

Abduction of Khagrachhari AL leader sparks protest

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Khagrachhari

A local Awami League leader was abducted from Baillachhari area under Matiranga upazila of the district on Sunday afternoon.

Locals said a gang of criminals waylaid Mohammad Jahangir Alam, 55, president of Awami League Guimara thana unit, in the area while he was returning to Guimara from Matiranga upazila headquarter on a hired motorcycle at around 5:00pm.

The gang picked up Jahangir, also a contractor, and motorcycle driver Mohammad Harun from there. They also took away the bike.

Mohammad Hanif, son of the abducted AL leader, said the armed cadres of a regional party demanded toll from his father a few days ago, but he refused. He held them responsible for the abduction.

Protesting the incident, local AL unit put up barricades on the roads in Guimara area under Matiranga upazila yesterday morning. Traffic on Khagrachhari-Chittagong Road and Khagrachhari-Dhaka Road remained halted for five and a half hours from 10:30am.

Local AL leaders and activists also held a rally at Guimara in the afternoon, protesting the abduction of Jahangir.

Contacted, Officer-in-Charge Bashir Ahmad of Guimara Police Station, said police and army personnel yesterday launched a joint drive to rescue the abducted AL leader. Additional police have been deployed in Guimara Bazaar area to avoid any untoward incident, he added.

Swindlers vanish after cheating hundreds

They collected Tk 50 lakh in six months in two Lalmonirhat upazilas

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Lalmonirhat

Swindlers have gone into hiding after cheating around a thousand people in the name of a cooperative styled 'Durbeen' in different areas of Kaliganj and Patgram upazilas under the district.

During the last six months, the cooperative collected at least Tk 50 lakh from around a thousand people promising to give them loan at different villages of the two upazilas but the organisation officials went into hiding late last month, locals said.

"I became a member of Durbeen on January 1 this year and deposited Tk 3600 as a local representative of the organisation told me that I would get loan of Tk 40 thousand from them to run my business. But the cooperative staff went into hiding before giving the loan to me," said Motiar Rahman, 42, a small trader at Burimari Land Port Bazar in Patgram upazila.

Bokul Miah, 44, a small fruit trader in the same market, said he deposited Tk 4,500 to

the cooperative following assurance of getting loan of Tk 50,000 from the organisation.

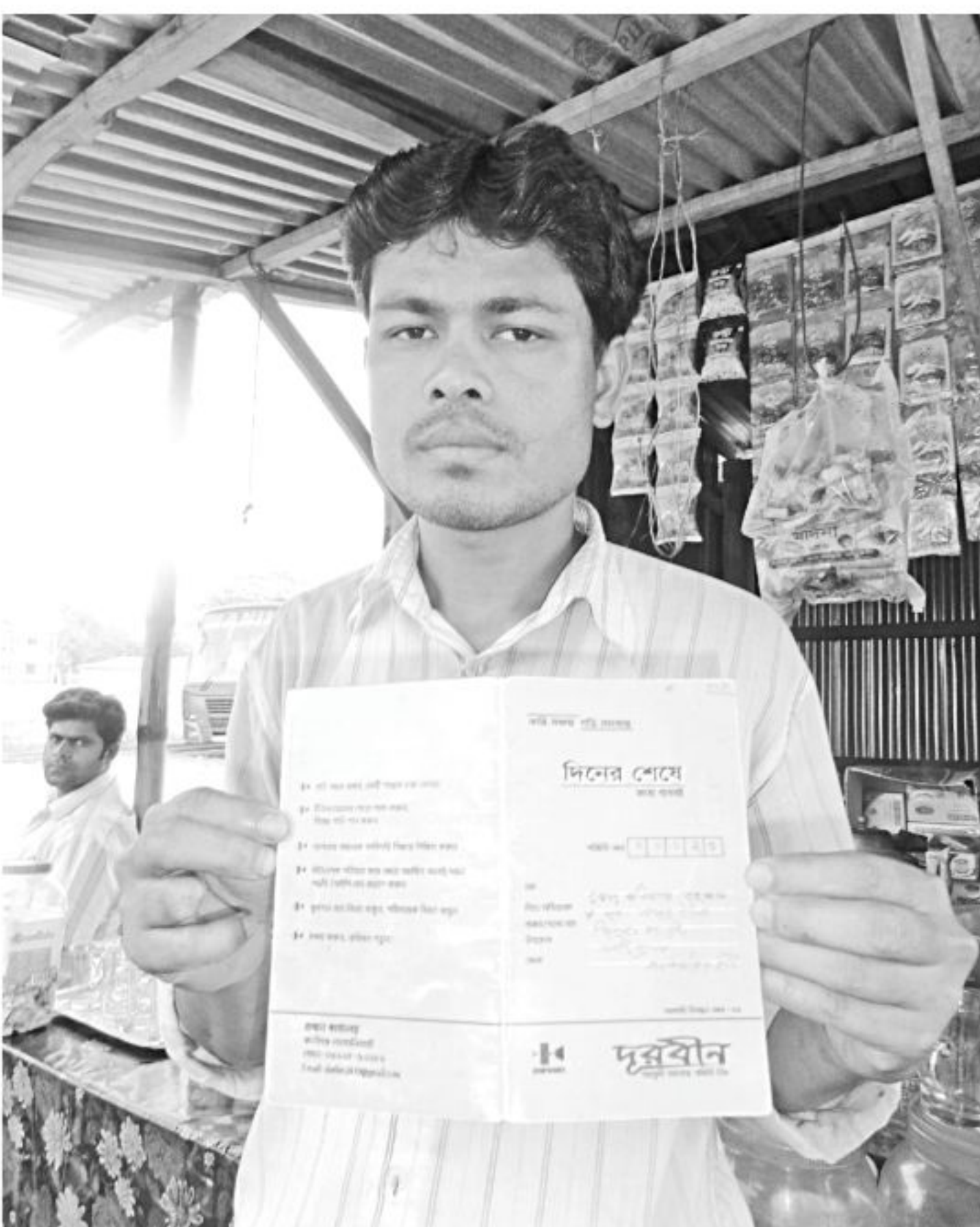
Mofidul Islam, 45, a grocer at Bhotmari Bazar in Kaliganj upazila, also deposited Tk 4700 to the organisation upon similar assurance.

The traders expressed their utter frustration as the co-called cooperative officials made good with the deposited money before giving the loan.

Like them, at least 120 small traders at Bhotmari and Bhullarhat Bazzars deposited huge amount of money with the hope of getting loan, the traders said.

Now it is too late when they understand that the organisation authorities cheated them.

Lalmonirhat District Cooperative Officer Nur Mohammad said, "My office has already gotten a probe report from Kaliganj upazila office regarding allegation of cheating by cooperative Durbeen. I am preparing to take legal action against the perpetrators who cheated so many people in the two upazilas."



Cheated by swindler cooperative styled 'Durbeen', one of its members holds his deposit book with marks of despair on his face at Burimari Bazar in Patgram upazila under Lalmonirhat district. The photo was taken a few days ago.

PHOTO: STAR



PHOTO: FOCUS BANGLA

People and school kids of Kawkandi village in Tahirpur upazila of Sunamganj are using this bridge that collapsed quite a long ago, risking their lives. But they are helpless as the bridge is on the lone road linking the village with the upazila headquarters.

CHT settlers enforce 72-hr hartal from today

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Rangamati

Parbatya Gono Parishad (PGP) and Parbatya Banglaee Chhatra Parishad (PBCP) will jointly enforce a 72-hour hartal in the three hill districts from today.

The two organisations of the settlers are demanding cancellation of draft amendment to CHT Land Dispute Resolution Commission (CHTLDR) Act 2001.

In a press release, jointly signed by Begum Nurjahan, convenor of PGP, Rangamati district unit and Md Sumon, publicity secretary of PBCP, district committee, yesterday called the strike in Rangamati, Bandarban and Khagrachhari from 6:00am.

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10:00am today. His body will be at the Central Shaheed Minar from 11:30am to 12:30pm so that the people could pay tribute.

His namaj-e-janaza will be after Johr prayers at the Dhaka University mosque following which his body will be taken to BTV premises around 2:30pm.

He will be laid to eternal rest at Mirpur Intellectual Graveyard in the afternoon.

He joined the then Radio Pakistan, Dhaka, in 1960 and worked as a producer before joining PTV, Dhaka, in 1965.

He had been one of the leading personalities actively involved in BTV from the late 1970s to late 80's. He started off as a producer and retired as the deputy director general of the state-run TV station. He had made over 450 TV plays there.

His notable plays include *Durbin Diya Dekhun*, *Nil Nokshar Shondhaney*, *Shukher Upoma* and *Babar Kolom Kothai*.

He had been a teacher of Drama and Dramatics at Jahangirnagar University for 11 years.

Atiqul had been working as an adviser of Ekushey TV for the last three years.

Bus workers of 10 Khulna dists on indefinite strike

Pay hike demanded

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jessore

Bus services in 10 districts of Khulna division came to a halt as the regional unit of Bangladesh Transport Workers' Federation began an indefinite strike yesterday morning, demanding pay hike of drivers, supervisors and helpers.

Buses went off the roads in Jessore, Khulna, Satkhira, Bagerhat, Narail, Jhenidhar, Chuadanga, Meherpur, Kushtia and Magura from 6:00am, mounting sufferings of thousands of passengers.

Khulna divisional unit of the federation enforced the strike as its earlier deadline to meet the demand expired

on June 16.

Azizul Alam Mintu, president of Bangladesh Paribahan Sangstha Sramik Samity, also a unit of the federation, said three months' ultimatum was given to the leaders of Bus Owners' Association in April 16, but they did not pay heed to the demand.

Leaders of the Khulna regional unit of Bangladesh Transport Workers' Federation and Bangladesh Bus Owners Association sat in a meeting at Gabtoli in the capital on Sunday morning to settle the issue. The meeting yielded no positive results.

"We have enforced the strike as the meeting with

transport owners held only a few hours before the expiry of the deadline ended inconclusively," Mintu said.

Federation leaders said the transport owners are giving Tk 1200 to a driver, Tk 500 to a supervision and Tk 450 to a helper for a round trip on Dhaka-Chittagong route, while they are paying Tk 900, Tk 350 and Tk 370 to each driver, supervisor and helper for the same trip on different routes in Khulna division.

"We have placed the demand before the transport owners to remove wage anomalies," they said, adding that the strike will continue until the demand is met.

SNIPPETS

BCL leader stabbed

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pabna

Party rivals stabbed a BCL leader in Ishwardi municipality area on Sunday afternoon following a party feud. Seriously injured Rajib Sarkar, 30, former secretary of Ishwardi upazila unit of BCL was admitted to Rajshahi Medical College Hospital at night. Police and the locals said, at least 20/25 men including BCL and Jubo League activists attacked Rajib at about 4pm on Sunday when he was gossiping with the locals at post office intersection of the municipality area.

Six shops gutted

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

Six shops were gutted in a fire in Monu Mukh bazar area in Sadar upazila early yesterday. Locals said, the fire originated from a short circuit at a shop and soon engulfed the adjoining shops. On information, fire fighters from Sadar upazila fire station rushed to the spot and doused the blaze after one and a half hours frantic efforts. The loss of property due to the fire may go up to Tk 7 lakh, said fire service officials.

Death in septic tank

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bogra

A labourer drowned in a septic tank in Rahimabad area of Shajahanpur upazila on Sunday evening. The deceased was identified as Limon, 30, son of Tabibur Rahman of Kamarpara village in the upazila. Police said the accident took place when Limon was working with his father. Suddenly Limon fell in the 30-feet deep tank. His father with the help of locals tried to rescue him but failed. Later the fire service men recovered the body.

Youth's body recovered

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pirojpur

Body of a youth of Udoykathi village was recovered from a canal at Durgapur village in Sadar upazila yesterday. Family sources said, five days ago Mizanur Rahman, 18, went to his grandfather's house at Durgapur village. He went 'missing' on Sunday evening while returning to his house at Udoykathi village from there. Yesterday afternoon, locals spotted the body in a canal near Durgapur union parishad office at around 2pm and informed the police. Father of the deceased said Mizanur was an epilepsypatient.

Sad death of old man

UNB, Chandpur

An old man died after falling from a tree at Kawnia village in Faridganj upazila on Sunday. The deceased was identified as Sirajul Haque, 60, son of late Imam Uddin of the village. Officer in-charge of Faridganj police station said, Sirajul fell from a coconut tree at noon while plucking green coconuts. Critically injured, he was rushed to Faridganj upazila health complex where the attending doctor declared him dead.

Robbers abduct 19 fishermen in Bhola

A CORRESPONDENT, Bhola

Robbers raided four fishing trawlers on the River Meghna and abducted 19 fishermen in Baluar Char area of Monpura upazila on Sunday evening.

According to the trawler owners and local fishermen, at least 60 fishermen in four trawlers -- FB Hazi, FB Jaina, FB Bashir-2 and FB Shamim-2 -- were fishing in the area when a gang, led by notorious Kalam 'Dakat' of Hatiya upazila, swooped on them.

The armed robbers beat up the fishermen mercilessly and looted mobile phones, fish, fishing nets. They also took away four trawlers.

Shafiullah, who was injured by bullet and admitted to Bhola Hospital said the robbers abducted 19 fishermen. Eusuf, Jewel, Azad, Jainal, Kahsem, Siddique, Farazi, Selim, Jasim, Jahangir, Md. Ali, Abbas and 7 other fishermen are still untraced, he said.

Trawler owner Siddikur

Rahaman said that the gang abducted the fishermen for ransom.

SM Sirajul Islam officer in-charge of Monpura police station, said they were not aware about the incident.

Away in Satkhira, coastguards in a drive arrested an alleged forest robber along with three weapons in Shyamnagar upazila on Sunday, reports UNB.

The arrestee was identified as Abdul Karim Gazi, 28, member of forest robber gang 'Amzad Bahini' and son of Elahi Gazi, a resident of the upazila.


Lt Commander Md Shafiqul Alam, staff officer (operation) of Coastguard Mongla west zone, said on secret information that a gang was taking preparation to commit robbery in Napitkhali area, a team raided the area in the morning.

They arrested Karim Gazi, from the spot and recovered three axes from him.



PHOTO: STAR

Erosion by River Dharla took a serious turn at Chawratari village under Mogholhat union in Lalmonirhat Sadar upazila devouring homesteads and croplands of over 100 families in the last 10 days.



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Invitation for Tenders

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

1	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Information & Communication Technology (ICT).
2	Agency	Bangladesh Hi-Tech Park Authority (BHTPA).
3	Procuring entity name	Project Director, Support to Development of Kaliakoir Hi-Tech Park at Gazipur, Dhaka.
4	Procuring entity district	Dhaka
6	Invitation for	Works
7	Invitation Ref No.	56.02.0000.009.34.009.13-125
8	Date	11 June 2013.

KEY INFORMATION

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

10	Budget and source of funds	PA
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PARTICULAR INFORMATION

11	Project name	Support to Development of Kaliakoir Hi-Tech Park.
12	Tender package name	Construction of bituminous carpeting road at Kaliakoir, Gazipur.
13	Tender publication date	13 June 2013.
14	Tender last selling date	16 July 2013.
15	Tender closing date and time	17 July 2013 at 12:01pm.
16	Tender opening date and time	17 July 2013 at 12:30pm.
17	Name & address of the offices	Selling & receiving tender document: Support to Development of Kaliakoir Hi-Tech Park at Gazipur, Dhaka. Bangladesh Hi-Tech Park Authority (BHTPA), BCC Bhaban, 3 rd Floor, Room # 403, E-14/X, Agargaon, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207. Opening tender document: Conference Room, 3 rd Floor, BCC Bhaban, E-14/X, Agargaon, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207.

INFORMATION FOR TENDERER

18	Eligibility of tenderer	This invitation for tender is open to all eligible tenderers as mentioned in tender document and should meet the following pre-conditions: (1) Reputed constructors/construction firms who have minimum 10 years of general experience of construction work. (2) Having experience in successful completion of at least 2 (two) numbers of similar works amounting Tk. 10.00 (ten) crore in a single work order in government/semi-government/autonomous organization of Bangladesh during last 5 (five) years. (3) Certificate of authentication in respect of the work should have to be furnished by the bidder along with tender document in the work done under any government/semi-government/autonomous bodies/organization the certifying authority shall be an officer of the organization (not below the rank of Executive Engineer). (4) Certificate of having the ownership of at least one number of Asphalt Plant & Paver Machine should be submitted with the tender in original from an officer not below the rank of Executive Engineer or equivalent of RHD/LGED/other govt. or semi-government organization. (5) The required average annual construction turnover during the last 5 years shall be minimum Tk. 25.00 (twenty-five) crore. (6) The minimum amount of liquid asset or working capital or credit facilities of the tenderer shall be Tk. 5.00 (five) crore. (7) To attach: Tender purchasing money receipt (original), up-to-date trade license, income tax clearance certificate and VAT registration certificate from the NBR/concern office etc. Other required eligibility, criteria & conditions as mentioned in tender document (section-2 & section-4).			
19	Brief description of works	Earth works in box cutting, sand filling, sub-base, aggregate base, bituminous prime coat, tack coat, bituminous painting, earth filling, mass concrete, brick works, soiling, RCC works, site development, etc.			
20	Price of tender document	Tk. 1500.00 (one thousand five hundred) in cash (non-refundable).			
21	Lot No.	Identification	Location	Security amount (Tk.)	Completion time
	1	Construction of bituminous carpeting road at Kaliakoir, Gazipur	Kaliakoir, Gazipur, Dhaka	35,00,000.00	12 months

PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS

22	Name of official inviting tender	A. N. M. Safiqul Islam.
23	Designation of official inviting tender	A. N. M. Safiqul Islam (Project Director, Support to Development of Kaliakoir Hi-Tech Park), Dhaka.
24	Address of official inviting tender	BCC Bhaban, 3 rd Floor, E-14/X, Agargaon, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207.
25	Contact details of official inviting tender	Phone: 8181736, 8181160
26	The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any/all tender(s) without assigning any reason whatsoever.	A. N. M. Safiqul Islam Project Director (Support to Development of Kaliakoir Hi-Tech Park), Dhaka Bangladesh Hi-Tech Park Authority (BHTPA)

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