

SPOTLIGHT: UPAZILA POLLS



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Polling officials with the help of law enforcers take election materials, including ballot papers and ballot boxes, to the polling centres in Kaharol upazila of Dinajpur district yesterday. The upazila goes to polls today.

Rebels dim prospects of AL-backed candidates

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

THAKURGAON

Rebels have weakened prospects of chairman candidates backed by Awami League (AL) in four upazilas of Panchagarh district.

The election will be held today in Atwary, Panchagarh Sadar, Boda and Debiganj upazilas. AL-backed candidate in each of the four upazilas will face a tough challenge from BNP and Jamaat-backed candidates due to intra-party feud.

In Atwary upazila, Awami League-backed candidate is Touhidul Islam, general secretary of the upazila unit. Joint-Secretary of the unit advocate Anisur Rahman is also in the race

as rebel candidate. Their rival contestant is BNP upazila unit president Abdur Rahman.

In Sadar upazila, AL's Anwar Sadat Samrat is in the election race, while rebel candidate Ariful Islam Pallab, organising Secretary of district unit, is also vying for the chairman post. BNP's Sadar upazila unit President Abu Daud Prodhan and Jamaat-backed candidate Abdul Khalek are also contesting for the post.

In Boda upazila, AL-backed candidate Faruk Alam Tobi and rebel AL caudate Moyazzem Hossain

Babul are contesting for the chairman post.

BNP in the upazila failed to field single candidate for the post as three party men--Abdul Aziz, advocate Monzur Rahman and Afzal Hossain--are in the race. Jamaat-backed candidate Md Safiullah Sufi is in a better position.

In Debiganj upazila, AL-backed candidate Hasnat Zaman Chowdhury and AL rebel candidate Abdul Malek are vying for the post of upazila chairman. BNP's Abu Torab Sarkar faces rebel candidate Abdul Goni Bosunia in the race. Jamaat has fielded Abdul Mannan as its

Election in Bogra today amid tight security

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bogra

Elections will take place amid tight security in six upazilas of the district today.

Two platoons of army, two platoons BGB, three platoons of Rab, besides police and Ansar members have been deployed in the poll areas.

The six upazilas that will see the first phase of election are Sonatola, Shariakandi, Dhunat, Sherpur, Nandigram and Dupchanchia.

Although ruling Awami League, BNP, Jamaat, Jatiya Party and Islami Oikya Jote have selected their aspirants in the elections, there are rebel AL aspirants in three upazilas, rebel BNP in one upazila.

AL has so far expelled 12 leaders, BNP 15 leaders for being rebel candidates while BNP has serious conflict with the local Jamaat as Jamaat also nominated aspirants in three upazilas.

The conflict began when both BNP and Jamaat claimed that they have full support of the 19-party alliance.

However, Islami Oikya Jote refuted the claim of the two parties through a press conference on Monday evening at Bogra Press Club.

The leaders of the party said they were still unaware of the decision of 19-party alliance regarding support to BNP or Jamaat.

The conflict between BNP and Jamaat will help the AL aspirants to sail easily in the poll in the 6 upazilas of the district on Wednesday, observed local voters.

Contacted, district leaders of AL, BNP said that they were hopeful that their party men would win and claimed that rebel aspirants will not be any big obstacles in this regard.

District Election Officer of Bogra Md. Yunus Ali said that all necessary preparations were taken and all poll-related materials sent to the respective poll areas in time.

Contacted, ASP of Bogra police (Sadar) Gaziur Rahman said sufficient law-enforcers have been deployed at each poll centre to ensure a free, fair and peaceful election in Bogra

LALMONIRHAT

Mass contact goes on to woo voters

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Lalmonirhat

With the February 27 upazila parishad election drawing nearer, candidates in Lalmonirhat Sadar, Hatibandha and Patgram upazilas under the district have started mass contact to woo the voters, making commitment for various development works if elected.

Now bazaars, tea stalls and road crossings in the areas often see crowding of people till midnight.

During this correspondent's visit to different areas, cross section of people expressed hope that they will have honest persons committed to serving the people as their local representatives.

"We don't want selfish and greedy people. We want to elect those who are honest, patriot and will work for betterment of the society, especially the poor people," said Idris Ali Sarker, 60, a farmer at Jagotbar village of Patgram upazila.

"I want to cast my valuable vote for honest candidates. I will see the person, not symbol," said rickshaw-

puller Nuruzzaman Miah, 45, at Patikapara village of Hatibandha upazila.

"This time people will judge the candidates not by mere statements, but by their backgrounds," said Ataur Rahman, a college teacher at Bhatibari village in Lalmonirhat Sadar upazila.

As many as 1,31,968 voters in Patgram upazila, 1,44,683 voters in Hatibandha upazila and 2,24,318 voters in Lalmonirhat Sadar upazila will chose their representatives in nine posts from 34 candidates in the February 27 upazila parishad polls.

Of them, 17 are vying for three chairman posts, 10 for vice chairman posts and the



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The gangway of Beltala ferry terminal in Barisal city collapses into Kirtankhola River under the pressure of a truck laden with construction materials yesterday.

Land registration stops as sub-registrar jailed

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

Land registration in two upazilas under the district has remained suspended as the sub-registrar of Parbatipur upazila, also in charge of the work in Ghoraghat upazila, got one month's imprisonment by a mobile court for gambling on Friday.

The sub-registrar, Khalilur Rahman went to his home district Kurigram on Thursday, said sources of the district land registry office.

On Friday night, a mobile court led by Executive Magistrate Mizanur Rahman

raided a club in Nageswari upazila of Kurigram.

Finding seven people including Khalilur Rahman gambling there, the mobile court awarded one month's imprisonment to each and sent them to jail the same night, officials said.

"Kalilur Rahman, who joined Parbatipur on March 18 in 2013, was covering Ghoraghat upazila as additional charge. Now land registration activities here have remained halted due to his imprisonment," said Foyzar Rahman, office assistant of Parbatipur land registry office.

Confirming the matter, Ranjit Singh, district land registrar of Dinajpur, said, "We have already informed the high officials in Dhaka of the incident to take departmental action against the convicted sub-registrar."

Abdul Gafur, a deed writer of Parbatipur land registry office, said around 200 deed writers in the upazila are now passing idle time as sale, purchase and handing over of land have remained suspended due to imprisonment of the sub-registrar.

Same is the condition of nearly 200 deed writers in Ghoraghat upazila.

OBSCENE DANCE, GAMBLING

Crackdown on ananda mela

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gaibandha

Sundarganj upazila administration auctioned off the tents and other equipment of a so-called *ananda mela* (recreation fair) at a field near Shovaganj Girls' High School on Monday evening, as obscene dance and gambling continued there in the name of cultural activities.

Surprisingly, the organisers under the banner of Rupali Social Development Association had prepared a fake High Court (HC) order in their favour and continued the evil act for the last three months.

Following repeated complaints from locals about unsocial activities there, Sundarganj Upazila Nirbahi Officer (UNO) Abu Rafa Mohammed Arif recently managed a certified copy of the said HC order

(vide 3287/12), only to find that the HC order corresponding the number concerned a totally different case.

Consequently, the upazila administration removed the tents and equipment and sold it in an auction while the organisers managed to flee.

A mobile court fined Tk 2,000 to one Raja Mia for trying to create obstacle to the auction.

"Proper action will be taken against the people involved with forgery of High Court order and conducting obscene dance and gambling. Investigation is going on to identify the real culprits," said the UNO.

No activity of the so-called social organisation was seen in the area earlier, said Khurshed Alam, chairman of Chaporhati union parishad.

AL rebel's men block road

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Chandpur

The 'rebel' candidates of Awami League and their supporters blocked Chandpur-Comilla road for four hours on Monday, protesting announcement of sole candidate in Kachua upazila elections.

Khorshed Alam, brother to Nazmul Alam, a vice

chairman candidate, alleged that they were compelled to take to the streets as the party took an unilateral decision ignoring opinion of its councillors.

Officer in charge (OC) Alamgir Hossain of Kachua Police Station said the road communication resumed after the supporters 'rebel' candidate removed the block following talks at

around 1:00pm.

Earlier on Sunday night, the district unit of Awami League announced incumbent chairman Aiyub Ali Patwari as candidate for Kachua chairman post and Advocate Helal Uddin for vice-chairman post.

The party extended its support to Kamrun Nahar for the reserved post.

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Corrigendum of Invitation for RFQs for Mohakhali IT Village, Rajshahi IT Village and Sylhet Hi-Tech Park
Memo No. 56.02.0000.006.18.042.13-180 Date: 16-02-2014
Ref Memo:
1. 56.02.0000.006.18.042.13-79, dated: 23-01-2014
2. 56.02.0000.006.18.040.13-2144, dated: 24-12-2013
3. 56.02.0000.006.18.042.13-1974, dated: 07-11-2013
4. 56.02.0000.006.18.041.13-1969, dated: 07-11-2013
5. 56.02.0000.006.18.040.13-1973, dated: 07-11-2013
The submission date of the following RFQs has been rescheduled as follows:

Sl. No.	RFQ	Existing submission date	Revised submission date
1	Request for Qualification (RFQ) for Establishment of IT Village at Mohakhali, Dhaka, Bangladesh on Design, Build, Finance, Own, Operate and Transfer (DBFOOT) (International Competitive Tendering)	20 February 2014 at 3:00pm in the office of BHTPA	16 March 2014 at 3:00pm in the office of BHTPA
2	Request for Qualification (RFQ) for Establishment of IT Village in Rajshahi District, Bangladesh on Design, Build, Finance, Own, Operate and Transfer (DBFOOT) (International Competitive Tendering)	20 February 2014 at 3:00pm in the office of BHTPA	12 March 2014 at 3:00pm in the office of BHTPA
3	Request for Qualification (RFQ) for Establishment of Hi-Tech Park at Sylhet, Bangladesh on Design, Build, Finance, Own, Operate and Transfer (DBFOOT) (International Competitive Tendering)	20 February 2014 at 3:00pm in the office of BHTPA	13 March 2014 at 3:00pm in the office of BHTPA

2. The other criteria will remain unchanged.
3. The detailed advertisement of RFQ invitation and relevant addenda have been available in the website of Bangladesh Hi-Tech Park Authority (www.htpbd.org.bd).

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BNP expels 3 'rebels' in Sylhet


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Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) has expelled 3 'rebels' for contesting against the party-backed candidates for upazila chairmanships in Sylhet district.

Two of them are former district JCD president Emran Ahmed Chowdhury and Nosirul Haque Shahin, also union parishad chairman. They are contesting for Golapganj upazila parishad chairman post. The party also expelled Companiganj upazila BNP's organising secretary Md. Shahab Uddin, for vying for chairmanship there.

Sylhet district BNP organising secretary Ali Ahmed on Monday afternoon announced the expulsion decision, taken by the central committee.

Earlier on Saturday night, the Sylhet district AL at an emergency meeting expelled 7 'rebels' for contesting against 3 party-backed chairman candidates and 4 vice-chairman

**Military Engineer Services**
Directorate of Works & Chief Engineer (Army)

Invitation for Tenders

1. Ministry/Division	: Ministry of Defence.
2. Agency	: Military Engineer Services.
3. Procuring entity name	: DW & CE (Army), Dhaka Cantt.
4. Tender name	: Construction of 1x Quarter Guard (2 storey with 2 storied foundation) for 1x SM BK Complex type 'B' (5 storey with 5 storied foundation) including Internal/External services for East Bengal Regiment at Dhaka Cantt. (Last Phase) (Group-II).
5. Invitation for tender No.	: 73 of 2013-2014/E-6 Dated 10 February 2014.
6. Procurement method	: Open Tendering Method.
7. Source of funds	: GoB.
8. Tender publication date	: 19 February 2014.
9. Tender last selling date	: 05 March 2014 up to 1430 hours.
10. Tender submission date & time	: 06 March 2014, 1200 hours.
11. Tender opening date & time	: 06 March 2014, 1230 hours.
12. Name & address of the office(s) - Selling tender documents	: a. Tender Selling & Information Centre of DW&CE(A) at GE(A) Project, Dhaka Cantt. b. DW & CE (Army), Dhaka Cantt.
- Receiving tender documents	: Tender Selling & Information Centre of DW&CE(A) at GE(A) Project, Dhaka Cantt.
- Opening tender documents	: Tender Selling & Information Centre of DW&CE(A) at GE(A) Project, Dhaka Cantt.
13. Place/date/time of pre-tender meeting	: Tender Selling & Information Centre of DW&CE(A) at GE(A) Project, Dhaka Cantt., 05 March 2014, 1000-1100 hours.
14. Eligibility of tenderer	: a. Contractors enlisted in MES Class 'B' & 'C'. b. Contractors enlisted in other govt./semi-govt./autonomous organizations in similar capacity having necessary security clearance.
15. Price of tender document	: Tk. 3,000/- (non-refundable).
16. Amount of tender security	: Tk. 4,10,000/- (As Pay Order/Bank Draft).
17. Time of completion of wks	: 06 (six) months.
18. Contact details	: Phone: 9832678, Mili: 2678 Fax: (02) 9833284 Website: www.army.mil.bd
19. Special instructions	: a. Tenderer shall submit copy of letter of valid enlistment & security clearance with application on company letterhead when purchasing tender. b. Detailed requirements are mentioned in Tender Data Sheet of tender documents. c. The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders.

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