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A section of local influential people have continued encroachment on Manora-Joyra canal in Manikganj Sadar upazila and building structures there, thanks to the negligence of the authorities concerned.

# Free Manikganj canals from encroachers

*Demands human chain on Dhaka-Aricha highway*

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Manikganj

People of Manikganj Sadar upazila formed a human chain on Dhaka-Aricha highway near Manikganj bus stand yesterday, demanding immediate steps to save Manora-Joyra and Manora-Bhatbaur-Muljan canals.

Dhaleswari Nodi Banchao Andolon, Bhatbaur IPM Club (an organisation of farmers), Krishak Samity, Prothom Alo Bandhusava, Chhatra Kalyan Sangstha and

Uttaran (an organisation of youths) jointly arranged the human chain on Dhaka-Aricha highway near Manikganj bus stand yesterday.

People from Muljan, Bhatbaur, Manora, Joyra and Manikganj town, including farmers, teachers, and students, joined the hour-long programme that began at 11:00am.

Addressing the rally at the venue, the speakers said some local influential people have been constructing buildings, hospitals and others structures by

encroaching on the canal at Bhatbaur, Manora, Joyra, Muljan, Notun-Bosoti areas of Manikganj sadar upazila. The local administration did not take any steps yet to remove the structures.

Convener of Dhaleswari Nodi Banchao Andolon Azharul Islam Arzu, secretary of Bhatbaur IPM Club Amzad Hossain, president of Uttaran Bimal Roy, president of Prothom Alo Bandhusava Mahub Alam Russel, assistant teacher of Afroza Ramzan Girls' High School Arshed Ali, farmer

Shukur Ali, and Md Nuruzzaman, a student, spoke at the rally.

They urged the authorities concerned to take necessary steps to free the canals. They also threatened to call a tougher agitation if the demand was not met immediately.

They submitted a memorandum to Aminul Haque, Upazila Nirbahi Officer (UNO) of Manikganj Sadar.

Contacted, the UNO said the local administration will start an eviction drive within a short time.



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A teacher of Moyurer Char Government Primary School in Kazla union of Sariakandi upazila under Bogra district impart lessons to her students on the open ground as the schoolhouse got mangled by a nor'wester early April.

DINAJPUR GOVT COLLEGE

# Honours examinees allege taking of excessive fees

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

The honours final year examinees from Dinajpur Government College have alleged charging of excessive fees to fill up the form for the examinations under National University.

The form filling started on May 12 and will continue till May 25 for around 3,300 final year examinees under 16 honours departments of the college.

Students said other colleges under National University are charging less than their college.

"Dhaka College charges Tk 3,100 and Carmichael College in Rangpur Tk 3,800 as honours final examination fees, whereas our college is forcing us to pay Tk 4,815 for the purpose," said

Anwar Hossain, a student of political science of Dinajpur Government College.

This correspondent obtained a copy of the money receipt that showed that the aforesaid money is being realised under 24 categories from 'examination fees' to 'miscellaneous'. Dhaka College and Carmichael College have bus services for the students.

Although Dinajpur Government College does not have such service, the college authorities are charging transportation fees from the students.

Annual sports fee is realised, but no such sports was arranged in last four years, alleged the students.

"It's really a burden, especially for students from middle income families, to

pay the huge amount," said Namal Chandra Roy of history department.

Hailing from Biral upazila of Dinajpur, he stays at a rented dormitory to study at Dinajpur Government College.

Several times the students urged the principal to reduce the fees.

Md Abu Bakkar Siddique, principal of Dinajpur Government College, said, "We are charging less than other colleges. We take both the admission fees and fees for filling up the examination forms together and that is why, the amount seems bigger to the students."

He, however, did not explain why examination fees are taken before the honours final examinations.

# 14 return from Myanmar jail

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Cox's Bazar

Fourteen Bangladeshi nationals yesterday returned home after serving jail terms in Myanmar.

The returnees are Abdur Rahim, Zainul Abedin, Ebadullah, Nur Kabir, Nurul Amin, Md Yusuf, and Syed Alam of Cox's Bazar district; Md Jasim, Badsha Mia, and Abdur Rahim Bodi of Chittagong; U Kyaw Mong, Md Amin and Md Yunus of Bandarban; and Md Razib of Dhaka.

Myanmar Border Guard Police (BGP) handed them over to Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) after a flag meeting. Senior officials of BGP and BGB were present.

They were jailed for entering Myanmar illegally, said Lt Col Abu Zar Al-Jahid, commanding officer of BGB-42 Battalion.

# Body of missing auto-rickshaw driver found

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pirojpur

The body of a youth was found in a ditch in Bhandaria upazila of the district yesterday, three days after abduction.

The deceased is Sumon Das, 25, son of Manoranjan Das of Gouripur village. He was a battery-run auto-rickshaw driver in the upazila.

Family and Bhandaria Police Station (PS) sources said Sumon went missing with his auto-rickshaw on Thursday night. Since he was not found after a search, family members filed a general diary (GD) with the PS on Saturday, sources added.

As a bad smell coming from a ditch beside a road, locals went there and found the body. They informed the police, who recovered the body around 11:00am and took it to the PS.

Sumon's mother Alo Rani identified the body.

# 4 to walk gallows for murder in Bagerhat

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bagerhat

A Bagerhat court yesterday sentenced four people to death and another to life imprisonment for killing a man in Morelganj upazila of the district in 2006.

The death penalty awardees are Lavlu Kha, son of Afsar Ali Kha of Saprakhal village, Al Amin Hawlader, son of Tazel Hawlader of the village, Habibur Rahman Hawlader, son of Abdul Majid Hawlader of Pashchim Baharbania village, and Bellal Hossain Hawlader, son of Abdul Majid Hawlader of Surjomukhi village.

The lifer is Harun Sheikh, son of Abdur Rob Sheikh of Pashchim Baharbania village.

Judge Md Asifuzzaman of the Additional District and Sessions Judge's Court-2 also fined the death penalty awardees Tk 20,000 each in absentia.

Meanwhile, the lifer was fined Tk 25,000. In default, he is to suffer another one year in jail.

The court acquitted six other accused as charges brought against them could not be proved.

They are Dulal Hossain, Masum Hawlader, Ujjal Hossain Hawlader, Lavlu Kazi, Mizanur Rahman and Mostafizur Rahman of the area.

According to the prosecution, the convicts killed Sarwar Hossain Hawlader, son of Bashir Uddin Hawlader of Uttar Phulhata village, over a land dispute on February 20 in 2006.

The following day, the victim's wife filed a murder case with Morelganj Police Station against 17 people.

On October 30 in 2007, police pressed charges against 12 people.

After examining witnesses and evidence, the judge found the five guilty and pronounced the verdict.

# College girl killed after rape, one held

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

A college girl was killed after rape at Rameshwar village in Madhabpur upazila of Habiganj district on Monday.

The deceased is Shilpi Rani Sarkar, 18, a first year student of Madhabpur Degree College in the area, and daughter of Binita Sarkar of the village.

Family sources said neighbour Rajkumar Sarkar, 35, son of Manmohan Sarkar of Urian village under Nasirnagar upazila in Brahmanbaria district, used to stalk the girl on her way to college for long.

As Shilpi refused his love proposal a few days ago, Rajkumar became very furious. He along with his accomplices picked up the girl from her house on Sunday night when her parents were asleep.

They then took Shilpi to a vegetable garden at

Rameshwar village and hacked her to death after rape.

The following morning, locals found the body in the garden and informed the police. The law enforcers recovered the body and sent it to Habiganj Sadar Hospital morgue for autopsy, said Awal, sub-inspector of Madhabpur Police Station.

The villagers later caught Rajkumar, suspecting his involvement in the incident and handed him over to police.

The victim's father filed a rape and murder case on Monday afternoon, said the SI.

During primary interrogation, Rajkumar confessed to killing Shilpi after rape, said Md Mullah Monir, officer-in-charge of the police station.

Police are raiding different areas to arrest the other accused, said the OC.

# SNAPS AND SNIPPETS

## Man held with pistol

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

Members of Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) arrested a man with a pistol, a bullet and two magazines in Ramsagar area under Sadar upazila on Monday afternoon. The arrestee is Md Nuruzzaman, 40, son of late Mofiz Uddin Kabiraj of Tajpur Mondolpara village. Acting on a tip-off, the elite force raided the area at around 4:00pm and arrested Mofiz with the firearm and bullet, said Major Mahmud, commander of Rab-13. A case was filed in this connection.

## Youth stabs stepmother, brother

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

A youth allegedly stabbed his stepmother and brother over a family feud at Boleypara village in Sadar upazila of Panchagarh district yesterday. The injured are Sufia Khatun, 51, second wife of late Nazrul Islam Prodhon, and their son Abu Sayed Prodhon, 33. They were admitted to Panchagarh Sadar Hospital. Police said Masud Rana, 26, picked up quarrel with his stepmother and brother over distribution of property. At one stage, he stabbed the two and left the scene.

## Sramik leader held with Yaba

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gaibandha

Members of Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) arrested former secretary of Gaibandha Motor Sramik Union with 1900 Yaba tablets at Dhanghara village in Sadar upazila yesterday. The elite force, acting on a tip-off, raided the house of Abu Hossain Abu in the morning and arrested him with Yaba tablets. He was later handed over to Sadar Police Station.



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Chevron Bangladesh President Kevin Lyon receives a memento from Khaled Ahmed Pathan, managing committee chairman of Nadampur High School in Nabiganj upazila under Habiganj district, and its headmaster Pradip Ranjan Das during a ceremony marking the school's recent recognition as the best high school in Nabiganj upazila by Sylhet Education Board. The school is one of the 17 recipients of help under Chevron's Quality Education Support Initiative.

## Ex-army man hacked to death

UNB, Gopalganj

A man was hacked to death by his rivals over establishing supremacy at Shashbaria village in Sadar upazila early yesterday. The deceased is Laku Molla, 63, a former army member, and a resident of the village. Zakir Hossain, officer-in-charge of Sadar Police Station, said there was a longstanding conflict between Khokon, a UP member, and Laku Molla over establishing supremacy in the area. Following an altercation between the supporters of the two rival groups on Monday afternoon, Khokon's men stormed Laku's house at around 3:30am and hacked him with sharp weapons, leaving him seriously injured. Laku died on way to Gopalganj General Hospital.



# Institute of Business Administration (IBA)

## MBA Admission Test

54<sup>th</sup> Batch, Full time (Session 2014-2015)

MBA Admission Test (2014-2015) of the Institute of Business Administration (IBA), University of Dhaka will be held on Friday, May 29, 2015 at 10 am.

### ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must have at least a Bachelor Degree in any field of study. The minimum qualifying point is seven (07) for all applicants. The points are calculated as follows:

#### SSC and HSC or Equivalents

SSC GPA/Div	HSC GPA/Div	O-level GPA *	A-level GPA *	Points Earned
>= 4.0/1st	>= 4.0/1st	>= 3.0	>= 2.5	3
>= 3.0/2nd	>= 3.0/2nd	>= 2.5	>= 2.0	2

Candidates with third division in SSC and HSC or GPA with less than 2.5 in O level and less than 2.0 in A level examinations will not be eligible for application. Applicants who have taken O-Level examination must pass at least five (05) subjects (including mathematics) with a minimum of grade D in each of the subjects.

Applicants who have taken the A-Level examination must pass at least two (02) subjects with a minimum of grade D in each of these subjects.

\* Letter grades of O-Level and A-Level subjects are converted into grade points as follows: A = 4, B = 3, C = 2 and D = 1. Grade Point Average (GPA) is calculated by averaging the grade points of the best five grades for O-level and the best two grades for A-Level.

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Certificate/Degree	GPA/Division/Class		
	>= 3.5/1st	>= 3.0/2nd	>= 2.5
Bachelor (Pass)	4	3	2
Bachelor (Hons. /4 yr.)	5	4	2
Masters	1	1	1