# Crisis of quality seeds worries Schoolteacher tortured boro farmers in 5 N dists

BADC supplied only 27% of the demand

EAM ASADUZZAMAN, Nilphamari

Farmers of five northern districts including Nilphamari are facing crisis of quality boro seeds at the onset of the cultivation season as supply from government owned Bangladesh Agriculture Development Corporation (BADC) is too

meagre to meet the demand. Seeds available in the open markets are often of low quality, said farmers.

The regional office of the Department of Agriculture Extension in Rangpur set a target to bring under boro cultivation 5.02 lakh and 529 hectares of land in Rangpur, Nilphamari, Kurigram, Gaibandha, and Lalmonirhat.

As per the target, which is 10,542 hectares higher than last year's, high yielding variety (HYV) of paddy will be grown on 3.49 lakh and 351 hectares, hi-breed on 1.51 lakh and 51 hectares and local variety on 2,127 hectares.

Accordingly, this season's demand of boro seeds in the region is about 14,000 tonnes. Boro cultivation season

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in the region continues from early January to mid February.

Farmers said they prefer BADC boro seeds as those are grown and preserved in scientific ways, making them virus and fungus free and high yielding.

The regional office of BADC supplied only about 3,732 tonnes of boro seeds in the region, which comprises only 27% of the total demand, said official sources. Official price of a 10 kg

bag of boro seeds of BRRI dhan-28 variety supplied by BADC is Tk 360 and that of BRRI dhan-29 is Tk 350.

But many farmers alleged that they had to buy a 10-kg bag of boro seeds of the two varieties from seed dealers for Tk 450 to 500.

Asked about the matter, Faruk Zahedul Huq, deputy director of BADC seed marketing department in Rangpur region, said it is responsibility of the seed monitoring committee of the district concerned to keep the price of BADC seeds stable by launching regular drives in seed markets.

Visiting different seed

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মোকাম ঃ অতিঃ জেলা জজ ধ্মে আদালত, ঢাকা।

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এতদ্বারা সর্বসাধারণের জ্ঞাতার্থে জানান যাইতেছে যে, নিমৃতফসিল বর্ণিত সম্পত্তি উপরোল্লিখিত স্থান, তারিখ

ও সময়ে প্রকাশ্যে নিলামে বিক্রয় করা হইবে। দরখাস্তকারী/ডিক্রীদারের পাওনা ০১-০৭-৯৬ ইং তারিখ পর্যন্ত

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Subject: Request for Expression of Interest (EOI)

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MOHFW) under the Government of the People's Republic of

Bangladesh (GoB) received a credit (4954-BD) from the International Development Association (IDA) and a grant

from a IDA-administered Multi-Donor Trust Fund (TF # 011556) for Health, Population and Nutrition Sector

Development Program (HPNSDP). National Institute of Population Research and Training (NIPORT) under

MOHFW has been allocated fund under Training Research and Development (TRD) Operational Plan of HPNSDP

and NIPORT intends to apply a part of the proceeds of the fund to pay for providing services under the following

Package: NPS-11: Utilization of Essential Service Delivery (UESD) Survey 2016 data collection services.

To complete the abovementioned packages primary data collection, data editing and data entry for the 2016 UESD

The consultants (research firms) may submit EOI for each package. But for each package separate EOI needs to

NIPORT now invites eligible consultants (firms) to submit their Expression of Interest (EOI) for the above services.

Interested consultants (firms) are invited to provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar operating conditions, availability of

appropriate professional qualification and experience among staff). The EOIs would be reviewed on the basis of

Consultants (firms) may associate to enhance their qualifications, but should clearly mention whether the

association is in the form of a "Joint-Venture" or of "Sub-Consultancy". In the case of a joint venture, all members

of such "association" should have real and well-defined inputs to the assignment and it is preferable to limit the

Interested firm(s) must provide focused information demonstrating that they are qualified to perform the

- The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all of the EOI, or annul the EOI process at any stage without assigning any reason(s) whatsoever and without incurring any liability to the affected applicant(s).

Following PPA 2006 and PPR-2008, selection of the consultant will be done in accordance with the procedure set out by the World Bank guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers, May 2004.

Interested consulting firm(s) is required to submit separate EOI for each package along with relevant supporting

documents (2 copies) in a sealed envelope to the address indicated below by 4:00pm on January 31, 2016. EOIs

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below from 9:00am to 4.00pm (except

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submitted through emails should also reach the e-mail address mentioned below by 4:00pm on the same date.

Package: NPS-12: Bangladesh Health Facility Survey (BHFS) 2016 data collection services.

Availability of key professional staff (list of management, key personnel).

Experience of the consultant (firm) in other works/assignments.

total number of firms including the associates to a maximum of four.

Experience of the consultant (firm) in similar field specially in large scale data collection.

Survey & 2016 BHFS will be needed. Activities for each of the package need to be completed by June 2016.

1. Md. Delwar Hossain Khan, Son of Haji Momtaz Uddin Khan.

5. Md. Vilayet Hossain Khan, Son of Alhaj Momtaz Uddin Khan.

3. Md. Dilshad Hossaing Khan, Son of Delwar Hossain Khan.

2. Mrs. Monwara Begum, Wife of Delwar Hossain Khan.

4. Md. Siddiqur Rahman, Son of late Eshaque Patwary.

All are residing at 40/A, Zikatala, Dhaka.

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নিলামের সময় ঃ বেলা ১২:০০ ঘটিকা।

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Age of business of consultant (firm).

Support service of the consultant (firm).

Incomplete/partial EOIs will be rejected.

Turnover of the consultant (firm).

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Most of the paddy seeds in Nilphamari district are marketed without any test by the government's seed certification department, making the farmers vulnerable to cheating during the ongoing peak boro cultivation season. The photo was taken from Nilphamari municipality.

markets like Tengonmari seeds of different compa-Haat and Sutibari Haat of nies is selling for Tk 600-Tk Nilphamari district seed Nilphamari, and Sakoa Haat of Panchagarh, this correspondent found that boro seeds are selling in attractive bags but most of buying low quality boro them are not tested by the government's seed certification department.

A 10-kg bag of ordinary Nilphamari district.

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Date: ২৭ পৌষ ১৪২২ 10 January 2016

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650 and a one-kg bag of hibreed variety paddy for Tk 250-Tk 260.

"Finding no way we are seeds from markets," said Zakir Hossen Shah, a farmer of Sararpar village of

Abul Ala Moududi, certification officer, said, "My office certified only 232 tonnes of boro seeds in the district. Seeds from other districts are coming here for sale but the quality is questionable. And so, we will start drive with help of law

## enforcers soon." Bid to abduct girl foiled, 6 arrested

OUR CORRESPONDENT,

Villagers of Nawabganj upazila of the district foiled an abduction bid yesterday afternoon and caught six people of a gang while they were fleeing with a madrasa girl they had kidnapped from Birampur upazila, police said.

The arrestees are Liton, 21, a microbus driver, Omar Faruk, 27, Md Nurunnabi, 27, Md Rayhan Kabir, 29, Kowshik Alam, 28, and Russel Mia, 30.

Witnesses said the gang was waiting in a microbus near Bijul Madrasa in the upazila from the morning.

As the 16-year-old girl was

The villagers handed over the members of the gang to Nawabganj police, who later sent them to Birampur police

returning home from the

madrasa at around 2:30pm,

the gang tried to abduct her,

but the girl started scream-

locals chased the microbus

and intercepted it at Bajitpur

village in the upazila. They

rescued the girl and beat up

the abductors mercilessly.

Hearing her screams,

ing for help.

abductors tried to give her an injection to make her unconscious. Her father filed an abduc-

The girl alleged that the

tion case with Birampur Police Station yesterday.

# Mayor-elect lands in jail in C'nawabganj

OUR CORRESPNDENT, Chapainawabganj

Tarique Ahmed, the newly elected mayor of Rohanpur Municipality in Gomostapur upazila of the district, was sent to jail yesterday.

He is general secretary of Rohanpur municipality unit of BNP, and accused in the case for hurling petrol bomb at a truck.

Tarique surrendered to the Chief Judicial Magistrate's Court yesterday, seeking bail. Judicial Magistrate Shahidul Islam rejected his bail prayer and sent him to jail, said Mahbubul Islam, court inspector Chapainawabganj.

Police said a gang of 10 to 12 criminals intercepted a Shibganj bound potatoladen truck near NimtalaKanthal area of Gomostapur upazila at around 11:10 pm on March 4, 2015, and hurled a petrol bomb at it, leaving its driver Firoj Hossain, 35, helper Mohammad Selim Ali, 27, and potato trader Saheb Ali, 36, injured. The truck was coming from Dhamurhat upazila in Naogaon.

Police with the help of locals rushed the injured people to Gomostapur Upazila Health Complex. They were referred to Rajshahi Medical College Hospital the same night as their condition deteriorated.

Truck helper Selim died at RMCH on March 5 at around 6:00pm.

Police filed a case against Tarique Ahmed and others with Gomostapur Police Station the same day.

## Youth found murdered

OUR CORRESPONDENT,

Jamalpur

An unidentified youth was found murdered at Chawkgupinathpur village in sadar upazila of the district yesterday morning.

22, was wearing lungi and morgue for autopsy.

black shirt. Locals found the body on a cropland with throat slit and

injury marks on the head and right hand at around 8.00am. Being informed, police rushed to the spot, recovered

the body and sent it to The victim, aged about Jamalpur General Hospital



#### CORRIGENDUM

It's a matter of great regret that in the Supplement published on the Daily Star on January 13, 2016 on the occasion of the "5th Convocation" of Daffodil International University, the signature of Professor Abdul Mannan, Honorable Chairman of University Grants Commission of Bangladesh was replaced wrongly by another signature. The Management of Daffodil International University

expresses deep regret and sincerely apologizes for this unintentional mistake. Registrar Daffodil International University

# by husband, hospitalised

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Chandpur

A school teacher was hospitalised yesterday in Haimchar upazila in the district after being tortured by her husband, triggering a protest among the teachers of the school.

Hasina Momtaz, 35, assistant teacher of Char Bhairab Primary School, was assaulted by her husband Masud Karim while going to her school around 10:00am. School teachers of the

upazila submitted a memo-

randum to the Upazila

Nirbahi Officer (UNO)

demanding arrest of the culprit within 24 hours. "Masud obstructed me on my way to school at North Bagula area and started beating me indiscriminately. Later, locals sent me to hospital," said, Hasina, who was undergo-

Health Complex. "We have been living separately for seven months as Masud used to torture me

ing treatment at Haimchar

for money," said the teacher, caused by indiscriminate mother of two children.

She had filed a complaint with the police on November 2, 2015, against her, which was later arbitrated in presence of police them. and locals, she added.

cal officer of the health complex, said Hasina sustained injuries on her face the matter.

beating. Masud, a grocer of Garam

Bazar in Char Bhairab, denied the allegation, sayher husband for torturing ing his wife was injured during a scuffle between

Waliullah, officer-in-Dr Dev Jyoti Dhar, medi- charge of Haimchar Police Station, said action will be taken if a case is filed over



Schoolteacher Hasina Momtaj at Haimchar Upazila Health Complex in Chandpur district yesterday.

ARSON CASES

# 34 BNP-Jamaat men sent to jail in Bagerhat

A CORRESPONDENT, Bagerhat

A court here on Wednesday sentenced 34 leaders and activists of BNP and Jamaate-Islami to three years rigorous imprisonment in the cases for arson attack on Awami League (AL) office, assaulting AL activists and setting their house afire in Sadar upazila in 2013.

Judge Jahidul Azad of Bagerhat Senior Judicial Magistrate's Court also fined the convicts Tk 5,000 each. In default, they are to suffer three

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months more in jail. Prof Ali Reza Babu, gen-

eral secretary of BNP Bagerhat district unit, and Mobarak Molla, Jamaat Bishnupur union unit general secretary, are among the convicts. According to the prosecution, BNP and Jamaat men

of Kukoramara village attacked the houses of some local AL men, set fire to their houses and two motorcycles on August 10, 2013.

After investigation, police pressed charges

against 95 people. The court sent 23 of them to jail and acquitted the rest 72 as charges brought against them could not be proved.

In another case, police submitted a charge sheet against 112 people for attacking the ruling party men, damaging prime minister's portrait and torching Gotapara union AL office on October 20 the same year.

After examining the case records, the court sentenced 11 people to jail, acquitting the rest 101 accused.

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02.	Procurement method	Open Tendering Method.			
03.	Budget and source of fund	Biman own fund.			
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04.	Tender publication date	18 January 2016.			
	90	Date	Time		
05.	Tender closing date and time	15 February 2016	1430 LT		
06.	Tender opening date and time	15 February 2016	1500 LT		
		Note: In case of opening date is declared as public holiday, tender opening will take place on the nex working day.			
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INFOR	RMATION FOR TENDERER	X/			
10.	Requirement/eligibility of tenderer	<ul> <li>i) The consultant/consultant firm have required qualification, sufficient knowledge and experience to provide consultancy services to Biman Bangladesh Airlines for achieving EASA Part 145 Lin Maintenance approval.</li> <li>ii) Consultant/consultant firm must provide relevant document in support of qualification, experience and expertise in handling similar consultancy projects with evidence.</li> </ul>			
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Tender Notice (e-GP)

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2	44265	Reconstruction of 19.64m (1x18.30m) long RCC Girder Bridge (Aliaung Chara Bridge) at 13th KM (Ch. 12km+461.50m) of Keranihat-Bandarban Road (N-108) Road under Bandarban Road Division during the year 2015-2016 (Ch. Head PMP	e-gp/PMP(B&C)/ CZ-08/BBan/Ctg zone/2015-2016	08-Feb-2016 12:00:00

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