

THREE TRAWLERS CAPSIZE IN BAY 3 fishermen drown, 4 missing

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Three fishermen drowned while four others went missing as three fishing trawlers capsized in the Bay of Bengal near Laboni point in Cox's Bazar and in Patuakhali due to inclement weather yesterday.

In Cox's Bazar, a trawler named FB Iftekash Shamim with 16 fishermen on board went to deep-sea for fishing two days ago.

On the way back to shore yesterday, the trawler overturned near Laboni point and capsized in the rough sea at around 7:00am. Three of the 16 fishermen drowned while the rest were rescued by another trawler, according to a correspondent.

Later, the rescued fishermen with the help of two other trawlers recovered the bodies of the three fishermen and brought them to the fish landing station at Cox's Bazar at around 4:00pm.

The dead fishermen were identified as Jashim Uddin, 26, son of Abdus Sukkur, Nurul Absar, 25, son of Nurul Alam of Kuliapara village under Cox's Bazar Sadar upazila, and Abdul Hamid, 27, of Hila area under Teknaf upazila.

Being informed, police went to the fish landing station and took the bodies to Sadar Police Station. After preparing an inquest report, police handed over the bodies of Jashim Uddin and Nurul Absar to the family members at their request. They sent the body of fisherman Abdul Hamid to Cox's Bazar Sadar Hospital for autopsy.

Our Patuakhali correspondent reported that four fishermen went missing as a fishing trawler capsized in the Bay, about six kilometres from Kuakata sea beach, yesterday morning.

The missing fishermen are Abdullah, 45, Nur Bashar, 35, Alauddin, 35 and Md Kamal Hossain,

28. They are from Mohipur area under Kalapara uazila of the district.

The fishing trawlers that capsized in the Bay are FB Marjia owned by Ansar Mollah of Mohipur area under Kalapara upazila of Patuakhali, and FB Al Madina owned by Khabir Majhee of Chittagong.

Ansar Mollah, also the president of Mohipur Fishing Trawler Owners' Association, said 27 fishermen aboard the two trawlers were fishing in the Bay at around 6:00am. Suddenly, the trawlers were caught in a storm and sank in the Bay, he added.

Fishermen of another trawler, who were also fishing in the area, rescued 24 of the 27 fishermen while the remaining four went missing. The rescued fishermen arrived at Mohipur at around 11:00am.

"We couldn't send our people with a trawler to search for the missing fishermen as the sea was rough," said Ansar Mollah.



PHOTO: STAR

Two arrested forest robbers of infamous 'Nasir Bahini' of the Sundarbans along with seven firearms, seized on the basis of their statements from a den of the gang in Katheshwar area of the mangrove forest yesterday, at Shyamnagar Police Station in Satkhira district.

Arms seized from den of forest robbers

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Satkhira

Law enforcers launched a drive in Katheshwar area under Satkhira range of the Sundarbans yesterday morning and recovered seven firearms from a den of forest robbers.

Aslam Khan, officer-in-charge of Shyamnagar Police Station, said Hashem Ali alias Pagla Ratan, a member of infamous 'Nasir Bahini' of the Sundarbans, surrendered to Gabura Union Parishad Chairman Masudul Alam with a gun

and three bullets on July 18.

The chairman later handed Ratan over to Shyamnagar police, who produced him in a Satkhira court that sent him to jail. On Monday, the court placed Ratan on a five-day remand on a petition filed by police.

Sub-Inspector Tareq Biswas said they arrested another member of 'Nasir Bahini' named Al-Amin from Sora village in Shyamnagar upazila on the basis of information given Pagla Ratan during interro-

gation on Monday night.

As per statements of the two detained forest robbers, Shyamnagar police raided den of 'Nasir Bahini' in Katheshwar area of Sundarbans at around 5:30am yesterday and seized seven firearms—two double-barrel guns, four single-barrel guns and a rifle from there.

Forest officer Hasan Habib of Satkhira range told this correspondent that law enforcers launched the drive in the Sundarbans, taking permission from them.

Rival's fingers cut off over cable TV trade

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Rangpur

Criminals cut off three fingers of a youth following a dispute over cable TV business at Dargahpara in the city on Monday night.

The victim, Kiron, 26, son of Hamidul Haque of the area, was admitted to Rangpur Medical College Hospital.

"My son Kiron worked as a lineman of cable TV operator Ripon at Guratipara and its adjacent areas for long. During the last few days, a gang asked Kiron not to extend cable lines outside Guratipara," said

Hamidul Haque.

"As Kiron refused to comply, they gave death threat to him over mobile. Then my son left the house and took shelter at his aunt's residence at Sultan intersection in the city.

"On Monday night, the gang called Kiron out of his aunt's house, forcibly took him to adjacent Dargahpara area, and severed three fingers of his right hand," said Hamidul.

Hearing screams of Kiron, locals rushed in and admitted him to Rangpur Medical College Hospital.

PCJSS faction leader shot in Khagrachhari

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Khagrachhari

A leader of a rival faction of Parbatya Chattagram Jana Sanghati Samity (PJCSS) was shot in College Para area of Dighinala upazila on Monday night.

The victim is Samanananda Chakma, 30, vice general secretary of Khagrachhari district unit of PJCSS MN Larma faction. He was admitted to Chittagong Medical College and Hospital in critical condition.

A gang opened fire on Samanananda at 8:30pm, leaving

him critically injured when he was returning home by a motorbike, said officer in-charge of Dighinala police station Sahadat Hossain.

No case was filed till filing of this report at 6:00pm yesterday.

Prasanta Chakma, assistant press and information secretary of the faction, blamed the cadres of PJCSS Santu Larma faction for the gun attack.

Contacted, assistant press and information secretary of PCJSS Santu Larma faction Sajib Chakma refuted the allegation.

180 sued over arson, looting in Matiranga

UNB, Khagrachhari

A case was filed against 180 people on Monday on charge of torching and looting around 50 houses of indigenous community families in Matiranga upazila.

Criminals set fire to 50 houses at Bandar Shing Para, Boga Para, Manudas Para and Laku Headman Para in the upazila following abduction of a motorbike rider, Md Kamal, 32, from Taindang area in the upazila on

Saturday noon.

Anil Bikash Chakma, a victim of Boga Para filed the case with Matiranga police station against 30 identified and 150 unidentified people.

Police detained four men in this connection, said M Main Uddin Khan, officer in-charge of Matiranga police station.

They are local Awami League leader M Abid Ali, kidnapped biker Kamal Hossain, Qamrul Hasan and Abu Taher.

Two to die for killing housewives

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A court in Netrakona district on Monday sentenced a man to life imprisonment for killing a housewife.

The convict is Md Abdur Rahim of Kodomdewly village under Barhatta upazila, reports our correspondent.

Additional District and Session Judge Mohammad Abdul Hamid of the court also fined Rahim Tk 50,000. In default, he has to suffer another five years in jail.

According to the prosecution, Rahim beat up Sant Begum, 30, wife of Abdul Kader of the village, leaving her dead on the spot on October 20, 2001 as she turned down an illicit proposal.

The following day, Abdul Kader filed a murder case with Barhatta police station in this connection.

In Pirojpur, a court on Monday sentenced a man to death for killing his wife, reports our correspondent.

The convict is Md Manjarul Islam, 48, of Purbo Pasharia village in Bhandaria upazila.

According to the prosecution, Manjarul attacked his wife Heria Begum, 38, with a stick for dowry, leaving her dead on the spot on July 11, 2010.

The following day, a murder case was filed with Bhandaria police station accusing Manjarul.

After examining the records and witnesses, Women and Children Repression Prevention Tribunal Judge Biplob Goswami handed down the verdict.

Kid drowns in pond

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

A kid drowned in a pond at Ghonimoheshpur village in Sadar upazila yesterday afternoon.

The deceased was identified as Niranjana Sagar, 5, son of Mohesh Chandra Saha of the village.

Locals said Sagar fell into the pond near their house while he was playing on its bank.

Later, his body was found floating on the water.

SNIPPETS

Arms seized from BCL man

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Chandpur

Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) arrested a local Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) leader and seized firearms from his possession in Hajiganj upazila yesterday. Officer in-charge (OC) Dewan Abul Hossain of Hajiganj police station, said, a team of Rab-11 arrested Shakur Alam alias Shuva, president of Hajiganj municipal unit of BCL, from a house at Paschim Bazar at around 4:00am and recovered two pistols, seven bullets and a few yaba tablets. Two cases were filed with the police station against Shakur in this connection. Shakur is accused in a number of cases, the OC said.

Abducted college girl rescued

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bogra

Police rescued a college girl, who was abducted from Dinajpur over two months ago, in the district town on Monday evening. They also arrested one Safiqul Islam, 32, brother-in-law of the girl, in connection with the abduction. The victim hailed from Uttar Bowalmari village in Nababganj upazila of Dinajpur district. Police and family sources said arrestee Safiqul of the village with the help of one of his accomplices, abducted the girl when she was on her way to the college on May 15. A police team raided an abandoned house in Baropur area of Bogra municipality on Monday and rescued the girl along with her brother-in-law Safiqul.

Jamaat ameer arrested

UNB, Sherpur

Police arrested an upazila level ameer of Bangladesh Jamaat-e-Islami and an activist of the party from Kakilakura area in Sribardi upazila of the district on Monday night. The arrestees were identified as Maulana Abdur Rahman, 52, ameer of Sribardi upazila unit Jamaat, and activist Zakir Hossain, 25. Officer-in-charge of Sribardi Police Station M Ali Sheikh said the ameer and Zakir who are accused in a case filed under the Speedy Trial Act have been arrested following a warrant.

Youth's body recovered

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

Police recovered the body of a youth from his house in Hosenpur area of Kulaura upazila yesterday afternoon. The deceased was identified as Sobuj Ali, 16, son of Namsder Ali of the area of the village. Police said, his family members found the body hanging from the ceiling of his room. On information, police recovered the body and sent it to Moulvibazar Sadar Hospital morgue for autopsy. Md Hasanuzzam, OC of Kulaura police station, said they were investigating whether it was a suicide or murder.

BNP, JCD men held

UNB, Sirajganj

Police on Sunday night arrested a local leader of BNP and another leader of its associate student body Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal at Chandidasgati village in Sadar upazila. The arrestees were identified as Mati Sarkar, vice-president of Sadar upazila unit of BNP and president of the party's Shialkol union unit, and Ripon Sarkar, joint secretary of Sadar upazila Chhatra Dal unit. Being tipped-off, police arrested both of them from their residences at around 9:00pm, after they had stayed absconding for a long time. Both of the arrestees have several cases filed against them on charge of vandalism and creating anarchy.

'Extortionist' arrested

UNB, Sylhet

Police arrested an alleged extortionist from Karimpur area in Rajnagar upazila of the district on Monday. The arrestee was identified as M Askir Miah, 45, son of Jahur Ullah of the area. Police said Askir had demanded Tk 2 lakh toll from an expatriate's mother named Churtun of the village. On refusal to give the money, a gang led by him swooped on her house and looted Tk 50,000 and gold ornaments weighing three tolas. Churtun filed a case against Askir who went into hiding and was issuing various threats asking to lift the case, police said.

Housewife 'commits suicide'

UNB, Sirajganj

A housewife allegedly committed suicide at Charkusabari Nadipara village in Tarash upazila of the district on Monday. The deceased was identified as Nilufar Yasmin, 24, wife of Alif Mohammad of the village. Police said, some gold ornaments had been found missing from the house of Alif's neighbour Joynal Ali on Sunday and Joynal's family members rebuked Nilufar suspecting her of stealing those. Centering the incident, an arbitration was held on the day. It held Nilufar guilty and directed her to return the stolen ornaments within 24 hours. Failing to bear insult anymore, Nilufar committed suicide by hanging herself from a beam of their house around 11:30am. On information, police recovered the body and sent it to the district hospital morgue for autopsy.



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Request for Expressions of Interest (EOI) for Consulting Services for Technical Expert (International) for CEIP-I

Bangladesh Coastal Embankment Improvement Project, Phase-1(CEIP-1) Disaster Risk and Climate Change Unit Sustainable Development Department Technical Expert (International) Contract Package No. CEIP-1/D1/S6 Credit No-5280- BD Project ID No. : P128276

The People's Republic of Bangladesh (GOB) has received a credit from International Development Association (the Bank) in an amount of US\$ 375 million and a Grant from Pilot Program for Climate Resilience (PPCR), one of the targeted programs of the Strategic Climate Fund (SCF) under the Climate Investment Funds (CIF) of US\$ 25 million to meet the implementation cost of the CEIP-I. The overall project development objective is to increase the resilience of coastal population to natural disasters and climate change by rehabilitating and improving the polder system in the contiguous six coastal districts comprising Satkhira, Khulna, Bagerhat, Pirojpur, Barguna and Patuakhali Districts. From procurement operation and contract administration viewpoint, the project is rated "high risk". More information concerning government's procurement reform/ rules/ procedures are available at the website of the Central Procurement Technical Unit-CPTU (www.cptu.gov.bd) In order to safeguard against the associated risk, as part of the overall procurement risk mitigation framework, to provide oversight function for procurement activities of BWDB a Procurement Panel comprising 3 members will be attached to the PMU. The proposed Technical Expert (International) will be a member of that panel along with one international Procurement Expert and one national Procurement Expert in the panel. A part of the IDA fund will be utilized for payments of Technical Expert (International) who will provide technical inputs for the effective execution of procurement under the project. BWDB now invites eligible individual national consultant to submit its Expressions of Interest (EOI) for providing the services mentioned below. The main objective of the Technical Expert (International) is to minimize procurement associated risks under the proposed CEIP-1 from technical perspective. This will be achieved by carry out the procurement process and oversee the contract management of large contracts mentioned in the procurement plan.

2. Key Functions of the Technical Expert (International) :

As a member of the Procurement Panel, the Technical Expert will specifically be responsible in assisting the panel for the following functions :

- * high value contracts as specified in the procurement plan, the Procurement Panel Member will prepare of the following documents :
 - ✓ the bid documents
 - ✓ request for proposals
 - ✓ short-list of consultants
 - ✓ evaluation reports
 - ✓ draft negotiated contracts
- * The international procurement expert will act as team leader of the procurement panel. International technical expert will coordinate with other panel members and provide all necessary support to the team leader to prepare consolidate reports and submit all such reports on behalf of the procurement panel to appropriate authority.
- * The panel will act as proposal bid evaluation committee for specific contracts mentioned in the procurement plan. The international technical expert will be one of the member of such committees;
- * when large works contracts have been awarded, undertake fields visits to a number of sites and check the quality of construction and performance of the contractors;

- * Oversee the contract management of large value contracts and submit independent reports;
 - * Providing guidance to PD to develop better management from technical view point;
 - * Guiding the Supervision Consultant for better contract administration and evaluate the performance of the Supervision Consultants;
 - * Carrying out review of Consultants reports on all contractual matters like time extension, cost control and compensation;
 - * Carrying out the above services in the best interest of the government with reasonable care, skill and diligence with sound engineering, administrative and financial practices.
3. Qualifications and Experiences :
- a) The Technical Expert (International) should have least Bachelors in Civil Engineering or Water Resource or equivalent.
 - b) About 15 years of work experience of which at least 10 years should be directly related to the relevant tasks of preparation of bidding/ proposal documents/ procurement plan, evaluation of bids/ proposals, negotiation of contract awards, field inspections and supervision of the contract implementation relating to contract performance.
 - c) The expert must have demonstrated sound technical expertise in international good procurement practices and have proven track record of providing procurement oversight functions. Knowledge of World Bank/Asian Development Bank or similar development partners Procurement Guidelines will be preferred.
 - d) Experience of working in developing countries with similar conditions will be helpful.
 - e) S/he must have in-depth knowledge of technical, commercial and legal aspects of high value and high risk procurement; with higher-level computer skills in Windows operating system (Word, Excel, Access etc) and other applications.
 - f) Must possess excellent communication skills in English, both written and spoken;
4. Duration of the Assignment : Duration of the consultancy services would be approximately 300 days over the first 3 years of the project starting from FY 2013-2014 to FY 2015-2016. The distribution of days will depend on procurement needs of the project. The procurement Expert (International) from his home country, subject to prior mutual agreement, may carry out a certain percentage of the above total duration of consulting services. As such the consultants input will be intermittent. Requirement of services will be determine as per project requirement and written communication of the Project Director. The Contract may be extended for subsequent 3 (three) years; based on project needs and subject to satisfactory performance of the assignment during the first three years.
5. Selection Procedures :
- BWDB now seeks the application from eligible applicants to express their interest in providing services (complete CV with detail information about employment history with duties and responsibilities, current remuneration, academic details, major publication (if any), contract address including telephone number and e-mail) and expected remuneration. The consultants will be selected in accordance with World Bank Guidelines : Selection and Employment of Consultants by the World Bank Borrowers, [2011]. Applicants currently in government service in the client's country may apply only if they satisfy Paragraph 1.13 (d) of the Consultant Guidelines.
6. Remuneration : Negotiable
7. Expression of interest (hard copy) must be delivered to the address below by August 29, 2013 in three sets (1 original + 2 copies) and clearly marked "Expression of Interest" for the "Consultancy Services for Technical Expert (International) for CEIP-1 (Contract Package No.CEIP-1/D1/S6).
8. Interested Consultants may obtain further information at the address of the undersigned during normal office hours.
9. The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the EOIs or annul the process at any stage without assigning any reason(s) whatsoever and without incurring any liability to the affected applicant(s)

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