



Schoolgirls pose with bicycles that they received free of cost at a programme at Sindurna village in Hatibandha upazila under Lamoniurhat district yesterday. Mutual Trust Bank Ltd took the initiative to facilitate the rural girls' easy communication to and from schools.

Housewife murdered for 'dowry'

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinaipur

A housewife was murdered for 'dowry' in Joypurhat Sadar upazila on Saturday night.

The dead was identified as Rima Akhter, 18, wife of Abu Hasan, 22, of Badsha Chawkjagdishpur village in the upazila.

According to the family members, Rima was married to Abu Hasan of the same village 10 months ago. Her parents met all the dowry demands of the groom on the marriage day, they added.

Recently, Abu Hasan and his family members demanded a television as dowry from Rima's parents, who could not arrange the money.

Due to delay, Abu Hasan and his family members tortured Rima on Saturday night. They allegedly strangled her later.

Hearing that, Rima's father Masudur Rahman informed the police, who recovered the body and sent it to Joypurhat Modern Hospital for autopsy.

Abduction bid foiled, 2 arrested

UNB, Laxmipur

Local people caught two alleged kidnappers while they were trying to abduct a housewife from a CNG-run autorickshaw at Chowdhury Bazar in Kamalnagar upazila on Saturday night.

Kabir Ahmad, officer-in-charge of Kamalnagar Police Station, said locals caught Rubel Hossain of Pandinagar village, and Jamal Uddin of Chharmartin village of the upazila, as they tried to abduct a housewife at around 10:30pm.

Locals beat up the duo and handed them over to the police.

PATUAKHALI

Watermelon farmers happy with high yield, good price

SOHRAB HOSSAIN, Patuakhali

Watermelon farmers in Patuakhali district are very happy due to a bumper yield and good prices this year. Watermelons from this area are in great demand across the country for their taste, colour and comparatively cheaper price.

This correspondent visited different villages under Rangabali upazila of the district and saw watermelon farmers busy harvesting their crop and preparing to transport the fruit to different destinations. Buyers from across the country come to the area to buy watermelons, locals farmers said.

Cultivation of watermelons has increased in Rangabali because of its profitability. Around 8,000 hectares of land were under watermelon cultivation last year, while it was 9,000 hectares this year, according to Department of Agriculture Extension (DAE) sources.

Md Asaduzzaman, a farmer of Neta village, said watermelon cultivation started in the area around 10 years ago when a buyer from Chittagong grew watermelons on 10 acres of leased



Frarmers gather watermelon at a field in Rangabali upazila under Patuakhali district that saw good yield of the popular summer fruit this season.

land. He got a bumper yield due to the availability of water, favourable weather, suitable land and cheaper labour costs. After seeing his success, many farmers started cultivating watermelons on their land, he added.

Md Mustafa Khan, a day labourer of Shiba village, said they had to depend on fishing or farm work to maintain their families, but jobs were

not available. Now there is plenty of work in the watermelon fields, he added.

Locals farmers are now demanding watermelon export as with other agricultural products. Amir Hossain, a farmer of Baher Char, said "We can earn foreign currency by exporting watermelons if the government takes step in this regard."

Shah Alam Howlader, a

farmer of Baher Char, said a large watermelon is being sold from the field at around Tk 150, a middle-sized one at around Tk 100, and a small one for around Tk 40.

Md Mahfuzur Rahman, Rangabali upazila officer of DAE, said, considering its yield and price, watermelon has become the main agricultural produce in the area, and farmers are very happy cultivating it.

49 schoolgirls get bicycles

MTB provides the vehicles for poor, meritorious students to encourage girls' education in Lalmonirhat's Hatibandha upazila

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Lalmonirhat

Forty-nine female students of seven secondary schools in Hatibandha upazila under the district have got bicycles to easy communication to and from school, thanks to the initiative of the Mutual Trust Bank (MTB).

Under the bank's Social Responsibility Programme titled Swapno Sarathi, officials distributed the bicycles free of cost among the schoolgirls at a programme at Sindurna village of Hatibandha upazila yesterday noon.

The beneficiaries, poor and meritorious girl students, belong to Shah Garibullah High School,

Bichhandai Azizur Rahman High School, Borderhat High School, Barakhata Girls' High School, Gotamari Girls' High School, Gaddimari High School and Tangbhanga Mahila Madrasa in Hatibandha upazila.

"I am very happy to get a bicycle as now I can go to school and return home with ease. I will take care of the bicycle," said Arpita Islam, a Class VI student of Shah Garibullah High School.

"The bicycle given by Mutual Trust Bank will encourage me to study properly as I will not face transport problem to attend classes," said Purnima Rani, a student of Class VII at Borderhat

High School. Tabibar Rahman, headmaster of Shah Garibullah High School, said providing bicycles for the poor and meritorious girls attending school from distant places is a good initiative to encourage girls' education in the area.

"As part of social responsibility, the bank authority allocated bicycles for meritorious and poor schoolgirls to encourage their study and enable them to fight social evils. MTB authorities will continue their support for development of women's education in the country," said Mohammad Sami Al Hafiz, chief communication officer of MTB.



Farmers and owners of electricity driven irrigation pumps demonstrate in front of the Power Development Board office in Gaibandha yesterday demanding early return of 'highly inflated' bills and correction of the serious discrepancies in the billing system.

INFLATED BILLS Gaibandha farmers besiege PDB office

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gaibandha

Farmers and owners of electricity driven irrigation pumps besieged Gaibandha Power Development Board (PDB) office yesterday demanding refund of the already realised additional bills and an end to issuing such inflated bills.

Agitating farmers said PDB authorities intentionally prepared high amounts of bills ignoring the existing rules and forcibly realised it from farmers to cover power system loss, causing huge losses to farmers using electricity-run irrigation pumps for boro farming.

Pump owners and farmers were compelled to pay the bills, but they later came to know the serious discrepancies in billing.

According to rule, PDB can claim bills for 120 days for operating irrigation pumps during the boro season, but PDB sent bills for 12 months, alleged the farmers.

The bills for 120 days would be about Tk one crore but the bills, sent for 12 months, crossed Tk 4 crore, they said.

Demanding refund of the additional bills and immediate end to giving such ghostly bills, the farmers warned of launching greater agitation otherwise.

Contacted over cell phone, the chief engineer PDB in Rangpur said the alleged discrepancies in bills will be settled by 17 of this month.

648 Bogra BNP men sued on charge of assaulting cops

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bogra

At least 648 activists of BNP and its associate bodies have been sued on charges of assaulting police and preventing them from doing their duty during the clash between the supporters of AL and BNP nominated chairman candidates in Rameshwarpur union under Gabtoli upazila of the district on Saturday afternoon.

Sub-Inspector (SI) Abu Jarra of Gabtoli Model Police Station lodged the cases with the police station on Saturday night, accusing 48 identified and 500-600 unidentified men of BNP and its associate bodies.

BNP-nominated chairman candidate and general secretary of the union BNP Abdul Wahab Mondol, and union BNP leaders Jalal Uddin and Rezaul Karim are

among the accused. Sub-Inspector Feroz Ahmed of the police station has been made investigation officer (IO) of the case. Of the named accused, seven were arrested soon after the incident.

The supporters of BNP and AL chairman candidates clashed over holding a meeting at Rameshwarpur Government Primary School in the afternoon.

The trouble began when BNP and AL activists gathered at the venue at around 5:00pm. At least seven people, including two constables, were injured and nine motorbikes and seven shops belonging to AL and BNP men torched during the clash.

Police fired 73 rubber bullets to disperse the clashing groups, the ASP said.

Storms damage 3,000 houses in Moulvibazar, Sylhet

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

Hailstorms coupled with rain swept through three upazilas of Moulvibazar and Sylhet districts on Friday night and early Saturday, damaging over 3,000 thatched and tin-

roofed houses and snapping power lines.

In Moulvibazar's Barlekha upazila, storm damaged at least 2,800 houses and uprooted hundreds of trees and telephone and electricity poles.

"Hailstorm accompanied by rain hit the upazila early Saturday. The hailstones were larger than eggs. More than 28,000 houses have been damaged. People of some villages could not move properly because of the damaged houses and fallen trees," said Rafiqul Islam, chairman of Barlekha Upazila Parishad.

SM Abdullah Al Mamun, upazila nirbahi officer (UNO) of Barlekha, said he has informed the higher

authorities of the matter and is making a list of the damaged houses. In Sylhet, over 300 houses were damaged as hailstorm lashed Fenchuganj and Sadar upazilas early Friday. The storm accompanied uprooted scores of trees and electricity poles, and damaged standing boro paddy on vast tracts of land.



Like many others, a house at Lakkhichhara Tea Garden in Barlekha upazila under Moulvibazar district lies ravaged as a hailstorm lashed the area Friday night.

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53538	La-Hat-Cit-VR-03/15-16	Improvement of road from Chhitmohal-Indian Border Road from ch. 00-4750m under Hatibandha Upazila, District-Lalmonirhat.		
53539	La-Hat-Cit-VR-04/15-16	Improvement of road from Gendukurhat-Chhitmohal Road from ch. 00-2750m under Hatibandha Upazila, District-Lalmonirhat.		
53543	La-Sadar-Cit-VR-05/15-16	Improvement of Kulaghat Vaitbari UNR Road-Dhairkhat Mouza at Namaz Khana Road from ch. 00-2285m under Lalmonirha Sadar Upazila, District-Lalmonirhat.		
53554	RDRIP/LAL/VR-292	Improvement of Kodai Khata GPS-Fulgach Rail Gate Road (ch. 500-1000m) under Sadar Upazila, District-Lalmonirhat.		
53553	RDRIP/LAL/UNR-253	Improvement of Borobari UP at Shimulata UZR-Sindurmath via Singimari Road-(ch. 5200-6200m) under Sadar Upazila, District-Lalmonirhat.		
53737	RDRIP/LAL/M-018	Maintenance of Barakhata GC-Hatibandha GC Road (Ch. 00-6108m) under Hatibandha Upazila, District-Lalmonirhat.		

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