



Farmers reap nuts at Char Kabilpur village in Fulchhari upazila under Gaibandha district. The sandy areas in the basins of the Brahmaputra, Jamuna and Teesta rivers saw bumper yield of the nutritious fruit this season.

PHOTO: BANGLAR CHOKH

3 polythene factories sealed, fined in Bogra

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bogra

Three polythene factories were sealed and also fined at Joypurpara area in Bogra town on Sunday.

A mobile court led by SM Zakir Hossain, executive magistrate of Bogra, conducted a drive in the area with the help of Armed Police Battalion (APBN) of Bogra.

Md Shamsuzzoha, assistant superintendent of police (ASP) and officials of the Department of Environment were present during the drive.

The court seized around 11 tonnes of polythene worth around Tk one crore from the three factories and fined them Tk one lakh each for making and storing polythene bags under 10 mili microns. The court also sealed the factories.

The factories are Bismillah Poly Printing owned by Tofazzal Hossain, Minar Poly owned by Fazlul Bari and Amin Super Packaging owned by Mir Hossain of the area.

40 maunds of jatka seized

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barisal

Fisheries Directorate seized 40 maunds of *jatka* (young hilsa less than 10 inch or 26 centimetres in length) from the Arial Kha River in Laharhat area under Sadar upazila of the district yesterday.

Bimal Chandra Das, fisheries officer in Barisal, said a mobile court fined 11 fishermen and fish traders and recovered 40 maunds of *jatka*.

Schoolgirl caned as family too poor to buy uniform

AHMED HUMAYUN KABIR TOPIU, Pabna

has been undergoing treatment for three days, doctors said.

Ranjina Khatun Rojoni, a Class VI student of Ramnagar Government Primary School in Chatmohar upazila of Pabna district, was punished during school assembly for not wearing a new school uniform on Saturday.

"Md Shahinur Rahman Shahin, a teacher of fine arts, caned me during assembly on Saturday morning because I did not wear the new school uniform," Rojoni said. "Although I requested him to stop, he continued caning me until I fainted," she added.

Later, her parents took her to Chatmohar Upazila Health Complex, where she

"I don't want to go to school. Shahin sir will cane me again," Rojoni, 15, daughter of Suruj Miah of Dolong village in the upazila, told this correspondent yesterday.

Dr Sabijur Rahman Sabuj, resident medical officer of the health complex, said the victim is improving, but she is in trauma due to torture.

"Her condition has improved and she can be released tomorrow or day after tomorrow," Dr Sabuj said, adding that she is in mental stress although she has been cured physically. The mental stress will take time to ease, he added.

Suruj Miah said he felt that he was responsible for the torture of his daughter. "I could not afford to give her a new uniform this year due to poverty," Suruj, a day labourer, said, adding that he had submitted a complaint to the primary education department.

Md Abul Bashar, primary education officer of the upazila, said, "I have formed an inquiry committee headed by an assistant primary education officer. The team has already visited the hospital. They will also visit the school to know about the incident."

He added that the accused teacher would be punished if the inquiry committee found him guilty.



PHOTO: STAR

Mercilessly caned by a teacher for not wearing school dress on Saturday, Class VI student Ranjina Khatun is undergoing treatment at Chatmohar Upazila Health Complex in Pabna district.

ATTACK ON LAW ENFORCERS IN BOGRA TOWN IN 2014

Charges pressed against 15 Shibir, Jubo Dal men

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bogra

Charges have been pressed against 15 Shibir and Jubo Dal men in the case for attacking law enforcers during hartal in Bogra town in 2014.

Although sub-inspector (SI) Abdur Razzak, also investigation Officer (IO) of the case, submitted the charge sheet to the Judicial Magistrate's Court recently, police disclosed the matter

to local press on Sunday.

The charge sheeted accused are Shibir Bogra town unit president Alauddin Shohel, secretary Abdus Samad, activists Nujafa Nayeem, Shah Jamal, Mostayeen Billah, Jahangir Alam, Shamim Mia, Mahamudur Rahman, Shohel Rana, and Rezaul Karim, and Jubo Dal district unit organising secretary Shanto Mia, Jubo Dal district unit leader Mahamudur

Rahman, and activists

Khorshed Alam, Ataur Rahman and Jony Mia.

Sub-Inspector (SI) Zulhaj Uddin of Sadar Police Station lodged the case, accusing the Shibir and Jubo Dal men on the day.

According to case statement, the accused swooped on the on-duty police and BGB men in Satmatha area of the town during hartal enforced by the BNP-led alliance on September 21,

2014.

They also hurled crude bombs at the law enforcers, leaving policeman Ruhul Amin injured, the statement said, adding that police and BGB men had to fire at least 15 rubber bullets to disperse the attackers.

After investigation, Investigation officer Abdur Razzak pressed charges against the accused. He said most of the accused are now on bail.

SNIPPETS

Indian held with cattle

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Chapainawabganj

Members of Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) arrested an Indian national with cattle and Indian rupees at Padmar char-Bakher Ali village in Sadar upazila of the district yesterday. The arrestee is Robi Sheikh, 30, son of Samaun Sheikh of Ramnagar village under Lalgola Police Station in Murshidabad district of Pashchimbanga. On secret information, the border guards raided the area and arrested Robi with the cattle and 3,100 Indian rupees, said Ahmed Junaed Alam Khan, commanding officer of BGB-9 Battalion. A case was filed in this connection, he said.

Drug peddler arrested

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Benapole

Narcotics Control Department of Jessore district arrested an alleged drug peddler with 10 litres of rectified spirit in Lichutala area of the district town early yesterday. The arrestee is Gazi Rabiul Islam Papon, son of Abu Taleb of the area. Mosharrif Hossain, officer-in-charge of Jessore Narcotics Control Department, said a team raided the residence of Papon around 12:30am and arrested him with the rectified spirit.

Stone trader murdered

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gaibandha

Police recovered the beheaded body of a stone trader from Bardhankuthi area on College Road in Gobindaganj municipality under the district yesterday. The dead is Tarani Dutta, 38, son of late Hiren Dutta of Modhapara in the municipality. Police said locals found the body in the area around 9:00am and informed the police. The law enforcers rushed to the spot, recovered the body and sent it to Gaibandha Hospital morgue for autopsy. Criminals might have killed Tarani, said police.

Child marriage, father fined

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jhenidah

A mobile court here yesterday fined a man for arranging marriage of his underage daughter. The convict is Abdul Momin of Megurkhirda village in Kaliganj upazila. Being informed that Momin arranged marriage of his 14-year-old daughter at noon, Assistant Land Commissioner Shahnaj Parvin, who led the court, went to the spot and foiled the marriage. She also fined Momin Tk 1000, said court sources.

7 gamblers held

UNB, Sylhet

Police in a drive arrested seven alleged gamblers from Miabazar area in Bishwanath upazila of the district on Sunday afternoon. Police said on secret information, the law enforcers conducted a drive in the area around 1:00pm and arrested them. The arrestees are Kashim Aliu, 42, son of late Nowab Ullah of Chandobhorang village, Mashuk Ali, 50, son of late Tahir Ullah of Lohori village, Shilu Mia, son of Shahor Ullah, Hada Box, son of late Harun Box of Baishghor village, Shohel Ahmed, son of Shanur Ali, Chunu Mia, son of late Moyna Mia, and Gedon Ali, son of late Shadi Ullah. Police also recovered Tk 3,050 and seized 150 sets of cards from the arrestees.

5 Palli Bidyut staff sued for tampering with meter

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Patuakhali

Five staff of Kalapara regional office of Patuakhali Palli Bidyut Samity (PBS) have been sued on charge of demanding bribe from a consumer's family and tampering with the electric meter.

The accused are Md Liakat Ali Khan, deputy general manager, Md Habibur Rahman, office coordinator, Chabiratul Mamota, bill maker, Abdul Mannan Mia, billing clerk, Md Rafiqul Islam, reading clerk, and Md Faruque, linesman of Kalapara regional office of REB.

One Md Zakir Hossain of Kalapara municipality area in the district on Sunday filed the case with Kalapara Upazila Judicial Magistrate's Court.

Chief Judicial Magistrate Hakim Md Anisur Rahman fixed the next date on February 23 for judicial inquiry.

According to the case statement, Abdul Karim Howlader, father of the plaintiff, is a consumer of REB and his meter No is

500043879. He pays bill regularly.

He paid bill of Tk 768 for using 70 units in December last year. But REB office issued a bill of Tk 9,463 for 915 units for January that seemed ghostly.

Later, Abdul Karim submitted a prayer to DGM Liakat Ali for reexamination of the bill.

On January 4, Md Habibur Rahman, office coordinator, Chabiratul Mamota, billing maker, Abdul Mannan Mia, billing clerk, and Md Rafiqul Islam jointly visited the spot and demanded bribe from Jahangir Alam, son of Abdul Karim, saying that they will reduce the bill.

They became angry and threatened Karim's family men as they refused to give the money.

"They also increased reading of the meter by tampering it. The officials threatened of cases to family men as they protested the matter," goes the case statement.

Contacted, DGM Liakat Ali said charges for some units had been due as the

bill maker prepared bill for November and December without seeing proper reading and the due was added with the bill of January.

There is no scope to tamper a digital meter, he claimed.

3 stalkers jailed

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Kusthia

A mobile court sentenced three youths to one year's imprisonment each for teasing a college girl at Ujjalpur village in Meherpur Sadar upazila yesterday.

The convicts are Bidyut Hossain, 23, Sadhin Ali, 25, and Sariful Islam, 20, of the village.

Locals caught the trio while they were teasing the girl on her way to college and informed the police.

Police arrested the youths and produced them before the mobile court led by Shainuzzaman, assistant commissioner (land) of Meherpur Sadar upazila. The court sent them to jail.



PHOTO: BANGLAR CHOKH

Pahari Chhatra Parishad brings out a procession in Mohalchhari upazila under Khagrachhari district yesterday for realisation of their five-point demand including arrangement of primary education through the mother tongue for all ethnic peoples of the country.

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Price Sensitive Information

This is for information of all concerned that the Board of Directors in its 485th meeting held on February 8, 2016 at 8.00 pm. after a threadbare discussion has approved entering into Shareholders Agreement and Subscription Agreement among The City Bank Ltd., Key Shareholders of The City Bank Ltd. and International Finance Corporation's (IFC). Based on the agreements, International Finance Corporation will invest in the City Bank's Equity Shares to hold 5.0% of outstanding no. of bank's common equity. The investment proposition of International Finance Corporation (IFC) will be accommodated through issuance of fresh equity subject to obtaining approval of Bangladesh Bank, Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission, other relevant Regulatory Authorities and as well as the Shareholders to comply with the required regulatory requirements.

After complying with all regulatory requirements, detail information of fresh share issue to IFC will be:

- **No. of Fresh Share Issue to IFC:** 46,560,231
- **Issue Price of each share to IFC:** Tk.28.30, which includes Tk. 18.30 as premium and face value of Tk. 10.00
- **Value of Shares to be subscribed by IFC:** Tk.1,317,654,537.00

In the meeting, in addition to the above direct equity investment in the Bank, Board also approved convertible loan facilities from IFC into common equity of the Bank subject to obtaining approval of Bangladesh Bank, Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission, other relevant Regulatory Authorities and as well as the Shareholders to comply with the required regulatory requirements. Features of the convertible loan are given below:

Amount of Loan USD 20,000,000

Interest Rate: 2.75% over six month LIBOR (the final loan spread will depend on IFC's assessment of the investment risk and other factors);

Maturities: Up to 3 years, with a bullet payment at the end;

Fees:

- i. a one-time front-end fee of at least 1% on the principal amount of the loan; and
- ii. a commitment fee of 0.50% per annum on the undisbursed principal amount of the loan;

Conversion Features:

- i. Conversion Option: IFC may convert all or a portion of the outstanding principal balance of the Loan into common shares of the Borrower at any time during the Conversion Period following the delivery of a conversion notice by IFC to the Bank;
- ii. Conversion Period: means the period commencing on the date that is 1 year from the date of the Loan Agreement and terminating upon the full repayment of the Loan in accordance with the terms of the Loan Agreement;
- iii. Conversion Price: The Conversion Strike Price is BDT 28.3 per share.
- iv. Shareholders' Rights: In line with equity investment.

In this regard, Board also decided to amend relevant provisions of the Bank's Memorandum and Articles of Associations, subject to obtaining approval of relevant regulatory authorities and shareholders as well as to comply with the required regulatory requirements in due course

The Board further took the following decisions:

- 1. **Date of EGM : 24-03-2016**

[Purpose : To obtain approval from Shareholders for the approval of Shareholders Agreement and Subscription Agreement amongst The City Bank Ltd., Key Shareholders of The City Bank Ltd. and International Finance Corporation (IFC)]

- 2. **Record Date for the said EGM : 02-03-2016**

Dated: February 8, 2016
 For The City Bank Limited
 Md. Kafi Khan
 Company Secretary