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Victims of torture and vandalism, people of Hindu community from Paulpara in Aria union of Shajahanpur upazila under Bogra district throng the premises of Shajahanpur Police Station following the arrest of main accused Morshed Alam yesterday, demanding due punishment of him and his aides.

## ATTACK ON HINDUS AT PAULPARA

# Main accused Morshed held

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bogra

Police arrested the prime accused in a case for attacking people of Paulpara Hindu community in Noyamail area under Shajahanpur upazila early yesterday.

The arrestee is Morshed Alam, 36, son of Dilbor Rahman of nearby Rahimabad village in Aria union. He is an alleged top listed criminal in the area.

On secret information, a police team raided the area on Bogra-Dhaka highway and arrested Morshed while he was boarding a small vehicle to surrender before the court.

Because of family pressure, Morshed got out from his hideout to surrender before the court, said police.

Hearing his arrest, several hundred Hindus thronged Shajahanpur Police Station and staged demonstration for

about half an hour, demanding death penalty to Morshed and immediate steps to arrest his aide Sazzad and rest of the accused.

The demonstrators later left the place after getting assurance from the authorities concerned of taking steps to meet their demand, said Abdul Mannan, officer-in-charge of the police station.

Morshed was produced before a court which sent him to jail, he said.

On the night of April 29, a gang of extortionists, allegedly led by Morshed, equipped with lethal weapons attacked the Paul community people, broke their earthenware and other things and tortured them physically.

The following day, the villagers blocked Bogra-Dhaka highway with a protest procession and sent memoran-

dum to the deputy commissioner and the upazila nirbahi officer concerned, demanding arrest of the criminals.

On May 2, they lodged a case with Shajahanpur Police Station accusing Morshed, his aide Hanjala and four or five other unidentified people.

Earlier, police arrested four accused in the case, said the OC.

The arrestees include Tajul Islam, 40, son of Delbor Hossain, elder brother of main accused Morshed Alam, and Emdadul Haque, 52, informer and father-in-law of Morshed of Rahimabad Dakkhinpara in the union, and CNG-run three-wheeler driver named Azizul Islam, 37.

During primary interrogation, Morshed confessed to his involvement in the attack and extortion in the area, said Superintendent of Police Mozammel Haque.



PHOTO: STAR  
Farmers block DB Road in Gaibandha Sadar upazila yesterday demanding fair price of boro paddy this season.

## Farmers block road demanding fair price of boro paddy

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gaibandha

Several hundred farmers of Gaibandha Sadar upazila yesterday blocked D B road, demanding fair price of boro paddy.

Organised by the Sadar upazila unit of Bangladesh Krishak Samity, the farmers brought out a procession in the town and then blocked the road with bags of paddy.

Addressing the rally on the road, poor and marginal farmers said they are being compelled to sell their paddy to middlemen at throwaway price.

## Man to die for killing

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

A Mymensingh court yesterday sentenced a man to death and his brother to life imprisonment for killing a farmer in Phulbaria upazila of the district in 2005.

The death penalty award is Azizul Haque while lifer Dulal Miah. They are sons of Ayub Ali Bepari of Chaitaipar village.

The court also fined them Tk 10,000 each. In default, they are to suffer another one year in jail.

According to the prosecution, there was a longstanding conflict between the two siblings and farmer Abdul Hakim, 60, of the village over a land in the area.

On May 14 in 2005, they killed Hakim following an altercation over the land.

The following day, victim's younger brother Jalal Uddin filed a case with Phulbaria Police Station against Azizul and Dulal.

After investigation, police pressed a charge sheet against the two siblings.

After examining witnesses and evidence, Mohammad Johirul Kabir, judge of 4th Additional District and Sessions Judge Court, found them guilty and pronounced the verdict.

## Two pistols found in Benapole

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Benapole

Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) personnel seized two pistols from Gatipara border point in Benapole early yesterday.

Lt Col Jahangir Hossain, commanding officer of BGB-26 Battalion, said the border guards chased a youth while he was trying to enter Bangladesh through Gatipara border around 2:00am. The youth fled, leaving a small packet containing the two pistols.

# Three die of diarrhoea, 345 hospitalised in Meherpur

AMANUR AMAN, from Kushtia

As many as 345 diarrhoea patients have been admitted to Meherpur General Hospital in last three days, as diarrhoea situation has taken an alarming turn in Meherpur district.

Diarrhoea patients Aroz Ali, 38, of Raipur, Russel Hossain, 26, of Gawharpur in Sadar upazila, and Pinki Khatun, 20, of Berpara area of Meherpur town died at the hospital on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, hospital sources said.

Ninety-five patients got admission on Saturday, 105 on Sunday and 145 other yesterday, officials said, adding that around 2,000 people attacked with the disease received treatment there in 20 days since April 28.

Of the 100 beds of the hospital, only 10 are meant for the diarrhoea patients, and so, the authorities are struggling to cope with the worsening diarrhoea situation.

The influx of patients gives a picture different from the one that usually happens during the onset of monsoon, said Dr Alok Kumar Das, resident medical officer of the hospital.

Doctors suspect that drinking of contaminated water and taking of chemical-mixed seasonal fruits along with the rise in temperature may be the reason behind the sudden

outbreak of the disease. "Two medical teams, each consisting four members, are working to find out the causes," said Dr Azizur Rahman, civil surgeon of Meherpur.

Another team from I C D D R, B (The International Centre for Diarrhoeal Disease Research, Bangladesh) led by its Principal Scientific Officer Dr Narayan Chandra Das is also work-

ing at the hospital to detect the cause behind the outbreak.

Municipality Mayor Mutasim Billah Motu said they have collected water samples from diarrhoea affected areas for laboratory test and started distributing oral saline and water purifying tablets to control the situation.

Meanwhile, shortage of medicines affects treatment at the hospital.



PHOTO: STAR  
Amid unusual outbreak of diarrhoea in Meherpur district during the last couple of days, admitted patients lie on the veranda of Meherpur General Hospital as its 10-bed diarrhoea ward is too inadequate to cope with the situa-

# Murder of 3 girls in Cox's Bazar: Killer father arrested

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Cox's Bazar

Police yesterday arrested the man, who allegedly killed his three minor daughters at Chowdhurypara village of Badarkhali in Cox's Bazar on Friday.

Provash Chandra Dhar, Officer-in-Charge (OC) of Chakaria Police Station, said law enforcers, acting on secret information, arrested Abdul Gani from the main road in Bayazid Bostami area in Chittagong city at around 7:00am.

He was later produced in a court that sent him to jail.

On Friday, Abdul Gani slit the throats of his three



Abdul Gani

daughters - Ayesha Siddiqua Champa, 11, Shiru Jannat Sheuli, 9, and one-and-a-half-year-old Sharaban Tahura Baily - while they were sleeping around 2:30am, according to police and relatives.

Gani, a rickshaw-puller by profession, fled home

after committing the homicides, said the victims' mother Fatema Begum.

Fatema's elder brother, Asgar Ali, said Gani had phoned him around 3:00am asking him to inquire about his sister and nieces. Asgar immediately rushed to Gani's house and found the bodies of his nieces.

Fatema, married to Gani for 16 years, claimed to police that her husband has been involved in an extramarital relationship, an issue that often caused fights.

Locals held arbitration several times, but Gani never complied with the verdict of arbitration, said



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## Tender Notice

Palli Karma-Sahayak Foundation (PKSF) has been implementing "Promoting Agricultural Commercialisation and Enterprises (PACE)" project funded by IFAD. Under this project PKSF invites sealed quotation-

- from the manufacturers or their authorised dealers for the purchase and supply of one unit of **4WD Jeep** and one unit of **Microbus**.
- from the manufacturers or their authorised dealers/distributors/resellers for the purchase and supply of 22 units of **Laptop** and 22 units of **Modem**.

**For vehicles:** A short description of the vehicles is given below-

Short Description	Quantity
<b>4WD Jeep:</b> Brand new, latest model, manufacturer original built-up, 7 seated, 5 doors, Right Hand Drive, CKD, diesel operated with built-in air conditioner and all other latest options.	01 unit
<b>Microbus:</b> Brand New, latest model, Right Hand Drive, Manufacturer Original Built-up, Latest Produced, 15 seated, 4 doors, petrol operated with built-in air conditioner and all other latest options	01 unit

The bid document for **vehicles** is to be submitted in the prescribed "Tender Schedule" obtainable from the office of PKSF during office hours from **19/05/2015 to 25/05/2015** on payment of a non-refundable amount of BDT 1000/- (one thousand) only in the form of bank draft or pay order in favour of Palli Karma-Sahayak Foundation (PKSF) from any scheduled bank in Bangladesh.

Bid documents should be dropped in the tender box at the office of PKSF by **12:00 noon** on or before **26/05/2015**. Bid documents will be opened at **12:15 pm** on **26/05/2015** in presence of the bidders or their representatives who choose to attend.

## For Laptop and Modem:

The bid document including specification for **Laptop and Modem** is to be submitted in the prescribed "Tender Schedule" obtainable from the office of PKSF during office hours from **19/05/2015 to 25/05/2015** on payment of a non-refundable amount of BDT 500/- (five hundred) only in the form of bank draft or pay order in favour of Palli Karma-Sahayak Foundation (PKSF) from any scheduled bank in Bangladesh.

Bid documents should be dropped in the tender box at the office of PKSF by **1:00 pm** on or before **26/05/2015**. Bid documents will be opened at **1:15 pm** on **26/05/2015** in presence of the bidders or their representatives who choose to attend.

PKSF reserves all rights to accept or reject any or all the bid documents without showing any reason whatsoever.

**General Manager  
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## Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim WE MOURN



It is to be informed with profound shock that **Mr. Abu Zafar Humayun** (79), Honourable Chairman of Rio Shipping Lines Ltd. and Founder Director of Bangladesh General Insurance Company Ltd., Credit Rating Agency of Bangladesh Ltd., National Housing Finance & Investments Ltd. breathed his last on 18 May, 2015 at 12:50 a.m. Monday (Inna lillahi Wa Inna Ilahe Rajeun).

He Left behind his Wife, One son, One daughter, daughter-in-law, Son-in-law, Four Grand Children, Relatives and a number of well-wishers.

Qul-Khawni and Doa Mahfil has been arranged at his Baridhara residence after Asr prayers on 22 May, 2015, Friday. All Relatives, friends and well wishers are requested to attend the Qul-Khawni and Doa Mahfil to pray for the departed soul.

**- Members of the Bereaved Family**

## UP chairman accused of corruption in Patuakhali

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Patuakhali

Eight out of 12 members of Bashbaria Union Parishad in Dashmina upazila on Sunday submitted a written complaint to the deputy commissioner, bringing allegations of massive irregularities against the UP chairman.

They also sent the copies of the complaint to the local lawmaker, upazila nirbahi officer and other officials concerned.

UNO Md Azharul Islam formed a four-member probe body, headed by upazila women's affairs officer, in this regard.

Kohinoor Begum, one of the applicants, said many river erosion victims took shelter at Char Bashbaria and Char Bhutam in the union, but they were later evicted as the government acquired land of the char areas to set up a hybrid seed farm.

UP Chairman Altaf

Hossain Hawlader took Tk one to 1.50 lakh from each villager against a certificate issued by him to get compensation for their land," she said, adding that the evicted people were bound to pay the money as they badly needed certificates from the chairman to receive money from the district administration.

The chairman also took money from poor people to get VGF and VGD cards, alleged another UP member Md Helal Uddin.

Contacted, Md Shakhawat Hossain, chairman of Dashmina Upazila Parishad, said proper steps will be taken against Altaf Hossain if he is found guilty.

Refuting the allegations, the UP chairman said "They are spreading propaganda against me."

Punitive action would be taken against the UP chairman if the charges brought against him are proved, said the UNO.