

Tale of a upazila chairman's pre-and post-poll tyranny

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Narail

At least 50 people belonging to Hindu community in Khasial union have been assaulted allegedly by Kalia upazila chairman and his men before and after UP poll as they refused to cast their votes and work for the candidate nominated by the chairman.

Prior to the election, UZ Chairman Shamimur Rahman Khan threatened the minority people and also put pressure on them to vote for his nominated UP chairman candidate Farid Sikder.

Many candidates lodged written allegations with the district administration and the district election office for urgent remedy before the election that held on June 19 this year, but to no effect. At the same time some newspapers also published stories on the role of the upazila chairman. Farid Sarker was, however, elected chairman of Khasial Union Parishad.

While visiting Charkhali, Surigati, Bramdhon Patna, Boro Patna, Shibanonodpur and Talbaria villages under Khasial union on September 3, the Hindus have narrated upazila chairman Shamimur Rahman Khan's tyranny to this correspondent.

"Minority people dare not filing any case against him. If any case is filed against the chairman, police do not take any step," they alleged.

Just before the UP poll, the UZ chairman assaulted Gopal Chandra Roy, a Hindu merchant in Botdia Bazar, as he refused to work for his nominated candidate Farid Sarker, they further said.

On the night of September 2, a gang of 10-12 criminals led by Shamimur Rahman Khan's younger brother Saton Khan swooped on Gopal Chandra and his brother Sanjoy with iron rods and hockey sticks while

they were returning home from Botdia Bazar. They received serious injuries and are now undergoing treatment at Khulna Medical College and Hospital.

Gopal's family said they will soon file a case against the persons involved in the attack.

Palash Das, secretary of Udichi Botdia unit, said the chairman's men beat him up severely after the election, alleging that he did not vote for Farid. "I took treatment at Kalia Upazila Health Complex and did not file any case fearing further attack," he added.

Tusher Das, a rickshaw-puller of Bramdhon Patna village, said he was also beaten up by the chairman's men on the night of September 2 as he was carrying Gopal and Sanjoy Roy in his rickshaw.

It is also learnt that Bidhan Das and Laddi Das of Patna village, Mintu of Tona village and many others Hindus were assaulted by Kalia upazila chairman after UP polls.

Chairman's men assaulted a journalist named Hirok Pasha a few months ago as he came to his relative's house at Botdia village. The gang vandalised his motorbike and took away money from him. Pasha filed a case with Naragati Police Station.

Upazila Chairman Shamimur Rahman Khan refuted all allegations, saying that a section of people are jealous of his reputation. "They are bringing false allegations against me to tarnish my image," he added.

Riazul Islam, officer-in-charge of Naragati Police Station said no complaint against the UZ chairman was filed with the police station as of yesterday. "If anyone files any allegation against him, we must take necessary steps", he added.

Contacted, Additional Police Superintendent (Circle) Tariqul Islam said police on Monday arrested UZ chairman's brother Saton Khan, Omot Mojumder and Rahman Khan in a case lodged by a journalist a few months ago.



Repair of umbrellas going on in full swing at a shop at Chhoto Bazar in Mymensingh town although the rainy season is on the wane.

Jewellery shop, houses looted

STAR NATIONAL DESK

Robbers looted a jewellery shop, houses of an expatriate and a union parishad member on Monday.

A gang looted cash and gold ornaments worth around Tk 40 lakh from a jewellery shop in Siddhirganj Bazar in Narayanganj early Monday. Night guard of the bazar Abdul Motaleb said, a gang of 11/12 robbers entered Siraj Jewellers by breaking

open the locks of its shutter at dead of night and looted valuables keeping Motaleb hostage at gun point.

In Sylhet, robbers looted gold ornaments and other valuables worth Tk 25 lakh from an expatriate's house at Noarai Dakkhinbhag village in Golapganj upazila early Monday. Sources said, an armed gang entered the house of UK expatriate Nazrul Islam when Nazrul and his family members

were not at home.

In Brahmanbaria, another gang looted cash, gold ornaments and other valuables worth Tk 15 lakh from the house of UP member Liton Das at Lalpur village in Ashuganj upazila.

KAPTAL LAKE Increase in fishing charges protested

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Rangamati

Fish traders, fishermen and workers organised a protest rally on the premises of Rangamati deputy commissioner's office yesterday demanding immediate cancellation of increased government charges for fishing in Kaptal Lake.

The fishermen and traders, who stopped fishing in the lake and its trade since imposition of the increased charges by Bangladesh Fisheries Development Corporation (BFDC) on September 1, also sent a memorandum to the fisheries and livestock minister through the deputy commissioner in this regard.

If implemented, the increased charges may compel fishermen to leave the profession and it will affect fish traders and workers as well, said speakers at the rally.

Earlier the BFDC authorities used to consult fishermen and fish traders before raising charges on different categories of fishes but this time it

was not done, they said.

Md Harunur Rashid, president of Kaptal Lake Matsya Babosayee Samabay Samity, spoke at the rally, among others.

As per new rates, charge for ruhi, katal, mohashole and chital (jatimash) weighing one kg each is Tk 35 per kg (earlier rate was Tk 25), for carp fishes it is Tk 20 (earlier rate Tk 14), for koi, shing, magur, pabda, bancha and tengra Tk 28 (earlier rate Tk 20), for small fishes like kanchki, chapila, mola Tk 12 (earlier rate Tk 8) and for cannibal fishes Tk 25 (earlier rate Tk 17).

Contacted, Commander Zahirul Alim, project manager of BFDC, Rangamati, said, "Prices of fishes are increasing day by day. The royalty rate was increased during the last caretaker government for three-year period, and then there was decision to increase it after termination of the specific time. As the government does not provide fund for our officials and staffs and for management of the lake, we have to increase royalty."

Dhaka International Trade Fair (DITF)- 2012

Export Promotion Bureau
Dhaka-1215.

No. EPB/DITF-2012/Participant & Product Selection/07/51 Date : 25-08-2011

Inviting applications from Local/Foreign Firms/Organizations for participation in Dhaka International Trade Fair (DITF) - 2012 to be held during 01 to 31 January, 2012.

17th Dhaka International Trade Fair (DITF)-2012 will be organized by Ministry of Commerce & Export Promotion Bureau at Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka (West side of Bangabandhu International Conference Centre) during 01-31, January, 2012. Applications are invited from interested Local/Foreign Government and Non-government firms/organizations in prescribed form for participation in DITF-2012. Application Forms for local participants may be purchased from the Finance and Accounts Section of the Export Promotion Bureau, Dhaka during Office hours on all working days from 12-09-2011 to 05-10-2011.

A) Conditions for Local Participants:

(i) Application forms of General & Premier Categories will be available on payment as mentioned below (Non-refundable) :-

Type	Price of Form (Taka)
Pavilion (50'x50')	Tk. 15,000/- (Fifteen thousand) only
Mini-Pavilion (25'x25')	Tk. 12,000/- (Twelve thousand) only
Stall (15'x20')	Tk. 6,000/- (Six thousand) only
Restaurant (25'x35')	Tk. 6,000/- (Six thousand) only

(ii) Applications must be submitted along with attested copies of valid and up-to-date Trade License, VAT Registration Certificate, Export Registration Certificate (ERC), Proceed Realization Certificate (PRC) from concerned Bank(s) (if applicable), up to date Income Tax Certificate Return showing TIN (2010-2011/2011-2012) up-to-date Bank-Solvency Certificate and Membership Certificate of Chamber/Trade Association attested by Government Gazetted Officer. Original copies must be shown at the time of submitting the application as and when necessary; and

(iii) No application form will be treated as valid if not accompanied with the above documents.

B) Conditions for Foreign Participants:

(i) Application form will be supplied free of cost for foreign participants. Photocopy of the Application form is also acceptable. This form is also available in the Website of EPB;

(ii) Applicants should submit Demand Draft amounting to US\$ 1,500 (US\$ One thousand five hundred) only for Pavilion and Demand Draft amounting to US\$ 1,000 (US\$ One thousand) only for Mini-Pavilion, Stall as Security deposit with their Application Forms;

(iii) Import of exhibits will be allowed on payment of Customs Duties and Taxes at the Customs Points of Entry or as per any other provisions made by the customs authority;

(iv) Foreign participants should submit their application through concerned Bangladesh Missions abroad or through Missions of their own country in Dhaka; and

(v) Applicants of those countries which do not have Bangladesh Missions in their Country or their own Country Mission in Dhaka, will have to apply through Government/Chamber/Trade Bodies of their own country.

C) Space and Rents/charges/fares :

For Local Participants (General category, excluding VAT & Tax)		For Foreign Participants (General category, excluding VAT & Tax)	
Pavilion (50'x50')	Tk. 6,00,000/-	Pavilion (50'x50')	US \$ 12,000.00
Mini-Pavilion (25'x25')	Tk. 4,00,000/-	Mini-Pavilion (25'x25')	US \$ 7,000.00
Stall (15'x20')	Tk. 1,50,000/-	Stall (15'x20')	US \$ 5,000.00

(i) A few numbers of Pavilion and Mini-Pavilion in lay-out plan under General category will be made reserved for allocation among the Chamber/Association, Government/Autonomous Bodies, Bank and Foreign Participants. General Traders will not be eligible to apply for the reserved Pavilion and Mini-Pavilion;

(ii) Rest of the Pavilion and Mini-Pavilion other than the reserved Pavilion and Mini-Pavilion in lay-out plan will be earmarked as Premier Pavilion and Premier Mini-Pavilion. Exporters, Manufacturers, Manufacturer Associations, Government/Autonomous Bodies, Chambers/Trade Associations, Banks, Foreign Participants & Assemblers shall be eligible to participate in the auction for allocation of Premier Pavilion and Premier Mini-Pavilion. General Traders shall not be eligible to take part in the Bidding;

(iii) Exporters, Manufacturers, Manufacturer Associations, Government/Autonomous Bodies, Chambers/Trade Associations, Banks, Foreign Participants & Assemblers shall be eligible to apply for Stall under General category other than Premier Stalls in the lay-out plan. General Traders will not be eligible to apply for Stall under General category also.

D) Allotment of Premier Pavilion, Premier Mini-Pavilion, Premier Stall and Restaurant through auction:

(i) Pavilions, Mini-Pavilions, Stalls and 6 (six) Restaurants in three blocks (2 in each block) located at important and prime location in the fair ground have been earmarked as Premier. The Floor Rates of the Premier Pavilion, Premier Mini-Pavilion, Premier Stall and Restaurants excluding 15% VAT & 5% Tax are as follows:-

Premier Pavilion (50'x50')	Tk. 10,00,000/- (Ten lac) only
Premier Mini-Pavilion (25'x25')	Tk. 6,00,000/- (Six lac) only
Premier Stall (18'x20')	Tk. 3,00,000/- (Three lac) only
Restaurants (25'x35')	Tk. 4,00,000/- (Four lac) only

(ii) Location map and numbers of Pavilion, Mini-Pavilion, Stall and Restaurant under Premier; category will be available in the drawn lay-out at EPB Fair Secretariat.

(iii) Firms/Organizations interested for obtaining allotment of Premier Pavilion, Premier Mini-Pavilion, Premier Stall and Restaurants shall have to submit offers in prescribed application form with required papers mentioned in the application form in sealed envelope. Rates should be quoted including 15% VAT & 5% Tax;

(iv) The offered rate should not be below the aforementioned FLOOR RATE and applicants should quote rate in order of preference; and

(v) Successful bidder will have to pay 15% VAT & 5% Tax on quoted Floor Rate as per Government rules in addition to the quoted amount.

(vi) Only Exporters, Manufacturers, Manufacturer Association, Government/Autonomous Body, Chamber/Trade Association, Banks, Foreign participants and Assemblers shall be eligible to participate in the bidding for Premier Pavilion, Mini Pavilion and Stalls. General Traders shall not be eligible to apply.

E) Security Deposit:

(i) Participants interested for obtaining allotment of Premier Pavilion, Premier Mini-Pavilion, Premier Stall, Restaurants, Pavilion, Mini-Pavilion & Stall should submit Pay Order/Bank Draft amounting to 50% of the fixed rent or quoted amount (as applicable) in advance as Security Deposit (Refundable) along with the application form.

(ii) Foreign participants intend to apply under Premier category shall have to submit 50% of the quoted value as deposit in the form of Pay order/Demand Draft.

02. The caption of Bank Draft/Pay Order Shall be
"DHAKA INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIR FUND".

03. Date & time of Sale & Submission of Application Form :

(i) Sale of Application Forms (General category) for both local and foreign participants will be started from 12-09-2011 and will be received up to 05-10-2011 during office hours in the Finance & Accounts Section of Export Promotion Bureau; and

(ii) Application form for Premier Category Pavilion, Mini-Pavilion, Stall and Restaurant will be sold up to 05-10-2011 by 5.00 pm and the offer shall have to be dropped in the Tender Box kept in :

(a) Export Promotion Bureau, 1 Kawran Bazar, TCB Bhaban (4th Floor), Dhaka-1215;

(b) Ministry of Commerce (Bldg. No. 3, Room No. 126), Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka; and

(c) Office of the Additional Divisional Commissioner (General), First 12-Storey Govt. Building, 2nd Floor, Room No. 303, Segunbagicha, Dhaka.

by 12.00 Hrs on 10-10-2011. The tender will be opened in the Conference Room of Export Promotion Bureau in front of the bidders' representative (if any) at 2:00 PM. on the same date.

(iii) Tender documents can be submitted by Post, Courier and in Person on the date and time scheduled for that.

04. Terms and Conditions :

(i) The Security Deposit of Local and Foreign Allottees would be refundable at the end of the fair period subject to the fulfillment of the terms and conditions mentioned in the application form, allotment letter and as per the advertisement. Non-participation after final selection shall result in forfeiture of the Security Deposit (Bank Draft/Pay Order). The firms not selected by the Fair Authority will be eligible for refund of Security deposit after 15 days of opening the Fair;

(ii) No application will be received/entertained if not accompanied with required documents mentioned in the advertisement ;

(iii) Selected participants will be required to pay the rent in the form of Bank Draft/Pay Order in favor of **DHAKA INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIR FUND** within 7(seven) days from the date of issuance of primary allotment letter;

(iv) No participant except a manufacturer will be allowed to display products in more than one Product Group. Product Groups defined by the Fair Authority in the Guideline shall be treated as final;

(v) Local participant will not be allowed to sell or exhibit imported foreign goods unless producing relevant import documents or ascertain documents from the concerned High Commission/ Embassy;

(vi) Local participants will not be allowed to use signboard, banner or festoon written in any language other than Bangla & English;

(vii) The Fair Authority will not be responsible for poor turn out of visitors and premature closure of the fair for whatever reason and any plea for refund of rent and taxes will not be entertained;

(viii) Sale or display of non-declared items is prohibited. Breach of these provisions will lead to the forfeiture of the security deposit and make the exhibitor liable for other punitive actions as decided by the Fair Authority.

(ix) In addition to the documents referred to in the condition A (ii), applicants have to quote total bid amount including 15% VAT and 5% Tax following the price list of food and drinks as approved by the fair authority for leasing restaurants. Price list of food and drinks as well as conditions approved by the fair authority have to be strictly complied with. In this connection, written undertaking has to be provided on Tk.150/- Non-Judicial Stamp along with the application form;

(x) To cook/prepare or sell any food item (except in the Restaurants) is strictly prohibited. Breach of these provisions will lead to the forfeiture of security deposit and make the exhibitor liable for other punitive actions as decided by the Fair Authority;

(xi) Selected participants will have to pay the proportionate rent for their respective Special Pavilion, Pavilion, Mini-Pavilion, Stall and Restaurant for the extended period of the Fair;

(xii) An attested photograph of applicant to be affixed at the top right corner of the application form;

(xiii) An applicant can apply for more than one item but the selection committee have preserved the right to allot only one item;

(xiv) Applicant would have to pay VAT & Taxes as per direction of the government;

(xv) Submission of fake documents with application Form will be liable for forfeiture of security deposit and cancellation of allotment along with other penalties as per law;

(xvi) Finally selected applicant shall not be allowed to transfer or given power of attorney to anybody of any cost. In case of violation security money will be forfeited; and

(xvii) The Fair Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all application.

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Government of the Peoples' Republic of Bangladesh
Disaster and Climate Risk Management in Agriculture Project
CDMP-II (DAE Part)
Department of Agricultural Extension
Khamarbari, Dhaka-1215

Memo No. DCRMA/DAE/Tender/O-E-Fur-MC/2011/001 Dated: 04-09-2011

Invitation for Tenders

Sealed tenders are hereby invited from the eligible tenderers as defined in the tender documents for the under mentioned goods as per terms and conditions stated below:

GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLES' REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH	
1	Ministry/Division : Ministry of Agriculture
2	Agency : Department of Agricultural Extension (DAE)
3	Procuring Entity Name : Project Director, Disaster and Climate Risk Management in Agriculture Project, DAE
4	Procuring Entity Code : -
5	Procuring Entity District : Dhaka
6	Invitation for : Tender for supply, delivery and installation of "Office Equipment, Office Furniture and Motor Cycles" for Project HQ in Dhaka and in different District level project offices under DCRMA-DAE project.
7	Invitation Ref No : DCRMA/DAE/Tender/O-E-Fur-MC/2011/001
8	Date : 04-September-2011
KEY INFORMATION	
9	Procurement Method : Open Tender Method (OTM)
FUNDING INFORMATION	
10	Budget and Source of Funds : CDMP-II, UNDP
11	Development Partners (if applicable) : UKaid, European Union, Norwegian Embassy, Sida, AusAID, UNDP
PARTICULAR INFORMATION	
12	Project / Programme Code (if applicable) : -
13	Project / Programme Name (if applicable) : Disaster & Climate Risk Management in Agriculture (DCRMA) Project
14	Tender Package No. : -
15	Tender Package Name : -
16	Tender Publication Date : 06-September-2011
17	Tender Last Selling Date : 25-September-2011 (Sunday 5.00 p.m.)
	Date Time
18	Tender Submission & Closing Date and Time : 26-September-2011 12.00 Noon
19	Tender Opening Date and Time : 26-September-2011 02.00 P.M.
20	Name & Address of the office(s) - Selling Tender Document (Principal) - Selling Tender Document (Others) - Receiving Tender Document - Opening Tender Document
	PMU-DCRMA-DAE, Room No. 403, 3 rd Floor, 1 st Building, Khamarbari, Farmgate, Dhaka-1215
	PMU-DCRMA-DAE, Room No. 403, 1 st Building, 3 rd Floor, Khamarbari, Farmgate, Dhaka-1215 and
	PMU-DCRMA-DAE, Room No. 403, 1 st Building, 3 rd Floor, Khamarbari, Farmgate, Dhaka-1215
21	Place / Date / Time of Pre-Tender Meeting (Optional) : Not Applicable
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER	
22	Eligibility of Tenderer : Manufacturers/Sole Agents/Sole Distributors/Reputed Firms/Tenderers shall have: Current year's Trade License, VAT Registration Certificate, Income Tax Clearance Certificate, Authorization letter from the Manufacture, Bank Solvency Certificate from any scheduled Bank, Experience Certificate of similar nature of works, Submission of Tender Security as Pay Order/Bank Guaranty from any recognized Scheduled Bank etc.
23	Brief Description of Goods or Works : Supply, install of Office Equipment and Office Furniture
24	Brief Description of Related Services : One years after sale services
25	Price of Tender Document (Tk) : Tk. 750.00 (Seven hundred fifty only)
26	Lot No. Identification of Lot Location Tender Security Amount (Tk) Completion Time in Weeks / Months
01.	Lot-1: (i) Desktop computers-17 nos. (ii) Laptop-01 no., (iii) Laser Jet duplex heavy duty colour network printer-01 no (iv) Laser Jet duplex heavy duty B/W network printer-01 no. (v) Laser printer (normal)-13 nos., (vi) Scanner 12 nos., (vii) UPS-17 nos., (viii) Fax machine-1 no., (ix) Intercom Systems for 5 rooms. Project HQ-DCRMA-DAE, Dhaka & District level offices 29,550 30 days
02.	Lot-2: (i) Digital Camera-14 nos. (ii) Video camera-01 no. (iii) Multimedia projector-2 Project HQ-DCRMA-DAE, Dhaka 11,800 30 days
03.	Lot-3: (i) Photocopier (scanner/fax facilities all together) auto duplex heavy duty-01 no. Project HQ-DCRMA-DAE, Dhaka 5,000 30 days
04.	Lot-4: (i) Internet setup (with LAN networking)-01 set. Project HQ-DCRMA-DAE, Dhaka 2,000 30 days
05.	Lot-5: (i) IPS-01 set. Project HQ-DCRMA-DAE, Dhaka 5,000 30 days
06.	Office Furniture Lot-6: (i) Executive chair-1 no. (ii) Special revolving chair-15 no. (iii) Armed chair-60 nos (iv) Executive table-01 no. (v) Half secretarial table-15 nos. (vi) Computer table-15 nos. (vii) File cabinet-15 nos. (viii) Shelves-15 nos. Project HQ-DCRMA-DAE, Dhaka & District level offices 26,260 30 days
07	Motor Cycles Lot-07: (i) 11 nos. Project HQ-DCRMA-DAE, Dhaka & District level offices 28,160 30 Days
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS	
27	Name of Official Inviting Tender : Project Director, PMU-DCRMA-DAE
28	Designation of Official Inviting Tender : Project Director
29	Address of Official Inviting Tender : PMU-DCRMA-DAE, Room No. 403, 1 st Building, 3 rd Floor, Khamarbari, Farmgate, Dhaka-1215
	Tel. No. Fax No. e-mail
30	Contact details of Official Inviting Tender : hassan58_dae@yahoo.com
31	The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders

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