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This bridge on Suryaduba Khal between Gouripur and Mymensingh Sadar upazilas remains virtually useless despite its completion three months ago as the approach road is yet to be constructed.

# Bridge lies unused due to lack of approach roads

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

Thousands of people of 11 villages have been suffering a lot for several months due to lack of approach roads on both sides of a bridge over the Suryaduba Khal in between Gouripur and Mymensingh Sadar upazilas. The construction of the bridge was completed at a cost of Tk 31 lakh more than three months ago, but the approach roads have not been constructed yet. Hazrat Ali of Durbur Char village said, "The bridge has brought no benefit to us as we cannot use it. We have to suffer a lot, especially during the rainy season." Abdul Quddus, a van puller, said for lack of approach roads they have to travel some 10 to 20 kilometers more to reach Mymensingh town. The villages are famous for produ-

cing quality vegetables and seasonal fruits that go to Mymensingh and Dhaka, said some farmers. Ahsan Habib Malek, a member of Bhangnamari union parishad (UP), said the village people are facing severe trouble in transporting their agricultural produce, especially vegetables, to different markets. Sometimes we face trouble in carrying critical patients to the local health complex or to Mymensingh Medical College Hospital due to disrupted communication system, he added. Contacted, Mubinur Rahman, project implementation officer (PIO) of Mymensingh Sadar upazila, who also supervised the bridge construction, said the work of the approach roads is being hampered due to political rivalry between the local union parishad chairman

and Awami League men. Admitting the uselessness of the bridge without approach roads, the PIO said construction of the approach roads will start soon. Contractors' bill of around Tk 5 lakh is still pending as the approach roads have not been completed, he added. Denying the allegation of political feud, Fazlul Haque Sarker, chairman of Bhangnamari UP, said it is best known to the authorities concerned why construction of the approach roads has remained incomplete. "I informed the Gouripur upazila nirbahi officer (UNO) regarding the issue and he has visited the spot recently," the chairman said, adding that the UNO assured us that he would take immediate steps to mitigate the sufferings of the people of the 11 villages.

## 4 held with arms, ammo

STAR COUNTRY DESK

Four people were held with arms and bullets in Jessore and Sylhet districts yesterday and the day before. Police arrested three youths with a shooter gun, one bullet and two knives at Kashipur village in Jhikargachha upazila of Jessore district early yesterday, reports our Benapole correspondent. The arrestees are Mehedi Hasan, 25, son of Abdullah of the village, Liton Akhter Babu, 27, son of Hasan Ali of Mirzapur village, and Sujon Rahman, 19, son of Moshir Rahman of Chapatola village, said police. Away in Sylhet, the law enforcers arrested a man with a pipe gun and two bullets at Dudik village in Jaintapur upazila of the district on Wednesday night. The arrestee is Mohammad Ali, 40, son of Abdur Rahman of the village, reports our Moulvibazar correspondent.

# Junior officers beat up bosses in Thakurgaon Sonali Bank

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

Two junior officers of Sonali Bank in Thakurgaon beat three higher officials of the bank's principal office in the town yesterday. The injured victims -- Assistant General Manager Al Mamun Monsur Alam, Senior Executive Officer Golam Rasul and Senior Officer Amirul Haque are undergoing treatment at Thakurgaon Sadar Hospital. Senior officials of Sonali Bank Principal Office and CBA leaders of the bank were making preparations to discuss several internal issues at the office around 11:30am, office sources said. All of a sudden, Ataur Rahman, junior officer of Sonali Bank, Shibganj

branch, and Mokbul Hossain, junior officer of Akhanagar branch in Thakurgaon Sadar upazila, stormed into the room and started beating the senior officials with iron tools, leaving the three persons injured. Later office staffs rescued them and brought them to Thakurgaon Sadar Hospital. "Ataur Rahman, junior officer of Shibganj Branch of Sonali Bank, enjoyed casual leave on May 19, 20 and 21. On May 25, he joined the office and submitted application the next day for one month's medical leave," Assistant General Manager Al Mamun Monsur Alam, 55, told this correspondent at the hospital. "As Ataur submitted application with a back-

dated medical certificate, Deputy General Manager Sheikh Ismail Hossain issued a letter, asking him to explain it. Ataur caused the unwanted incident possibly due to his grievance over the matter," he said. Asked about the matter, Ataur Rahman said, "I went to the principal office for an internal discussion. At one stage of discussion, the AGM got excited and fell down from chair and received injuries. I did not hurt him." Contacted over cell phone, AKM Mehedi Hasan, officer in charge of Thakurgaon Police Station, said police visited the spot and suggested filing a complaint. "After submission of complaint, we will take action," he said.

## Missing girl found dead, father sued

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pabna

Police recovered the body of a 'missing' kid from a jute field at Gabgasi village in Belkuchi upazila of Sirajganj district on Wednesday. The deceased is Sonia Khatun, 6, daughter of Samresh Ali of the village. She went missing on July 6. Locals found the body at the field on Wednesday night and informed the police, said Md Anisur Rahman, officer-in-charge of Belkuchi Police Station, adding that the victim was strangled. The girl's grandfather Abdul Karim later filed a case, accusing Samresh, he said. According to the case statement, Samresh brought Sonia from his in-laws house on Monday following an altercation with his wife and killed her. Samresh went into hiding soon after filing of the case, said the OC.

## Robber hurt in 'gunfight' with cops

A CORRESPONDENT, Satkhira

A robber sustained bullet injuries in a 'gunfight' between his cohorts and police in Madhya Katia area of the district town early yesterday. The injured, Md Shahjahan alias Sujon, 25, son of Matiar Rahman of the area, was admitted to Satkhira Sadar Hospital with bullet wounds in his left leg. Quoting local people, police said a gang of armed robbers entered the house of one Abdur Razzak around 2:30am by breaking open the door. The gang stabbed Razzak and his son Mostafa Murad, 19, as they tried to resist them. Hearing screams, locals encircled the house and informed the police. When police reached the spot, the robbers opened fire on the law enforcers, prompting them to retaliate. Police said Shahjahan sustained bullets during the gunfight while his cohorts managed to flee.

# The CK in TeCKnaf Chic

ANDREW EAGLE

New York. Milan. Paris. These are the powerhouse cities of haute couture where fashion seasons matter and the release of a new clothing line can make or break a brand. It's an unforgiving industry. Teknaf. At first glance it might seem culturally as a Chittagonian town, where locals dip naan bread into tea for breakfast and often sport lungees with shirts tucked in, Burmese style. But to take a look around the streets, at what people are wearing, is to discover a new fashion capital. Surely enough what begins as a town of streets will soon reveal itself as a town of catwalks, with a new statement in chic on every corner. Gucci. Louis Vuitton. Calvin Klein. All the top brand names can be found, most often with correct spelling. It proves a simple fashion truth: if you've made it in Teknaf, you've made it everywhere! Take ZiaulHaque, unemployed, 18. Walking along the main road in a bright yellow 'CK' t-shirt with matching yellow jeans, he's not shy when it comes to fashion. Nor is his statement about impressing others. "I like it," he says of his t-shirt, "If other people like it I don't know." Moreover, his sense of style is driven by family loyalty. "My brother works overseas," he explains, "He gave me this shirt. I think he bought it at Teknaf port." Like many, he believes it came via Myanmar, probably originally from China. But unlike customers in East Asia where brand names are well known and hold status, for ordinary Bangladeshis they mean little. "I don't know what 'CK' means," says Haque. Meanwhile at a local hotel-eatery, the day manager EnamulHoque, 28, sits behind a tray of singara pastries at the front counter,

in a bold orange Calvin Klein t-shirt. "It's good to work for oneself," he says of the family business. "It's stressful making sure everything runs but that's what work is. And I like it because we did it ourselves." Asked of his fashion choice he says he chose the t-shirt in Dhaka's Banga Bazar. "The quality is quite good. If the price is a little expensive but the cloth quality is good I still like it. It's comfortable too." And as for the label? "I'm not sure what it means," says Hoque. "It's some company or other." Shahidullah, 27, father of four girls is taking a break from his hard labour building staircases. He does other jobs too. His "Calvin Klein" classic polo shirt in grey-blue speaks casual yet on-the-go. Not sure if Galvin is Calvin's brother: neither is Shahidullah. "I chose it because it looks nice," he says, "It's comfortable and not too hot." Meanwhile sweet seller Pradeep, who like Shahidullah prefers to go by a trendy single name for media interviews, is busy with customers at his roadside stall near the roundabout. In a polo shirt with a Dolce & Gabbana pocket crest he proves that hot pink is a colour equally accessible for men. "I bought in the bazaar," he says. "I think it comes from China. I don't know what the words mean but it's my favourite colour." While some may call these clothing items counterfeit or copies, a more polite word might be 'tribute'. For when the good, hard-working people of Teknaf are inspired to don a brand, albeit due to comfort, quality or colour rather than the name, it's hardly possible for any self-respecting fashion house to feel anything but honoured. When it comes to fashion, beyond New York, Milan and Paris there is Teknaf. If you've made it there you've made it everywhere.



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Like Ziaul Haque, 18, many people at Teknaf in Chittagong district wear T-shirts marked with famous brand names, bothering least about whether those are genuine ones or locally made.

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