Diseased Indian cattle on sale at border markets

S DILIP ROY, *Lalmonirhat*

Indian cattle infected with different diseases, especially anthrax, dominate 12 cattle markets in border areas of the district ahead of Eid-ul-Azha as those are selling for much lower prices than local ones.

These cattle, especially the large-sized ones, are also sent to the capital and other parts of the country, cattle traders said.

Around 90 to 95 thousand Indian cattle are selling in Durarkuti Haat, Kulaghatghat Haat, Nayar Haat, Barabari Haat in Lalmonirhat Sadar upazila, Durgapur Haat, Mohishkhocha Haat of Aditmari upazila, Chapar Haat, Bhotmari Haat, Chandrapur Haat under Kaliganj upazila, Doikhawa Haat and Barakhata Haat of Hatibandha upazila and Patgram Haat in Patgram upazila under Lalmonirhat district every week.

Only ten percent of the cattle are brought through legal ways by giving revenue of Tk 500 at par through the corridor, while the rest are brought illegally through different border points, traders said.

"Many of the Indian cattle that are smuggled through different border areas are infected with diseases especially anthrax but these are selling in the market without any examination by the livestock officials," said Abu Hasnath Rana, a college teacher in Patgram upazila.

Many people are purchasing diseased Indian cattle ignoring the risk of serious health hazard, he said.

"We bring Indian cattle illegally during the night. We sell these cattle at different haats (markets) in the district. We never get these cattle examined in the local livestock office," said a cattle trader at Durakuti Haat in Lalmonirhat Sadar, seeking anonymity.

Admitting that Indian cattle infected with different diseases including anthrax are selling in the local cattle markets, Lalmonirhat District Livestock Officer Dr Abu Hossain Sarker said, "Livestock officials can't check these Indian cattle in the markets due to shortage of manpower."

Commanding Officer of Lalmonirhat 15 BGB Battalion Lt Col Mahbubur Rahman expressed deep concern at the large-scale influx of diseased Indian cattle into Bangladesh markets.

Vowing urgent steps, he, however, said BGB shows a bit laxity in vigilance on Indian cattle trading in the border area, considering 'greater interest' of the people.

PHOTO: STAR

Smuggled Indian cows with visible marks of serious infection enter Bangladesh through Mogholhat border in Lalmonirhat Sadar upazila as there is hardly any arrangement for medical check up of the animals that see influx from the neighbouring country, especially ahead of Eid-ul-Azha.

PM to visit Jhenidah tomorrow

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Jhenidah*

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina is expected to visit Jhenidah tomorrow.

Local administration sources said the PM will inaugurate a sculpture of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman titled Prerona '71 at Chuadanga bus stand at 2:15pm.

She will lay the foundation stones of Government Textile Engineering College, new Academic building of Jhenidah Government KC College and construction of Jhenidah-Chuadanga-Mujibnagar Road.

Besides, she will inaugurate Jhenidah Government Veterinary College, Agriculture Training Institute, Institute of Health Technology, Medical Assistants' Training School, Oral Saline Factory, Children's Academy Complex, office building of Chief Judicial Magistrate, Jhenidah Muktijoddha Complex, a four-storied building of Jhenidah Government KC College, District Post Office and the extended building of Jhenidah Municipality during the visit.

The PM will address a public meeting at Wazir Ali High School ground at 3:00pm. AL district unit General Secretary advocate Abdul Aziz said they have started relentless campaign to make the PM's visit a success.

To welcome the prime minister, banners, festoons and billboards have been put up at different points in the town.

Abductors kill college boy, dump body in septic tank

5 youths arrested in Barguna

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Patuakhali*

Body of a college boy, who was abducted 17 days ago, was found inside a septic tank of district registry office in Barguna on Saturday night.

Police and family sources said, a gang abducted Anik Chandra Roy, 17, on September 19 and demanded Tk 3 lakh ransom from his father.

Son of Subol Chandra Roy of Thanapara area in Barguna district town, Anik was a first year student at Itbaria School and College in the area.

Police arrested five youths in connection with the abduction and killing. The arrestees are Salahuddin, 25, Rubel, 23, Hridoy, 24, Sohel, 22, and Nazmul, 25, of the town.

On September 19 afternoon, Anik went out of home and since remained missing. Subol filed a case with Barguna police station in this connection at night.

A shopkeeper in the area, Subol said after two days of abduction, a gang demanded Tk 3 lakh ransom.

He then went to Amtali upazila town with Tk one lakh ransom but failed to meet the abductors.

Later, following a message from one of the kidnappers, police recovered the body from the septic tank at 8:00pm on Saturday.

The body was sent to Barguna Hospital morgue for autopsy, said Pullok Chandra Roy, officer in-charge of Barguna police station.

Anik Chandra Roy

During a primary interrogation, one of the arrestees, Salahuddin, confessed to killing Anik with the help of Hridoy, said the OC.

Stern legal action would be taken against those responsible for the killing after investigating the incident, he added.

Meanwhile, local people brought out a procession in the town yesterday, demanding exemplary punishment to the killers of Anik.

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Invitation for Tenders

1.	Ministry/Division	Local Government, Rural Development & Co-operative.	
2.	Agency	Dhaka Water Supply and Sewerage Authority (DWASA).	
3.	Name of procuring entity	Executive Engineer, SOC Division (DWASA).	
4.	Procuring entity district	Dhaka.	
5.	Invitation for	Goods & Works (Sl. 1 W-1), (Sl. 6 W-06), (Sl. 3 W-3), (Sl. 5 W-5), (Sl.13 W-12), Sl. 11 W-10), (Sl. 16 W-14) & Sl. 09 G-01)	
6.	Invitation date	29/09/2013.	
KEY INFORMATION			
7.	Procurement method	Limited Tendering Method (LTM).	
FUNDING INFORMATION			
8.	Budget and source of funds	Revenue Budget of Dhaka WASA.	
PARTICULAR INFORMATION			
		Date	Time
9.	Tender last selling date	22/10/2013	Upto 5.00pm.
10.	Tender closing date and time	23/10/2013	12:00 at noon.
11.	Tender opening date and time	23/10/2013	2:00pm (after receiving all tender from different points).
12.	Name & address of the office(s)		
	Selling tender document (principal)	1. Office of the Chief Accounts Officer, Accounts Division (4th Floor, WASA Bhaban), DWASA.	
	Selling tender document (others)	2. Manager, Janata Bank Ltd., Kawran Bazar Corp. Branch, Dhaka.	
		3. Manager, Agrani Bank Ltd., WASA Branch, Kawran Bazar, Dhaka.	
	Receiving tender document	1. Office of the Executive Engineer, System Operation & Control Division, Dhaka WASA, Old Elephant Road (Near Ramna Thana), Dhaka-1000.	
		2. Office of the Superintending Engineer, SMWC Circle, Dhaka WASA (6th Floor, WASA Bhaban), Kawran Bazar, Dhaka.	
	Opening tender document	Office of the Executive Engineer, System Operation & Control Division, Dhaka WASA, Old Elephant Road (Near Ramna Thana), Dhaka-1000.	
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER			
13.	Eligibility of tenderer	a & b. Enlisted Electro-Mechanical Contractor of Dhaka WASA & having vendor certificate/license from BTRC for c, d, e, f & g. enlisted Electro-Mechanical Contractor of Dhaka WASA & for h, only enlisted contractor of Dhaka WASA. Other requirements, terms & conditions are stated in tender documents.	
14.	Brief description of goods & works		

Sl No.	Name	Price of tender documents	Tender security in Tk	Completion time in days
a	Supply, fitting-fixing, commissioning & testing of 3 Nos. vehicle mounted VHF base set for F M Division-1, 2 & SOC Division of Dhaka WASA (Sl. 1 W-1)	Tk 350/- (three hundred fifty) only	Tk. 9,400/- (nine thousand four hundred) only	20 (twenty) days
b	Repair, maintenance & servicing of 6nos VHF base set and 10 Nos. walkie-talkie of wireless system of Dhaka WASA (Sl. 6 W-06)	Tk 300/- (three hundred) only	Tk. 7,200/- (seven thousand two hundred) only	30 (thirty) days
c	Manual servicing, maintenance & repair of various branded 5 Nos. mobile generator at different water pump station of Dhaka WASA (Sl. 3 W-3)	Tk 350/- (three hundred fifty) only	Tk. 9,000/- (nine thousand) only	20 (twenty) days
d	Repairing & maintenance of 20 Nos. BIF type chlorination set of Dhaka WASA (Sl. 5 W-5)	Tk 300/- (three hundred) only	Tk. 7,300/- (seven thousand three hundred) only	30 (thirty) days
e	Supply & fitting-fixing of 5 Nos. BIF type chlorine set at different pump station of Dhaka WASA (Sl 13 W-12)	Tk 300/- (three hundred) only	Tk. 7,500/- (seven thousand five hundred) only	20 (twenty) days
f)	Repairing & maintenance of 20 Nos. BIF type chlorination set of Dhaka WASA (Sl 11 W-10)	Tk 300/- (three hundred) only	Tk. 7,300/- (seven thousand three hundred) only	30 (thirty) days
g)	Rehabilitation and repairing work of existing 20 Nos. gas chlorination set at different water pump station of Dhaka WASA (Sl 16 W-14)	Tk 300/- (three hundred) only	Tk. 7,200/- (seven thousand two hundred) only	30 (thirty) days
h	Procurement of office furniture of SOC Division of Dhaka WASA (Sl 09 G-01)	Tk 300/- (three hundred) only	Tk. 6,300/- (six thousand three hundred) only	20 (twenty) days

PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS			
15.	Name of official inviting tender	Md. Abdul Mazid.	
16.	Designation of official inviting tender	Executive Engineer.	
17.	Address of official inviting tender	Office of the Executive Engineer, System Operation & Control Division, Dhaka WASA, Old Elephant Road (Near Ramna Thana), Dhaka-1000.	
18.	Contact details of official inviting tender	Phone: +8802-9362570	Fax: +8802-9362570
19.	The procuring entity reserves the right to reject all the tenders or annul the tender proceedings.		

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SNIPPETS

Outlaw killed in Pabna

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Pabna*

An alleged operative of outlawed Purba Banglar Communist Party (PBCP) Red Flag faction was stabbed to death in Santhia upazila early yesterday over intra-party feud. The deceased is Md Akul Pramanik, 40, son of Azahar Pramanik of Bhainapara village. Locals found Akul's body floating on Sonakandi canal in the upazila and informed police early in the morning. Rival party men might have killed Akul, said Md Shahed Mahamud, officer in-charge of Santhia police station. He was accused in a number of cases including one for murder, said the OC.

21 detained at border

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Benapole, Jessore*

Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) members arrested 21 people, including women and children, while they were going to India illegally through Putkhali frontier Sunday morning. 23 BGB battalion commanding officer Lt. Col. Tayef-ul-Haq said, acting on a tip-off that some people were trying to enter India without valid documents they launched a drive along the border and arrested 10 men, two women and nine children.

Lightning kills two

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Tangail*

Two people were killed and two others injured when a lightning struck them in Nagarpur upazila yesterday. The deceased were identified as Mintu Miah, 45, of Dakkhin Nagarpur village and Mohammad Ador Ali, 35, of Mir Kustia village. Seriously injured Lalon Miah, 28, of Kathuri village and Sonai Miah, 30, of Alokdia village were admitted to the upazila health complex. The four people were hit by lightning when they were catching fish at a local water body during rain at around 2:00pm, police and locals said.

Husband sued for torture

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Chandpur*

Chandpur model police yesterday arrested the owner of a private clinic in Taltola area of the town on charge of torturing his wife for dowry. The arrestee was identified as Dr Ahsan Ullah, owner of Sima Hospital. Police said Dr Sima Ahsan, wife of the arrestee, filed a case under Women and Children Repression Prevention Act 2000 with the police station yesterday morning. According to the case statement, Dr Ahsan used to torture Sima mentally and physically as she refused to meet his dowry demand of Tk 15 lakh.

'Drug peddler' murdered

UNB, *Faridpur*

An alleged drug peddler was stabbed to death by criminals over drug trading at Alipur in the district town on Saturday night. The deceased was identified as Shawon Mollah, 28, son of Sohrab Mollah of Kha Para of Dakkhin Alipur of the town. Witnesses said a gang of armed miscreants swooped on Shawon and chopped him with lethal weapons indiscriminately near his house at about 10:30pm while he was going home by a motorcycle. Critically injured Shawon was rushed to Faridpur General Hospital where the on duty doctors declared him dead.

Jail guards held with arms

UNB, *Faridpur*

Members of Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) in a drive arrested two jail guards along with pistol and bullets in Faridpur Medical College Hospital area in the town on Saturday. The arrestees are Mizanur Rahman and Ashraful Islam -- two jail guards of Faridpur district jail. Assistant Police Superintendent Sumon Deb of Rab-8 said, being tipped-off, a Rab team raided the area at about 3pm and arrested Mizanur and Ashraful along with one foreign made pistol, five bullets and one magazine.

JUBO DAL LEADER MURDER

30 sued, 3 held in Natore

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Natorte*

Police arrested three of the 30 accused in Jubo Dal leader Bashar murder case in the district on Saturday.

The arrestees are Shaha Jamal, 35, son of Saidur Rahman, Afsar Ali, 36, son of Didar Uddin and Sumon Hossain, 25, son of Siraj Sarker of Merigachha village in Baraigram upazila.

On Friday night, Criminals hacked and shot Abul Bashar, 36, vice-president of Baraigram upazila unit of Jubo Dal, and his companion Babul Hossain, joint organising secretary of Nagar union unit of the organisation in the upazila.

They were rushed to Natore Sadar Hospital where doctors declared Bashar dead, said Mohammad Ibrahim, officer in-charge of Baraigram police station.

Bashar's mother Faizan Begum claimed that some Awame League activists of Dogachhi village killed Bashar following a previous enmity.

She demanded immediate arrest and exemplary punishment of the killers of her son, also the only earning member of the family.

Bashar's elder brother Abdul Khalek filed a murder case with the police station accusing 30 people on Saturday night.

Police were raiding different areas to arrest the accused, said the OC.

PHOTO: STAR

Kids go to school on a raft at Kanaidia village in Tala upazila of Satkhira district as water from the overflowing Kobadak flooded 30 villages in the upazila during the last several days.

FLOODING IN SATKHIRA

Fresh areas in 30 Tala villages go under water

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Satkhira*

Flood situation in 30 villages under Tala upazila of the district has worsened further with fresh areas going under water in the last few days.

While visiting Kanaidia village in Jalalpur union on Saturday, this correspondent found water flowing over the embankment of Kobadak river, inundating new areas.

The flood rendered over 40 thousand people marooned putting them in acute shortage of food and pure drinking water. Many of them are also suffering from various diseases.

Most of the roads went under water keeping hundreds indoors and out of job.

Settlement and agriculture offices and health complex remained shut as water entered the premises.

According to the UNO office sources, the most affected areas in the upazila are Kanaidia, Krishnakati , Char Kanaidia, Jethua villages of Jalalpur union, Ghona, Kazidanga, Bhabanipur, Khorail, Narayanpur of Islamkati union, Nawapara, Dhalbaria, Dewanipara of Tentulia union and Ghoshnagar, Gangarampur of Khalilnagar union.

Hazera Bibi of Kanaidia village told this correspondent that her homestead went under water on Tuesday following collapse of the embankment.

"My husband has no work now. I cannot cook due to flood water in the kitchen, " she said.

Khadija Begum of the same area alleged that most children were being affected by waterborne and skin diseases.

Dr Jahir Hasan, family planning officer at Tala upazila health complex said, although his office itself had went under water, they formed a medical team on Thursday to work in the affected areas.

Tala Upazila Nirbahi Officer (UNO) Md Mahbubur Rahman said they have already wrote to the higher authorities for necessary steps.

District administration has allotted 10 MT of rice, he said, adding that demand for more foodgrains had been placed.