



Teachers of non-government colleges form a human chain in front of Chapainawabganj Press Club yesterday to press their seven-point demand, including enhancement of house rent. Similar programmes were observed in other districts too.

POWER OUTAGE

Angry people block highway in Noakhali

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Noakhali

Angry people blocked Dhaka-Laxmipur highway at Banglabazar under Begumganj upazila of the district yesterday demanding uninterrupted power supply in the upazila.

Villagers, traders and students joined the agitation and put up barricades on the road, disrupting traffic for two hours from 11:00am.

On information, police rushed to the spot but could not disperse the agitating people from the spot and remove barricades from the highway.

Begumganj Upazila Nirbahi Officer (UNO) Khandaker Nurul Hoque reached the spot at around 1:00pm and assured the protesters of taking necessary steps to mitigate their sufferings.

Following assurance of the UNO, the agitators withdrew the programme and removed barricades from the road.

Locals alleged that they get electricity only for three hours a day with low voltage.

On Monday, Noakhali townspeople confined two engineers of the Power Development Board (PDB) at their office rooms at majidee Court protesting frequent load shedding in the area.

Several hundred people led by former lawmaker Fazle Elahi and Muktijodha Commander Fazul Haque Badal came to the local PDB office in a procession and confined Superintendent Engineer Anup Kumar Das Gupta and Executive Engineers Md Fakrul Alam in their rooms for an hour from 11:00am.

SNAPS AND SNIPPETS

Ex-army man murdered

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Netrakona

A former warrant officer of Bangladesh Army was killed allegedly by his younger brother at Nawapara village in Kendua upazila early Monday. The victim is Morshed Alam, 52, of the village. Alamgir Hossen, officer in-charge of Kendua Police Station, said Badrul Alam stabbed the victim with a sharp weapon following a family feud, leaving him dead on the spot. The incident occurred at around 8:00pm when Morshed was offering prayer in front of his house. Police arrested the accused in this connection, the OC added.

Youth's body recovered

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Munshiganj

Police recovered the body of a young man from Dingbhangra village in Sadar upazila yesterday. The victim, Sohel, 25, son of Bapon Baperi of the village, is a worker of a Biscuits and Bread Factory in BISIC industrial area. Police said said as Sohel was absent at his workplace in the morning, his co-workers went to his home and found him dead. The reason behind the death could not be known immediately.

Two outlaws arrested

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jhenidaha

Police arrested two alleged outlaws along with one foreign made pistol, a magazine and six bullets from Khajura village in Jhenidaha municipality area. The arrestees, Shahidul Islam, 35, son of Montaj Ali of Khajura village and Showkat Akbor, 43, son of late Ahtab Uddin of Modonmohonpara of the area, are the activists of banned outfit Biplobi Communist Party (BCP). Iqbal Bahar Chowdhury, officer in-charge of Sadar Police Station said, on secret information, they raided the village and arrested the duo along with the arms and ammunition.

Elderly woman burnt alive

UNB, Lalmonirhat

An elderly woman was burnt to death as a fire broke out at her house in Aditmari upazila early Monday. The deceased is Joyfun Bewa, 75, wife of late Hossain Dewani of Chandonpat Pabnapara village. Police said the fire originated from an electrical short circuit at around 2:00am. Although all other family members managed to go out of the house, Joyfun was burnt alive. Family members claimed that the loss caused by the fire could go up to Tk six lakh.

2 found dead in covered van

UNB, Narsingdi

Two people were found dead inside a covered-van on Dhaka-Sylhet highway at Bhangamill in Sadar upazila early yesterday. Identities of the deceased, aged around 35 to 40, could not be known yet. Police said a patrol team of Sadar Police Station spotted the van in an abandoned condition on the way to their work station at around 5:00am. Later, they recovered two bodies from the van and sent those to Narsingdi Sadar Hospital morgue for autopsy. Police said criminals might have killed the duo and dumped the bodies in the van.

3 Indians held

UNB, Benapole

Members of Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) arrested three Indian nationals, including a woman, from Sadipur Border on charge of trespassing into Bangladesh yesterday morning. The arrestees are Saial Datta, 18, Sanjoy Datta, 24 and Prova Saial, 17. They are residents of Kallayni Ghoshpara village under Nadia district of India. BGB-26 Camp Operation Officer Major Firoz Wahid said on secret information, they raided the area and arrested the trio.

Drug peddler jailed

UNB, Dinajpur

A mobile court here on Monday sentenced a young man to six months' imprisonment for possessing drugs. The convict is Ibrahim, 25, son of Habibul Bashar of the Chaowliapatti area of the town. Sources said police arrested Ibrahim from Kanchan Bridge area along with the drugs in the afternoon. Later, he was produced before the mobile court led by Executive Magistrate Abdur Rahman who handed down the verdict.

Tiger kills honey collector

UNB, Bagerhat

A honey collector was killed in a tiger attack in Koikhali Forest Station of the Sundarbans here on Monday morning. The deceased was identified as Shahar Ali Molla, 57, son of late Jumman Molla of Ramjan Nagar village of Shaymnagar upazila of Satkhira district. Locals said a tiger suddenly attacked and dragged him into deep forest when Shahar Ali was collecting honey there. Later, forest guards recovered the body.



PHOTO: STAR

Umbrellas, meant for saving passers-by from the blistering sun during the ongoing heat wave, sees greater utility and so workers are busy mending the items beside a road in Rajshahi. The city saw the country's highest temperature of 42 degrees Celsius yesterday.

Storm kills two, damages 300 houses in Netrakona

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Netrakona

Anor'wester accompanied with hails lashed three villages in Kendua upazila of the district on Monday night, killing two people and damaging at least 300 thatched houses.

The dead were identified as Asma Begum, 32, and her daughter Marufa Begum, 12, of Patherikona village.

The storm hit Patherikona, Nilamborkhila and Chittanawapara villages at around 11:30pm and lasted for an hour. At least 10 people were injured.

Upazila administration sources said storm accompanied with hails damaged boro paddy on over 1,000 hectares of land in the three villages.

Several hundred trees and electric poles were uprooted, plunging storm-hit areas into darkness. Electricity supply could not be restored as of filing of this report at 5:00pm yesterday.

Three of the injured-- Amena Begum, Salaha Begum and Rasheda were admitted to Netrakona Sadar Hospital while the rest to the upazila health complex.

District and Kendua upazila officials visited the affected villages yesterday morning

Meanwhile, two youths were electrocuted at Siddiquepur village in Mohadevpur upzila of Naogaon dostrict yesterday morning, reports our Chapainawabganj correspondent.

They were identified

as Amzad Hossain, 30, son of Mohammad Baitullah, and Mohammad Shahin, 25, son of Enamul Haque.

Abdur Rashid, officer-in-charge (OC) of Mohadevpur Police Station said the two came in contact with a live electric wire hung by one Salem Uddin of the village on his cropland.

Locals found the bodies and informed the police who rushed to the spot, recovered the bodies and sent them to Nogaon Sadar Hospital morgue for autopsy.

A case was filed against landowner Salem Uddin with Mohadevpur Police Station. Police could not arrest the accused as he had gone into hiding soon after the incident.

West Zone Power Distribution Co. Ltd. International Tender (ICT) advertisement with details of tendering process, including agency, procuring entity name, and tender package details.

গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার (Government of Bangladesh) public notice regarding road works and traffic regulations in various districts.