

PROCESSION, SIT-IN, RALLY IN SATKHIRA

'Re-excavate Kobadak to resolve water logging problem in 3 dists'

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Satkhira

Leaders and activists of 'Kobadak Bachao Andolon', a newly floated civic body, brought out a procession and held a sit-in in the town, demanding re-excavation of the silted river to solve the persisting water logging problem in the area.

They brought out the procession from Shaheed Ala Uddin Chattar. Parading the main thoroughfares of the town the processionists held a sit-in front of the DC's office. They also held a brief rally there with Advocate Mustafa Lutfullah in the chair.

Workers party president Rashed Khan Menon was the chief guest while the rally was addressed by Kobadak Bachao Andolon convener Anil Biswas,

Iqbal Kabir Zahid and Aminul Islam Golap.

Rashed Khan Menon said, over 5 lakh people in Satkhira, Khulna and Jessore living on the bank of Kobadak have been suffering for long due to persisting water logging as the authorities never took steps to excavate the silted river for ensuring normal water flow.

He urged the government to connect the Kobadak with the Padma by excavating Mathabhanga point in Kushtia. It will help create normal water flow and solve the water logging problem, he said.

He said that the government recently sanctioned over Tk. 161 crore to re-excavate the river. However, he suggested army to do the job to make it corruption free.

"This is not a problem of a year, rather it is a problem of years in the region. Whenever there is rain there is water logging as the river has silted up", he said.

The other speakers said that flooding recurs every year with spiraling ferocity as the river is drying up at many points.

They said only a united effort by elites and politicians in the region could save the river.

They called to fulfill their four-point demand -- steps to drain out river water during the rainy season, demolition of all illegal structures in the river to save the river from grabbers, putting demarcation boundary of the river and dredging of the river and linking it with the upstream of Mathabhanga through excavation.



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There are tombs but nobody can say where the mass graves are. These tombs at Gokunda village in Lalmonirhat Sadar were hurriedly white washed just a few days ahead of the Victory Day.

Most Lalmonirhat mass graves of '71 about to 'disappear'

Poor maintenance for years blamed

S DILIP ROY, Lalmonirhat

The mass graves of liberation war martyrs in different upazilas of the district have started to almost 'disappear' due to lack of proper steps to preserve them.

More than 600 people including women and children were brutally killed by Pakistan occupation forces and their local collaborators near the Lalmonirhat railway station (now known as Railway rickshaw stand) in the town.

After over three decades of country's independence an initiative was taken by the Zila Parishad in 2005 to build a monument in remembrance of the war heroes but was never implemented for reasons unknown.

The places where the mass graves were found are New Colony, Store Para, Stadium Para, Mission Para, Up-yard Colony, Gokunda Down-yard Colony under Lalmonirhat municipality in Sadar upazila, Swarnamoti Railway Bridge, Station Para under Aditmari upazila, Dalogram, Tusbhandar, Votmari, Kakina under Kaliganj upazila, and Barokhata, Dawabari, Daliya under Hatibandha upazila, according to the Lalmonirhat district freedom fighters.

Freedom fighters of the district said a large number of people were detained and shot to death by the Pakistan occupation forces at Velabari and Durgapur

villages under Aditmari upazila when they were trying to flee their motherland for fear of life.

Freedom fighter Abu Bakkor Siddique told this correspondent that when Lalmonirhat district council a few years ago took up a plan to build monuments in those places the then government did not come forward to implement the plan.

"The freedom fighters of the district contacted the authorities concerned to build a monument in remembrance of the martyrs and war heroes, but they are yet to get any response for unknown reason," he said.

Apart from people buried in the mass graves about 350 others, includ-

ing women and children, were killed at Barokhata village under Hatibandha upazila in 1971 when they were heading for India to take shelter. District commander of Muktijoddha Parishad Yusuf Ali urged the government to take steps to preserve the memories of the liberation war before being lost into forgotten past.

While visiting a few spots in Sadar upazila days before the Victory Day, it was found that the tombs on the mass graves were hurriedly white washed.

"This is done every year ahead of the Victory Day", said a local.

"But the mass graves are gradually disappearing for lack of preserving the areas properly", he added.

Five 'drug peddlers' arrested in four dists

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Five alleged drug peddlers were arrested along with contraband items in Jessore, Sylhet, Moulvibazar and Chuadanga districts on Friday and Saturday.

Police arrested two drug peddlers along with hemp from Chachra Ramkrishna road area in Jessore town on Saturday night, reports our Benapole correspondent.

The arrestees are Jasim Uddin, 30, son of Alam Mia and Bulbul Ahmed, 25, son of Bodoruddin of Kagojpur village under Banapole Port Station.

Acting on a tip-off, a team of police raided the spot at about 10:00pm and held the duo with 1 kg hemp, while they were going to Dhaka carrying the contraband item, said Ashraf Hossain, officer in-charge of Jessore police station.

In Sylhet, police arrested a drug peddler along with 15 bottles of liquor and 500 grams of hemp from a tea stall at Darbastu Bazaar in Jointapur upazila on Saturday night, reports UNB.

The arrestee is Rabbani, 35, son of late Kunu Mia of Bichhnatek village in the upazila.

On secret information, a team of police led by Jointapur Model police station ASI Rashedul Alam Khan raided a tea stall at about 8:30pm and arrested Rabbani along with the phensidyl and the hemp.

In Moulvibazar, police arrested a woman drug peddler along with 180 bottles of phensidyl syrup from her house at Sampasi village in Sadar upazila on Saturday night.

The arrestee was identified as Nasima Begam, 30, wife of Ana Miah of the village.

Moulvibazar Model police station SI Dipangkar said on secret information, they conducted a drive at Nasima's house at about 8:00pm and arrested her along with the contraband drugs. Her husband went into hiding sensing the presence of the law enforcers.

In Chuadanga, Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) arrested drug peddler Jahid, son of Abdul Jalil, along with 20 grams of heroin from Kanalaria area of Alamdanga upazila town on Friday night.

On secret information, a team of Rab-6 raided the area and arrested Jahid along with the contraband heroin.

Two arrested with garlic

UNB, Sylhet

Police arrested two people from Lalakhali border in Jointapur upazila on Friday night while they were smuggling 21 sacks of Bangladeshi garlic to India.

The arrestees are Abdur Rouf, 35, son of late Hasan Ali of Kargam village in the upazila and Helal, 32, son of Hafiz Mia of Barabandha village in Kanaighat upazila.

Young man murdered

UNB, Sylhet

Police recovered the unidentified body of a young man from a paddy field at Baraigaon village in Biswanath upazila on Saturday.

Local people found the body of the victim, aged about 27, at noon in the field and informed the police.

The body bore injury marks, police said.

Tiger kills fisherman

UNB, Khulna

A fisherman was killed in a tiger attack at Panabharani canal of Sundarbans in Koira upazila yesterday morning.


The deceased was Gopal Munda, 40, son of Kalipad Munda of Borobari village in the upazila.

Kashiabad Forest Station sources said a tiger

suddenly attacked Gopal and dragged him inside deep forest when he was catching crabs at about 10:00am.

Hearing the hue and cry, Gopal's cohorts and forest guards rushed to the spot and recovered the body.

The victim used to maintain his livelihood by catching crab and fish in Sundarbans.



Sher-e-Bangla Agricultural University

Sher-e-Bangla Nagar
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Memo No.-SAU/Engg./191/06/172 Date: 14/12/2011

Invitation for Tender (IFT)

Tender Notice No. 02/2011-12

1.	Ministry/division	: Ministry of Education.		
2.	Agency	: Sher-e-Bangla Agricultural University, Dhaka.		
3.	Procuring entity name	: Vice Chancellor, Sher-e-Bangla Agricultural University, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207.		
4.	Procuring entity code	: Not applicable.		
5.	Procuring entity district	: Dhaka.		
6.	Invitation for	: Works.		
7.	Invitation Ref No. with date	: SAU/Engg./191/06/172 Date: 14/12/2011.		
8.	KEY INFORMATION			
a.	Procurement method	: Open Tendering Method (OTM).		
9.	FUNDING INFORMATION			
(a)	Budget and source of funds	: GOB.		
(b)	Development partner	: Not applicable.		
10.	PARTICULAR INFORMATION			
(a)	Project/programme name	: Further Development Project of SAU, Dhaka.		
(b)	Tender package No.	: Package-1 & Package-2.		
(c)	Tender package name	: Package-1-Construction of 5-storied Male Student Hall with 10-storied foundation at SAU, Dhaka-1207. Package-2-Construction of 5-storied Female student Hall with 10-storied foundation at SAU, Dhaka-1207.		
(d)	Last date of selling tender document	: 16/01/2012 up to 4.00pm.		
(e)	Last date and time for submission of tender	: 17/01/2012 up to 12:00 noon.		
(f)	Tender opening date and time	: 17/01/2012 at 02:00pm.		
(g)	Name & addresses of the offices for selling tender document	: a) Principal Office: Office of the Chief Engineer, Room No-109, Ground Floor, Administrative Building, SAU, Dhaka-1207. b) Others Office: Commissioner Office, Segunbagicha, Dhaka.		
(h)	Name & addresses of the offices for receiving tender document	: a) Principal Office: Office of the Chief Engineer, Room No-108, Ground Floor, Administrative Building, SAU, Dhaka-1207. b) Others Office: Commissioner Office, Segunbagicha, Dhaka.		
(i)	Name & addresses of the offices for opening tender document	: Office of the Director, Planning, Development & Works (Chairman, TOC), Room No.-102, Ground Floor, Administrative Building, SAU, Dhaka-1207.		
(j)	Pre-tender meeting (optional)	: Not applicable.		
11.	INFORMATION FOR THE TENDERER			
(a)	Eligibility of tenderer	: Reputed 1st class/special class contractors of govt./semi-govt./autonomous organizations with: i) Experience: Minimum 10 (ten) years of general experience on multi-storied building construction works. Experience of successful completion of minimum one (1) at least five-storied building in a single contract of Tk. 10 (ten) crore within the last 5 (five) years. Evidence regarding successful completion of the works in the form of work completion certificate must be submitted signed by the appropriate authority. ii) Up-to-date valid Trade License, VAT and TIN No. iii) Up-to-date enlistment certificate (civil, sanitary & internal electrical works including ABC supervisory certificate). iv) Annual turnover: minimum annual turnover in any of the last 5 (five) years at least Tk. 24.00 (twenty-four) crore. v) Liquid Asset: At least Tk. 3.00 (three) crore. The liquid asset requirement for the contract may be in the form of approved/committed credit facility by a scheduled bank of Bangladesh. vi) Personnel: Qualified & experienced engineers for civil, sanitary & electrical works; and vii) Equipment: Must own or have access to equipment necessary for multi-storied building construction and steel formworks & adjustable props etc. Other required eligibility & condition of the tenderers as stipulated in the tender documents.		
(b)	Brief description of works	: Civil, sanitary, electrical & other ancillary works.		
(c)	Brief description of related services	: Not applicable.		
(d)	Tender document price	: Tk. 6,000.00 (non-refundable for each package).		
12.	Brief description of tenders:			
Package No.	Identification of package	Location	Tender security amount (Tk.)	Completion time in weeks/months
1	Package-1- Construction of 5-storied Male Student Hall with 10-storied foundation at SAU, Dhaka-1207	Sher-e-Bangla Agricultural University, Dhaka	Tk. 30.00 lac	15 months
2	Package-2-Construction of 5-storied Female Student Hall with 10-storied foundation at SAU, Dhaka-1207	Sher-e-Bangla Agricultural University, Dhaka	Tk. 30.00 lac	15 months
13.	Special terms & conditions:			
(a)	The interested tenderer will have to submit tender security in the form of Pay-Order/Demand Draft/Bank Guarantee from any scheduled bank in favour of Vice-Chancellor, Sher-e-Bangla Agricultural University, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka along with the tender. Otherwise the tender will be invalid.			
(b)	Notification of award will be issued for full or part of the work subject to the availability of fund.			
(c)	The tender will be governed by the Public Procurement Regulations-2008.			
(d)	The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders.			
14.	PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS			
Name of official inviting tender	: Md. Azharul Islam.			
Designation of official inviting tender	: Chief Engineer.			
Address of official inviting tender	: Office of the Chief Engineer, SAU, Dhaka.			
Contact details of official inviting tender	: Tel: 8125138, 9143944.			

Md. Azharul Islam
Chief Engineer
SAU, Dhaka

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Arms, ammo seized, 1 held

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Magura

Detective Branch (DB) of police arrested a young man along with arms and ammunition from Magura bus terminal area yesterday.

The arrestee was Rashed Mahmud, 24, son of Gazi Keramat Ali of Folsia village in Dumuria upazila of Khulna district.

On secret information, a team of DB police raided a Barisal-bound bus from Jessore yesterday and recovered two foreign made pistols, 34 bullets, six packets of gun powder, four magazines and arrested Rashed.



PHOTO: STAR

Detective Branch police in Magura raided a Barisal-bound bus from Jessore yesterday and recovered two foreign made pistols, 34 bullets, 6 packets of gun powder and four magazines from the possession of a youth.