



PHOTO: STAR  
The turbulent Padma continues erosion in Mawa ferry terminal area while trucks get stuck in a long tailback on the road leading to Kawrakandi terminal as Mawa-Kawrakandi route sees disturbance of ferry service due to strong river current.

# MAWA-KAWRAKANDI ROUTE Vehicles remain stranded for ferry disruption

## Erosion devours more areas at Mawa

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Munshiganj

Strong currents in the Padma again yesterday disrupted ferry services on Mawa-Kawrakandi route, causing immense trouble to passengers as around 500 vehicles were stranded on both sides of the river.

Only nine out of 16 ferries operated yesterday, taking much longer time than usual to cross the river. Local administration forced the Kawrakandi-bound goods-laden trucks to remain halted at Chhanbari in Srinagar upazila, about 10 km of Mawa terminal, to give passage to private cars, passenger buses and other vehicles to board the ferries.

Sirajul Haque, manager of Bangladesh Inland Water

Transport Authority (BIWTA) at Mawa, said ferries could not move at normal speed due to strong currents in the river and strong winds accompanied by rain.

Ferries were taking four to five hours to reach Mawa ghat from Kawrakandi, although it is normally a one and a half hour trip. However, a Mawa-Kawrakandi trip was taking around two and a half hours.

BIWTA deployed a tug-boat for towing ferries to negotiate strong currents, Sirajul Haque said.

The Padma was flowing 2cm above the danger mark at Bhagyakul point yesterday, said sources at the Water Development Board.

Erosion by the Padma hit

fresh areas on Thursday, snapping direct communication on Mawa-Bhagyakul-Dohar road in Louhajang upazila as the river devoured a 100 feet area of the road at Mawa point.

A two-storey building housing Bangabandhu Smriti Parishad at Mawa collapsed into the river at around 9:00pm on Friday. With this, as many as 7,000 feet area at Mawa had gone into the river in the last few days.

The parking yard of Bangladesh Inland Water Transport Authorities (BIWTA), river police outpost, met office and other establishments are under erosion threat. People living in the area are trying to shift their belongings to safer areas.

# Protest against robberies in Sylhet continues

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

Different social and voluntary organisations of the district and traders in the city yesterday organised human chains, processions and rallies to protest increasing robberies and mugging in the last few months.

The traders in Sylhet city yesterday held a rally in front of Nehar Market at Zindabazar to protest the police failure to arrest the robber who looted the jewellery shops of the market on September 4.

Members of all the market committees joined the rally presided by the Sylhet Zila Baybosayee Oikya O Kalyan Parishad Sheikh Mokom Mia.

As the prime minister will visit Sylhet on September 17, the sit-in of Sunday has been suspended. Fresh agitation programmes including hartal would be announced from a rally on September 18, the leaders told the rally.

They also announced a 3-hour sit-in in the city's court point area today from 11:00am. Earlier, the businesses hoisted black flags on September 7 and enforced a daylong strike in the city on September 8. They also blocked Zindabazar-Barutkhana road on September 5 and held a protest rally on September 7.

At least 24 incidents of robbery took place in the district in the last three months, indicating a serious slide in the law and order, reports UNB.

During the period, robbers killed two people and looted valuables, including 300 tolas of gold ornaments, worth over Tk 2.25 crore.

Many were also injured as they tried to resist robbers.

On June 2, a gang looted valuables, including gold ornaments and British pounds, worth over Tk 15 lakh, from the house of Maulana Zamir Hossain at Nidanpur village in Lama municipality area under Beanibazar upazila.

On June 11, robbers killed Haji Lal Mia, 60, at Bhanudev village in Debpara union under Nabaniganj upazila.

On June 14, robbers looted 85 tolas of gold jewellery and cash worth Tk 50 lakh

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Residents of Sylhet under the banner of Sylhet Kalyan Sangstha bring out a procession in the city yesterday demanding proper administrative steps to prevent rampant robbery, mugging and theft in the area.



from the house of Haji Tota Mia at Khasaripara village in Bianibazar municipality by breaking open the collapsible gate.

On the same day, 10/15 robbers attacked the house of UP member Shakil Ahmad at Shampasy village in Kamalpur union of Moulvibazar Sadar and looted 25 tolas of gold and others valuables worth Tk 15 lakh.

On June 28, a gang numbering 10-12 entered the house of Khelafat Majlis's district organising secretary Maulana Abdul Quayum Zakir in Bahubal Sadar and looted 42 tolas of jewellery and valuables worth Tk 30 lakh.

On July 1, three armed robbers were caught when they went to commit robbery in the city's Madhuban Market allegedly with the help of market supervisor and a guard.

On July 5, a gang of robbers attacked Majibur Rahman's house at Tetli in Dakkhin Surma and looted 13 tolas of gold and other items worth Tk 11 lakh.

On July 3, robberies took place at three houses in Rajnagar upazila. The robbers took away 46 tolas of gold, 11 tolas of silver and over Tk on lakh from the houses of Lebas Mia, Abas Mia and Nazrul Mia of Defulura village.

On July 10, a gang of 15-16 robbers broke open the collapsible gate of Minhaj Rashid Moktar's house at Khadimpara and looted 45 tolas of gold ornaments, cash Tk two lakh and others worth Tk 30 lakh.

On August 1, a robbery was committed at Baghbari in Sylhet city in broad daylight. The hoodlums broke open the lock of the house of Simanto Roy Pappu on the Orphanage-School Road and looted 11 tolas of gold ornaments, cash and other items worth about Tk 20 lakh.

On September 4, a robbery took place at Nehar Market in Zindabazar area where robbers exploded bombs and opened fire and looted three jewellery shops.

The robbers looted gold worth several crores of taka. Guard Badsha Mia was killed in the firing by robbers.

Police arrested five people on suspicion but till yesterday failed to make any headway in the incident.

# Poachers fined only Tk 500 each, freed

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Narail

Police seized seven hares and arrested four poachers from Dophadah area in Lohagara upazila town on Thursday morning.

A mobile court, led by upazila nirbahi officer Rebeca Khan, later fined the poachers Tk 500 each and released them, said Iqbal Bahar Chowdhury, officer in-charge of Lohagara police station.

The poachers are Raju Morlick, 19, son of Ismail Morlic and Murad Mia, 35, son of Lal Mia of Roghunathpur village, Akbar Ali, 50, son of Syed Ali, Shful Islam, 28, son of Hakim Sheikh of Bollertop village in Sadar upazila.

They have been setting poison traps to catch birds and hares from Lahuria jungle in the upazila for long, said the OC, but he could not say why they were freed for only Tk 500.

Contacted, Rebeca Khan said she took action as per the wildlife preservation law. The arrestees told the court that they caught the hares for consumption, she said.

Another mobile court, on 29 July, freed a band of six poachers who killed 280 birds in Lohagara area.

Cases of poaching are on the increase in the upazila, locals said, adding that strict enforcement of law and severe punishment to the offenders must be ensured to stop this callous act.

Poachers catch wild animals from local jungles and sell them openly in local markets, several villagers alleged.

Many locals also stressed the need for raising awareness among villagers about birds and animals to protect them from hunters.



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Activists of BNP and other partners of 18-party alliance make large-scale preparations in Bogra town, like erection of gates, to welcome BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia, who is scheduled to stay at Bogra Circuit House for two nights, on her way to a grand rally in Rangpur today and another in Rajshahi city tomorrow.

# Khaleda to address rally in Rangpur today

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Rangpur

BNP Chairperson and leader of the opposition in parliament Khaleda Zia is expected to arrive here today.

Local BNP leaders said the former prime minister will address a rally at Rangpur Zila High School ground in the afternoon to woo public support in favour of the opposition's demand for holding the next parliamentary election under a non-party caretaker government.

Talking to this correspondent, Mozaffar Hossain, convener of Rangpur district unit of BNP, said all necessary preparations have been taken to make the public meeting a success.

District BNP leaders said at least 10 lakh people from

different areas of Rangpur division are expected to join the public rally. Several hundred arches have been erected while billboards set in the city to welcome the BNP-led 18-party alliance leader.

Besides, the city wears a festive look with numerous banners and festoon ahead of the visit of Khaleda Zia.

Abdur Razzak, superintendent of police (SP), said massive security measures have been taken in the district and in and around the venue of the public meeting.

The former prime minister is scheduled to arrive here after seven years. She last visited Rangpur on October 10, 2006.

Our Bogra correspondent quoted local BNP leaders as saying that the party chief left her Gulshan residence in

the capital for Bogra yesterday afternoon and will stay overnight at local circuit house.

She will start for Rangpur city at around 11:00am on Sunday (today) and address a public rally at Rangpur Zila School ground at around 2:00pm.

Arches and gates have been erected on the highway and the district town wears a festive look with banners and festoons ahead of Khaleda's three-day tour of the northern region.

After addressing a rally in Rangpur city, the BNP chairperson will return to Bogra and stay overnight at the circuit house there. She will start for Rajshahi on Monday morning and address a public rally at Rajshahi Madrasa ground in the afternoon.



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