



The Dakatia river, one of the tributaries of the Meghna, being flagrantly encroached upon at Chandpur Bridge on Chandpur-Raipur highway. The photo was taken on Friday.

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EID HOLIDAYS Advance train ticket sale begins July 20 Private bus tickets July 14

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh Railway will start selling advance tickets on July 20, while private bus operators will start it from July 14 to facilitate holidaymakers ahead Eid-ul-Fitr.

However, private launch operators may start the sale on July 20. But the decision is yet to be finalised, said officials of launch owners' association.

Train tickets of July 24, 25, 26, 27 and 28 will be distributed on July 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24 respectively at important railway stations across the country, said Railway Minister Mazibul Hoque at a press conference in the capital's Rail Bhaban yesterday.

Around 18,000 advance tickets will be sold daily, the minister said.

Besides, return tickets of July 31, August 1, 2, 3 and 4 will be distributed on July 27, 28, 29, 30 and 31.

One sixty-six new bogies will be launched to manage the Eid rush, the minister informed. Passengers can also buy tickets online, railway officials said.

About bus fare, Romesh Chandra Ghosh, senior vice president of Bangladesh Bus-Truck Owners' Association, said action will be taken against operators who will charge extra during the Eid rush.

The government-run Bangladesh Road Transport Corporation (BRTC) will fix a date on next Thursday for starting their bus ticket sale.

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MURDER OF 2 JCD LEADERS IN SYLHET Most accused still at large

Police claim drives on to nab the killers

IQBAL SIDDIQUEE, Sylhet

Most of the accused in the two cases filed for killing two Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) leaders in Sylhet have yet been arrested, though police claim that they have been conducting drives to nab the murderers.

In the JCD leader Touhidul murder case, police arrested Shoumen Dey, Bangladesh Chhatra League president of Sylhet MAG Osmani Medical College unit, on June 7 at

Sylhet Railway Station while fleeing.

On June 5, the case was filed with Sylhet Kotwali Police Station accusing him, college unit general secretary and 18 others for killing JCD's college unit entertainment secretary Touhidul Islam on June 4.

Shoumen was produced before a Sylhet court on June 8.

In his confessional statement, Shoumen had acknowledged that he along with 13

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BARGUNA, PATUAKHALI Antiquated ferries disrupt passage

BSS, Dhaka

Ferry services on different routes of Barguna and Patuakhali, two important coastal districts of the country, are being disrupted since long due to old and antiquated ferries in operation.

In all, 30-40 years old ten ferries with technical glitches and cracks in bodies have been plying the routes causing untold sufferings to passengers.

People of the two districts have long been demanding new ferries for smooth transportation of vehicles.

During a visit to Lebukhali Ferry Terminal along the Paira River on Patuakhali-Barisal route and Amtali Ferry Terminal on Barguna-Patuakhali route BSS found workers removing water from ferries with pumps.

"We have to remove water from inside the ferries three or four times daily as water enters through cracks. We have to manage huge pressure as over 1,500 vehicles of different types daily cross the river on ferries," said Mohammad Mostafa, a supervisor of Patuakhali ferry division.

"Often we have to wait a couple of hours at the terminals for removing water from the ferries with pumps. And because of this, passengers including tourists suffer a lot," said Abul Hashem, a bus driver of Patuakhali-Kuakata route.

Usual service period of a ferry is 10 years but these have

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Govt served legal notice for not making Altaf HC judge

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A Supreme Court lawyer yesterday served a legal notice on the government asking it to appoint ABM Altaf Hossain as a regular judge of the High Court within 72 hours, following recommendation by the chief justice.

The government last month regularised services of five additional HC judges leaving out the name of Justice Altaf, who was appointed as an additional judge in June 2012 along with the others. The government did not mention any reason for the decision.

Advocate Md Idrisur Rahman in the notice said the recommendation of the chief justice is very

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14th DEATH ANNIVERSARY



Today is the 14th Death Anniversary of our beloved father Mr. Musharraf Hussain Chowdhury. He was a Vanguard soldier of language movement of 1952 and in recognition for this contribution he was awarded Ekushe Padok. He was also the former Managing Director of Titas Gas Transmission & Distribution Co. Ltd.

The family members of late Musharraf Hussain Chowdhury have requested all his relatives, friends, former colleagues and well-wisher to pray for the salvation of the departed soul.

Rume, Jamee, Sadee,
Shapna, Mitu, Neetu

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Request for Proposal

Biman Bangladesh Airlines invites Request for Proposal and sealed bids for making two television commercials for running them in local and international media. The solicitation documents containing details for participation in the bid can be downloaded from our website www.biman-airlines.com or may be seen or obtained at the Office of General Manager, Public Relations, Biman Bangladesh Airlines, Head Office, Balaka, Dhaka-1229, E-mail: gmp@bdbiman.com

Proposals/bids shall be delivered to the above office of General Manager, Public Relations, not later than the hour of **3:00 PM on Thursday, July 31, 2014**, at which hour and date all proposals will be opened and examined in presence of proposal Offerors (who choose to attend). It is the sole responsibility of the Offeror to see that his proposal is received in proper time. Any proposal received after the scheduled closing time for receipt of proposals may be rejected.

The airline reserves the right to accept or reject any/all proposals without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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People shun AL after Jan 5 JS polls

Says Fakhru

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The ruling Awami League has become an "abandoned political party" after the "one-sided and voterless" January 5 elections, said BNP acting secretary general Mirza Fakhru Islam Alamgir yesterday.

As the AL has become politically bankrupt, its leaders are making unguarded remarks, he said.

The BNP spokesperson made the comments while addressing a protest meeting at Jatiya Press Club in the capital organised by Swadhinata Forum, marking the third anniversary of police attack on BNP leader

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আমরা গভীরভাবে শোকাহত

পূবালী ব্যাংক লিমিটেড পরিচালনা পর্ষদের প্রাক্তন পরিচালক এম ফয়জুর রহমান ও গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকারের সাবেক অর্থমন্ত্রী মরহুম এম সাইফুর রহমান এর ভ্রাতা

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