

Protect ethnic minorities from land grabbers

Demands human chain in Parbatipur town

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

The ethnic minority people formed a human chain near Shaheed Minar in Parbatipur upazila town under the district yesterday, urging the government to take initiative to stop torture and repression on them.

Several hundred men, women and children joined the hour-long human chain organised by the local unit

of Jatiya Advasi Parishad at 1:00pm.

Their longstanding demand for constitutional rights has remained unmet while torture, eviction from their land, and harassment by filing false cases against them see rise in the upazila, said the speakers at the programme.

They demanded that the government form a separate land commission for this ethnic minority people

living in the plain land areas to ensure their land right.

Heinous crimes like murder, rape, and harassing the ethnic minority people by filing false cases are often related with land problems, said Romesh Hasda, president of Jatiya Advasi Parishad's Parbatipur upazila unit.

The speakers alleged biased role of police against the indigenous people

regarding litigations.

"The indigenous people in the country feel insecure. Different political government's pledged to meet our demands, but they remain unmet," alleged Bimal Murmu, general secretary of the parishad's upazila unit.

Among others, Basanti Murmu, Sagiul Hasda, Shival Tu, Rubel Tu and Albert Tu spoke at the programme.



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The local unit of Jatiya Advasi Parishad forms a human chain in Parbatipur upazila under Dinajpur district yesterday demanding steps to ensure land rights of the ethnic minority people and end to torture and repression on them.

Lightning kills 7 in 5 dists

STAR COUNTRY DESK

Seven people were killed by lightning in Panchagarh, Habiganj, Jamalpur, Mymensingh and Comilla districts yesterday.

A man was killed and his wife injured by lightning at Banglabandha village in Tentulia upazila of Panchagarh yesterday morning.

The deceased was identified as Ramjan Ali, 40, of the village, reports our Thakurgaon correspondent.

Locals said a thunderbolt struck Ramjan and his wife Jyotsna Banu, 35, when they were standing on their veranda during heavy rain. Ramjan died on the spot.

Jyotsna was admitted to

Panchagarh Sadar Hospital.

In Habiganj, a minor girl and a man were killed as thunderbolt struck them in Madhabpur and Sadar upazilas of the district in the afternoon, reports our Moulvibazar correspondent.

The deceased are Mim Akther, 8, daughter of Safiqul Islam of Joypur village in Madhabpur, and Ajman Miah, 40, son of Sattar Miah of Chandpur village in Sadar upazila.

Officer-in-Charge Mullah Monir Hossain of Madhabpur Police Station and OC Md Nazim Uddin of Sadar PS confirmed the incidents.

Way in Jamalpur, lightning killed a woman at Beergaon village in

Bakshiganj upazila of the district in the morning.

The deceased was identified as Rezena Begum, 40, wife of Moulavi Hossain of the village, reports our correspondent.

Locals said a thunderbolt struck Rezena while she was cooking at her kitchen during rain. She died on the spot.

According to our Mymensingh correspondent, a freedom fighter was killed by lightning in Balipara area under Trishal upazila of the district.

The victim, Ataur Rahman, 65, was commander of Muktiyoddha Sangsad's Balipara Union unit, reports our correspondent.

Police and family sources

said Ataur was struck by thunderbolt when he was working at his field around 7:00am. He died on the spot.

In Comilla, two people were struck by thunderbolts during heavy rain in Daudkandi and Titash upazilas of the district in the afternoon, reports our correspondent.

The deceased are day labourer Babul Miah, 21, son of Abdul Kader of Noakhali district, and Russel Mollah, 20, son of Islam Mollah of Moutupi village in Titash upazila.

Of them, Babul was struck by lightning when he was lifting sand at Charamahmuddi village in Daudkandi upazila. He died on the spot.

DOUBLE-MURDER

Man to die in Pirojpur

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pirojpur

A Pirojpur court yesterday sentenced a man to death in a double-murder case.

The convicted is Goutam Roy, 42, son of late Himangshu Roy of Dakkhin Badura village under Pirojpur Sadar upazila.

Judge Md Golam Kibria of Pirojpur District and Sessions Judge's Court pronounced the verdict at 11:30am.

The court also fined him Tk 50,000 for each murder and 10 years' rigorous imprisonment, and Tk 20,000 fine for hacking another woman.

On February 2, 2011, Goutam hacked his wife Sima Roy with a sharp weapon as she delayed in cutting fish he had bought from market, court sources said.

Hearing Sima's screams, her sister-in-law Shefali and neighbour Sheuli went to save her, but Goutam hacked them too.

Sima died on the spot while Shefali at Pirojpur Sadar Hospital. Sheuli was under treatment at the hospital.

10 injured in clash over land dispute

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jhenidah

At least ten people were injured in a clash between two groups of people over land dispute at Bestopur village under Shailakupa upazila of the district yesterday.

Five of the injured--Mofizur Rahman, 35, Monirul Islam, 24, Amirul Islam, 35, and Mamun Hossain, 22--were admitted to Jhenidah Sadar Hospital while the rest were given first aid at the upazila health complex.

Police quoted locals as saying that there had been a longstanding dispute between Sattar Hossain and Bablur Rahman of the village over the ownership of a land.

At around 9:00am, Sattar and Bablu locked in an altercation over the issue. After a few minutes, supporters of the two equipped with lethal weapons swooped on each other, leaving at least 10 people from both sides injured.

Being informed by locals, law enforcers from Shailakupa Police Station rushed to the village and dispersed the clashing groups.

Contacted, officer-in-charge (OC) Mohibul Islam said police have been deployed in the area to avert further untoward incident.

Three outlaws arrested with gun, bullets

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pabna

Three operatives of outlawed Purbo Banglar Communist Party (PBCP-Lal Pataka) were arrested with a pipe gun and nine bullets in Dhulauri area of Santhia upazila yesterday morning.

The arrestees are Jan-e-Alam alias Bomaru Mizan, 35, a regional leader of the party, and Shamsul Alam, 38, and Rafikul Islam, 40.

Md Nasir Uddin, officer-in-charge of Santhia Police Station, said law enforcers, acting on a tip-off, raided Dhulauri area and arrested the outlaws.

Police seized the gun and bullets from their possession, the OC said, adding that the outlaws were wanted in several cases.

Way in Jhenidah, Police arrested a youth along with five crude bombs from Collegepara area in Kaliganj upazila of the district early yesterday.

The arrestee is Habibur Rahman, 32, son of Afsar Ali of Dadpur village in the upazila.



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A woman of the victim Hindu family weeps on the yard of her house, ravaged by criminals on Saturday night, at Barcoat village in Dhaka Dakkhin area of Golapganj upazila under Sylhet as district unit leaders of Hindu-Bouddha-Christian Oikya Parishad visit the spot yesterday.

15 sued for torching Hindu house in Sylhet, one held

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

Police early yesterday arrested one of the 15 accused in the case for torching a house of a Hindu family in Golapganj upazila of Sylhet on Saturday.

The arrestee is MA Shahed, 40, a resident of Barkot village in the upazila.

Victim Ripon's father Nagendra Deb filed a case with Golapganj Police Station accusing 15 people, including one Akbar Ali of the village, on Sunday,

Officer-in-Charge Fazlul Haque Shibly of the police station said.

A team of the law enforcer, led by Sub-Inspector Mridul Kanti Bhoumik, also the investigation officer of the case, raided the village and arrested Shahed from his house.

On Saturday, a gang led by Akbar Ali swooped on the house of Ripon Deb around 9:00pm to grab his land, said Kajal Das, convener of Hindu-Bouddha-Christian Oikya Parishad in

Golapganj upazila said.

The gang also stabbed three members of the family when they tried to resist them from grabbing the land, police quoted locals as saying. They also vandalised, looted and torched the house.

Injured Ripon Deb, his wife and daughter were admitted to Golapganj Upazila Health Complex the same night.

The extent of loss caused by the fire could go up to Tk 5 lakh, Nagendra Deb claimed.

5 abducted Bhaluka youths traceless for five days

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

Five youths, who were picked up by unknown people, posing themselves as Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) personnel, from Bhaluka upazila on early Thursday, still remain traceless.

Family members and locals said 30 to 35 men came in three or four vehicles, including two minibuses, at Kashor village and picked up Hadidul Islam, 30, and his younger brother Johirul Islam, 26.

The same group later entered adjacent Jamirdia Dubaliapara village and picked up Hadidul's brothers-in-law-Ismael Hossain, 32, Ibrahim Hossain, 25, and their servant Amir Hossain, 22.

Fazlul Haque, father of Hadidul and Johirul, said the abductors identified them-

selves as Rab men. "But they did not give any reason why my sons were being taken away and what was their destination," he said.

"My sons and relatives are not involved with any political party or criminal activities, and there is no enmity with the local people," he added.

Officer-in-Charge Md Mamun-or-Rashid of Bhaluka Police Station said there was no criminal record against the youths.

"We are conducting drives to rescue the victims although none had lodged any written complaints in this connection till filing of this report as of 6:00pm yesterday," the OC added.

Contacted, ASP Jobraj Hossain, operation officer of Rab-14 in Mymensingh, said the elite force members did not conducted such drive on that day.

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INVITATION FOR TENDER (RE-TENDER)

Ref : 36.097.17.01.11.2016/273 Date : 24/03/2016

1. Ministry/Division :	Ministry of Industries
2. Procuring Entity Name :	Director General, Bangladesh Institute of Management
3. Invitation for Tender :	1. Supply, Install and Testing of Computers-10, Color Printer-01 and Scanner-03 and other Accessories (re-tender). 2. Supplying, installation, testing & commissioning of On-grid solar Panel System (re-tender).

KEY INFORMATION :

4. Procurement Method :	Open Tendering Method (National)
FUNDING INFORMATION :	
5. Budget and Source of Funds :	GOB
PARTICULAR INFORMATION :	
6. Tender Package No. :	GR 4.0, GR 3.0
7. Tender Package Name :	1. Supply, Install and Testing of Computers-10, Color Printer-01 and Scanner-03 and other Accessories (re-tender). 2. Supplying, installation, testing & commissioning of On-grid solar Panel System (re-tender).
8. Tender Publication Date :	24 March, 2016
9. Tender Last Selling Date :	12 April, 2016
10. Tender Closing Date and Time :	13 April, 2016 at 12:00 p.m. (The Tenderers are requested to submit tender(s) before last date and time Tender(s) can be submitted each working day form 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. after publication this Tender Notice.)
11. Tender Opening Date and Time :	13 April, 2016 at 12:15 p.m.
12. Name & Address of the office(s):	Sub-Assistant Engineer (Maintenance-in-Charge), Bangladesh Institute of Management (BIM), 4 Sobhanbag, Mirpur Road, Dhaka-1207. ☎ 8117405-07, 9103171-3, 9103178 (Extn. : 118)

INFORMATION FOR TENDERER :

13. Eligibility of Tenderer :	Tenderer will have legal, financial, professional and technical capacity to deliver the requirements of this and have fulfilled the obligations of all tax requirements.		
Price of Tender Document (Tk.) :	1000.00 (One Thousand) for each package.		
Identification of Package :	Location	Tender Security Amount (Tk.)	Completion Time in Days
GR 3.0: Supply, Install and Testing of Computers-10, Color Printer-01 and Scanner-03 and other Accessories (re-tender).	Dhaka	15,000.00	21 days from signing of contract
GR 4.0: Supplying, installation, testing & commissioning of On-grid solar Panel System (re-tender).		45,000.00	30 days from signing of contract

PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS :

15. Name of Official Inviting Tender :	Mohammad Atwar Rahman
16. Designation and Address of Official Inviting Tender :	Director General, Bangladesh Institute of Management (BIM), 4 Sobhanbag, Mirpur Road, Dhaka-1207.
17. Contact Details of Official Inviting Tender :	Md. Aminul Islam, Member Secretary, Tender Committee, Bangladesh Institute of Management (BIM), 4 Sobhanbag, Mirpur Road, Dhaka-1207. ☎ 8117405-07, 9103171-3, 9103178 (Extn. : 218)
18. All procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders	

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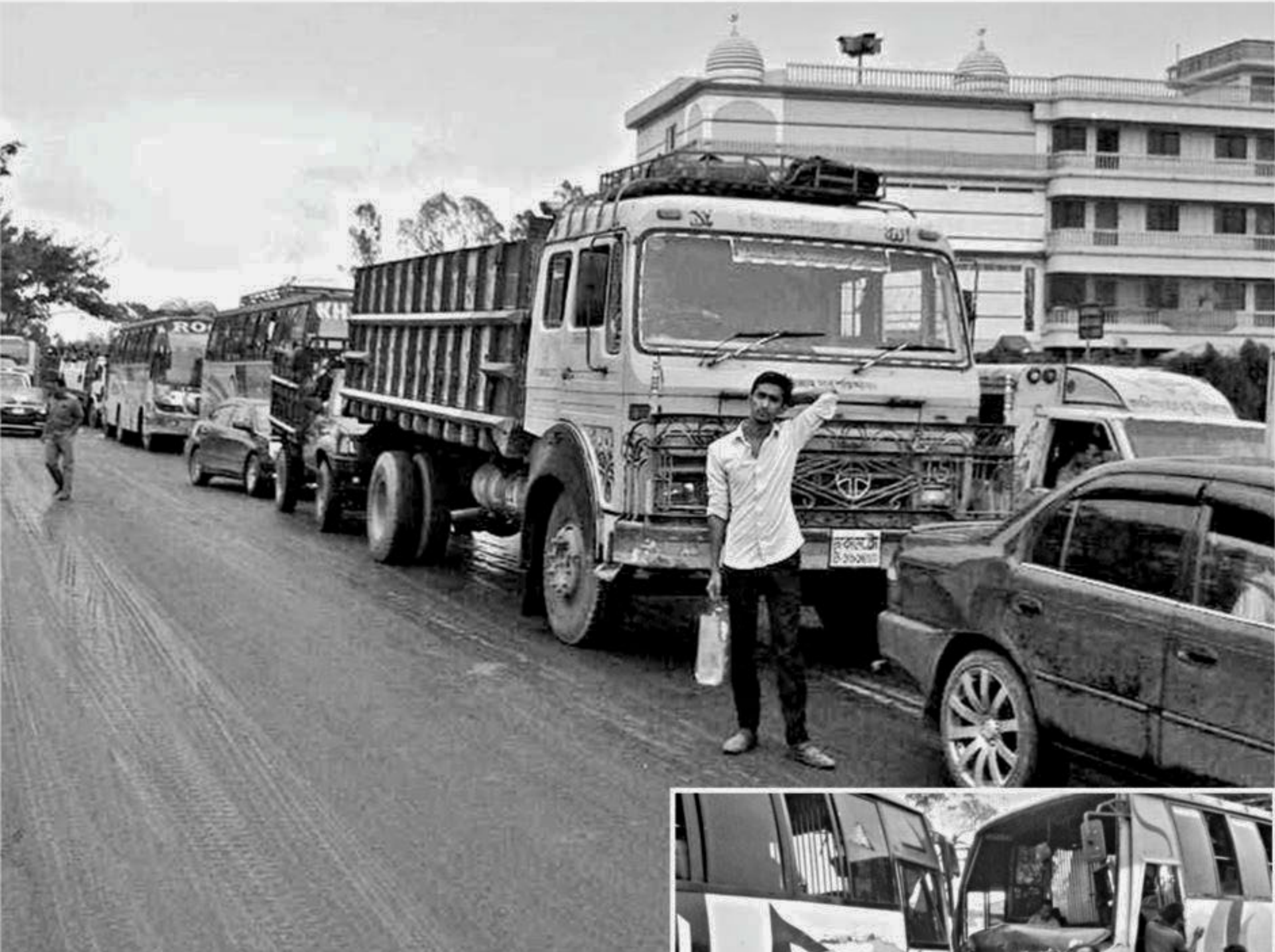


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Dhaka-Tangail highway in Mirzapur upazila under Tangail district saw a six-kilometre-long tailback after a head-on collision between two passenger buses (inset) at Gorai on the busy road left 10 people injured yesterday noon.