

Jamaat-Shibir men attack cops, snatch away leader

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About 100 Jamaat-Shibir activists with bamboo sticks snatched away their leader from five members of Joypurhat Detective Branch of police yesterday.

The arrestee, Shah Alam, leader of Amdoi union parishad, is accused in several cases filed over carrying out subversive activities during hartals.

Joypurhat police said the detectives' team arrested Shah Alam after raiding Hatuvanga village in Sadar upazila. As soon as they

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Tripura, Meghalaya want to export power to Dhaka

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India's Tripura and Meghalaya have sought New Delhi's support to export their excess electricity to neighbouring Bangladesh.

The plea came at a two-day conference of 23 ministers of states for power, renewable energy and mines concluding yesterday in Guwahati, Assam, say diplomatic sources.

Tripura State Power Minister Manik Dey said Bangladesh was interested in purchasing 100 megawatts (MW) of power from the Palatana power plant while transmission lines would be constructed by December.

He asked the central government to allow Tripura State Electricity Corporation Ltd to sell the electricity.

The 726.6 MW gas-based power project belongs to ONGC Tripura Power Company Ltd, a joint venture of Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited (ONGC), Infrastructure Leasing & Financial Services (IL&FS), and

the Tripura government.

Bangladesh as a goodwill gesture had allowed transporting through it for free the project's over dimension cargoes, meaning goods too big for standard containers.

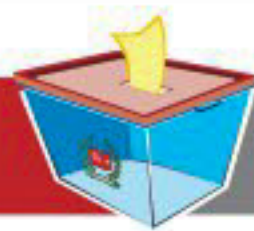
President Pranab Mukherjee inaugurated the first 335 MW unit in June 2013 and Prime Minister Narendra Modi the second in December 2014.

Meghalaya Power Minister Clement R Marak said Meghalaya was looking to maximise power generation, especially during the monsoon, while Bangladesh had high demands.

He said developing hydropower projects in Meghalaya was not encouraging because the excess generation during the monsoon could not be transmitted out.

"This result in spillage of water meant for power generation, whereas neighbouring Bangladesh is in need of power...there are four power generation projects with a total installed capacity of 1,190 MW," he said.

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RULES VIOLATION

Manju gets show cause notice

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Returning officer yesterday issued a show cause notice to BNP-backed mayoral candidate Manjur Alam Manju in Chittagong City Corporation polls for violating the electoral code of conduct.

Assistant Returning Officer Shafiqur Rahman said Manju flouted the electoral law by bringing out a motor procession during his election campaign in Potenga area yesterday.

Manju was asked to reply to the notice within 24 hours, he said.

Shafiqur said they got proof of the violation from their vigilance team.



(From top) BNP-backed mayor candidate M Manjur Alam of the Chittagong City Corporation polls campaigning in ward 40 of the port city yesterday. Meanwhile, another BNP-endorsed candidate of the Dhaka North City Corporation polls, Tabitha Awal, seeks votes in Karwan Bazar in the capital. Printing presses like this one in Chittagong city's Anderkilla now have their hands full making posters of contestants with election symbols being provided by the Election Commission yesterday.

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