

Jhenidah flower traders making good profit

Demand shoots up centring Valentine's Day

Flower growers and traders of bouquets and garlands are making good profit amid high demand of the items centring the Valentine's Day today.

In the district famous for flower producing, a good number of people, especially women and girl students, are passing busy time to make jhops (a jhopa=800 flowers) that are supplied to Dhaka, Chittagong, Sylhet, Rajshahi and other areas of the country.

This time a jhopa sells for Tk 150 to 200 while in other times, the prices fall as low as Tk 20/25, said traders.

Flower growers said, they get good profit in February as the demand increases, especially ahead of the Valentine's day when people buy flowers for offering to loved ones.

Besides, educational institutions, offices, different organisations and individuals purchase flowers for offering at the altar of Shaheed Minars in honour of the Language Movement martyrs on the Ekushe February (February 21).

Especially, gladiolus, rajanigandha, rose and marigold are in great demand this time.

Visiting Baliadanga village in Kaliganj upazila a couple of days ago, this correspondent found that women and girl students



PHOTO: STAR

A girl and her parents wreath flowers at Baliadanga village in Kaliganj upazila yesterday, amid increased demand for the item on the eve of the Valentine's Day today.

were busy making jhops.

Working in the free time between household chores and study, they can make six to 12 jhops a day and get Tk 10 per jhopa.

Bithika Rani Das, a Class VIII student of the village, said she earns Tk 80 a day by making eight jhops. She buys her study materials with the money.

"I earn Tk 120 by making 12 jhops daily. It is much helpful for our family as my husband is a poor farm

labourer," said housewife Beauty Rani Das.

Ahmed Ali of Dumurtala village under Kaliganj upazila said he has cultivated flowers on 15 decimals of land spending Tk 15 thousand.

"I have sold flowers worth Tk 30 thousand and hope to earn Tk 50 thousand more till the end of February if the weather remains good," he said.

Flower trader Shariful Islam of Kaliganj upazila

said the demand of flowers and its prices increase across the country during this month because of the Valentine's Day and the Ekushe February.

Shah Akrmul Haq, deputy director of the Department of Agriculture Extension in Jhenidah, said 738 hectares of land in the district have been brought under flower cultivation this year.

Man held for raping minor girl

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Benapole

Police arrested a man on charge of raping a school-girl at Abadkuchia village in Sadar upazila of Jessore district yesterday morning.

The victim is a Class III student of a local primary school.

Illias Hossain, officer-in-charge of Jessore Kotwali Police Station, said victim's neighbour Faruk Hossain, 50, lured her into his room with sweets and raped her there at around 9:00am.

Hearing her screams, family members rushed in and rescued the girl. They caught Faruk, beat him up and informed the police, who went to the spot and arrested him.

A case was filed against Faruk with Sadar Police Station, said the OC.

11 Indian cattle seized

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Chapainawabganj

Members of Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) seized 11 Indian cattle from Kalapur field in Sadar upazila of the district on Friday.

On secret information, the border guards raided the field and seized the Indian bullocks around 6:30pm.

None was arrested in this connection, said Lt Col Ahmed Junaed Alam Khan, commanding officer of BGB-9 Battalion.

The seized cattle were handed over to customs authorities, said the CO.

Woman kills son, self with poison in Pabna

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pabna

A woman allegedly poisoned her son and self to death following a family feud at Bahorpur village in Ishwardi upazila of the district on Friday.

The deceased are Pabia Sultana, 30, wife of Mizanur Rahman of the village, and her three-year-old son Jibon Hossain, 3.

Quoting family members, Biman Kumar Das,

officer-in-charge of Ishwardi Police Station, said Mizanur and Pabia often engaged in altercation over family matters.

On Friday night, Pabia took poison after feeding the same to her two sons -- Jibon Hossain and Emon Hossain, 5 -- following an altercation with Mizanur over a family matter.

The three were sent to the upazila health complex

where on-duty doctors declared the two dead. Emon was later shifted to Pabna Medical College Hospital as his condition deteriorated.

The bodies were sent to the hospital morgue for autopsy, said police.

The law enforcers later arrested husband Mizanur on charge of instigating suicidal attempt, said the OC.

SHIMULIA-KAWRAKANDI ROUTE

Dense fog disrupts ferry service for 9 hours

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Munshiganj

Shimulia-Kawrakandi ferry service resumed after nine hours yesterday morning. The service had been halted from 11:30pm on Friday due to dense fog. Five ferries with hundreds of passengers were stuck on the shoals in the middle of

the river, and around 500 vehicles were stranded on both sides of the river.

Khaled Newaz, AGM of Shimulia BIWTC, said, "No signal light or beacon could be seen from 11.30pm due to dense fog. So, ferry service had to be halted to avoid accident."

The service resumed at 8:30am yesterday. The

pressure of vehicles was high as a religious gathering was supposed to be held in Faridpur, he added.

Meanwhile, Ro Ro ferry Shah Ali and K-type ferry Kakoli were freed from the shoals of the Padma River at around 9:00am with the rise of the water level, said Shahjahan Mia, manager (Marine) of BIWTC.



PHOTO: STAR

Rural Planning and Development Organisation and Prakritik Sampad Sangrakkhan Jote jointly organise a sit-in on the bank of the Teesta yesterday demanding that the government restore talk with the Indian counterpart for fair share of the water from the river in the upstream.

SNIPPETS

Arms, ammo seized

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Chapainawabganj

Police arrested an alleged arms peddler with two foreign made pistols, 12 bullets and four magazines at Rasun Chak village in Shibganj upazila of the district early yesterday. The arrestee is Abdul Halim, 45, son of late Mokbul Hossain of the village. On secret information, a police team raided Halim's house in the area and arrested him with the firearms and bullets around 3:30am. A case was filed against the arrestee under the Arms Act, said Moinul Islam, officer-in-charge of Shibganj Police Station.

Jamaat leader held with bombs

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Chapainawabganj

Detective Branch (DB) of police arrested a leader of Jamaat-e-Islami with seven bombs and 500 grams of gunpowder in Puraton Bazar area of the district town yesterday. The arrestee is Abu Bakkar, 42, ameer of the upazila unit of Jamaat, and son of Mojibur Rahman of the town. Being informed that a group of Jamaat leaders arranged a secret meeting at an abandoned building, the law enforcers raided the area and arrested Bakkar with the bombs and gunpowder. However, others managed to flee the scene, sensing the presence of the policemen, said Inspector Hamidur Rashid of DB police.

Man murdered

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Chapainawabganj

Criminals killed a man at a field in Sadar upazila of the district yesterday. The deceased was identified as Based Ali, 55, of Ram Jibonpur village in the upazila. Mazharul Islam, officer-in-charge of Sadar Police Station, said locals spotted the body at the field around 2:00pm and informed the police. The law enforcers rushed to the spot, recovered the body and sent it to Sadar hospital morgue for autopsy. Several injury marks were found on the neck. A gang might have killed Based over previous

Three 'robbers'

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gold, and other valuables, the victims cried out for help.

Locals then chased the robbers who exploded homemade bombs to make a getaway.

They chased down three of the alleged robbers and gave them a beating. Two of them died on the spot, while one died at Rugganj Upazila Health Complex, said police.

The deceased were identified as Nasir Fakir, 40, of Gopalganj and Ezazul Islam, 23, of Narail, said police, adding that one of them was yet to be identified.

The bodies were sent to Narayanganj General Hospital morgue for autopsy.

Officer-in-Charge Mahmudul Islam of Rugganj Police Station told The Daily Star that they were trying to recover the looted money and valuables and

arrest the other criminals. During the attack on Kuddus Sikder's home, Kuddus himself, his wife Josna Begum, 50, their son Yakub Sikder, 28, and his wife Dolan, 22, and Kuddus's son-in-law Abdus Razzak, 45, were injured.

They were admitted to a private hospital in the capital, said police.

The victim family said they had held Yakub and Dolan's wedding reception a couple of days ago and the robbers probably swooped on the house with an aim to grab the gold ornaments of the couple.

On December 10 last year, eight robbers were beaten to death in Araihaaz upazila of the district.

At least 126 were killed in mob beating in 2012, 128 in 2013, and 127 in 2014, according to statistics of rights body Ain O Salish Kendra.

10 injured as rival Sramik League men clash

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pabna

At least 10 people were injured, four of them with bullets, in a clash between two factions of Sramik League in Chatiyani area of the district town on Friday night.

Police said there was a longstanding conflict between Abdul Hakim Malitha, general secretary of the district unit of Sramik League, and Sheikh Alal, another leader of the unit, over capturing tender of Water Development Board.

As a sequel to the conflict, the men of the two rival groups attacked each other with firearms at 7:30pm, leaving 10 people from both sides injured, said Md Abdullah Al Hasan, officer-in-charge of Sadar Police Station.

Of them, Abdul Hakim Malitha, 48, Alim Malitha, 42, Dolon Malitha, 30, Lalu Sheikh, 35, and Rejaul Karim, 30, were

admitted to Pabna General Hospital with serious wounds.

On information, police rushed to the spot and brought the situation under control, said the OC.

Away in Jamalpur, a Jubo League chief of the district has been suspended on charge of violating party discipline, reports our correspondent.

The suspended leader is Shahriar Ujjal, president of the district unit of Jubo League.

On Friday night, Ujjal allegedly assaulted Shahin Ahmed, general secretary of ward No 4 unit of Awami League in Jamalpur municipality following an altercation over December 30 municipality elections in Bakultola area.

Following the incident, the district unit Jubo League yesterday suspended Ujjal, said Nayeem Rahman, general secretary of the unit.

One held for torturing 3 school kids in Natore

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Natore

Police arrested a local trader in Bagatipara upazila of the district yesterday on charge of torturing three children.

The arrestee, Imaz Uddin, 45, is son of Kanu Mandol of Makupara village, and president of Makupara Bazar traders' committee.

Tayab Ali Khan, officer-in-charge (investigation) of Bagatipara Police Station, said Nazrul Islam, the

nightguard of the bazar, saw three children sitting behind a shop at around midnight on Thursday and informed the bazar committee.

On Friday evening, the bazar committee tied up the boys and beat them up with bamboo sticks.

The victims are Rumon Hossain, 12, son of Ramjan Ali of Paka village and Class VII student of Paka High School; Mehedi Hasan, 13, son of Firoz Ali of Makupara

village and Class VIII student of Ideal High School of Bagatipara, and Firoz Hossain, 8, son of Siddik Ali of Makupara village and Class III student of Makupara Government Primary School.

The bazar committee also fined Rumon Tk 5,000 Mehedi Tk 5,000, and Firoz Tk 2,000.

Firoz's father lodged a case yesterday, accusing five people including Imaz Uddin.



PHOTO: STAR

These three schoolchildren were tied up and beaten by members of Makupara Bazar committee in Bagatipara upazila under Natore district on Friday evening as a night guard on Thursday midnight saw them sitting behind a shop.

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উন্মুক্ত দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি

স্মারক নম্বর-র‍্যাব-১১/৯৭২/কিউ/২৩ তারিখঃ ২৮ মাঘ ১৪২২/১০ ফেব্রুয়ারি ২০১৬
 ২০১৫-২০১৬ অর্থ বৎসর ৪র্থ কোয়ার্টারের (০১ এপ্রিল ২০১৬ হইতে ৩০ জুন ২০১৬) জন্য র‍্যাপিড গ্যাকশন ব্যাটালিয়ন-১১, আদমজীনগর, নারায়ণগঞ্জ-এর সদস্যদের নিম্নবর্ণিত ভোজ্য তৈল সরবরাহ কাজের জন্য ঠিকাদার নিয়োগের লক্ষ্যে "The Public Procurement Act-2006" and "Regulation-2008" মোতাবেক প্রকৃত বাংলাদেশী ঠিকাদার/সরবরাহকারী প্রতিষ্ঠানের নিকট হইতে সীলমোহরকৃত খামে উন্মুক্ত প্রতিযোগিতায় দরপত্র আহ্বান করা যাইতেছে। এতদসংক্রান্ত প্রয়োজনীয় তথ্যসমূহ নিম্নে প্রদত্ত হইলঃ

০১।	মন্ত্রণালয়/বিভাগ	স্বরাষ্ট্র মন্ত্রণালয়/বাংলাদেশ পুলিশ।
০২।	সংস্থা	র‍্যাপিড গ্যাকশন ব্যাটালিয়ন (র‍্যাব)।
০৩।	দরপত্র আহ্বানকারী কর্তৃপক্ষ	পরিচালক, র‍্যাপিড গ্যাকশন ব্যাটালিয়ন-১১, আদমজীনগর, নারায়ণগঞ্জ।
০৪।	বাজেট ও তহবিলের উৎস	পিএল হিসাব এ অর্থ বরাদ্দ প্রাপ্তি সাপেক্ষে।
০৫।	যে কাজের জন্য দরপত্র আহ্বান করা হইয়াছে	ক্রমিক নং ১৫-এ বর্ণিত অনুযায়ী।
০৬।	কাজের সময়সীমা	০১ এপ্রিল ২০১৬ হইতে ৩০ জুন ২০১৬ পর্যন্ত।
০৭।	দরপত্র পদ্ধতি	উন্মুক্ত দরপত্র পদ্ধতি (ওটিএম)।
০৮।	দরপত্র সিডিউল প্রাপ্তির স্থান	র‍্যাপিড গ্যাকশন ব্যাটালিয়ন-১১, আদমজীনগর, নারায়ণগঞ্জ।
০৯।	দরপত্র তফসিল বিক্রয়ের শেষ তারিখ ও সময়	পত্রিকায় বিজ্ঞপ্তি প্রকাশের তারিখ হইতে ২৮ ফেব্রুয়ারি ২০১৬ তারিখ পর্যন্ত অফিস চলাকালীন সকল কার্যদিবসে।
১০।	দরপত্র দাখিলের সর্বশেষ সময়সীমা ও স্থান	০৯ মার্চ ২০১৬ তারিখ বেলা ১২-০০ ঘটিকা, র‍্যাব-১১, আদমজীনগর, নারায়ণগঞ্জ।
১১।	দরপত্র বন্ধ খোলার তারিখ, সময় ও স্থান	০৯ মার্চ ২০১৬ তারিখ বেলা ১২৩০ ঘটিকা, র‍্যাব-১১, আদমজীনগর, নারায়ণগঞ্জ-এর দরদাতাগণের সম্মুখে খোলা হইবে (যদি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকেন)।
১২।	দরপত্র মূল্যায়নের তারিখ ও সময়	০৯ মার্চ ২০১৬ তারিখ ১৪০০ ঘটিকা।
১৩।	দরপত্র দলিলাদি গ্রহণকারী অফিসের নাম ও ঠিকানা	অধিনায়কের কার্যালয়, র‍্যাপিড গ্যাকশন ব্যাটালিয়ন-১১, আদমজীনগর, নারায়ণগঞ্জ।
১৪।	দরপত্র সিডিউল ক্রয়ের প্রাক যোগ্যতা ও শর্তাবলী	পিপিআর/০৮-এর বিধি মোতাবেক দরপত্র দলিল (সিডিউল) ক্রয়ে ইচ্ছুক প্রার্থীকে নিজস্ব প্যাডে পরিচালক র‍্যাব-১১-এর বরাবরে আবেদন করতে হইবে এবং প্রাকযোগ্যতা যাচাইয়ের ক্ষেত্রে নিম্নোক্ত শর্তসমূহ পূরণ করিতে হইবে। দরপত্র ক্রয়ের সময় নিম্নবর্ণিত কাগজপত্রের মূলকপি অবশ্যই প্রদর্শন করিতে হইবে, অন্যথায় দরপত্র তফসিল বিক্রয় করা হইবে না (ক) নাগরিকত্বের সনদপত্র, (খ) ট্রেড লাইসেন্স হালসনে নবায়নকৃত, (গ) যে কোন তফসিলভুক্ত বাণিজ্যিক ব্যাংক হইতে হালসনের আর্থিক স্বচ্ছলতা সনদপত্র, (ঘ) টিআইএন নম্বর উল্লেখসহ হালসনের আয়কর পরিশোধের সনদপত্র, (ঙ) ভাট রেজিস্ট্রেশন সনদপত্র, (চ) প্রতিনিধির ক্ষেত্রে মালিকের ক্ষমতা অর্পণ পত্র (নোটারি পাবলিক কর্তৃক) এবং সত্যায়িত ০৩ টি নমুনা স্বাক্ষর, (ছ) সরকারি যে কোন প্রতিষ্ঠানে ভোজ্য তৈল সরবরাহের বাস্তব অভিজ্ঞতা সনদপত্র (উপযুক্ত কর্তৃপক্ষ কর্তৃক প্রদেয়)। উল্লেখ্য যে, পিপিআর-২০০৮ মোতাবেক অন্যান্য শর্তাবলী দরপত্র তফসিলে উল্লেখ করা হইবে।

১৫।	কাজের নাম	পরিমাণ	দরপত্র তফসিল এর মূল্য (অফেরতযোগ্য)	দরপত্র জমানাত (ফেরতযোগ্য)	কাজের সময়সীমা
	ভোজ্য তৈল (সয়াবিন) সরবরাহ	১৫০০০ ডিটার	৭৫০.০০ ((সাতশত পঞ্চাশ টাকা)	১,০০,০০০.০০ (এক লক্ষ টাকা)	০১ এপ্রিল ২০১৬ হইতে ৩০ জুন ২০১৬ পর্যন্ত

১৬। সঙ্গ্রাহক সভা কোন কারণ দর্শানো ব্যতিরেকে দরপত্র গ্রহণ অথবা বাতিল করার ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।

মোঃ আনোয়ার লতিফ খান
 লেঃ কর্ণেল
 পরিচালক
 জিডি-৪১৬
 ফোনঃ ৭৬৯৪৩৩