisations joined the programme, reports our staff correspondent.

Addressing a rally at the venue, Colonel (retired) SIM Nurunnabi, member of the Sector Commanders' Forum, said the process of trial of the war criminals was stopped after assassination of the

father of the nation. We demanded that the present government start the trial as soon as possible since it was one of its election pledges, he added.

Chaired by former lawmaker Enamul Haque Chowdhury, the rally was also addressed, among others, by former lawmakers Muhammad Ashraf Ali and Shah Azizur Rahman.

The speakers said the crimes the war criminals committed are unprecedented in the history and that they should be tried on the soil of this land. "It isn't a matter of hostility or revenge. They should be tried for their inhuman crimes," they added.

They urged the new generation to know the true history of the country's liberation war and uphold the national culture and heritage.

According to a correspondent from Barisal, local coordination committee of Sector Commanders' Forum formed a human chain and then held a rally in front of

Ashwini Kumar Hall in the morning.

The rally was addressed by Maj Gen (ret'd) M Masudur Rahman, organising secretary of SCE, Akkas Hossain, Mokhesur Rahman, Moshirur Rahman, Zaglul Haidar Shahin and local leaders of SCF and Muktijoddha Sangsad with Sheikh Kutubuddin in the chair.

The speakers said the people must know that the Liberation War was not the result of a sudden declaration by any particular person on a particular day. It was the result of a long struggle for national identity of Bangladesh.

"There is no alternative to trial of war criminals to pay homage to the martyrs of the Liberation War, uphold humanity, establish rule of law, and safeguard Bangladesh's sovereignty and independence," they said.

Our Jhenidah correspondent adds: Udichi Shilpi Gosthi Shaikupa upazila unit yesterday formed a

human chain, brought out a procession and staged a rally at the upazila headquarters demanding immediate trial of the war criminals.

Students and representatives from different political, professional and socio-cultural bodies joined the human chain in front of the local shaheed minar.

They also took out a procession at the upazila headquarters and held a rally on the shaheed minar premises. Addressing the rally, the speakers urged the government to arrest the war criminals as soon as possible and bring them to justice.

Shaikupa Muktijoddha Commander Rahmat Ali, CPB leader Rabiul Alam Khokon, Jhenidah district CPB Secretary Swapan Kumar, local Shaikupa Shilpakala Academy Vice-President advocate Abdul Khaleq, district AL leader advocate Ismail Hossain and upazila Parishad Vice-Chairman Jahidunnabi Kalu spoke at the rally.

Jubo League, BCL men held with arms in 2 dists

STAR NATIONAL DESK

Rab on Friday seized firearms from Jubo League and BCL men in Natore and Habiganj districts and arrested them.

In Natore, Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) arrested two Jubo League men with a pipe gun from Landanga on Friday night, reports a correspondent.

The arrestees are Mahabub Rahman, 38, president of Biprobhelghoria ward Jubo League and son of Abu Bakkar of village Hoaridakhalsi under Landanga upazila and activist Amir Ali, 28, son of Haji Chan Mohammad of the same village.

Obaidul Haque, OC of Landanga police station said, following a tip-off, a team of Rab-5 raided Hoaridakhalsi Primary School and arrested Mahbub and Amir Ali with a pipe gun at around 10:30pm.

Later, Rab handed them over to Landanga police station. A case was also filed in this connection, he added.

In Habiganj, the elite force in its separate drives in the district town arrested five people including a leader of Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) along with firearms

early Friday.

The arrestees are BCL district joint secretary Habibur Rahman Chowdhury Rajib, 22, Imam Hasan, 24, Injamam Ahmad Ehtesham, 22, Abdul Muhit Chowdhury Mishu, 22, and Abdus Samad Shipon, 25, reports UNB.

Acting on a secret information, a team of Rab-9 of Srimongol camp led by Lt Commander Kawser Mahmud in separate drives arrested BCL leader Habibur, son of Bazlur Rahman and Imam Hasan, son of Sohrab Ali from their residences in the town at about 3:00am.

Following their confessional statement, the law enforcers raided the house of Abdur Hannan in Chowdhury Bazar area of the town and arrested his son Samad along with one revolver, and a bullet.

Later, the elite force also raided the house of Abdul Wahed in the town and arrested his son Abdul Mohit Chowdhury Mishu, 22, along with one LG gun.

Injamam Ahmed Ehtesham, 22, a gunrunner and son of S M Amir Uddin was also arrested in another drive.

SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Invitation for Prequalification

BANGLADESH

Padma Multipurpose Bridge Project River Training Works

This invitation for prequalification follows the general procurement notice for this project that appeared in UN Development Business on-line and in dgMarket on December 09, 2009

The People's Republic of Bangladesh has applied for a credit from the World Bank (WB), Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), Asian Development Bank (ADB), Islamic Development Bank (IDB), and other partners to finance the proposed Padma Multipurpose Bridge Project, Bangladesh intends to apply part of the proceeds of from the World Bank Credit and credits/loans from other partners for payments under the contract for the River Training Works. The Bangladesh Bridge Authority intends to prequalify contractors and/or firms for construction of the River Training Works. It is expected that invitations for bid will be made in October 2010.

The Padma Multipurpose Bridge Project includes a new two level road cum rail bridge across the Padma River, plus extensive river training works on both sides of the river, approximately 2 km length along the North bank and approximately 12 km length along the South Bank. The river training works involve substantial dredging (approx 50 million m³), major underwater revetment works (approx 2.6 million m³), and rock placement (up to 6 million tonnes). These river training works are included in this proposed "River Training Works" contract.

Prequalification will be conducted through prequalification procedures specified in the World Bank's Guidelines: Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits, May 2004 revised October 2006, and is open to all bidders from eligible source countries, as defined in the guidelines.

Interested eligible applicants may obtain further information from, and inspect the prequalification document at, the Bangladesh Bridge Authority (address below) from 0900 to 1700 hours on Sunday to Thursday. A complete set of the prequalification document in English may be purchased by interested applicants on the submission of a written application to the address below and upon payment of a nonrefundable fee of Bangladesh Taka 10,000 or US\$ 150. The method of payment will be by cash or Bank draft in favor of Executive Engineer, Padma Multipurpose Bridge Project. The document will be sent by courier or collected from the office below.

A pre-qualification conference will be held on 01 September 2010 at 10.30am at the address below: BBA Conference Room, 2nd floor, Setu Bhaban, New Airport Road, Banani, Dhaka-1212, Bangladesh

Applications for prequalification should be submitted in sealed envelopes, delivered to the address below by 27 September 2010 up to 16.00 hrs. and be clearly marked "Application to Prequalify for Padma Multipurpose Bridge Project, River Training Works Contract, ICB No. PMB/RTW/01".

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Amendment of Tender Notice

1. The advertisement published in the Dailies regarding the following items is amended as under:

Tender No. & Dt.	Name of Items	Subject of Amendments	For	Read
4401/276-280/4856 dt. 08-06-2010	Die Parts for Rifle BD-08	Last date of selling tender form Date of dropping & opening Tender	26 July-2010 27 July-2010	09 August-2010 10 August-2010
4401/282, 291-295, 313,314/4856 dt. 08-06-2010	Die Parts for Rifle BD-08	Last date of selling tender form Date of dropping & opening Tender	02 August-2010 03 August-2010	16 August-2010 17 August-2010

2. Other terms & conditions of the tender will remain unchanged.

Manager Material
For Commandant