

7 Hizbut Tawhid men held in Rajshahi

Jihadi books, CDs, leaflets seized

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Rajshahi
Police yesterday arrested seven activists, four of them women, of Islamist outfit Hizbut Tawhid with around 200 books, CDs and leaflets from the city's Budhpura area under Rajpara police station.

Locals caught them and informed police that the militant suspects were distributing books, CDs and leaflets on jihad, said Shakhawat Hossain, an assistant commissioner of Rajshahi Metropolitan Police (RMP). Shakhawat quoting locals said, the arrestees were asking

people to join their outfit to wage jihad against 'Dazzal' that has descended on earth to destroy Islam. The arrestees include Mina Begum, 45, her daughter-in-law Nasima Begum, 21, Shikha Parveen, 22, and Doly Khatun, 22, of Baje Kajla area, Muhammad Islam, 19, of Kajla

in the city and Muhammad Shafik, 20, of Jahazhat and Shahabul Islam, 30, of Jhikra of Charghat upazila. The title of books and CDs were 'Dazzal' while inscriptions on some CDs describe, why one should join Hizbut Tawhid, police said. The arrestees admitted that they are activists of Hizbut Tawhid led by Bayazid Khan Panni of Tangail.

Shahabul, a vegetable-seller by profession told police that they were caught while selling the books and CDs and distributing leaflets to locals in Budhpura and Choddopai areas. Shafik told reporters that the shop of Renaissance Thai Aluminium at Shaheb Bazar was being used as their meeting place in the city for last several months.

The arrestees claimed that their outfit is not banned. Police were just interrogating them at the police station, they said. Sources said, the outfit is operating freely across the country, although it has records of militancy, clashes with locals and police at different places since 2003.

According to our Satkhira correspondent, an accused arrested on September 14 in Faridpur for distributing leaflets urging people to join 'jihad' against those who reject Islamic rule in the country was placed on a five-day remand yesterday.

However, the court ordered the investigation officer (IO) of the case to interrogate accused Satkhira Law College vice-principal Rabiul Islam Khan at Satkhira jail gate. Earlier, Sadar PS officer-in-charge (OC) Shah Jahan Khan, the investigation officer (IO) of the case, produced him before the Chief Judicial Magistrate's Court with a prayer for seven-day remand on September 16.

The court fixed on September 26 for hearing of the prayer, court sources said. Judge AHM Samsul Arefin of the Chief Judicial Magistrate's Court yesterday passed the order after a long hearing.



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Fed by heavy downpour, overflowing Kaptai Lake floods houses at Kathaltali adjacent to Fisheryghat in Rangamati Sadar upazila.

Activities at Benapole resume

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Benapole

Export-import through Benapole land port resumed yesterday morning after a day's halt.

Trading through the land port remained suspended on Saturday after an Indian border guard on the Indian side.

Seventy truckloads of goods entered Bangladesh through the land port from India while 40 truckloads of goods were exported to the country till filing of this report yesterday afternoon.

Petrapole C & F Association official Kartik Chandra Dey said the truck drivers joined their work yesterday after fruitful meetings with customs, Bongaon police and administrative officials.

Bad days for 492 Jhenidah dairies

Low price of milk, high price of feed

AZIBOR RAHMAN, Jhenidah

Many of the 492 dairies in the district are facing closure as farm owners are incurring losses due to very low prices of milk and rise in the prices of fodder and animal medicines.

Acute shortage of livestock service providers is also a cause of concern for the farm owners. "The price of all types of fodder like straw, oil cake, granular rice and pulses powder have increased recently. Now each bundle of straw is selling for Tk 20-22 compared to Tk 12 a few weeks ago," said Masudur Rahman, a dairy farm owner at Kabirpur village in Shaikupa upazila.

A kg of oil cake is sold between Tk 25-30 against previous price of Tk 15, granular rice Tk 24-25 against Tk 15 and pulse powder between Tk 28-30 against Tk 20, he said, adding that green fodder like napier and local varieties are almost unavailable in the market.

Several farm owners said the dairy business is gradually becoming a losing concern, as the price of milk remains very low round the year. Usually, one litre of fresh milk is sold for Tk 18-20 in the upazila markets, and the price is even lower in the remote areas, they said.

The price of milk sees rise only during a few special days of festivities. "Some non-governmental organisations have been providing loans for the dairy farms around the country. But they realise over 25 per cent interest a year although the government has advised the micro credit providers not to charge more than 12.5 per cent as service charges," said a dairy farm owner in the district headquarters requesting anonymity.

Farmers said that a local cow might daily provide two to three litres of milk that is sold at Tk 50 on an average, while the fodder and other costs sum up to at least Tk 60. A better breed of cow provides six to seven litres of milk a day, which can be sold for Tk 120, but the fodder and other costs sum up to at least Tk 140 a day.

Mokorondo Biswas said, "Only three field staff of my department have been providing services for the whole of Jhenidah upazila for long. It is not possible for them to move everywhere, even in emergency."

Regarding the supply of medicines from the government stores to the dairies, the DLO said, "Now a number of pharmaceutical companies are producing varied and optimum medicines for the animals. These are sold in the open market for reasonable prices."

About low prices of fresh milk in the rural areas, he said that the private entrepreneurs should purchase milk directly from the producers, as the government is not involved in the act. According to livestock office records, 134,786 cows of 492 dairy farms in the district provide 173,375 tonnes of milk as against the demand for 444,120 tonnes a year.

20 shops gutted in three districts

STAR NATIONAL DESK

At least 20 shops were gutted in three incidents of fire in Noakhali, Naogaon and Faridpur districts yesterday and the day before.

At least 12 shops were gutted in a fire at a kitchen market in Golbaria area under Choumohoni police station of the district early yesterday, reports a correspondent. Locals said the fire originated from an electric short circuit at Madina Store, a grocery shop of the kitchen market at around 5:00am and soon engulfed other eleven adjacent shops.

The affected shop owners of the market claimed that the fire damaged goods worth about Tk 50 lakh. In Naogaon, three shops were gutted in a fire at Pajorbhanga Bazaar in Manda upazila on Saturday night, reports UNB.

The fire originated from an electric short circuit at the shop of Akbar Ali in Dijen Market at about 11pm and soon engulfed the two adjacent shops. The affected shop owners claimed that fire damaged goods worth about Tk 14 lakh. In Faridpur, at least 5 shops were gutted at Titumir Market in the town early yesterday, reports our correspondent.

The fire broke out at around 4am due to an electric short circuit, said a shop owner. The damaged shops are MSR Monosha Pharmacy, Datta Biponi, New Datta Biponi, Rupali Shoes and New Rupali Shoes. The fire was doused by four Fire Service units from Faridpur and Rajbari. It damaged property worth Tk 50 lakh, claimed the affected shop owners.

In Manikganj, fire at Rising Spinning Mill at Noyadingi under Satura upazila gutted a huge quantity of cotton on Thursday, reports our correspondent. General Manager of the Mill Polash Ahmed said the fire might have damaged goods worth over one crore taka. About 30,000 kilograms of cotton at the mill's godown were gutted, he claimed.

Erosion victims block road in Lalmonirhat

Demand protection embankment

A CORRESPONDENT, Lalmonirhat

Several hundred erosion-hit people blocked Lalmonirhat-Burimari highway at Hatibandha upazila town yesterday morning demanding construction of a dyke on the left bank of Teesta river.

Over three thousand affected people of six unions of the upazila joined the road blockade programme shouting slogans -- "We don't want relief, we want dyke, we want to live by cultivating crop land" the participants said.

The road communication through Lalmonirhat-Burimari highway snapped for three hours during the programme. Several hundred passenger buses, goods-laden trucks and other vehicles remained stranded on

both sides of the road. Hatibandha Upazila Nirbahi Officer (UNO) Ashrafuzzaman rushed to the spot and talked with the erosion-hit people in the afternoon. The protesters withdrew their programme at about 2:00pm as the UNO assured them of taking effective initiative to materialise their demand.

Erosion-hit Abdul Jalil, 52, of Goddimari village said about 2000 families in six unions of Hatibandha upazila have been rendered homeless by the Teesta river erosion in the last three years and several thousand acres of cultivable land have already been gone into the river. But the government is yet to take proper steps to construct an embankment on the left

bank of Teesta river at Hatibandha upazila, he said. Victim Bozlar Rahman, 65, of Sindurna village also said the people of Hatibandha several times placed demand to higher authorities concerned for building a protection dam but to no effect.

"Several thousand more families and vast cultivable lands are still under the threat of Teesta river erosion at six unions of Hatibandha upazila. If the dyke is not constructed immediately, those families might become homeless in near future," said Yakub Ali, 55, of Paruliya village.

The affected villagers threatened that they will go for tougher programme if their demand is not met within seven days.



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People of six erosion-prone unions under Hatibandha upazila block Lalmonirhat-Burimari highway in the upazila town for three hours from 11:00am yesterday demanding construction of an embankment on the bank of Teesta River to save them from erosion.

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