

Diarrhoea spreads in C'nawabganj town

Sadar hospital struggles to cope with growing number of patients

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Chapainawabganj

The district town sees spread of diarrhoea during the last couple of days.

Over 70 diarrhoea patients, mostly children and women, were admitted to Chapainawabganj Adhunik Sadar Hospital in 24 hours till yesterday noon, hospital sources said, adding that 35 others were admitted there from Friday night to 11:00am yesterday.

Diarrhoea, a gastrointestinal infection caused by a variety of bacterial, viral and parasitic organisms, generally occurs due to taking of contaminated food or drinking water and spread from the infected people to others due to poor hygiene, said doctors at the hospital.

"Many diarrhoea patients are being treated in the hospital corridor as the 10-bed diarrhoea ward is too inadequate. We are facing problems to deal with the growing number of patients due to manpower shortage," said a senior staff nurse of the hospital.

Forty to fifty diarrhoea patients also receive treatment at the outdoor section daily, hospital source said.

Dr Shafiqul Islam, resident medical officer of



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Treatment seekers lie on the corridor of Chapainawabganj Sadar Hospital as the 10-bed Diarrhoea Ward of the hospital is too inadequate to deal with patients attacked with the waterborne disease that sees a sudden rise in the district town since Friday night.

Adhunik Sadar Hospital, said there is no crisis of oral saline, IV fluid and necessary medicines at the hospital to cope with the diarrhoea affected patients.

"Most of the people have been attacked with diarrhoea after drinking unsafe water supplied by the

municipality while having stale food, eating with unwashed hands, poor hygiene and hot weather add to the situation," he said.

Most of the patients are from different areas of Chapainawabganj municipality.

Contacted, Chapainawabganj Mayor Abdul Matin claimed that the municipality authorities are supplying safe drinking water in the town. "Allegation of the hospital authority is baseless. Still we will look into the matter," he said.

ROW OVER COLLECTING MONEY FOR RELIGIOUS FUNCTION

Villagers attack police camp in Chuadanga, 40 injured

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Kushiya

At least 40 people including five policemen were injured as a group of villagers and madrasa students attacked a police camp at Lakmipur village in Damurhuda upazila of Chuadanga district over collecting money for an Islami jalsa (religious function) Friday night.

The authorities of Lakmipur Darus Sunnah Cadet Madrasa employed its students and a few local youths to collect money for the jalsa to be held at its ground scheduled for today, said police and locals.

They continued collecting money from passers-by and commuters near Bhagratpur bridge of the village, blocking the road for last three days.

They stopped police

constable Jewel Mia of Lakmipur police camp when he was crossing the spot on a motorbike at about 5:30pm on Friday.

They manhandled the police constable when he tried to leave the spot without giving any money for the purpose, Sub-Inspector Rabiul Islam, in-charge of the police camp, quoted constable Jewel Mia as saying.

The constable returned to the camp and informed camp in-charge Rabiul of the matter.

Rabiul sent a police team there but the toll collectors engaged in a further chaos with the team.

Then police team arrested four toll takers and brought them to the camp, said Rabiul.

A local union parishad (UP) member, also an alleged Jamaat activist, went

to the police camp to free the arrestees but failed, said Liton Khan, a businessman of the village.

"As the UP member propagated that police was beating the arrestees at the police camp, madrasa Superintendent Abdul Awal called upon the villagers through loudspeaker, to come forward to rescue the arrestees from the police camp," he said.

Then around 150-200 villagers allegedly led by three Islami Chhatra Shibir activists attacked the police camp and started vandalising there with brickbats and bamboo sticks around 8:30pm, Liton said.

Failing to prevent them, police opened fire, said camp in-charge Rabiul.

The clash continuing around half an hour left 40 people including five

policemen injured. Five of the injured were bullet-hit ones.

On information, additional police force from Damurhuda Police Station led by Officer in Charge Kamruzzaman rushed to the spot and brought the situation under control.

The bullet-hit people -- Milon Ali, 26, Humayun Kabir, 18, Selim Uddin, 17, Sadhin Ali, 17, and Abdul Hamid, 40, of the same village are undergoing treatment at Chuadanga Sadar Hospital.

At around 9:30pm, police and local administration officials held a meeting with the villagers.

"We reached a peaceful settlement after the incident that occurred due to a misunderstanding. The situation is under control," said Chuadanga Superintendent of Police Rashidul Hasan.

Accused escapes from police custody

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Munshiganj

An accused in a drug case fled after breaking the lock-up of Louhajang Police Station in the district early yesterday.

The accused is Faruk Moral, 27, son of Jamal Moral of Mosadgaon village in Louhajang upazila.

Officer-in-Charge (OC) of the police station Reazul Haque said Faruk was arrested with twenty bottles of Phensedyl on Friday afternoon. Later a case was filed with the PS against him under Narcotics Control Act.

As the court time was over, Faruk was kept in the police station.

Early yesterday, Faruk fled the PS by breaking iron rods of the lock-up's window.

Later, another case was filed against him in this connection. A special drive was going on to arrest Faruk, said OC Reazul.

The police station was shifted to the abandoned building of the former upazila office in Ghordor area in 90s after the original PS was washed away due to river erosion.

The police station building, especially its doors and windows, has turned dilapidated but the authorities concerned turned a blind eye to the matter despite repeated pleas, said the OC.

Insurance Co official commits 'suicide'

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

An official of an insurance company committed 'suicide' in the district town on Friday night.

The deceased is Mehrab Ali, 62, branch manager of Islami Commercial Insurance Company on the 1st floor of Shital Plaza near Station Road in the town.

Police said staff found Mehrab's body hanging from the ceiling fan in his office room at around 9:00pm and informed the police.

The law enforcers then recovered the body and sent it to Dinajpur Medical College Hospital morgue for autopsy.

Lightning kills one

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

A fisherman was killed by lightning in Bianibazar upazila of district yesterday.

The deceased was identified as Ajmal Hossain, 32, son of Sahib Ali of Modhurhak village in the upazila.

Locals said Ajmal was struck by a thunderbolt while fishing at a water body near the village at around 6:00am. He was taken to Bianibazar Upazila Health complex where the doctors declared him dead.

SYLHET, MYMENSINGH

Abducted SSC examinee, schoolgirl still traceless

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

An SSC examinee, who was allegedly abducted in Gowainghat upazila of Sylhet district 15 days ago, still remains traceless.

The victim is Jakir Hossain, 15, son of local trader Harun-ur-Rashid of Tarukhal village in the upazila.

He appeared in this year's SSC examinations from Pashchim Jaflong High School, said family sources.

Police said Jakir was allegedly abducted by a gang on March 21 when he was returning from Ratargul Bazar in the upazila.

The victim's father questioned the role of the law enforcers as they are yet to rescue his son in spite of filing a case in this regard.

Contacted, Abdul Hye, officer-in-charge of Gowainghat Police Station, said they are raiding different areas to rescue Jakir.

Meanwhile, police are yet to rescue a 15-year-old schoolgirl of Mymensingh district, over two months into her abduction, reports our correspondent.

On January 27, a gang allegedly led by trucker Jahid Hasan, 25, picked up the tenth grader from in front of her house at Raymoni in Trishal upazila.

Earlier, Jahid often teased

the girl on her way to school from home, said police and family sources.

A day after the abduction, the victim's father filed a case with Trishal Police Station, accusing Jahid, his father Abul Hossain and some other people in this connection.

The law enforcers then arrested Abul Hossain and produced him before a court that sent him to jail.

He was later released on bail, said Moniruzzaman, officer-in-charge of the police station.

Police are conducting drives in different areas to rescue the girl, said Sub-Inspector Shamim Al Mamun, investigation officer of the case.

Schoolgirl killed after rape, one arrested

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Rangpur

A schoolgirl was killed after rape at Borokarimpur-Majhipara village in Pirganj upazila of the district on Thursday night.

The victim was identified as Shyamoli Rani, 10, a Class IV student of Dariyapur Government Primary School in the upazila.

Following a case filed by Shyamoli's father Shyamol Chandra Das with Pirganj Police Station on Friday afternoon, police arrested an accused name Suresh Chandra Das, 45, son of Lalmohan Chandra Das of the village.

Police and locals said a gang of criminals entered the house of Shyamol Chandra Das when he and his wife Dulu Rani went to attend a 'Lila Kirtan' (a religious function)

in the area, leaving their daughter Shyamoli alone at their house on Thursday night.

They raped Shyamoli and later strangled her. After returning home around 1:00am, Shyamol and Dulu found their daughter's body lying on the floor.

Being informed, police went to the house Friday morning, recovered the body and sent it to Rangpur Medical College Hospital morgue for autopsy.

Contacted, Officer-in-Charge (investigation) Mokedd Ali, of the police station said victim's father Shyamol Chandra Das filed a case on Friday afternoon, accusing Suresh and three others.

Law enforcers are raiding different areas to arrest the remaining three accused.



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Thakurgaon district unit of Bangladesh Mohila Parishad brings out a procession in the town yesterday marking the 45th founding anniversary of the organisation.

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০১।	ইজারা কোটেশন নং	০৪ (ইজারা)/বিআরডি/২০১৪-২০১৫।
০২।	কাজের নাম	বরিশাল সড়ক বিভাগাধীন বিভিন্ন ফেরীঘাটের গ্রুপ তালিকা অনুযায়ী টোল আদায়ের জন্য বাৎসরিক ইজারা প্রদান।
০৩।	প্রাক্কলিত মূল্য	উদ্ধৃত দর অনুযায়ী।
০৪।	ইজারার সময়সীমা	১ (এক) বৎসর বা ৩৬৫ দিন।
০৫।	বায়নার টাকার পরিমাণ	উদ্ধৃত মূল্যের ১০% (শতকরা দশ ভাগ)।
০৬।	ইজারা ডাকে অংশগ্রহণের যোগ্যতা	সওজ অধিদপ্তরের সকল শ্রেণীর ঠিকাদার এবং আর্থিকভাবে স্বচ্ছল বাংলাদেশের সকল ব্যক্তিবর্গ/প্রতিষ্ঠান।
০৭।	যে সকল কার্যালয়ে ইজারা কোটেশন পাওয়া যাইবে	বিভাগীয় কামিনার, বরিশাল/নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী, সওজ, সড়ক বিভাগ, বরিশাল/পিরোজপুর/ঝালকাঠী/ভোলা/পুলিচাঁও-১, সড়ক ভবন, তেজগাঁও, ঢাকা/উপ-বিভাগীয় প্রকৌশলী, সওজ, সড়ক উপ-বিভাগ-১/২, বরিশাল।
০৮।	যে সকল কার্যালয়ে ইজারা কোটেশন মুখবন্দ অবস্থায় গ্রহণ করা হইবে	(ক) নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী, সওজ, সড়ক বিভাগ, বরিশাল। (খ) অতিরিক্ত প্রধান প্রকৌশলী, সওজ, বরিশাল জোন, বরিশাল/বিভাগীয় কামিনার, বরিশাল/তত্ত্বাবধায়ক প্রকৌশলী, সওজ, সড়ক সার্কেল, বরিশাল।
০৯।	ইজারা কোটেশন বিক্রয়ের শেষ তারিখ ও সময়	১৯-০৪-২০১৫ইং তারিখ বিকাল ৫:০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত।
১০।	মুখবন্দ অবস্থায় ইজারা কোটেশন গ্রহণের তারিখ ও সময়	২০-০৪-২০১৫ইং তারিখ ১২:৩০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত।
১১।	ইজারা কোটেশন খোলার স্থান, তারিখ ও সময়	স্থানঃ নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলীর কার্যালয়, সওজ, সড়ক বিভাগ, বরিশাল। তারিখ ও সময় : ২০-০৪-২০১৫ইং বিকেল ৩:০০ ঘটিকা।
১২।	গ্রুপ তালিকাঃ	
	ক্রম নম্বর	ফেরীঘাটের বিবরণ (সড়কের নাম ও অবস্থানসহ)
	০১ (এক)	বরিশাল সড়ক বিভাগাধীন বৈরাগীরপুল (বরিশাল)-টুমচর-বাউফল সড়কের ৯ম কিলোমিটারে অবস্থিত নেহালগঞ্জ ফেরীঘাট।
	০২ (দুই)	বরিশাল সড়ক বিভাগাধীন দিনারেরপুল-লক্ষ্মীপাশা-দুমকী সড়কের ১৪তম কিলোমিটারে অবস্থিত গোমা ফেরীঘাট।
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		টাঃ ১,০০০.০০ (এক হাজার টাকা মাত্র)।
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Three drug peddlers held in Panchagarh

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Detectives arrested three drug peddlers with 1.5 kg of hemp at Amershwary village in Debiganj upazila of Panchagarh district on Friday.

The arrestees are Rezaul Haque, 30, son of Mozammel Haque, Rajendranath Mohan, 40, son of Beni Mohan of Pamuli Shantirhaat village in the upazila; and Julfikar, 25, son of Shibrampur Gonopota village in Birganj upazila of Dinajpur.

Acting on a tip-off, a team of the Detective Branch of Police intercepted the drug traders at the village on Boda-Debiganj Road while they were going to Debiganj in a three wheeler at around 3:00pm. The law enforcers seized 1.5 kg of hemp from their possession.



PHOTO: STAR

The Jamuna has eroded vast croplands and a good number of houses at Koyyagari village in Bhandarbari union of Dhunat upazila under Bogra district during the last four days, following a sudden rise of water in the mighty river.