

SNAPS AND SNIPPETS

GKDACC agitation programme

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

Greater Khulna Development Action Coordination Committee (GKDACC) will stage a sit-in for two hours from 10:30am at Picture Palace Cinema Hall intersection on October 2 and mass hunger strike at the same venue on October 8 to press home its eight-point demand. The demands include excavation of the Kobadak and Betna rivers, modernisation of Khulna Rail Station, appointment of more specialist physicians at Sheikh Abu Naser specialised hospital, gas supply through pipelines, construction Padma bridge at Mawa, development of infrastructure including capital dredging of Mongla Port, facilities for investment in the Mongla EPZ on easy terms and reopening of all closed mills and industries including Khulna Newsprint Mills. GKDACC Secretary General Sheikh Ashrafuzzaman announced the programmes through a press statement yesterday.

JMB man held, sent to jail

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Satkhira.

The JMB activist, arrested in Itagachha area of Satkhira town on Wednesday, was sent to jail yesterday. Police produced Md Selim Babu, 35, son of Md Tamij Uddin of Itagachha village in Sadar upazila, in the Chief Judicial Magistrate's Court that sent him to jail. Police said they arrested Babu as he was trying to regroup JMB activists in Itagachha area. Babu was sentenced to jail in Gopalganj Brac office blast case. After completing jai term, he came to Satkhira and was trying to reorganise JMB men in the district, they added. Officer-in-Charge (OC) Of Sadar Police Station Shah Jahan Ali Khan said they are trying to arrest the other operatives of the banned outfit.



PHOTO: STAR

Class three and class four employees of Kurigram municipality yesterday brought out a procession in the town demanding implementation of their six-point demand including rationing system. Similar programme was held in several other districts.

Four kids drown while collecting water lilies

Another dies in pond

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Five kids drowned in Pabna, Jhenidah and Natore districts on Wednesday and the day before.

Two children drowned while two others were injured as their boat capsized in a water body at Sadullapur in Sadar upazila of Pabna on Wednesday, reports our correspondent.

The hapless girls were identified as Shammi Parvin, 6, daughter of Abdur Rahim, Brishti Khatun, 8, daughter of Jonab Ali of Tatiparavillage.

The injured are Shima Khatun, 6, daughter of Abdul Hye and Shapla Khatun, 7, daughter of Sonar Ali of the village and students of a local primary school.

Locals said five children went to the water body by a small boat to collect water lily. All of a sudden, the boat capsized and sank as they lost control over the boat.

Shammi and Brishti drowned, but the other kid, who was traveling in the boat with them, managed to swim ashore, locals said.

Locals rescued the four children and took them to Pabna Medical College and Hospital where Shammi and Brishti were declared dead.

In Jhenidah, two cousins drowned in a canal at Dhanbandha village in Sadar upazila on Wednesday afternoon, reports our correspondent.

The victims were identified as Meem, 6, daughter of Firoz Ali of the village and Atik, 4, son of Kashem Ali of the village.

Family members said the two kids went to collect 'shapla' (water lily) in a nearby canal. But they drowned as they went deep under water to pluck water lily.

They were rushed to Jhenidah Sadar Hospital where the on-duty doctor declared them dead.

In Natore, a two-year-old girl drowned in a pond at Domrai village under Bagatipara upazila on Tuesday afternoon, reports our correspondent.

The victim is Subarna Khatun, daughter of Saidul Islam of the village.

Police and family sources said, Subarna was playing near the pond beside their house. After sometime she went too close to the pond and fell in the water and drowned.

In Satkhira, a young man drowned in a pond at Gadkhali village in Kalaroa yesterday.

The victim was identified as Md Saheb Ali, 35, son of Md Eman Ali Sardar of the village, reports our correspondent.

Quoting local people police said Saheb drowned while taking bath and drowned as he did not know how to swim.

Local people recovered the body from the pond at about 2:30 pm.



PHOTO: STAR

Hundreds of locals, teachers and students yesterday formed a human chain on Chandpur-Comilla highway demanding punishment to the youth who killed Abdul Bashar, father of a student of Chandpur Baburnat School and College on Thursday.

Three outlaws arrested in Khulna, Rajshahi

STAR NATIONAL DESK

Three outlaws were arrested in Khulna and Rajshahi districts yesterday and the day before.

Police arrested two outlaws in Dumuria and Digholia upazilas of Khulna on Wednesday.

The arrestees were identified as Swapon Kumar Roy alias Dublu, 38, and Mithu Molla, 36, reports our staff correspondent.

Swapon was arrested from a house at Patibunia village under Dumuria upazila. Police recovered a revolver from his possession. Swapon was wanted in 10 criminal cases for murder, extortion and kidnapping for ransom since 2001, Dumuria police said.

The arrested outlaw is an armed cadre of outlawed New Biplobi

Communist Party (M-L), OC Ashraf Ali of Dumuria police station said.

A case under Arms Act was recorded against him yesterday morning.

According to the OC, Swapon was convicted by a court for his involvement in the murders of shrimp traders Kausar Ali, Ramjan Ali and Kausar Molla of Shovna union under Dumuria upazila on October 14 in 2001. Besides, he is one of the FIR-named accused in the case for looting arms from a havilder of Baniakhali police camp under the same upazila on October 13 last year.

In another drive, police arrested an armed cadre of Janajuddho faction of outlawed PBCP from his hideout at Gazirhat under Digholia upazila of the district.

Arrestee Mithu Molla is son of Abdul Malek Molla of Katenga village under Terokhada upazila.

According to police, outlaw Mithu Molla was wanted in seven criminal cases including two for murder filed against him with Terokhada police station.

Mithu was planning a criminal operation along with some of his accomplices at his hideout on Wednesday afternoon, they said.

Meanwhile, Ataikula police of Pabna arrested Md Shahid Uddin, 35, a top operative of outlawed PBCP Janajuddha from Rajpara in Rajshahi district early yesterday, reports our Pabna correspondent.

Officer-in-charge of Ataikula police station Md Robiul Hasan said Shahid alias 'murderer' Shahid of PBCP Janajuddha was in hiding since long. He is accused in seven cases including for murder and extortion. He was one of the most wanted criminals on our list, the OC said.

Hospital vandalised as newborn dies

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pabna

Locals vandalised a private hospital in Santhia upazila on Wednesday following death of a newborn baby.

Shahnaz Begum, 25, wife of Shafiqul Islam of Dulai village, was admitted to Pabna Community Medical College and Hospital at Bishnapur in the upazila with labour pain at around 10:00am on Wednesday.

Police and locals said, as there was no doctor, a nurse and hospital maids performed caesarean on Shahnaz who gave birth to a baby. But the newborn baby died within a few minutes.

Shahnaz's relatives alleged that the baby died as

the operation performed on Shahnaz went wrong. They vandalised the hospital and brought out a procession demanding arrest and punishment of the nurse and other hospital staff.

Shahnaz's husband Shafiqul filed a case with Santhia Police Station, accusing six people including the owner of the hospital. Police arrested four staff of the hospital. They are manager Abdus Salam, nurse Asia Khatun, Sathi Khatun and maid Sheli Akhter.

Kafil Uddin, owner of the hospital, and nurse Nazma Akhter, who performed caesarean, went into hiding. The arrestees were yesterday produced in a Pabna court that sent them to jail.

Arbitrators beat up alleged rapist

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Patuakhali

Arbitrators beat up an alleged rapist and fined him Tk 10,000 on Wednesday at Muradia union parishad office under Dumki upazila.

The arbitration was led by Md Mizanur Rahman, UP chairman for Muradia UP while Bidhan Dewry, Abdus Satar, Kabir Hossain, all UP members, Kuddus Mollah, vice president of Muradia union unit Awami League, also former UP member, Kartik Dafadar were present as arbitrators.

Mizanur Rahman delivered the judgment and executed his verdict by giving 50 lashes in the presence of over 100 local people.

Police meanwhile rescued the rape victim and sent her to Patuakhali General Hospital for medical checkup.

Mintu Mia, father of the victim, filed a case against the alleged rapist Abdul Khaleq, 40, of north Muradia.

The parents of the victim said that Abdul Khaleq, father of four children, raped their 7-year-old daughter at about 8:00 pm on Tuesday at his house.

Khaleq allegedly called the girl to his house when her parents went to the nearby market.

The next day the parents of the victim lodged a complaint with the office of the UP chairman.

Silent procession in enclaves

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

Hundreds of people at Indian enclaves inside Panchagarh district yesterday brought out silent processions on the 7th day of their 10-day agitation demanding early implementation of the enclave exchange deal between Bangladesh and India.

India-Bangladesh Enclave Exchange Coordination Committee leader Sirajul Islam, also chairman of Shalbari enclave told this correspondent that people of all the Indian

enclaves inside Bangladesh participated in the processions in their areas.

After the processions, local enclave leaders also addressed rallies.

The governments of India and Bangladesh should feel the pain of the enclave people and start the exchange procedure soon, they told the rallies.

Demanding a specific time frame for early implementation of the enclave exchange deal in line with Bangladesh-India land boundary agreement of 1974, they said the movement will continue until realisation of their demand.

In absence of basic citizens' rights, the enclave people live in awful conditions amid lack of adequate employment opportunity, infrastructure, educational institutions, electricity and medical facilities, they said.

Contacted, Md Golam Mostafa, general secretary of Bangladesh unit of India-Bangladesh enclave coordination body, told this correspondent over cell phone that the people of 51 Bangladesh enclaves inside India and 111 Indian enclaves inside Bangladesh observed the same programme to press home their demands.

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Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
Emergency 2007 Cyclone Recovery and Restoration Project, Bangladesh (Component A)

Invitation for Bids for Procurement of Power Tillers, Power Threshers and Low Lift Pumps

Credit No. 4507 - BD, Project ID No. UTF/BGD/040/BGD, Bid Package No. 4G1.C, 2G1.C-2 and 2G3.C

The People's Republic of Bangladesh has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Emergency 2007 Cyclone Recovery and Restoration Project and it intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for the Procurement of goods against different packages. The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the supply of Power Tillers, Power Threshers and Low Lift Pumps. Bidders having a minimum of 3 (three) years of experience in the supply of the tendered items/similar items are only encouraged to participate. The delivery period is 8(eight) weeks from the date of the Notification of the Award.

Bidding will be conducted through the national competitive bidding procedures as specified in the World Bank's *Guidelines: Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits*, (current edition), and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the guidelines.

Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information and inspect the bidding documents from the ECRPP office of FAO Representation in Bangladesh (Hs. # 27, Rd. # 9/A, Apt. # A-1, Dhanmondi R/A, Dhaka - 1209, Telephone 8130758/104) during office hours i.e. 08:00 to 16:30 Hrs. A complete set of bidding documents in English for each package may be purchased by the interested bidders on the submission of a written application to the address below and upon payment of a non-refundable fee as mentioned below. The method of payment for the tender documents will be in cash against a written receipt. All bids must be accompanied by a bid security for an amount mentioned below.

Package No.	Item	Quantity	Bid Security (Tk.)	Price of Bid Document (Tk.)
4G1.C	Power Tillers	252 Nos.	750,000.00	2000.00
2G1.C-2	Power Threshers	299 Nos.	600,000.00	2000.00
2G3.C	Low Lift Pumps	251 Nos.	300,000.00	1500.00

Bids shall be delivered to the address below by 14:00 Hrs. on 31 October 2011. They will be opened immediately thereafter, in the presence of bidder's representatives, who choose to attend, at the address below. Late bids will be rejected.

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