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A seedbed affected by waterlogging at Mithaganj in Kalapara upazila under Patuakhali district.

### PATUAKHALI, BARGUNA DISTRICTS

# 14,000 ha aman seedbeds damaged in stagnant water

SOHRAB HOSSAIN, Patuakhali

Stagnant water caused damage to aman seedbeds on about 14,000 hectares of land in coastal districts Patuakhali and Barguna amid heavy rainfall and tidal surges this season, said sources of the Department of Agriculture extension (DAE).

In Patuakhali, DAE set a target to cultivate aman paddy on 2.02 lakh hectares of land and prepare seedbeds on 15,750 hectares for the purpose this year.

In the beginning of the season farmers prepared seedbeds on 16,877 hectares but seedlings on about 7,889 hectares got affected due to weeks-long heavy rainfall and lastly tidal surges influenced by recent

cyclone Komen.

Of it, seedbeds on 437 hectares were totally damaged.

These include 110 hectares in Sadar upazila, 98 hectares in Galachipa, 70 hectares in Baulf, 51 hectares in Rangabali, 38 hectares in Kalapara, 35 hectares in Dashmina, 20 hectares Mirzaganj and 15 hectares in Dumki, DAE sources said.

In Barguna district, about 6,000 hectares of aman seedbeds were damaged, of it seedlings of 247 hectares totally.

Heavy rainfall and stagnant water caused rotting of the seedbeds.

Tidal surges from nearby rivers and canals entering through broken parts of flood control

embankments at different places flooded cultivable lands and seedbeds and the water often got stagnant.

Farmer Md Masud Mia, also a union parishad member from Mithaganj village in Kalapara upazila under Patuakhali district, said agricultural land of around 5,000 farmers in the village went under water due to heavy rainfall during the last couple of weeks and it caused damage to aman seedlings.

"We are facing crisis of aman seedlings as our seedbeds got damaged by stagnant rainwater and tidal surges from nearby Shekathi River. Now we have to prepare new seedbeds or collect seeds from northern districts,

which would be expensive, said Abdur Razzak of Uttar Badura village under Patuakhali Sadar upazila.

Md Moshir Rahman, Kalapara upazila agriculture officer, said they are suggesting local farmers to produce seedlings from 'Nabi', a local variety aman seed, to recover from the damage caused by heavy rainfall and stagnant water.

Ashok Kumer Sharma, deputy director of DAE in Patuakhali, said, "The situation is now improving as stagnant water started receding from agricultural lands. We are still hopeful of meeting the target of aman cultivation this year."

### SNIPPETS

#### 3 held with arms, Yaba

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Chapainawabganj

Members of Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) in separate drives arrested three people with a foreign made pistol, four bullets, one magazine and 3,314 Yaba tablets in Sadar and Shibganj upazilas of the district on Sunday. The arrestees are Akbar Ali, 36, of Rasulpur village, Alauddin, 53, of Chak Ghorapakhia village and Tamirul Islam Kalu, 26, of Shialmara village in Shibganj upazila. On secret information, a team of Rab-5 raided Nurtaj Hotel and Restaurant at Jhilm Bazar in Sadar upazila around 6:00pm and arrested Akbar and Alauddin with the Yaba. Earlier on the day, the elite force arrested Kalu with the firearm and bullets at Baliadighi village in Shibganj upazila, said Rab sources.

#### Baby dies of 'wrong treatment'

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

A newborn died at a clinic in Jamalganj area of Joypurhat town on Sunday due to 'wrong treatment'. Dinesh Das, father of the deceased, said his wife Rima Rani Das was brought to Surjer Hasi Clinic with severe labour pain around 4:00pm. Moments after Rima was admitted to the clinic, Dinesh learnt that the hospital has no facilities for caesarean. Later, the clinic authority shifted the woman to labour ward and kept her waiting for normal delivery. Later, the child died soon after birth. All the officials and staff of the clinic fled the scene soon after the incident, said police.

#### Boy electrocuted

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bhola

A minor boy was electrocuted near Ukilpara Mahila Madrasa Road in Bhola municipality yesterday. The deceased is Md Nayem, 12, son of Monirul Islam of the area, and student of Class III of Dakkhin Bhola Government Primary School. Police and locals said Nayem came in contact with a live electric wire while he was cutting a branch of a rain tree around 1:00pm. He was rushed to Bhola Sadar Hospital where the on-duty doctor declared him dead.

#### HSC examinee commits 'suicide'

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

Failing in the HSC examinations, a girl allegedly committed suicide by taking poison at Gouripur village in Sadar upazila of the district on Sunday. Police and family sources said Jafrin Khatun, 18, daughter of Khademul Islam of the village, took poison at her room after she came to know her result around 3:00pm. She later died at Rangpur Medical College Hospital. Jafrin sat for HSC examinations this year from humanities group from Thakurgaon Government Women's College under Dinajpur education board.

#### Kid injured in blast

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Chapainawabganj

A five-year-old boy was seriously injured in a bomb explosion at Mardona village in Shibganj upazila of the district yesterday morning. The victim is Arafat Jony, son of Azam Ali of the village. Osman Gani, sub-inspector of Shibganj Police Station, said an abandoned crude bomb exploded when Jony was playing near their house. He was rushed to Chapainawabganj Adhunik Sadar Hospital and then referred to Rajshahi Medical College Hospital as his condition deteriorated. Police are investigating the incident, said the SI.

# Mother, girl share glory in HSC

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bhola

A woman and her daughter passed the Higher Secondary Certificate examinations this year with grade-A in Bhola municipality under the district, making the event a talk of the town.

Kawsar Jahan Shikha, 30, wife of prominent dance instructor of Bhola Shilpakala Academy Salauddin Harun passed with GPA 4.91 from Elisha Islamia Model College under Technical Educational Board.

Their eldest daughter Sanjida Ivy Borsha, also a dancer, passed the HSC with GPA 4.70 in humanities group from Banglabazar Fatema Khanam College.

"After entering married life in 1995, I became busy

with the family chores. I passed the SSC in 1996. But it became difficult to continue my education as I became mother of three children," Shikha said.

"As our only son Hasnain Chamak was a physically challenged one, I had to spend a lot of time to take care of him. After a long treatment, he became a bit well in 2013 and that gave me the time to start education afresh.

"I am thankful to my husband Salauddin Harun for his support and to teachers for their cooperation," said Shikha.

"The glorious success of my mother proves that there is no age for education if one is determined," said Sanjida Ivy Borsha.



PHOTO: STAR

Sanjida Ivy Borsha and her mother Kawsar Jahan Shikha.

# Man to walk gallows for patricide

A CORRESPONDENT, Bagerhat

A Bagerhat court yesterday sentenced a man to death for killing his father in Morelganj upazila of the district in 2010.

The convict is Badsha Gazi, 45, son of Motaahar Ali Gazi of Manikjor village in the upazila. He was tried in absentia.

Judge Mizanur Rahman Khan of District and Sessions Judge's Court pronounced the verdict in the morning.

According to the case statement, Badsha's ailing father Motaahar told him to buy his medicines from the market in the morning of February 9 in 2010.

Later in the afternoon, when Badsha returned home empty handed, his father rebuked him for not buying his medicines.

Aggrieved, Badsha stabbed his father with a cleaver and fled the scene, leaving him critically injured.

Family members took him to Morelganj Upazila Health Complex where the doctors declared Motaahar dead.

Victim's younger son Abdull Haque Gazi filed a case with Morelganj Police

Station the same evening. After investigation, Sub-inspector Goutam Halder, also the investigation officer of the case, submitted the charge sheet accusing Badsha on June 29 the same year.

#### 3 kids drown

STAR COUNTRY DESK

Three kids drowned in Thakurgaon and Bogra districts yesterday and the day before.

Limon, 5, son of Abdul Kashem and Dariman, 6, daughter of Solaiman Ali of Belsara village in Baliadangi upazila of Thakurgaon, fell into a pond near their house while playing on its bank and drowned, reports our correspondent.

In Bogra, an eight-year-old schoolboy drowned in the Bangalee River at Belgaci village in Sherpur upazila of the district on Sunday, reports our correspondent.

The victim is Shamim Hossain Rony, son of Anwar Hossain of Bera upazila in Pabna district. He along with his parents came to visit a relative's house in the area in the morning.

Later, Rony along with some playmates went to take a dip in the river and drowned, said family sources.

# Chased by police, farmer drowns

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bhola

A farmer drowned in a pond after being chased by police near Hetnar Hat area under Bheduria union of Sadar upazila of the district yesterday.

The deceased was identified as Abu Jamal, 45, son of Md Shajahan of Char Ramesh village of the upazila.

Two policemen were suspended after the incident.

According to locals, like other days, Jamal and some farmers were drying paddy on Bheduria road at around 7:30 am when two policeman - Abdul Hannan and Mainul -- of Bhelumia police camp asked Jamal why he was illegally drying paddy on the road.

An altercation took place between the farmers and the cops. At one stage, Abdul Hannan beat up Jamal with his baton. When Jamal fled from there to save himself, he was chased by the policemen, who threw the baton at him.

Later, local people found Jamal's body in the pond and took him to the Sadar hospital, where the doctor declared him dead.

Sarwar Uddin, chairman of Bheduria Upazila Parishad, said that there was a deep crack on the back of Jamal's head.

Mobassir Ali, officer-in-charge of Bhola Sadar Police Station (OC), said Jamal might have run into a roadside tree while trying to flee before he fell into the pond.

The two police constables were suspended temporarily by order of Md Moniruzzaman, superintendent of police in Bhola, he

### TAKING GIRL'S NUDE VIDEOS

# Youth arrested, released hours later

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

In a span of less than 12 hours, a youth arrested on Saturday for taking and uploading nude videos of a collage girl, was freed from Phulbari Police Station allegedly after settling the matter with the victim's family in co-operation with the local influential people.

The accused is Mehedi Hasan, 30, son of Saifulul Islam of Chawkhawa area under Phulbari municipality.

Sources said Mehedi built an extra-marital relationship with the girl and took her to the capital few months ago, luring her to provide a better job there.

Mehedi confined her to a rented room in Dhaka, recorded her naked videos by using his mobile phone set and later uploaded those on the internet.

After knowing the fact, victim's family members submitted a complaint to

Phulbari Police Station on Friday.

Following the complaint, police detained Mehedi from his house early on Saturday.

Hearing the news of his arrest, some local influential people rushed to the police station and lobbied for his release.

Finally Mehedi's family and other influential people agreed to pay the victim's family Tk 1.7 lakh in exchange of his release.

Ataur Rahman, a local ward councillor, who was present during the negotiation, said considering the future of the girl, locals decided to fine Mehedi such a big amount.

Denying the monetary transaction, Mostaque Ahmed, officer-in-charge of Phulbari Police Station, said Mehedi was freed as the victim's family declined to resister the verbal complaint as a regular case.

### 2 girls drown in boat capsized

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Kushtia

The bodies of two Meherpur schoolgirls, who drowned in a boat capsized in the Bhairab River on Sunday afternoon, were found yesterday morning.

The deceased are Tania Khatun, 13, daughter of Habor Rahman, and Bobita Khatun, 13, daughter of Hasem Ali of Rasikpur in Mujibnagar upazila of Meherpur district.

They were students of Class VII at Bagoan High School in the upazila.

According to police and other sources, around 32 students boarded a boat to cross the river after their school closed at about 2:30pm.

The boat capsized in mid-river due to overload, several students told journalists.

The students, excepting the two girls, swam ashore. Six of them fell sick and are undergoing treatment at the hospital.

Locals found their bodies around 15 kilometres downstream at about 7:30am yesterday.

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বিষয়ঃ- ২০১৫-২০১৬ অর্থ বৎসরের জন্য তালিকাভুক্তির বিজ্ঞপ্তি।

সরকারী হাসপাতাল ও স্বাস্থ্য প্রতিষ্ঠান সমূহে ব্যবহৃত মেডিক্যাল যন্ত্রপাতি স্থানীয়ভাবে মেরামত এক মেরামতের উদ্দেশ্যে প্রয়োজনীয় যন্ত্রা যন্ত্রাংশ ও কাঁচামাল সরবরাহের নিমিত্তে ২০১৫-২০১৬ অর্থ বৎসরে প্রকৃত টিকাদার তালিকাভুক্তি করার জন্য ৩০/০৮/২০১৫খ্রিঃ তারিখ অফিস চলাকালিন সময়ের মধ্যে নির্ধারিত ফরমে দরখাস্ত আহবান করা যাইতেছে। এতদঃ উদ্দেশ্যে বাংলাদেশ ব্যাংকের কোড নং- ১ | ২৭১১ | ০০০০ | ২০২০ স্বাস্থ্য ও পরিবার পরিকল্পনা সেরা খাতে নতুন আবেদন এর জন্য ৫,০০০/- (পাঁচ হাজার) টাকা + ভ্যাট ১৫% = ৭৫০/- (সাত শত পঞ্চাশ) টাকা এর পুরাতনদের নবায়নের জন্য ২,০০০/- (দুই হাজার) টাকা + ভ্যাট ১৫% = ৩০০/- (তিন শত) টাকা মাত্র, ভ্যাট প্রদানসহ (অফেঞ্চ্যুয়াস) ট্রেজারী চালানের মাধ্যমে জমা দিয়া সিটিআর সহ চালানের মূল কপি আবেদনের পত্রের সহিত জমা দিতে হইবে। আবেদনকারীকে নিম্নবর্ণিত শর্ত মোতাবেক কাগজপত্রের সত্যায়িত ছায়াছবি দরখাস্তের সাথে জমা দিতে হইবে। পরবর্তিতে বাচাই কমিটি কতৃক নির্বাচিত টিকাদারগণ ২০,০০০/- (বিশ হাজার) টাকা (ফেঞ্চ্যুয়াস) চীফ টেকনিক্যাল ম্যানেজার, নিমিউ এন্ড টিসি, মহাখালী এর অনুকূলে জামানত হিসাবে বাংলাদেশ ব্যাংকের তফসীল ভুক্ত ব্যাংক হইতে ব্যাংক ড্রাফট / পেন-অডার এর মাধ্যমে জমা দিতে হইবে। আবেদন ফরম অত্র দপ্তরের সরবরাহ ও সংগ্রহ শাখা হইতে সংগ্রহ করতে হবে।

শর্তাবলীঃ-

ক) হাল নাপাদ নবায়নকৃত সংশ্লিষ্ট কাজের ট্রেড লাইসেন্স এর সত্যায়িত ছায়াছবি।  
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গ) ভ্যাট রেজিস্ট্রেশনের এর সত্যায়িত ছায়াছবি।  
ঘ) ২০১৫-২০১৬ অর্থ বৎসরের প্রদত্ত ব্যাংক সচ্ছলতা সনদ (বাংলাদেশ ব্যাংক কতৃক অনুমোদিত যে কোন তফসীলী ব্যাংক হইতে)।  
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চ) সরবরাহ ও মেরামতের নিমিত্তে কোম্পানীর প্রোফাইল।

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৪। বিদ্যুতিক কাজের ক্ষেত্রে এবিসি লাইসেন্স এর সত্যায়িত ছায়াছবি আবেদনের সাথে জমা দিতে হবে।

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