

SNIPPETS

Three robbers held

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pabna

Detective Branch (DB) of police arrested three suspected robbers at Kaizuri Shreepur village in Sadar upazila early yesterday. The arrestees are Abdus Salam, 45, Anisur Rahman, 37 and Md Shukta, 42, of Kaizuri and Jalalpur areas respectively. Of them, Salam is the 'ringleader' of an inter-district robber gang. Md Mostafa Harun, officer in-charge of DB, said on secret information, a team raided a residence and arrested the trio when they were taking preparation to commit a robbery.

Indian goods seized

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Benapole, Jessore

Members of Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) seized huge Indian contraband sarees, medicines and imitation jewelry sets worth Tk 1.20 crore at Rampur in Amrakhalia area under Benapole Port Police Station yesterday. BGB Benapole Camp Commander Rafiqul Islam said, on secret information, a team raided the area and seized the goods at around 12:00pm. However, the smugglers fled the scene, sensing the presence of the BGB men. The seized goods were handed over to the custom godown, said Rafiqul.

Trader stabbed to death

UNB, Natore

A gang of masked criminals stabbed a trader dead in front of Parveen Public School in the district town on Friday night. The deceased, Siraj Pathan, had a cosmetic business at Chinabazar in the town. Police said the gang waylaid a motorbike riding Siraj and his friend Nazrul near the school at Diarbhabta at about 10:30pm. Later, the gang stabbed Siraj and Nazrul indiscriminately, leaving them critically injured. They were whisked off to Rajshahi Medical College and Hospital where Siraj died after sometime. The reason behind the attack could not be known immediately, said police.

Jamaat leader arrested

UNB, Joypurhat

Police arrested a local leader of Bangladesh Jamaat-e-Islami at BRAC office in Pachbibi upazila on Friday evening. The arrestee, Abul Bashar, is Pachbibi pourasava unit Jamaat Amir and former chairman of Mohammadpur Union Parishad. Acting on a tip-off, a team of Pachbibi police raided the area in the evening and arrested Bashar. Police said they arrested Bashar following a case filed for attack on the law enforcers and vandalising vehicles by Jamaat-Shibir activists on November 5.

KU Day celebrated

A CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

Teachers, students and staffs of Khulna University (KU) yesterday celebrated the 21st KU Day amid enthusiasm and festivity. On the occasion, a daylong free blood group test began on the campus in the morning. A colourful procession was also brought out at 10:00am from the campus which paraded different streets of the city. Vice Chancellor Fayeduzzaman joined the procession. The university was established in 1987 but its academic session began on August 31, 1991.

Three held with bombs

UNB, Jessore

Police arrested three alleged criminals along with five bombs from Shankarpur area in the town yesterday. The arrestees are Roni Babu, Lotas and Sumon. Acting on a tip-off, a team of Kotwali police raided Roni's house at around 6:00am and arrested him with the bombs. On his confessional statement, the law enforcers later arrested Lotas and Sumon from their houses in the area.



PHOTO: STAR

People throng at the makeshift market of warm clothes on the ground of Thakurgaon Government Boys' High School as the area sees chilling cold of the winter a bit earlier than usual.

Sale of warm clothes shoots up as winter comes early in N dists

OUR CORRESPONDENT,
Thakurgaon

Early arrival of winter has pushed up sale of warm clothes at makeshift shops at different places of Thakurgaon and Panchagarh districts.

Winter usually comes to this region at the end of November or early December but this year, the people of the two northern districts have been experiencing cold since the first week of November.

Taking into consideration last year's experience of severe cold, people belonging to low and fixed income groups are crowding the makeshift shops to buy warm clothes.

"I think we have to face the same situation this year

woolen caps and mufflers to get relief of biting cold.

While visiting a makeshift market at Thakurgaon Government Boys' High School ground on Wednesday, this correspondent saw many people, especially from lower-middle class and low-income group, crowded different shops to buy warm

Replies to a query, he said the prices of warm clothes are higher than last year.

Hakim Ali, a day labourer of Akcha village under the same upazila, said he has come to buy a sweater or a jacket for his only son. "I am yet to buy any of the two as the sellers demand high price."

Meser Ali, owner of a shop at the makeshift market, said, "I have sold a number of second-hand warm

as the day time temperature has started going down from November 15. I have come to the market to buy some second-hand warm clothes as they are comfortable to wear and also keep body warm," he said.

Day-labourers, rickshaw-pullers and low paid employees of different government and private organisations crowd the makeshift market every day, the shop owner further said.

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Stone extraction resumes

UNB, Sylhet

Stone extraction resumed in three quarries of Companiganj and one Goinghat upazilas of the district on Wednesday.

Stone extraction came to a halt in the district 20 days ago after a court imposed restriction on lifting stones from the quarries by using a machine, which is locally called "Boma" machine, as it causes massive environment pollution.

On November 19, local

administration gave permission to extract stone from the quarries by using irrigation machine instead of "Boma" machine against the backdrop of severe stone crisis and unemployment problem in the region.

Stone extraction resumed at two quarries in Companiganj and one quarry in Bisnakanji of Goinghat from Wednesday morning, stone businessman Shahed Ahmed said.

On June 2, a joint team of the

Department of Environment (DoE) and local administration in a drive destroyed about 50 "Boma" machine at the Bholaganj stone quarry.

The team also filed eight cases for lifting stone from the country's largest quarry by using the illegal machine defying a DoE order for more than a decade, causing serious environmental pollution in the area.

The team also burnt three and seized four "Boma" machines.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Directorate General of Health Services
EPI & Surveillance, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212

Invitation Re-Tender for Carrying Contractor

Sealed tender is hereby invited from the Carrying Contractor for Transporting EPI Vaccines, Logistics & Cold Chain Equipment. As per PPR-2008 terms and conditions are as follows:

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

1	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
2	Agency	Directorate General of Health Services, Mohakhali, Dhaka.
3	Procuring entity name	Director, PHC and Line Director, MNC & AH, DGHS, Mohakhali, Dhaka.
4	Procuring entity code	5050
5	Procuring entity district	Dhaka.
6	Invitation for	Carrying Contractor.
7	Invitation Ref No.	DGHS/EPI/Admin-032/2011/2415
8	Date	19/11/2012.

KEY INFORMATION

9	Procurement method	Open Tender Method (OTM).
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FUNDING INFORMATION

10	Budget and source of funds	GoB (Dev).
11	Development partners (if applicable)	Not applicable.

PARTICULAR INFORMATION

12	Project/programme code	5-2711-5050
13	Project/programme name	MNC & AH.
14	Tender package No.	Gob (Dev)-CC.
15	Tender package name	Carrying Contractor.
16	Tender publication date	26/11/2012.
17	Tender last selling date	10/12/2012.
18	Tender closing date and time	11/12/2012 at 11:30am.
19	Tender opening date and time	11/12/2012 at 01:30pm.
20	Name & address of the office(s)	Address.
	- Selling tender document (principal)	Program Manager, EPI & Surveillance, DGHS, EPI Bhaban, Room No: 305, Mohakhali, Dhaka.
	- Selling tender document (others)	Divisional Commissioner Office, Segunbagicha, Dhaka.

No conditions apply for sale, purchase or distribution of tender documents

- Receiving tender document	a) Program Manager, EPI & Surveillance, DGHS, EPI Bhaban, Room No: 305, Mohakhali, Dhaka.
- Opening tender document	Program Manager, EPI & Surveillance, DGHS, EPI Bhaban, Mohakhali, Dhaka.

21	Place/date/time of pre-tender meeting (optional)	Place: Conference Room (Room No. 201), 1st Floor EPI Bhaban, DGHS, Mohakhali, Dhaka. Date: 29/11/2012, Time: 11:00am.
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INFORMATION FOR TENDERER

22	Eligibility of tenderer	As stated in tender documents.			
23	Brief description of works	For Carrying Vaccine, Logistics & Cold Chain Equipment from EPI HQ to District/Upazila/City Corporation.			
24	Brief description of physical services	Not applicable.			
25	Price of tender document (Tk)	Taka 4,000/- (four thousand) only by Treasury Challan (with CTR Code No: 1-2711-0000-2366) in Bangladesh Bank/Sonali Bank.			
26	Lot No.	Identification of lot	Location	Tender security amount (Tk)	Period

26	1	Carrying for Vaccine, Logistics & Cold Chain Equipment	EPI HQ, Mohakhali, Dhaka	Taka 3,00,000/- (three lac)	January 2013 to June 2014
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30	Name of official inviting tender	Dr. Syed Abu Jafar Md. Musa.
31	Designation of official inviting tender	Director, PHC & Line Director, MNC & AH.
32	Address of official inviting tender	Room No-405, 3rd Floor, EPI Bhaban, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212.
33	Contact details of official inviting tender	EPI Bhaban, DGHS, Mohakhali, Dhaka. Phone No. 8821913, Fax No. 8821914 (EPI).
34	The procuring entity reserves the right to reject all the tenders or annul the tender proceedings.	Dr. Syed Abu Jafar Md. Musa Director, PHC & Line Director, MNC & AH DGHS, EPI Bhaban, Mohakhali, Dhaka

Over 50 shops gutted in three districts

STAR NATIONAL DESK

Separate incidents of fire gutted over 50 shops in Narail, Khagrachhari and Chandpur district on Friday night

Five people sustained burn injuries while they were trying to extinguish the blaze. They are undergoing treatment at Kochua Upazila Health Complex.

Shop owners said the fire originated from an electric short circuit at a cosmetic shop at around 8:00 pm and soon engulfed the adjacent shops.

On information, fire fighters from Narail Sadar station rushed to the spot and extinguished the blaze with the help of local people after three hours of frantic efforts.

Affected shop owners claimed that goods worth more than Tk 3 core were gutted in the fire.

In Khagrachhari, Fire originated from an electric short circuit at a tea stall of one Ruhul Amin at Khagrachhari Bazar at around 10:00pm and soon engulfed the adjacent 17 shops, reports our correspondent.