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Doc sent to

giving fake

certificate

OUR CORRESPONDENT,

A Sirajganj court on Sunday

sent a doctor to jail for giving

fake medical certificate to a

man who used it to implicate

Kabir, 48, is the registrar of

Rafatullah Community

Badiuzzaman of Rahimabad

village under Salanga

upazila of the district, was

injured in a clash with his

rivals at the village on

December 27 last year. He

was admitted to Sirajganj

General Hospital the same

day and discharged on

issued a fake certificate,

stating that Nazrul was

admitted to the community

hospital with serious inju-

ries and under his treatment

brother Rabbani lodged a

case against their rivals with

Salanga Police Station, using

accused on January 23

drew attention of the

Senior Judicial

Magistrate's Court to the

fake certificate, the court

summoned Doctor

Humayun Kabir to appear

before the court on

appeared in the court, con-

fessed to issuing the fake

certificate and sought

mercy. Senior Judicial

Magistrate Nazmul Haq

rejected Kabir's mercy peti-

tion and sent him to jail.

Humayun Kabir

As the lawyers for the

Later, Nazrul and his

until December 29.

the certificate.

February 12.

Doctor Humayun Kabir

December 29.

The doctor, Humayun

Nazrul Islam, 27, son of

his opponents in a case.

Hospital in Bogra.

jail for

Sirajganj

Drama department of Rajshahi University brings out a colourful procession on the campus yesterday marking Basant Utsab (spring festival) on the first day of spring according to Bangla calendar.

'Runaway' transformers chained

MIRZA SHAKIL, Tangail

Amid rising incidents of transformer theft, authorities of Palli Bidyutayan Board (Rural Electrification Board) have made it obligatory for its customers in the district to set iron chains and locks with electric transformers.

Sixty-three electric transformers of different categories have been stolen from Delduar and Nagarpur upazilas in Tangail and Chowhali upazila in Sirajganj under Delduar Palli Bidyut Samity since 2008, said sources of Palli Bidyut office at Delduar.

There are 3,508 electric transformers of different categories for 40,407 subscribers in the areas under Delduar Palli Bidyut Samity, said Tapan Kumar Das, deputy general manager of the office.

When transformers are stolen, subscribers face untold sufferings in addition to monetary losses as transformers cannot be set in time even after depositing money due to shortage of the equipment, palli bidyut officials said.

As per direction of Rural Electrification Board Chairman Brig Gen Moin Uddin, the organisa-

tion has already taken initiative to motivate its customers to put chains and locks on all electric transformers in the district within May 31 this year, they said.

"There are 15,700 electric transformers of different categories for 1,67,000 customers in eight upazilas under Tangail Palli Bidyut Samity. Over 2,000 transformers have been chained

and locked so far and the rest will follow within the deadline," Obaidur Rahman, general manager of Tangail Palli Bidyut Samity, said a few days ago.

Several customers of Palli Bidyut Samity said although it is not their responsibility to protect transformers from stealing, they are being forced to spend Tk 1,000 to Tk 2,800 for buying two 12feet chains and two to six locks for the purpose.

Asked about the matter, Obaidur Rahman said, "Palli Bidyut Samity is a customer-oriented organisation and it runs with the money of its customers. And so, customers will have to arrange chains and locks to protect their transformers from stealing."



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An electric transformer meant for subscribers of Palli Bidyut Samity (rural electrification association) in Delduar upazila headquarters under Tangail district gets chained and locked by the authorities amid rising incidents of transformer theft in the district.

Dilapidated office building haunts staff, visitors

PONUEL BOSE, Narail

The staff of and visitors to Kalia upazila settlement office in Narail district pass their time amid fear of accident any time as the 73-yearold building has turned risky due to lack of repair.

The Kalia upazila is about

48 kilometres away from the district headquarters.

During a recent visit to the office, about 48 kilometres away from the district headquarters, this correspondent found rods of roofs exposed at many places and several cracks on

the walls. Chunks of plaster fallen off roofs and walls were seen on the floors. Hanging electric cables pose risk for employees and visi-

The first floor of the twostoried building is used for Kalia upazila assistant set-

through walls, said Md Easin Mollah, surveyor. "We are working here amid life risk as chunks of plaster often fall off while rainwater entering the building causes damage to

ground floor.

cum bench assistant. Ashok Chakrobarty, a visitor from Patna village under Kalia upazila, said, "We often come here for our land-related purposes amid risk of accident anytime due to the dilapidated condition

of the building."

valuable documents," said

Md Mujibor Rahman, office

tlement officer's court while

there are rooms for other

staff and record books on the

Several lakh record books

of land kept in the building

are getting damaged as

rainwater enter the building

Md Kamruzzaman, assistant settlement officer of Kalia upazila, said, "We use the building as our office upon yearly lease from Kalia AC land office. We sent several letters to the higher authorities concerned, demanding immediate reconstruction of the build-

ing but to no effect."

LANGUAGE MOVEMENT IN NILPHAMARI

Faces in the front line

EAM ASADUZZAMAN, Nilphamari

The 1952 Language Movement attained a new dimension in the then sub-divisional town of Nilphamari as a good number of female students organised processions and meetings and inspired people through patriotic songs and poems.

"In those days, women were mostly confined to houses. But in the wake of Language Movement in 1952, they took to the streets, inspiring common people to join the movement to foil the then Pakistan government's conspiracy against the mother tongue," said Language Movement veteran advocate Mahbubar Rahman Dulu.

"A number of female activists, mostly students of Nilphamari Girls' High School, played active role in Language Movement in the area," he said.

On February 21 in 1952, in line with the central programme, an all out strike was observed in the educational institutions of Nilphamari. A big rally was held on the premises of Muslim Hostel of Nilphamari High School. Fouzia Begum and Feroza Begum addressed the rally along with male student leaders. As the news of killing Rifiq, Salam,

Barkat, Jabbar, Shafiq and others on February 21 by Pakistani police in Dhaka reached Nilphamari on the night, thousands of people burst into protest the next day, turning the town into an area of processions and meetings. The situation turned serious when

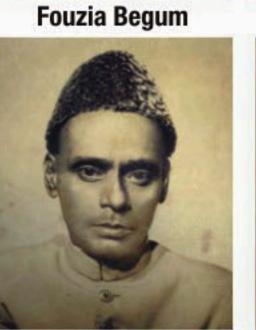
Pakistan government arrested Awami Muslim League leader Khairat Hossain, the opposition member of the then East Pakistan provincial assembly, in Dhaka on February 22. Khairat Hossain, a lawmaker elected from the district, along with renowned political personality Moulana Abdur Rashid Tarkobagish had walked out from the Provincial Assembly in Dhaka in protest against the killing of February 21.

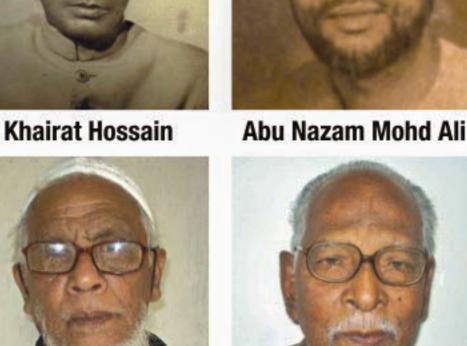
Thousands of people including a good number of women on 24, 25 and 26 February took to the streets and chanted slogans demanding release of Khairat Hossain and other political prisoners.

To suppress the movement in for different periods.



Chhomela Begum







Mahbubar Rahman Dulu **Shafiar Rahman**

Nilphamari, police arrested Local Awami Muslim League convener advocate Dabiruddin Ahamed and educationist Abu Nazam Mohammad Ali on the night of February 26, forcing several other local leaders to go into hiding to avert arrest.

During the vacuum in leadership, female activists including Zakia Sultana, Chhomela, Feroza, Halima, Saleha and Sufia arranged street meetings and functions where they delivered fiery speeches, recited poems and rendered patriotic songs composed by Rabindranath Tagore, Kazi Nazrul Islam, Jibonanando Das and others to inspire people.

People besieged the local police station on February 28.

Police arrested local unit Muslim Chhatra League general secretary Shafiar Rahman and Jubo League convenor Shamsul Haque, triggering further protest and indefinite agitation programme by locals.

The arrestees were released after staying in jail



Bangladesh-Thailand Business Forum (BTBF) Business Matching 2012 (February 25, 2012)



At DCCI Auditorium (Time: 10:00 p.m.-5:00p.m.) Organized by: Dhaka Chamber of Commerce & Industry (DCCI) and Fiscal Policy Research Institute (FPRI), Thailand

A high profile delegation from Thailand comprising representatives from Thai M/O Commerce, Thai-Bangladesh Business Council, FPRI and a group of leading businessmen will attend BTBF jointly organized by DCCI and FPRI, Thailand on 25 Feb 2012. Interested sectors of the delegation are: Electric Power Generating, Metal, Scrap Metal, Aluminium, Stainless, Construction, Textile, Plastic, Food and Food Processing, Rice and Grains, Stationary, Publication and Books, Fabrics etc. The programme includes:

(1) Panel Discussion on Trade and Investment Opportunities in Bangladesh (10:00 a.m.-01:00 p.m.)

(2) Business Matching Meeting (BMM) (02:00 p.m.- 05:00 p.m.) Interested Business Entrepreneurs are requested to join the BTBF by registering your participation on or before 22 Feb 2012. Registration Form and Delegation Profiles are available at DCCI Research

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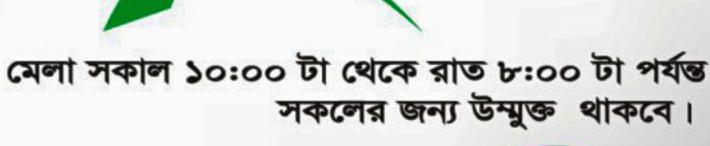
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Dilapidated settlement office building in Kalia upazila of Narail district poses risk of accident for the staff and visitors.