

Late but significant rainfall this season makes a large number of farmers in Mymensingh district hopeful of good production of transplanted-aman (T-aman) paddy while its cultivation faces a setback due to scanty rain in Bogra district this season.

Recent moderate rainfall several times brings bright prospect of aman production in Mymensingh district, said officials of the Department of Agriculture Extension (DAE), reports our correspondent.

Aman was cultivated on 2,65,200 hectares of land while the target was 2,58,955 hectares in all 12 upazilas of the district this season, they said.

The late aman cultivation will bring good yield following moderate rainfall at the important stage of the crop farming, said farmers.

Usually good profit is expected from aman cultivation as it needs less cost compared to other crops because rain water comes as the bounty of nature, they said.

However, the cost of aman production this season sees a little rise as the farmers had to go for power-based irrigation early this season, they said.

Aman cultivation has exceeded the target and the recent rainfall will hopefully boost the production, said Narayan Chandra Basak, deputy director of DAE.

"Agriculture sees major

Last moment rainfall in Mymensingh brightens T-aman prospects, scanty rain threatens target in Bogra

changes in recent years due to climatic changes across the globe and we should get ready to cope with the situation," he added.

Our Bogra correspondent adds: The target of T-aman production is likely to suffer a major setback due to scanty rain in the district.

This season T-amin paddy is cultivated on 1,84,937 hectares of lands in Bogra district against the target 1,80,678 hectares of

land while the production target has been fixed at 4,91,494 tonnes, said Bazlur Rashid, deputy director of DAE, Bogra.

But the season experienced scanty rainfall and consequently weeds grew and cracks developed in the croplands.

The situation hampered growth of shoots of paddy plants.

"If we have to arrange regular irrigation to the field, we will count loss in T-

Aman cultivation due to the added cost," said Taijul Islam, a farmer of Koichar village under Bogra Sadar upazila.

Afroza Khatun, senior observer of Met office at Bogra, said this season saw 45 percent less than usual rainfall, which is harmful for aman cultivation.

DAE sources said 75,305 shallow and 2,345 deep tube wells have been set to ensure required irrigation in the district.



PHOTO: STAR

Optimistic about a good yield after the recent rainfall, farmers work at an aman field of Char Bhawanipur village in Mymensingh Sadar upazila.

BSF picks up fisherman

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Sathira

Indian Border Security Force (BSF) picked up a Bangladeshi fisherman from a river on Taluigachha border in Sadar upazila yesterday.

The victim is Abdur Rahim, 26, son of Monayem Khan of Dakkhin Bhadali village in Kalaroa upazila, said Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) sources.

A patrol team of BSF at Darkanda camp caught Rahim at 12:00pm and took him to Swarupnagar police station in Pashchimabanga of India when he went to the border area to catch fish in the River Sonai.

Subedar Nazrul Islam of BGB Kakdanga border outpost said they sent a letter to BSF asking them to return Rahim.

3 Jubo League men held for blackmailing

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jhalakathi

Police arrested three Jubo League activists in a case filed for blackmailing an employee of the settlement office in City Park area of the town on Sunday night.

The arrestees are Mahabub Reaz Babu, organising secretary of city Jubo League unit, Jhalakathi, Hasan Mahmud, member of the district unit and Sumon, a supporter.

Police said, the trio took Matiar Rahman, chairman of Nalchhity settlement office, to a house in the town in pretext of measuring a land and forced him to sit beside a sex worker and took a few photographs.

They blackmailed Matiar by saying that if he did not pay Tk two lakh, the photos would be put on internet.

The victim then filed a case with Jhalakathi PS against the trio on charge of blackmailing him.

Four get life for rape

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Netrakona

A court here yesterday sentenced four people to life term imprisonment for violating a woman in 2001.

The convicts are Raiot Ali, Mohammad Sultan Mia, Johur Ali and Md Azizul of Goalakanda village in Durgapur upazila.

The court also fined them Tk one lakh each, in default, they are to suffer three years more in jail.

According to the prosecution, the aforesaid four swooped on the house of the woman on the night of October 13, 2001 and raped her.

Peril of being a girl child

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Nilphamari

When the country was observing National Girl Child day yesterday, a woman in Saidpur upazila under the district was passing time amid worry about safety of her four-year-old daughter as her husband became fugitive allegedly after killing their three-month-old daughter on September 14.

China Akhtar, 22, of Chawra village in Kashiram Belpukur union of Saidpur upazila was married with Rabiul Islam, 30, a carpenter of Mollapara village of the same union, five years ago and two daughters were born to them, said family sources and locals.

"After birth of my first daughter Riva Akhtar, now 4, my husband became very unhappy and wanted to hand over the baby to any childless couple to bring up as an adopted child," China said.

"After birth of our second daughter Ria Akhtar three months ago, Rabiul became furious. He frequently said that he did not like to see the baby alive," she said.

According to the case lodged by China at Saidpur police station on September 16, Rabiul deceitfully removed their young daughter Ria from home on September 14 night, took Tk 3000 deposited at home and went out saying that he was going to search for the missing child.

But he is yet to return.

On afternoon of 15 September police of neighbouring Taraganj upazila recovered the body of a baby from Domar ghat area on the bank of Chikli River and China's relatives



PHOTO: STAR

China Akhtar, who took refuge at the house of her elder brother Taiyeb Ali in Saidpur of Pirojpur district, poses with first daughter Riva.

identified the baby as the missing one. A police officer made a cell phone call to Rabiul asking him to go and receive the body. But Rabiul did not go there.

On September 16, China filed a case with Saidpur police station accusing husband Rabiul of stealing and killing their three-month-old girl.

China alleged that after filing of the case, her husband through mobile threatened to make her childless by killing the other daughter.

Feeling unsafe, she took shelter at her elder brother's house at Chawra village.

"I feel all the more scared as a few locals saw my husband moving around my brother's house one night," she said.

China's elder brother Taiyeb Ali said they have to remain watchful day and night to ensure safety of her sister's daughter.

Police are trying to arrest Rabiul, said the officer in charge of Saidpur police station.

Permission taken for building wall, trees felled silently

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pirojpur

A contractor of Public Works (PWD) Department in the district has illegally felled a few trees in the compound of sub-registrar's office at Nazirpur upazila headquaters.

Contractor Nizam recently got work order for construction of a boundary wall of the sub-registrar's office. He has started raising

a concrete wall a few days ago and has so far cut down at least eight trees on the boundary line without taking permission of the authorities concerned, locals alleged.

While visiting the area on September 24, this correspondent found that the contractor and his men have taken away some logs and branches of the felled trees.



PHOTO: STAR

A contractor of Public Works Department (PWD) allegedly felled a few trees in sub-registrar's office area of Nazirpur upazila in Pirojpur without any permission.

Staff of the local sub-registrar's office could not say anything about felling of the trees.

When asked, District Registrar Achintya Kumar Saha said, "We have nothing to say. Public Works Department is the authority to give the right answer".

Contacted, PWD Sub-Divisional Engineer Ishaq Babul said they have not given any permission to the contractor for felling the trees. "Permission of the authorities concerned is needed before doing the job," he said.

Nazirpur Upazila Nirbahi Officer (UNO) Mrinal Kanti Dey said the local administration will take necessary actions against the contractor for illegally felling the trees. "I seized the felled trees as he could not show me permission of the authorities concerned," the UNO said.

The correspondent could not take contractor Nizam's version about the matter as he turned his cellphone off.

বাংলাদেশ গ্যাস ফিল্ডস্‌ কোম্পানী লিমিটেড

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International Tender Notice

1.	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Power, Energy & Mineral Resources/Power & Mineral Resources Division.
2.	Procuring entity	Bangladesh Gas Fields Co.Ltd. (A Company of Petrobangla).
3.	Procuring entity district	Brahmanbaria.
4.	Invitation Ref No.	Tender Ref. No. BGFC/L/MATS/FP/154 Dated September 23, 2013.
5.	Invitation for	Procurement of - Ball Valve, Flange, Elbow, Equal Tee under 'Group-A', Perkins Gas Engine Generator Spares under 'Group-B' and Sealing Compound under 'Group-C'.
6.	Procurement method	Open Tendering Method.
7.	Budget & source of fund	Own resources of BGFC/L.
8.	Tender selling schedule	
a) Date & time		Tender documents will be available between 0900hrs and 1400hrs (BST) on all working days (Sunday to Thursday) from October 02, 2013 to November 13, 2013.
b) Place		BGFC/L's Liaison Office at Petrocentre (14th Floor), 3, Kawran Bazar C/A, Dhaka.
c) Price of tender document		Tender documents will be sold on payment of BDT 2,000.00 (non-refundable).
9.	Tender receiving and opening	
a) Time and date of tender receiving		i) Up to November 13, 2013 During office hour. ii) On November 14, 2013 up to 1100 hrs (BST).
b) Time and date of tender opening		On November 14, 2013 at 1115 hrs (BST).
c) Place		BGFC/L's Liaison Office at Petrocentre (14th Floor), 3, Kawran Bazar C/A, Dhaka. If it is not possible to receive/open the tender on the schedule date for any unavoidable circumstances the same will be received/opened on the next working day at the same time and same place.
10.	Eligibility of tenderer	Reputed firms and suppliers from all countries except Israel with international experience: (a) Overall 07 years experience. (b) Minimum 05 years experience in supplying similar materials to other than the tenderer's own country.
11.	Description of materials	Group-A: Ball Valve, Flange, Elbow and Equal Tee. Group-B: Perkins Gas Engine Generator Spares. Group-C: Sealing Compound.
12.	Tender security amount	Group-A: BDT 40,000.00 or USD 500.00. Group-B: BDT 30,000.00 or USD 385.00. Group-C: BDT 9,000.00 or USD 115.00.
13.	Delivery time	Group-A, B & C: 120 days from the date of opening L/C.
14.	Name of official inviting tender	Md. Taufiqur Rahman Tapu.
15.	Designation of official inviting tender	General Manager (Technical Services).
16.	Address of official inviting tender	Bangladesh Gas Fields Co. Ltd.(BGFC/L), Head Office, Birashar, Brahmanbaria-3400, Bangladesh. Telephone No. 0851-58141, Fax No. 0851-58758/58510 E-mail: prbgfcl@gmail.com/dqmptr@bgfcl.org.bd
17.	The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders.	

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Md. Taufiqur Rahman Tapu
General Manager (Technical Services)

SNAPS AND SNIPPETS

Missing boy found dead

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pabna

A teenage boy, who went missing from Diar Baghoil village in Ishwardi upazila on September 21, was found dead in Laxmikundo area of the upazila yesterday. Locals found the body of Md Wasim, 18, floating on the Padma River in the morning and informed the police, who recovered the body at around 11:00am and sent it to Pabna Medical College Hospital morgue for autopsy. Officer-in-charge Biman Kumar Das of Ishwardi Police Station said Wasim's hands and legs were tied up with ropes. "We are trying to unearth clue to the murder," the OC added.

Muggers kill auto-rickshaw driver

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

An Auto-rickshaw driver was stabbed to death by a gang of muggers on Dhuliakhal-Mirpur Road in Habiganj Sadar upazila early yesterday. The deceased was identified as Sumon Miah, 18, son of Mortuj Ali of Sultasi village in the upazila. Locals said a gang of muggers waylaid Sumon on the road at around 2:00am. As he tried to resist the gang members, they stabbed him and left the scene. Sumon was taken to Sadar Hospital where the doctors declared him dead. His body was sent to the hospital morgue for autopsy.

Pry edn office besieged

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Manikganj

Panel teachers of former registered primary schools in the district besieged the district primary education office yesterday, demanding their appointment. The teachers said the government gave appointment to 16, 000 out of 42, 000 panel teachers. They urged the prime minister and the minister for primary and mass education minister to give appointment to the rest 26,000 panel teachers.They also threatened to stage hunger strike on the Central Shaheed Minar premises in the capital on October 5 if their demand was not met by October 4.

Criminals cut betel plants

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

Criminals razed to ground over 600 betel plants at Belua Punjee (village) in Kormodha union under Kulaura upazila of the district yesterday. Belua Punjee people told this correspondent that the criminals cut down the plants each 10 to 15 feet high in the morning. Lobing Marlia, assistant head of Belua punjee, demanded immediate arrest and exemplary punishment of the persons involved in such heinous act. However, he could not say the exact reason behind the incident. Kulaura police said they were investigating the matter.

PHOTO: STAR

Easy bike drivers stage a sit in at Mission Intersection on Lalmonirhat-Burimari highway in Lalmonirhat town for six hours from 8:00am yesterday, demanding withdrawal of ban on the services of the battery-run three wheelers on the highway.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Office of Conservator of Forests

Wildlife & Nature Conservation Circle

Ban Bhaban, Agargon, Dhaka-1212.

Memo No-22.01.0000.101.029.007.13.2137

Date:29/09/13

Corrigendum

Invitation for Tender (Works)

Invitation for Tender (Works) Ref. No-01 of SRCWP/CF-WNC/2013-14 (Memo No-22.01.0000.101.029.007.13.2050 Dated-19.09.13) Published in the Daily Jugantor & The Daily Janakantha on 21.09.13 and The Daily Star on 23.09.13. The Relevant portion of the Tender Notice and document regarding of Invitation for Tender (Works) are hereby amended as under:

SL No	Name of Entries	Previous	Amended
16.	Tender last selling date	07 October, 2013 (Office Time)	28 October, 2013 (Office Time)
17.	Tender closing date & time	08 October, 2013, 12:30 PM	29 October, 2013, 02:30 PM
18.	Tender opening date & time	08 October, 2013, 03:0 PM	29 October, 2013, 03:00 PM
19.	Name & Addresses of the Offices selling Tender document	(2) Conservator of Forest, Wildlife and Nature Conservation Circle, Ban Bhaban, Agargon, Dhaka. (2) Divisional Forest Officer, Dhaka Wildlife Management and Nature Conservation Division, Ban Bhaban, Mohakhali, Dhaka.	(1) Conservator of Forest, Wildlife and Nature Conservation Circle , Ban Bhaban, Agargon, Dhaka. (2) All Forest Divisions/Units responsible for supervision as mentioned in serial no-27 column-8.
22.	Pre-Tender bidding meeting (Optional)	03 October, 2013	22 October, 2013
23.	Eligibility of Tenderer	Whole texts	As per Tender Data Sheet(Section-2) of Tender documents
27.	Tender Package and Description (In Column 10) Completion Time (Days)	45,50,60 & 75 days	90 (Ninty) days
	In Column 4 & 6 of Package No-W-3 & Sub-Package 3.1 (d)	Sholoshar/Panchlaish	Napora Beat/Banshkhali
32.	Special Condition	iii) Photo copy of the tender documents supplied from the office of the undersigned is not acceptable. vi) The tender submitted by the tenderer including all enclosures should be duly singed & attached by class-1 Gazetted govt. official.	iii) Tender must be submitted using the original tender document issued by the office of the undersigned, photocopy will not be acceptable. vi) All enclosures of the tender document, for example photocopy of certificates has to be duly attested by the original issuing authority or by any 1 st class government official

All other Terms and Conditions of the Invitation for Tender (Works) will remain unchanged

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