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College locked as salary of 2 teachers halted

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

A group of people locked KB Degree College at Kathaldangi village in Haripur upazila under the district yesterday protesting suspension of salary of two teachers including the principal.

President of the college governing body advocate Sohrab Hossain dropped names of Principal Jalal Uddin and Assistant Professor Ziaul Hasan from the salary sheet for the month of January, college sources said.

Protesting the incident, a group of people, mostly supporters of Ziaul Hasan, who is also upazila unit general secretary of Awami League, came to the college yesterday and locked the main gate of the college.

Earlier on Thursday, the college teachers started work abstention and refrained from taking classes in protest. No show cause notice was served before college governing body President Sohrab Hossain dropped names of the two teachers from the salary sheet for January, said college

SAKHIPUR RESERVE FOREST

12 illegal sawmills shut

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Tangail

Twelve sawmills illegally set up in the reserve forest in Sakhipur upazila of the district have been shut down.

will file cases against the owners of the sawmills, the ASP added.

Though setting up of sawmills within 10 kilometers radius of any reserve forest is a punishable offence, a section of dishonest and influential people have been logging in the forest in the name of running sawmills.

Of the total forest area, there are 55,476 acres of reserve forests in the district, of which 38,232 acres are in Sakhipur, 7,225 acres in Mirzapur, 7,251 acres in Ghatail, 2,500 acres in Madhupur and 185 acres in Kalihati, sources said.

A joint team comprising the forest department officials and law enforcers raided the sawmills inside the reserve forest at Takhtar Chala, Hatiobandha, Rajapur and adjacent areas yesterday and closed them, said Hafiz-al-Asad, assistant superintendent of police (ASP) in Tangail. The team also seized equipment and materials from there.

After a news item, titled "52 mills sawing reserve forest in Sakhipur," was published by The Daily Star on June 2011, the authorities concerned had closed down 35 illegal sawmills in the reserve forest.

All these forests have shrunk due to indiscriminate felling of trees and encroachment on the forests since independence, they added.

The forest department once stretched over 122,876

4 arrested with arms, books on jihad in Hili

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

Members of Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) arrested four people with firearms, bullets, magazines, books on jihad and Rs 1 lakh in Hili area under Hakimpur upazila of the district on Saturday.

Northern Palace and its manager Shahbul Islam, 23, son of Abdur Rahman of Boigram in Hakimpur upazila and Md Jahid, 32, son of Shahid Ali of Islampara under Shahjadpur upazila of Sirajganj district.

three bullets, three magazines, 20 jihadi books and a book on bomb making written in Urdu from a room of the hotel.

The arrestees are Babul Hossain, 43, son of Abdur Kader of Fakirpara village, Lokman Hossain Belal, 55, son of late Rafique Uddin of Madyabasudevpur, owner of residential hotel

Lt Col Khabir Sarker, commanding officer of BGB-3 Battalion, said they first arrested Babul Hossain with a pistol at Charmatha in Hakimpur Bazar area in the afternoon.

They also arrested Lokman Hossain Belal, owner of the hotel, its manager Shahbul Islam and Md Jahid in connection with the incident.



Students of Hasanpur Shaheed Nazrul Government Degree College in Daudkandi upazila under Comilla district block Dhaka-Chittagong highway in front of the college yesterday demanding punishment to the driver of the truck that ran over college students Mahmuda Akter and Rokeya Akter on Saturday, causing the death of Mahmuda and seriously injuring Rokeya.

Hit by bridge girder, train roof passenger killed

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

A youth was killed and another injured after being hit by a girder of a rail bridge in Akkelpur upazila of Joypurhat on Saturday.

The deceased is Md Nasimuzzaman, son of Abu Taher of Jankipur village in Mithapukur upazila of Rangpur district.

Injured Mamunur Rashid, 22, son of Ramjan Ali of the village, was admitted to Shaheed Ziaur Rahman Medical College Hospital in Bogra.

Family members said the two youths went to Dhaka to attend a recruitment test. On Saturday, they got into a Rajshahi-bound train to return home but the duo changed their train at Natore station and climbed onto the roof of the train.

As the train arrived near Akkelpur station in the evening, they were hit by a girder of the rail bridge on the Tulshiganga River in the upazila around 7:00pm.

Both fell to the ground and sustained serious injuries, said Md Sajjad Hossain, officer-in-charge of Akkelpur Police Station.

The injured were rushed to Shaheed Ziaur Rahman Medical College Hospital in Bogra where Nasimuzzaman died around 11:30pm, said the OC.

DAKHIL EXAMS

11 held while solving leaked question paper

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jhalakathi

Police arrested 11 people including a few madrasa teachers while they were solving the English question paper outside the Dakhil examination centre at Rajapur Fazil Madrasa during the English first paper examination yesterday morning.

"Tipped off that some teachers were solving question paper at a room of a boarding house of Rajapur Fazil Madrasa behind the Rajapur Dakhil examination centre, a team from Rajapur Police Station led by me raided the spot in the presence of Rajapur Upazila Nirbahi Officer ABM Sadikur Rahman and detained them," said Abdul Kaiyum, sub-inspector of

Rajapur Police Station. Police also seized a few English books that were used for solving the questions and a photocopy of the question paper.

The arrestees are Habibur Rahman, 56, Abu Hanif, 37, Nurul Islam, 37, all from Angria village, Abul Kalam, 42, of Putiakhal, Nazrul Islam, 55, and Kamrul Islam, 18, of Naikathi, Golam Kibria, 18, of Suktagar, and Sobur Akon, 28, of Challishcownia village in Rajapur upazila, Samim Jomadder, 26, of Chesri, and Jakir Hossain, 50, of Kochua village in Kathalia, and Mehedi Hasan, 26, of Ashiar in Jhalakathi Sadar upazila.

They were in the police station at the time of filing this report at 1:30pm.

"Most of them are madrasa teachers. It is not clear how the men from three upazilas met at the place for doing the bad act on the examination day," said SI Abdul Kaiyum.

A group of dishonest teachers are engaged in solving questions and sending it inside the examination hall daily, said a few madrasa teachers performing duty at the examination hall, seeking anonymity.

"We have no connection with the question leakage. It was done outside the examination centre," said Md Abdul Hye, secretary of the examination hall.

Meanwhile, two students were expelled from the centre for adopting unfair means in the English examination yesterday.

Three get life for raping schoolgirl in Manikganj

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Manikganj

A court here yesterday sentenced three people to life imprisonment for raping a schoolgirl at Uthali village under Shibhalaya upazila of the district.

The convicts are Bipul Kumar Kundu, 35, son of Prafullo Kundu, Gour Chandra Saha, 42, and Porimal Chandra Saha, sons of Noni Gopal Saha of the village. They were tried in absentia.

The court also fined them Tk 25 thousand each.

Judge Hasina Raushan Jahan of the Women and Children Repression Prevention Tribunal handed down the verdict.

According to the prosecution, Bipul Kumar Kundu with the help of Gour Chandra Saha and Porimal Chandra Saha, abducted the Class X student while she was on her way to visit her ailing grandmother at

Manikganj Sadar Hospital at noon on September 22, 2006. Later, Bipul raped her in a house in the area.

Victim's mother filed a rape case with the tribunal the same day, accusing the three.

Police could not arrest the prime accused Bipul yet. Gour and Porimal were arrested soon after filing of the case, but were released on bail 17 days after the arrest. They have been absconding since then.

SNIPPETS

Mother, daughter found dead

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bandarban

A woman and her 17-month-old daughter were found dead in Naikkkhongchhari upazila of the district yesterday. The deceased are Rehana Begum, 22, wife of day labourer Md Nasiruddin of Alikyang canal area in the upazila, and her daughter Naznin Akthar. On information, police rushed to the spot and recovered the bodies from the area adjacent to their house around 2:00pm. Police suspect that Rehana might have killed her baby girl and then committed suicide by taking pesticide following a family feud.

Kid falls into tank, dies

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Patuakhali

A three-year-old boy died after falling into a toilet tank at Ajimuddin village in Kalapara upazila of the district. The dead is Siam, son of Md Ahad of the area on Saturday. Family sources said Sonia Begum along with her son Siam went to neighbour Bipul Howlader's house to visit a patient. At one stage, Siam went to behind the house to collect a flower besides a toilet tank. Accidentally, he fell into the tank. Later, locals rescued the body from the tank.

One fined for illegal sand lifting

UNB, Sherpur

A mobile court fined a trader Tk 50,000 for lifting sand illegally from the banks of the Moharashi River in Jhinaigati upazila on Saturday. The convict is Sirajul Islam, 35, son of late Tofazzal Hossain of Gouripur area in the town. Upazila Nirbahi Officer (UNO) Md Selim Reza led the court.

Under trial prisoner dies

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Sherpur

An under-trial prisoner of the district jail died at Sherpur Sadar Hospital on Saturday. The deceased, Jewel Mia, 30, son of Nurul Islam of Nabinagar area of the town, was an accused in a drug peddling case. He had been suffering from urine infection and was admitted to the hospital around 8:30pm on Saturday night. He died at the hospital after an hour of his admission.

5 hurt in AL infighting

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Patuakhali

At least five people were injured in a clash between two factions of Awami League in Ranglabali upazila of the district yesterday. The clash took place at a grassroots level representatives' meeting concerning the upcoming upazila parishad (UP) elections. Party sources said Ranglabali upazila unit called a grassroots level representatives' meeting of Char Montaz union unit at office around 1:00am to select a candidate for chairman of the local AL. A section of local AL men came to the meeting led by A K Shamsuddin alias Abu Mia, president of the union unit AL and also a party nomination seeker. When Nazmul and his supporters went to the venue, Abu Mia's men chased them.

Cops' arms lost in Meghna found

UNB, Brahmanbaria

A rifle and a shotgun, which went missing after a boat carrying a patrol team of police capsized in the Meghna River near Ashuganj on Friday morning, were recovered on Saturday afternoon. Mohammad Selim Uddin, officer-in-charge of Ashuganj Police Station, said a team of divers of the fire service pulled out the two firearms from Tajpukur area of the river around 1:00pm. Earlier on Friday, the rifle and the shotgun went missing as the boat carrying four policemen on patrol sank in the middle of the river due to a collision with an oil-laden boat.



This vulture is freed at Balarampur village in Atwary upazila of Panchagarh district after attaching a metal tag with its leg on Saturday afternoon. International Union for Conservation of Nature arranged the ringing of vulture, for the first time in Bangladesh, to track the endangered wild bird's migration and living in different times like breeding period, and winter and summer seasons.

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গুদাম ভাড়ার দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি

টেতার ডকুমেন্টে উল্লিখিত শর্তে নির্বাচন কমিশন সচিবালয়ের নির্বাচনী সামগ্রী সংরক্ষণের নিমিত্ত ০১ (এক) বছরের জন্য নির্বাচন কমিশন সচিবালয় এর নিকটস্থ এলাকায় আগারগাঁও, তালতলা, শেওড়াপাড়া, শেরে বাংলা নগর, মোহাম্মদপুর (মিরপুর সড়কের পাশে) ঢাকায় সুপ্রসঙ্গ সড়ক সংলগ্ন পানি, বিদ্যুৎ ও গাড়ি পার্কিং সুবিধাসহ ৬৫০০ (ছয় হাজার পাঁচশত) বর্গফুট গুদামঘর ভাড়া করার লক্ষ্যে প্রকৃত বাড়ির মালিকগণের নিকট হতে সিলমোহরকৃত দরপত্র আহ্বান করা যাচ্ছে।

১. মন্ত্রণালয়/বিভাগ	ঃ নির্বাচন কমিশন সচিবালয়।
২. ত্রয়কারীর নাম	ঃ যুগ্ম-সচিব (নি.ব্য.) নির্বাচন কমিশন সচিবালয়।
৩. ক্রয় পদ্ধতি	ঃ উন্মুক্ত দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি (ওটিএম)।
৪. অর্থের উৎস	ঃ জিওবি (রাজস্ব)।
৫. দরপত্র আহ্বানের নং ও তারিখ	ঃ নং-১৭.০০.০০০০.০২৯.৭০.১৫৪.১২-১৯১, তারিখঃ ১১-০২-২০১৬ইং।
৬. গুদাম ভাড়ার মেয়াদকাল	ঃ ০১ (এক) বছরের জন্য।
৭. দরদাতাদের যোগ্যতা	ঃ প্রতিষ্ঠান/প্রকৃত বাড়ির মালিকানা সংক্রান্ত দলিলাদি, সুপ্রসঙ্গ সড়ক সংলগ্ন গাড়ি পার্কিং সুবিধা, টিআইএন সনদ, পানি, বিদ্যুৎ বিল পরিশোধের হালনাগাদ কপি।
৮. দরপত্র সিডিউলের মূল্য	ঃ ৫০০/- টাকা অফেরতযোগ্য।
৯. দরপত্র সিকিউরিটির পরিমাণ	ঃ ৫০,০০০/- (পঞ্চাশ হাজার) টাকা।
১০. সিডিউল বিক্রয়ের স্থান	ঃ নির্বাচন কমিশন সচিবালয়, সাধারণ সেবা-২ শাখা, ব্লক-৫, শেরে বাংলা নগর, ঢাকা-১২০৭।
১১. সিডিউল গ্রহণ ও খোলার স্থান	ঃ নির্বাচন কমিশন সচিবালয়, শেরে বাংলা নগর, ঢাকা।
১২. দরপত্র বিক্রয়ের শেষ তারিখ ও সময়	ঃ ২৮-০২-২০১৬ তারিখ বিকাল ৫:০০ ঘটিকা।
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১৪. দরপত্র খোলার তারিখ ও সময়	ঃ ২৯-০২-২০১৬ তারিখ দুপুর ২:৩০ ঘটিকা।
১৫. দরপত্র আহ্বানকারীর নাম ও ঠিকানা	ঃ সিনিয়র সহকারী সচিব (সেবা-২), নির্বাচন কমিশন সচিবালয়, শেরে বাংলা নগর, ঢাকা।
১৬. বিশেষ নির্দেশনা	ঃ কোন কারণ দর্শানো ব্যতিরেকেই যে কোন/সকল দরপত্র গ্রহণ বা প্রত্যাখ্যান করার অধিকার কর্তৃপক্ষ সংরক্ষণ করেন।
১৭. অন্যান্য শর্তাবলী	ঃ পিপিআর-২০০৮ অনুসারে দরপত্র কার্যক্রম পরিচালিত হবে।

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