BOMB ATTACK ON POLICE STATION

Couple electrocuted

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bogra

SNIPPETS

A couple met their tragic end when they came in contact

with a live electric wire at Khihali Maddyapara village in

Dupchanchia upazila yesterday. The deceased are Javed Ali

Akanda, 45 and his wife Komela Begum, 35, of the village.

They have two children. Police and family sources said

Javed went to a field for collecting grass for his cattle in the

morning and came in contact with a suapped electric wire

of a deep tube well and fell to the ground. As her husband

was making late, Komela went to the field and found him

lying on the spot. Later, she was also electrocuted when

she was trying to rescue Javed. An unnatural death case was

filed in this connection, said Riaz Ahmed, officer in-

rocuring Entity Name: Nilphamari Pourashar District : Nilphameri Name of Project: Urban Governance and Infrastruture Improvement (Sedus) Project (Prose-II) Package No. UGIIP-II-3/NILP/UT/01/2012. *Name of Work: As per work list. *Name of Contractor: JV. Shah Md. Anower Hossain & Md. Ansar Ali, Babupara, Nilphamari * Contract Price: 2,20,68,266 02 (Two Crore twenty Lack Sixty eight thousand two hundred sixty six and paisa zero two) only. *Starting Date: 26-05-2013. *Completion Date: 15-02-2014. *Financed by : ADB, Kfw, GIZ & GOB.

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A school student reading the information displayed on the LGED signboard in Nilphamari. He might get a wrong message as the formal name of his country is wrongly written there.

So callous, so careless!

EAM ASADUZZAMAN, Nilphamari

Believe it or not, 'Government of Republic Bangladesh' instead of 'Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh' is inscribed on quite a few signboards describing a government project in the municipality.

The Local Government Engineering Department (LGED) initiated a Tk 2.25 crore project titled 'Urban Governance and Infrastructure Improvement (Sector) Project, Phase-II" to renovate or reconstruct different damaged roads in Nilphamari municipality area in May this year.

The project was handed over to the municipality authorities for implementation while LGED continues to monitor the work, LGED sources said.

Visiting different project sites including the road near PDB office at Sabujpara, Khairat

S DILIP ROY, Lalmonirhat

Potato farmers and traders

in the district are frustrated

due to unusually low prices

of the popular vegetable this

Huge quantities of potato

have remained stockpiled in

cold storages due to the

In previous years, over

90% of stored potatoes were

taken back from seven cold

storages in the district by

this time, but now the with-

drawn amount is only 30%,

The present market price

of potato is so low that the

traders and growers are not

feeling like lifting the pre-

served item from the

storages, said Mohsin Ali, a

potato grower at Harati

village in Lalmonirhat

A 86-kg potato sack is

now selling for Tk 650 to

700 in different wholesale

markets and sales centres

while the total cost for pro-

duction and storage stood at

Tk 1300 to 1400, local farm-

The last season saw a

bumper production of

potato due to favourable

climatic conditions but the

growers are now worried

about recovery of the pro-

duction cost, let alone

Repaying the loan

taken from banks, money

lenders and NGOs for the

cultivation remains an

added concern for many

This year 12 thousand

growers and traders

ers said.

profit.

farmers.

situation.

sources said.

Hossain Road near Zila Parishad office, Kazibari area near Circuit House on Monday, this correspondent found that the signboards with project description were marked with 'Government of Republic Bangladesh' at the top.

board of the project work in front of the deputy commissioner's office bears the correct name 'Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh'. Standing beside a pro-

ject signboard at Sabujpara, this correspondent found two school students arguing over the correct term.

One of them was saying that it would be Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh while the other thought that Government of Republic Bangladesh was right as a renowned government office like LGED wrote so.

"Wrongly writing the action."

Unusually low potato prices

Most of them are not lifting the vegetable from cold storages

frustrate farmers, traders

prices of the popular vegetable in the markets.

preserved seven lakh

and 65 thousand sacks

of potato in seven cold

storages of Lalmonirhat

district but only 30% of

it was taken back till

October 19, cold storage

potato at a local cold storage

but I haven't lifted any bag

till now as the price is too

low. I asked the cold storage

owner to take the rent by

selling the preserved

potato," said Seher Ali, a

potato grower at

Panchagram village in

"I preserved 80 bags of

sources said.

name of our dear country by a responsible government department is utterly unacceptable. It is a gross dishonour to the nation and confuses people especially the young learners," said retired college teacher Naresh Roy, also convenor of local unit of Sacheton Interestingly, the sign-Nagorik Samaj.

> When asked, executive engineer of district office of LGED Abul Kalam Pramanik said, "We are not responsible for the matter as the project is initiated by LGED while being implemented by engineering department of the local municipality."

> Sirajul Islam Sarker, executive engineer of Nilphamari municipality, said, "I have received complaints about the matter. We are going to send letters to the contractors concerned to put the correct name of the country on the signboards by 30th of this month. In case of their failure we will take stern

Potatoes get damaged at a cold storage in Lalmonirhat as traders and growers have

of years, many farmers

got encouraged to culti-

vate potato with the pro-

motion of modern farm-

ing systems, including

introduction of a hybrid

Lalmonirhat Sadar.

variety.

Bogra police sue 29 Jamaat-Shibir men

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bogra

Police sued 29 Jamaat-Shibir men on Tuesday night on charge of throwing cocktails on Sadar police station complex at noon.

Sub-Inspector (SI) of Sadar police station Aslam Hossain (1) filed the case. The accused include district Jamaat unit assistant secretary Abedur Rahman Sohel and town unit Shibir president and executive member of central Shibir committee Alauddin Sohel.

In the case statement, the complainant mentioned names of 17 Jamaat-Shibir men while 12 others remained unidentified.

accused from Chaksuttrapur area in the town. The arrestee was identi-

Police also arrested an

fied as Abdul Kader Jilani Jony, 23, son of Ramjan Ali

Nagar) area and an activist and set up CCTV cameras in of Shibir.

Earlier, the cocktails were charge while police had been conducting drives in the Jamaat-Shibir dominated areas of the town on Tuesday.

Two policemen and three locals were injured in the attack.

Previously, during a 18party called hartal, the prohartal activists threw cocktails on the main road in front of Sadar police station a few days back. They also hurled a bomb on the roof of Sadar police station but on Tuesday night. none was injured.

They also charged cocktails near the residents of top police officials of Bogra on Monday night.

To ensure security at Sadar police station, police yesterday placed a light machine gun (LMG) on the beaten up mercilessly by the of Chaksutrapur (Jaharul roof of the main building Shibir men.

its four corners.

They also set up a camp in front of the building and introduced metal detector yesterday noon.

Officer in-charge (OC) of the police station, Syed Shaheed Alam, said the additional security was taken for the safety of police and visitors and to foil the attack by Jamaat-Shibir Meanwhile, a traffic

Victim Nahid Parvej was on duty in the area.

edly by Shibir processionists

at Shatmatha of Bogra town

Witnesses said, a group of Shibir men tried to bring out a procession in the town. When the sergeant hurried to the spot and tried to foil their procession, he was

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jessore sergeant was assaulted alleg-

Cocktails found in mosque

charge of Dupchanchia police station.

Five cocktails were recovered from the rooftop of a mosque in the town yesterday afternoon. Devotees found the cocktails on the rooftop of Golpata Masjid in Shankarpur area at around 2:00pm and informed the police, who went to the mosque and recovered the cocktails. Police said they are investigating the matter and trying to arrest the culprits, who kept the cocktails on the rooftop of the mosque to create panic among the local people.

Stalkers injure 10

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

At least ten people were injured in an attack by stalkers at a jatra (open air drama) at Mohadevpur village in Thakurgaon Sadar upazila early yesterday. Md Fazlur Rahman, chairman of Chailarang Union Parishad, told this correspondent over cellphone that the incident occurred at around 12:45am when a group of local youths were teasing female viewers at the function. As the organisers challenged the youths, they swooped on them and vandalised the stage, musical instruments chairs and tables at the venue. At least 10 people sustained injuries during the attack. The injured are undergoing treatment at Thakurgaon Sadar Hospital. On information, police went to the spot and arrested eight of the gang.

Idols vandalised at temple

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Tangail

Criminals attacked a temple and vandalised idols at Kostapara Ghoshbari in Bhuapur upazila of the district on Tuesday night. Ratan Kumar Ghosh, general secretary of the temple committee, said unidentified criminals damaged the idols and threw them into the nearby rivers. "We have informed the local police station and the upazila nirbahi officer (UNO) of the matter," he said. Sub-Inspector Tofazzal Hossain, in-charge of Gobindasi police camp, visited the spot yesterday morning. Contacted, UNO Mohammad Helaluzzaman said he asked police to arrest the culprits involved.

Drug peddler held with gun

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jessore

A drug peddler was arrested with a pistol and a kilogram of gunpowder in Jessore town yesterday noon. Acting on a tip-off, Rab personnel arrested drug peddler Suzan, 18, son of Jalal Uddin of Shankarpur area from Bejpara-Taltola area in the town at around 1:00pm. They also recovered a pistol and one kilogram of gunpowder from his possession. On Tuesday night, police arrested a man named Rafiqul Islam along with four cocktails from Railgate-Chormara Dighi area in the town at around 10:00pm. The arrestee hails from the ara.

'Robber' arrested with arms

UNB, Magura

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Detective Branch (DB) of police arrested an alleged robber along with a pipe gun at Baroikhali village in Magura Sadar upazila on Tuesday. The arrestee was identified as Soleman Raju, 32, son of Abdus Samad, a resident of the village. Acting on a tip-off, detectives raided Soleman's house, arrested him and recovered the pipe-gun from his possession, said Badruzzaman, a member of Magura DB police.

BSF picks up cattle trader in Lalmonirhat

UNB, Lalmonirhat

Members of Indian Border Security Force (BSF) yesterday picked up a Bangladeshi cattle trader from Muglibari border in Burimari land port area of Patgram upazila. The victim was identified

as Mohammad Sazu Mia, 26, son of Abdul Majid of Muglibari village in the upazila.

Quoting locals, BGB said, the BSF troops from Chengrabandh camp caught Sazu while he along with other cattle traders was returning home through the border in the early hours.

Confirming the incident, commanding officer of Lalmonirhat BGB Battalion-15 Lieutenant Colonel Mahbubur Rahman said, they sent a letter to BSF protesting the incident.

BCL MAN MURDER, VIOLENCE

10 Jamaat-Shibir activists held in Satkhira

8 others arrested in Bagerhat

UNB, Satkhira

Police arrested 10 activists of Jamaat-e-Islami and its student front Islami Chhatra Shibir from different upazilas of the district early yesterday on charges of killing a BCL leader and creating violence during hartal.

Satkhira district unit Shibir president Abu Taleb and its student welfare affairs secretary Saiful Islam were among the arrestees.

Police superintendent Mollah Jahangir Hossain of Satkhira district said, they arrested Shibir leader Taleb, son of Abu Bakar of Kolyanpur village of Ashashuni upazila, and Saiful, son of Nazrul Islam of Balunda village under Sharsha upazila of Jessore district, from Puratan Satkhira area of the district town in a case filed for killing BCL leader Mamun in an attack allegedly by Jamaat-Shibir activists on February 28 this year.

At least 15 Islamic books were recovered from their possession.

On the other hand, police arrested eight other Jamaat-Shibir men --Tariquzzaman, Hasanuzzaman and Mizanur from Ashashuni upazila, Abdul Hamid, Mujibur and Muktar from

upazila on Tuesday after-The arrestees were identified as Masudur Rahman, 35, Habibur Rahman, 55, Mahmudur Rahman, 36, Humayun Kabir, 38, Muhibullah Talukdar, 29, Asadur Rahman, 29

Manjur-ul-Rahman, 28, and

Salauddin, 18--they all hail

from different villages of the

Shyamnagar upazila, Abdul

Hakim from Patkelghata,

and Abu Bakar from

Koloroa upazila of the dis-

trict -- on charge of creating

violence during hartal called

arrested eight Jamaat-Shibir

leaders and activists while

holding a secret meeting at

Nobboirashi in Morelganj

In Bagerhat, police

by Jamaat.

upazila. Being tipped-off, a team of police raided the village around 4:30pm and arrested the Jamaat-Shibir men from the house of schoolteacher Rokhsana Begum of the village, said officer in-charge of Morelganj police station Azizul Haque.

Sensing presence of the law enforces, several other leaders and activists fled the scene, he said.

The arrestees were planning at the meeting to carry out subversive activities, added the OC.

station said, they later

arrested Mostafa, 35,

Shirajul, 22, and

Mominur, 22, from differ-

ent parts of the city on

charge of their involve-

the deceased, lodged a mur-

der case accusing eight peo-

ple, including the arrestees,

Achhem Uddin, father of

ment with the murder.

Cable TV trader killed by rivals in Rangpur

OUR CORRESPONDENT,

A cable TV network businessman was stabbed to death allegedly by his rivals in Rampura area in the city on Tuesday night.

tified as Ratan Miah, 25, son of Achhem Uddin of the area.

Police and locals said, Ratan had a longstanding rivalry with one Mostafa of the same area over cable TV network business.

As a sequel to it, they locked in an altercation on Monday night.

11:30pm, a gang stabbed Ratan mercilessly in Rampura area when he was returning home from his workplace, leaving him critically injured.

Locals rescued him and rushed to Rangpur Medical College Hospital

Khalifa, officer in-charge

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The deceased was iden-

The next day, at around

(RMCH) where he succumbed to his injuries after some time. Md Shahabuddin

of Rangpur Kotwali police

stopped lifting the preserved item from the storages in the district due to unusually low produce," said Abdul

"Most of the potato farmers opted for high yielding varieties and adopted scientific methods of cultivation, and it resulted in bumper yield. But the growers incurred losses this year as they did not get fair price of their Lalmonirhat.

During the last couple Mazid, deputy director of

The potato growers will lose interest in cultivating

Lalmonirhat. take initiative for exporting potato, he said.

the Department of Agriculture Extension in The government should

the vegetable if steps are not taken to ensure its reasonable price, said Shaikh Abdul Hamid, president of Cold Storage Owners' Association in