

# Char lands need to be made cultivable

Experts tell conference

UNB, Dhaka

Agronomists at a conference in the capital yesterday stressed the need for developing the country's char areas to introduce agriculture there and boost production.

"The country's char areas is expanding every year and will continue to do so as silts are being deposited on riverbeds," Prof Abdul Karim, president of the Bangladesh Society of Agronomy (BSA), told the conference.

He said about 2.5 billion tonnes of sediment flow through three mighty rivers -- Padma, Brahmaputra and Meghna -- each year and deposit on the riverbeds. As a result, many new shoals are emerging in the country.

Prof Karim said if the Himalayan glacier exists, the country's char areas will increase as silt will continue to come from the Himalayas.

BSA organised its 14th conference focusing on "Agronomic Challenges for Climate Smart Agriculture" in the auditorium of Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council (BARC) in the capital.

Science and Technology Minister Yeafesh Osman, BARC executive chairman Dr Abul Kalam Azad, director general of Bangladesh Agricultural Research Institute (BARI) Dr Rafiqul Islam Mondal and BSA general secretary Prof AKM Ruhul Amin, among others,

spoke at the conference.

In his power-point presentation, the BSA president said flood in the country is not a disaster at all, but it should be considered as a blessing since it helps revive the soil fertility, increase char areas and boost crop production.

He said agronomists should come forward with their innovative plans to develop char lands to introduce crop farming there.

The agronomist warned that the country's agricultural sector will face various challenges in the future due to climate change. "Erratic rainfall and severe cold in a short period of winter may hit the agriculture sector hard in the days to come," he added.

Speaking as the chief guest, Yeafesh Osman said if new technology cannot be reached to the doorsteps of general people, it will be quite impossible to digitalise the country in real sense.

Despite gradual decline in arable land, Dr Rafiqul Islam Mondal said, the crop production has increased three folds in the country since its independence due to innovation of new varieties of crop and introduction of technologies in the agriculture sector.

But, he said, the agriculturists will have to develop more innovative technologies and climate-tolerant varieties of crop to adapt to the country's agriculture amid climate change impacts.



Islami Chhatra Shibir men Mozammel Haque and Rumman Miah are produced before the media at Fenchuganj Police Station in Sylhet yesterday after they were arrested with 101 crude bombs, two pipe guns, and jihadist books in Fenchuganj upazila's Ashghar, Faridpur and Hatubhanga villages.

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## Lack of accountability blamed

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and the findings and recommendations compiled were published and presented at the World Health Organization conference on September 25.

The foremost recommendations made during the Bangladesh hearings included demand for qualified doctors and adequate medicine at community clinics and moni-

toring, accountability of doctors and nurses, training of midwives, woman and child friendly hospitals with breast feeding corners and special programmes for the readymade garment sector.

Dr Farhana Ahmad, White Ribbon national coordinator, and World Vision Bangladesh Director Chandan Z Gomes presented the hearing report along with other associates.

## Amnesty's statement

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International to stop playing the role of a lobbyist."

SCF leaders also "sense" conspiracies in SQ Chowdhury's recent petition with the Supreme Court, urging the apex court to record the statements of eight people, including five Pakistanis, as defence witnesses during the hearing of his review petition scheduled for November 2.

Sammilito Sangskritik Jote, a leading cultural platform, also demanded that AI retract its statement, during a rally at TSC of Dhaka University yesterday.

"They should apologise for the statement, and if they fail to do so, we urge the government to ban AI's activities in Bangladesh," said Golam Kuddus, president of the Jote.

National Human Rights Commission (NHRC), Bangladesh Muktijoddha Sangsad, Ekatturer Ghatok Dalal Nirmul Committee, and International Crimes Research Foundation also criticised and condemned the statement.

Bangladesh Muktijoddha Sangsad will form a human chain in front of Jatiya Press Club at 10:30am tomorrow.

## New report outlines actions

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and the development of recommendations.

"This framework outlines the steps needed to seize new development opportunities in the Chittagong Hill Tracts, while making its ecosystems and communities more resilient to changing socio-economic and climatic conditions," said Tripura.

Dr Golam Rasul, livelihoods team leader at ICIMOD and author of the report, said the report provides perspective and framework to better understand and address the particular development challenges faced by the CHT people.

"Key stakeholders like the Planning Commission and Prime Minister's Office were engaged in development of the report," he said.

The report was launched during the Himalayan University Consortium Summit, which was attended by more than 40 participants, including members of the ICIMOD Board of Governors, representatives from universities both within and outside the Hindu Kush Himalayan region, and journalists.

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The research topic must be within the priority issues of the Bloomberg Initiative to Reduce Tobacco Use. Proposals generating local evidence that may contribute to developing new policies or strengthening existing ones in line with the components of World Health Organization's MPOWER package are recommended.

The proposal submission themes and guidelines are available at <http://www.bangladesh-ccp.org/home/eventsDetails/45>. Three hard copies and an electronic version of the proposal in a CD should be submitted to the following address no later than 4:00 p.m. on December 6, 2015. Please mark the category "Student" or "Researcher" on top of the envelope.

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**(Revised Notice)**

**Request for Proposal to conduct Baseline Survey at 04(Four) pilot sites area of RRI-CCRIP**

Agriculture Information Service (AIS) has received a fund from IFAD through CCRIP, LGED to implement Rural Radio Initiative. A part of fund will be used for services on baseline survey under the project. Proposal is invited from reputed experienced qualified consulting firms having competencies of conducting baseline survey on the general patterns of radio listening, plus specific data on listener reactions to Community Studio programs.

01. Interested firm/company may obtain further information by applying to the office address during normal office hours. The services required for the project are listed below.

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01.	Rural Radio Initiative	IFAD	16.11.2015	31-12-2015

2. Proposal shall be submitted on before 13-11-2015 Up to 2.00 pm. sealed envelope delivered to the AIS, Khamarbari, Farmgate, Dhaka-1215. The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the proposal without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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Mizanur Rahman  
Director, Agriculture Information Service (AIS)

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**Legal Notice**

In the Supreme Court of Bangladesh  
High Court Division  
(Statutory Original Jurisdiction)

**Company Matter No. 228 of 2015**

Zeeba Ahmed Khan  
...Petitioner

-Versus-  
Ardent Capita Ltd. and others  
... Respondents

Notice is hereby given for all concerned that an application under section 81(2) read with section 85(3) of the Companies Act, 1994 for condonation of delay and extension of time for holding Annual General Meeting of Ardent Capita Limited on behalf of the above petitioner before the High Court Division of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh. Upon preliminary hearing, Mr. Justice Syed Refaat Ahmed was pleased to admit the same on 13.10.2015 and ordered the matter be posted in the daily cause list for hearing on 10.12.2015.

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