

MONDAY'S ATTACK ON TRAINEE NURSES

MMCH nurses observe strike

Vow to go for indefinite strike from Saturday if culprits not taken to task

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

Nurses at Mymensingh Medical College and Hospital (MMCH) yesterday observed a four-hour strike demanding punishment to culprits who attacked trainee nurses at the hospital on Monday.

At least 35 people were injured as trainee nurses and employees of MMCH locked in a series of clashes on Monday. Among the injured, 30 are students of Mymensingh Nursing College (MNC) and the rest five employees.

Nurses agitating under the banner of Bangladesh Diploma Nurses Association (BDNA) said that the strike hours will increase everyday if the attackers are not brought to book.

The protesters who wore black badge yesterday also said they will go for an indefinite strike from June 18 if their demands were not met by tomorrow.

"We have already formed emergency squads to look after the critical patients during the strike hours," said Nazma Khatun, secretary of BDNA local unit.

Boycotting the classes for the second day, the trainee nurses also formed a human chain in front of Mymensingh Press Club in the morning.

MNC students Moyna Akhtar, Enamul Haque, Abul Hasnat, Mira Akhtar, Al Amin, Champa Das, Farhad Hossain, Sheikh Zohrul Alam, Zahedul Islam and Mobarak Hossain spoke at a rally during the human chain programme from 10 to 11am.

The speakers demanded immediate removal of MMCH director Brigadier General Dr Md. Shahjahan and official action against the fourth class employees who led the attack on the students.

The class boycott programme will continue till our demands are met, vowed the students.

Sources said, the trainee nurses on Monday morning went to meet the hospital director to know the reasons for cancellation of their sick room facilities.

When the students entered the director's room, a group of fourth class employees of the hospital rushed to the spot and asked the students to give them easy passage.

As the students refused to leave the place, an altercation began and at one stage an employee pushed a female student and pulled her scarf triggering a clash, students said.


The employees later swooped on the students and beat them up with sticks indiscriminately, injuring at least 30 students.

Meanwhile the employees of MMCH under the banner of Karmachari Oikya Parishad also brought out a procession at the hospital yesterday chanting slogans against the nurses.



PHOTO: STAR

Residents of Khulna city join a human chain at Picture Palace intersection in the city yesterday demanding punishment to Hasan Sayeed, who allegedly brutally tortured his wife Rumana Manjur, assistant professor of Dhaka University, on June 5. Police arrested the culprit in the capital yesterday.



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০১।	তহবিলের উৎস	ঃ	রাজস্ব বাজেটের আওতায় ব্যাংকের নিজস্ব তহবিল থেকে ব্যয় নির্বাহ করা হবে।
০২।	দরপত্র আহ্বানের সূত্র ও তারিখ	ঃ	প্রকাশ/সায়েন্স-২(১)অংশ-১(ক)/২০১০-২০১১/১৬৪০ তারিখ ১২-০৬-২০১১ইং।
০৩।	প্রকিউরমেন্ট মেথড	ঃ	উন্মুক্ত দরপত্র পদ্ধতি।
০৪।	দরপত্রের নাম ক্রয়তথ্য প্রচারের বিবরণ	ঃ	UV (Ultra Violet) Detector ক্রয়।
০৫।	কাজ সমাপ্তির সময়	ঃ	কার্যাদেশ প্রদানের ০৫ (পাঁচ) দিনের মধ্যে।
০৬।	দরদাতার যোগ্যতা	ঃ	সিডিউলে বর্ণিত।
০৭।	দরপত্র সিডিউলের মূল্য	ঃ	"বাংলাদেশ কৃষি ব্যাংক, প্রধান কার্যালয়" এর অনুসূচী সিডিউলত ব্যাংকের ঢাকা শহরস্থ যে কোন শাখার ৪০০/- (চারশত) টাকার (অধেরতম্যো) পেমেন্ট অর্ডারের মাধ্যমে সিডিউল ক্রয় করা যাবে।
০৮।	দরপত্র জামানতের পরিমাণ	ঃ	দরপত্রের সাথে বাংলাদেশ কৃষি ব্যাংক, প্রধান কার্যালয় এর অনুসূচী অত্র ব্যাংক অথবা সিডিউলত ব্যাংকের যে কোন শাখা থেকে ১০,০০০/- (দশ হাজার) টাকার পে-অর্ডার/ব্যাংক ড্রাফট জমা দিতে হবে যা ব্যাংকের প্রচলিত নিয়মে ফেরত দেয়া হবে।
০৯।	দরপত্র সিডিউল বিক্রয়ের, জমা দেয়ার ও খোলার অফিসের নাম, ঠিকানা	ঃ	বাংলাদেশ কৃষি ব্যাংক, প্রধান কার্যালয়, সাধারণ সেবা বিভাগ (৩য় তলা), ৮৩-৮৫, মতিঝিল বাণিজ্যিক এলাকা, ঢাকা-১০০০।
১০।	দরপত্র সিডিউল বিক্রির সর্বশেষ তারিখ ও সময়	ঃ	০৩-০৭-২০১১ইং বিকেল ০৪-০০ ঘটিকা।
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১২।	দরপত্র খোলার তারিখ ও সময়	ঃ	০৪-০৭-২০১১ইং তারিখ মধ্যাহ্ন ১২.১৫ ঘটিকায় প্রাপ্ত দরপত্রসমূহ উপস্থিত দরদাতাদের সম্মুখে (যদি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকেন) খোলা হবে।
১৩।	বিশেষ নির্দেশনা	ঃ	দরপত্র খোলার দিন কোন সিডিউল বিক্রয় করা হবে না। সর্বনিম্ন অথবা যে কোন কিংবা সকল দরপত্র কোন কারণ দর্শনো ব্যতিরেকেই বাতিল বা গ্রহণ করার ক্ষমতা কর্তৃপক্ষ সংরক্ষণ করেন। দরদাতার জন্য দরপত্র সিডিউলের সকল শর্তাবলী অবশ্যই পালনীয় বলে বিবেচিত হবে। ইতিপূর্বে অত্র ব্যাংকের কার্যাদেশ পেয়ে প্রত্যাখ্যান/প্রত্যাখ্যান মান রক্ষা না করা কিংবা কার্যাদেশ/সিডিউলের শর্ত ভঙ্গের কারণে যে সব প্রতিষ্ঠানের কার্যাদেশ বাতিল করা হয়েছে কিংবা যে সব প্রতিষ্ঠানকে কালোতালিকাভুক্ত করা হয়েছে এসকল প্রতিষ্ঠান দরপত্রে অংশগ্রহণের অযোগ্য বলে বিবেচিত হবে।

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2 housewives murdered in Kushtia

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Kushtia

Two housewives have been tortured to death allegedly by their husbands in two separate incidents in the district.

Hamida Parvin Sumi, 22, of Khoksa upazila died on Tuesday night at Rajshahi Medical College Hospital (RMCH).

According to police, Sumi's husband Sohail Ahmed, a medical assistant at Khoksa upazila health complex allegedly tortured her at their home on Saturday night. He then dumped the body in a roadside ditch.

The next morning, locals found Sumi in an unconscious state and took her to Khoksa upazila health complex.

As her condition deteriorated, she was shifted to RMCH where she died after a day's struggle.

Belal Hossain, officer in-charge (OC) of Khoksa police station said, a case has been filed. Police are looking for Sohail but he has gone into hiding, he said.

In another case in Daulatpur upazila, police recovered the hanging body of a six-month pregnant woman on Tuesday morning.

Victim Hulia Khatun, 23, was allegedly tortured to death for dowry.

She was married to Rokunuzzaman about four years ago.

Police suspect that Rokunuzzaman tortured her to death and then hung her body from the ceiling of their house.

A case has been filed with Daulatpur police station.



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Voters in long queues in the scorching heat at Nalbhatta polling centre in Raipura upazila of Narsingdi district wait for their turn during the union parishad election yesterday.



PHOTO: STAR

People of Barokhata union in Hatibandha upazila of Lalmonirhat district form a human chain at Milton Bazar yesterday demanding re-election to the union parishad and unconditional release of candidate Abdul Hye.

One killed, 70 hurt in post-UP poll violence

STAR NATIONAL DESK

Post-UP poll violence in Gopalganj, Lalmonirhat and Gaibandha districts yesterday and on Tuesday night left at least one person killed and over 70 injured.

Our Gopalganj correspondent reported that a woman was killed and at least 10 others were injured during a clash between the supporters of an elected member and a defeated candidate at Jatrabari village under Moksudpur upazila yesterday.

The deceased was identified as Khodeja Begum, 55, wife of Tota Mia of the village.

The supporters of elected member Badsha Dorjee and defeated member candidate Salam Dorjee locked in an altercation over the election results in the yard of the deceased's house at around 11:00am.

At one stage, they attacked each other, leaving Khodeja dead on the spot and at least 10 others from both sides injured. Police said injury or stampede might be the reason for Khodeja's death.

On information, police rushed to the spot and dispersed the clashing groups. They picked up eight people from the spot. No case was lodged with the police station concerned as of 5:00pm yesterday.

In Lalmonirhat, at least 50 people were

injured in post-poll clashes between the supporters of the elected chairmen and their rival candidates and the elected members and their rival candidates in Aditmari upazila on Tuesday night, reports our correspondent.

The injured were admitted to Aditmari Upazila Health Complex, Lalmonirhat Sadar Hospital and Rangpur Medical College and Hospital.

Police said 25 people were injured in Durgapur Union, 15 people in Komlabari Union, six in Mohishkhocha Union and the rest in Saptibari Union under the upazila.

In Gaibandha, twelve people were injured in a clash between the supporters of two defeated member candidates in Boali Union in Sadar upazila on Tuesday night, reports UNB.

Of the injured, three were admitted to a local hospital while the rest given first aid.

Police said the supporters of member candidates attacked each other following the announcement of poll results at the centre at around 10:30pm.

At one stage, the feuding groups encircled the election officials and tried to snatch ballot boxes. Being informed, additional police rushed to the spot and rescued the officials.

Water crisis acute in most areas of Khulna city

QAZI AMANULLAH, Khulna

People of Khulna city are suffering from acute crisis of water as Khulna Water and Sewerage Authority (Wasa) can meet only one-third of the water requirement of about 15 lakh people in 31 wards of the metropolitan city.

Struggle for water has become a common feature as supply lines have dried up in many localities.

In several areas people do not go to bed till early hours just to collect a few drops of safe drinking water. Besides, long queues at roadside tube wells are also a common-place in the metropolis.

Khulna Wasa, which came into being in 2008, can supply 3.50 crore litres of water through pipelines and six crore litres with the help of 10,000 tube wells against the total need of 24 crore litres of water a day, said SM Jaglul Haider, deputy managing director (DMD) of Wasa.

Contacted, Managing Director of Khulna Wasa Md Abdullah told this correspondent yesterday, "We

would spare no pain to resolve water crisis as early as possible. An agreement of Tk 1,300 crore has been signed with the government of Japan for installation of 51 kilometres of new pipelines and purifying of water to be taken from the Madhumati River in Mollahat upazila of Bagerhat district."

Besides, another agreement for Tk 500 crore is likely to be signed with Asian Development Bank. Two to five years would be needed to implement these projects to resolve water crisis in Khulna city," he added.

Meanwhile, Khulna Wasa has decided to resume its drive for realising outstanding bills amounting to Tk 3 crore and 57 lakh.

"We have already served notices to defaulters to pay up their outstanding bills to avoid disconnection of water supply lines," said Dr Md Alamgir Hossain, another DMD (Finance and Administration) of Khulna Wasa.

During the collection drive from June 22, a special

police team will assist a high-powered team of officials to face any unwanted situation, he said.

Earlier on April 13, Khulna Wasa launched a similar drive but it had to be suspended four days later amid angry protests from subscribers who blasted Wasa's failure to meet their water requirement.

A sum of Tk one crore 28 lakh 60 thousand and 592 has fallen arrear to government and non-government organisations of Khulna city while the total amount of outstanding bills to around 15,000 subscribers now stands at Tk 2 crore 28 lakh and 39,408, according to official sources of Wasa.

With outstanding bills of Tk 17 lakh 44 thousand and 425, Khulna Development Authority remains the highest defaulter, followed by Division-2 of Khulna PWD (Tk 17 lakh 35 thousand and 126) and the Office of the Khulna Divisional Commissioner (Tk 11 lakh 18 thousand and 480).



PHOTO: STAR

Women and children gather to fetch water from a roadside tube-well at Shelkhpura in Khulna city. Wasa's failure to supply adequate water through pipelines makes a large number of city dwellers dependent on such tube-wells.

Repolling demanded in Lalmonirhat

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Lalmonirhat

People of Barokhat Union under Hatibandha upazila yesterday blocked Lalmonirhat-Burimari highway in Milton Bazar area for an hour from 12:00 noon and then formed a human chain at the same place demanding re-polling at a centre in the union.

They alleged that the ruling Awami League backed candidate Mostafa Zaman Sohail with the connivance of the presiding and polling officers manipulated the election results of Koladabri centre on the night of June 9 and snatched the victory of their candidate Abdul Hye.

They demanded unconditional release of Abdul Hye

who was sentenced to one year's imprisonment by a mobile court the same night.

Law enforcers arrested Abdul Hye after his supporters attacked the presiding and polling officers of the centre on their way to upazila headquarters after announcing election results. He was produced before the mobile court that sent him to jail.

The supporters of the defeated chairman candidate demanded re-polling at the centre within a week. Otherwise, they threatened to launch a tougher agitation programme in Hatibandha upazila.

"We cast our votes for Abdul Hye but AL supported candidate Mostafa Zaman Sohail snatched the victory of our candidate," they said.

SNAPS AND SNIPPETS



PHOTO: STAR

Rapid Action Battalion (Rab-6) recovers 80 corrugated iron sheets marked 'for distribution as relief' from the office of local BNP leader Zafar Akbar at Mailmari village in Kathuli union of Gangni upazila under Meherpur district yesterday. Zafar, general secretary of Kathuli union unit of BNP, might have misappropriated the item during the tenure of last BNP government, said the elite force.

Two kids drown in river

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

Two children drowned in a river in Biral upazila yesterday noon. The deceased were identified as Afifatunnessa, 12, daughter of Mozibar Rahman and Julekha Begum, 10, daughter of Motiur Rahman of Kamdevpur-Ranipukur village in the upazila. Family sources said the two children along with others went to the Punarbhaba river in the area to take a dip while returning from school at noon. But the two hapless kids drowned in the river as they did not know how to swim. Later, the villagers at around 4.00pm recovered their bodies.

AL party office gutted

A CORRESPONDENT, Jamalpur

Party office of ruling Awami League at Sharishabari upazila of the district was gutted in a fire on Tuesday night. AL and BNP blamed each other for the incident at press conferences yesterday. Jubo League president of the upazila unit Montu Lal told newsmen that BNP activists set the party office on fire at about 11pm on Tuesday. AL upazila unit filed a case with speedy trial tribunal accusing 28 BNP leaders and workers yesterday. On the other hand Sarishabari upazila BNP unit at another press conference refuted the AL claim saying that the incident took place because of internal conflict in the local ruling party unit.

MPI students agitate

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

Students of electro-medical department at Mymensingh Polytechnic Institute (MPI) yesterday brought out a procession in the town demanding appointment of more teachers at the institute. The procession started from MPI campus and terminated on Mymensingh Press Club premises. The students also formed a human chain in front of the press club followed by a rally. The students told the rally that the electro-medical department needs appointment of sufficient teachers for smooth running of the department. It also needs more modern laboratory equipment to cope with the present competitive world, they said.