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Hapless locals stand on the bank of the Jamuna River that threatens with erosion homesteads and farmlands at Uttar Khatiyani village in Fulchhari upazila under Gaibandha district. Inset, a few people carry a tin-shed part of a nearly eroded house to a safer place.



FULCHHARI UPAZILA IN GAIBANDHA

Jamuna continues to erode homesteads, farmlands

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gaibandha

With sudden increase of water level in the Jamuna River, erosion has turned deeper and engulfed school and dwelling houses, croplands and trees, and many structures in Fazlupur union under Fulchhari upazila in the last three days. Erosion has rendered over 150 families shelter less at Khatiyamari village. Uttar Khatiyamari Primary School has gone into the river bed, hampering classes of over 400 students.

Erosion is now threatening the nearby union health centre and some other structures.

On a visit to the affected areas, this correspondent saw locals shifting tin sheets, furniture and other household items to safe places, and cutting down trees and bamboo groves which are on the verge of being devoured by the river.

Many homesteads have gone into the river, said Shamsuddin, a farm labourer of Khatiyamari village.

"The schoolhouse has gone into the river, so our classes have stopped," said Sagor Mia, a Class IV student of Khatiyamari Primary School.

"The managing committee of the school have shifted the tin-shed and benches to a safe place, and school will start soon after erection of a make-shift shed," said Anju Ara Begum, headmistress of the school.

"Erosion has hit at least seven points at Uttar Khatiyamari, Chandanesh, Koochkhali,

and Kawabhadra villages in Fazlupur union. The number of affected people fleeing the spot with movable properties is increasing every day. They are taking shelter on roadsides and the flood control dyke," said Jainul Abedin Jalal, chairman of Fazlupur union parishad.

The erosion victims are passing miserable days under the open sky and suffering from acute food and drinking water crisis, said Abu Sayeed, former upazila chairman of Fulchhari.

Schoolgirl raped in Laxmipur

Jubo League leader sued

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Noakhali

A schoolgirl was raped allegedly by a local Jubo League leader in Laxmipur district on Saturday.

The accused is Jamal Uddin, joint convener of Charshahi union unit of Jubo League, said Ganesh Chandra Shil, sub-inspector of Daserhat police outpost.

Jamal called the girl to his rented house of Daserhat area when she was going to her home from a friend's house around 8:00pm. He then raped her.

The girl was later admitted to Laxmipur Sadar Hospital

Jamal went into hiding soon after the incident. The victim's brother filed a case in this connection, said police.

Police are raiding different areas to arrest the accused, said the SI.

9 robbers arrested

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

Police arrested nine alleged robbers from Gazipur area of Mymensingh-Kishoreganj road in Gouripur upazila of the district early yesterday.

They arrestees are Dipu Miah, 20, Babon Miah, 21, Al Amin, 22, Salah Uddin, 24, Sujon Miah, 28, Asadul Islam, 25, Babul Hossain, 20, Rafiqul Islam, 20 and Rubel Miah, 21. They all hail from Shambhuganj area in Mymensingh Sadar upazila, police said.

When the gang was preparing to commit a robbery in Gazipur area around 4:00am, locals informed the police, who rushed to the spot, chased the robbers and arrested the nine of the gang.

Murder of abducted child sparks protest in Dinajpur

Human chain demands capital punishment to the killers

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

Teachers and students of different educational institutions in Hakimpur upazila of the district formed a human chain in the upazila town yesterday, demanding capital punishment to the killers of four-year-old Abtahi Al Rashid.

Abtahi, son of Harunur Rashid, acting principal of Hakimpur Women's College, was abducted from Muharapara in the upazila town, on Monday last. The abductors later demanded Tk 30 lakh through a text message to Abtahi's father.

Police found Abtahi's body in a jute sack at the house of Amzad Hossain of the area on Tuesday night, 36-hours after his abduction.

Mokhlesur Rahman, officer-in-charge (OC) of Hakimpur Police Station, said Amzad's son Md Samiul Islam, 21, abducted the boy on Monday afternoon and killed him within half an hour.

Police arrested Samiul and his father Amzad Hossain on charges of abduction and killing. Samiul's mother Anwara Begum has been absconding since the incident, the OC added.

Protesting the killing, several hundred teachers and students joined a human chain in the upazila town at around 11.00am. Parents and relatives of Abtahi also joined the programme organised by Hakimpur municipality.

Addressing a rally at the

programme, the speakers demanded that local police administration work sincerely in the child-killing cases to ensure punishment of the killers.

Police said Samiul confessed to his involvement in the killing.

At least three children have been murdered for ransom in Dinajpur since November last year. Of them, an 8-year-old girl of Dinajpur Satellite town was found murdered on January 1, while four-year-old Porosh Chandra Roy's body was recovered in November last year.

Mursalin Haque, a Class IX student of Mohabbatpur village under Dinajpur Sadar upazila, was murdered in June 2014 as the abductors did not get the ransom.



PHOTO: STAR

A large number of locals join a human chain in Hakimpur upazila under Dinajpur district yesterday demanding punishment of the criminals who killed after abduction four-year-old Abtahi Al Rashid, son of Harunur Rashid, acting principal of Hakimpur Women's College.

BANDARBAN, JESSORE

Four including madrasa girl abducted

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Four people, including a madrasa girl and a cattle trader, were abducted in Jessore and Bandarban districts on Saturday.

An alleged stalker abducted a madrasa girl from Joyenta village in Jessore Sadar upazila on Saturday, reports our Benapole correspondent.

Ilias Hossain, officer-in-charge of Jessore Kotwali Police Station, said one of Shamim Hossain, 20, son of Abdur Zabbar of Shakharigati village, used to tease the eighth grader.

The victim's father then informed Shamim's parents about the matter, which angered Shamim.

On Saturday Afternoon, Shamim with the help of his associates Rubel, 19, and others abducted the girl when she was returning from her friend's house.

In Bandarban, criminals abducted a cattle trader and two others from Thanchi of the district the same day, reports our correspondent.

The abductees are cattle trader Abu Bakkar, 30, and his associates Absar Ali, 28, and Md Shabuddin, 29, of

Obaidur Hakimpara of Alikadom upazila.

Family members said cellphones of the victims remained switched off since they went to buy cattle at remote Tong Pue para in Thanchi upazila with Tk 2,50,000 at noon.

They might have been abducted by an armed group of the area, said Bakkar's younger brother Abu Nayeem.

They arrested one John Tripura for his alleged involvement in the abduction, said Sirajul Islam, officer-in-charge of Thanchi Police Station.

3 Mirpur cops

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Of them, Minto and Rashed are now on bail, while Jahidur and Sumon are in jail. And Russell is on the run.

All the accused except Russell claimed themselves innocent and demanded justice after Judge Kamrul Hossain Mollah of the Metropolitan Sessions Judge's Court read out the charges to them.

The court also fixed May 16 to begin trial of the case.

Earlier in the day, the court rejected four separate petitions submitted for

discharging the four from the charges.

According to the prosecution, it was alleged that Jonny, his brother Intiaz Hassan Rocky and three others were detained by a police team, led by SI Jahidur, on February 9, 2014, when they were celebrating a pre-wedding programme of Jonny's friend at Irani camp in Pallabi.

Former Sumon and his friends Russell and Nasim called police after Jonny slapped Sumon for stalking women at the programme.

Later, Jonny, 28, was allegedly tortured to death. He was a resident of Talab camp in Mirpur-II.

Following the incident, victim's brother Rocky on August 7 that year filed a case against nine people, including SI Jahidur.

Later, a metropolitan magistrate conducted a judicial inquiry and found Jahidur and four others' involvement in the murder.

Jahidur is also an accused of custodial death of garment-waste trader Mahabubur Rahman Sujon at Mirpur Police Station.

SNIPPETS

Lightning kills farmer

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

A farmer was killed by lightning at Gargur haor in Dharmapasha upazila of Sunamganj district yesterday. The deceased is Sher Ali, 35, son of Chandu Miah of Noabon village in Sadar upazila. A thunderbolt struck Ali when he was cutting paddy at a field in the area around 8:30am. He was rushed to a local hospital where on-duty doctors declared him dead, said Golam Kibria, officer-in-charge of Dharmapasha Police Station.

Drug trader held

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Chapainawabganj

Members of Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) arrested an alleged drug trader with five kg of cannabis from Khoribari village in Nachole upazila of the district on Saturday. The arrestee is Johrul Islam, 30, son of Jomiruddin of Dimkoil village. On secret information, a team of Rab-5 raided the village and arrested Johrul with cannabis around 10:30pm. They also seized his motorcycle, said Fasiuruddin, officer-in-charge of Nachole Police Station.

Rapist arrested

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bogra

Police arrested a man on charge of raping a speech impaired schoolgirl at Induil village in Adamdighi upazila of the district early yesterday. The arrestee is Apel Khandakar, 38, son of Aziz Khandakar of the village. Police said Apel raped the fourth grader when she stayed at her house alone on Friday. The victim's mother later filed a case, accusing Apel, said Shawkat Kabir, officer-in-charge of Adamdighi Police Station. The arrestee was produced in a court that sent him to jail, said the OC.

Two held with arms

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

Police arrested two youths with arms, bullets and crude bombs in Manda upazila of Naogaon district yesterday. The arrestees are Abu Huraiya, 27, and Arman Hossain, 28, of Daulatpur upazila of Kushtia district. On secret information, a police team raided Joybanglamor in Madha town and arrested the duo with a pipe gun, pistol, magazine, two bullets and two crude bombs. The arrestees were later produced in a court that sent them to jail, said Mozaffar Hossain, officer-in-charge of Manda Police Station.

Man dies from bee bites

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

A man died after being bitten by several bees at Madrasapara village in Haripur upazila of the district yesterday. The victim is Akhter Hossain Chowdhury, 50, son of late Abul Kalam Chowdhury of the area. Family sources said Akhter was taking rest in their mango orchard adjacent to their house. At one stage, several bees from a beehive of the orchard bit him around 4:30pm and he became unconscious. Family members rushed him to Haripur Upazila Health Complex where the on-duty doctor declared him dead.

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Procuring entity name	Bangladesh Tourism Board.
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Invitation For	Printing, Binding and Carrying of Publicity Materials.
Invitation Ref. No.	BTB(Marketing)/Publicity Materials/2016/397
KEY INFORMATION	
Procurement method	Open tender method (OTM).
FUNDING INFORMATION	
Budget and source of funds	GOB
PARTICULAR INFORMATION	
Tender publication date	April 18, 2016
Last date of selling tender documents	May 8, 2016 (during office hours).
Last date & time of submission of tender	May 9, 2016 02:30pm.
Name & address of the office	Selling Tender Document: Bangladesh Tourism Board Level-3, Building-2, BSL Office Complex (Hotel Intercontinental), 1, Minto Road, Dhaka. Place of Submission: 1. Deputy Secretary (Tourism-2) Ministry of Civil Aviation and Tourism Level-19, Building-6 Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka 2. Bangladesh Tourism Board Level-3, Building-2, BSL Office Complex (Hotel Intercontinental), 1, Minto Road, Dhaka. 3. Office of the General Manager (Admin) Bangladesh Parjatan Corporation, 81-83, Mohakhali, Dhaka.

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Worker dies

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Sanjay Halder, Biplob's maternal uncle who also works at the yard, said he heard Biplob and Jashim were injured inhaling toxic gas when they lifted the lid of a tank aboard MV Elite around 3:00pm.

They were taken to three private hospitals in the port city but were refused treatment there, Sanjay added.

Later, the management of the yard sent the duo to Chittagong Medical College Hospital. They were taken to CMCH around 8:00pm,

almost five hours after the incident.

Biplob was pronounced dead on arrival, while Jashim was admitted to the hospital.

The postmortem on the body was done on Saturday afternoon, a day after the incident.

Sanjay claimed his nephew was not wearing any protective gear and the shipbreaking yard authorities only provided transport cost for the body.

Abdul Hye Khan, deputy inspector general of Department of Inspection for

Factories and Establishment (DIFE), said a team from the department visited the site after the accident.

Asked if the yard secured proper certificates for dismantling the ship, he said, "The yard authorities said they would submit the necessary certificates to us in the afternoon today (Sunday)."

Shipbreaking requires two certificates from the Department of Explosives. One is needed when a ship comes at the outer anchorage and the other after beaching