



Locals form a human chain at Chowmohona in Sadar upazila under Moulvibazar district yesterday demanding immediate steps to resist alleged illegal occupation of a piece of land belonging to BNSB Eye Hospital in the area. PHOTO: STAR

Madrasa principal assaulted, AL leader among 9 sued

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

A madrasa principal, who was assaulted allegedly by an Awami League (AL) leader in Gouripur upazila of the district, lodged a complaint with police on Wednesday night.

Md Mofiz Uddin, principal of Shivpur LU Alim Madrasa in Gouripur's Ramgopal union, lodged a written complaint with Gouripur Police Station, naming nine people including local AL leader Md Mahfuz Ullah.

In his complaint, the principal said Mahfuz, ex-secretary of Ramgopalpur union unit of AL, was president of the madrasa governing body in 2013. Late AL lawmaker Capt (Retd) Mujibur Rahman Fakir had lodged a complaint with the Madrasa Education Board in 2013 against Mahfuz for his alleged involvement in financial irregularities, he added.

After investigation, Mahfuz was found guilty and removed from his position, and his cousin Md Motiur Rahman was made president of the madrasa governing body.

After the recent death of the lawmaker, Mahfuz had been threatening the principal and demanded Tk 10 lakh from him as he (Mahfuz) had to spend huge amount of money to face the complaints, the principal alleged.

Mahfuz and his men allegedly entered the madrasa on Wednesday morning and physically assaulted the principal in his office. They also ransacked the office room and drove out the principal from the institution, it was also alleged.

"Mahfuz is also using a teacher and a clerk of the madrasa to instigate the students against me," the principal said.

"Assistant teacher Mozammel

Haque and clerk Salah Uddin Akanda, both cousins of Mahfuz, forcibly drove out the students from their examination centres yesterday and held a protest procession against me," he added.

The principal lodged a complaint naming nine people, including Mahfuz as the prime accused, with Gouripur Police Station.

Mahfuz denied his involvement with the incident. He also alleged that the principal has had a nexus with local Jamaat-Shibir men for long.

Denying his involvement with Jamaat-Shibir men, the principal said he has no link with any political party.

Md Akhtar Morshed, officer-in-charge of Gouripur Police Station, said police are looking into the allegations.

Robber killed in 'gunfight' with cops

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

An alleged robber was killed in a 'gunfight' with police in Shashai area under Bijoy Nagar upazila of Brahmanbaria early yesterday.

The deceased was identified as Mohabbat Khan, 29, son of late Hanif Khan of Koyarpur village in Nasirnagar upazila of the district.

Four policemen, who sustained injuries during the 'gunfight', were admitted to Brahmanbaria Sadar Hospital. They are Sub-inspector Shafiqul Islam and constables Rajab Ali, Sohag Mia and Tariqul Islam.

Officer-in-Charge (OC) Ali Ashraf of Bijoy Nagar Police Station said a police team, acting on a tip-off, cordoned off the area on Dhaka-Sylhet highway where a gang of armed robbers was taking preparation to commit a robbery around 3:30am.

Sensing the presence of the policemen, the gang opened fire on the law enforcers, prompting them to retaliate. Mohabbat sustained bullet injuries while his cohorts managed to flee the scene. He was taken to Brahmanbaria Sadar Hospital where the doctors declared him dead.

Police recovered a pipe gun and some machetes from the spot.

Mohabbat was wanted in a number of cases filed with different police stations in the district, the OC added.

PRE-POLL VIOLENCE IN NAOGAON

Chairman aspirant's camp torched, 3 injured

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

An election camp of a ruling Awami League (AL) candidate was burnt in Khatteshwar Raninagar union under Raninagar upazila while three men of the party were injured during a clash between the supporters of AL and BNP in Mohadebpur upazila of Naogaon district yesterday.

Police said some unidentified people burnt the election camp of Asaduzzaman Pintu, who is contesting for chairman post in the union parishad election, at Lohachura Hathkholra village around 2:00am. Election in the union will be held on May 28.

A case was filed in this connection, said Abdul Latif Khan, officer-in-charge of

Raninagar Police Station.

In Mohadebpur upazila, three ruling party men were injured during a clash between supporters of the AL and BNP nominated chairman candidates of Safapur union.

Locals said supporters of AL nominated chairman candidate Moynul Haque were campaigning in Jighatola area in the morning. All of a sudden, the supporters of Samsul Alam Bachhu, a BNP nominated chairman aspirant, attacked them, triggering a clash.

Injured Sharaful Islam, Sekendar Ali and Solaiman Ali were admitted to Naogaon Sadar Hospital, said Saber Ali, officer-in-charge of Mohadebpur Police Station.

Election in all unions of the upazila will be held on June 4.



Polis campaign office of an Awami League nominated candidate lies ravaged as alleged opponents set fire to the set-up at Lohachura Hathkholra village in Khatteshwar Raninagar union of Raninagar upazila under Naogaon district early Thursday. PHOTO: STAR

Blue beauty

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and probably the coldest day of the year when a bus dropped us at Keramtoli, where a sailing-ship awaited to cruise us to the island. The alacrity of people to get on the ship have always amused me and I always wondered why do they go all the way to the Saint Martin's for only three hours, often too clumsy to notice what's around them and gladly return home with few snaps behind the mangrove or against the setting sun. Perhaps, that's all they can possibly imagine to do being close to nature.

Well, as wildlife watchers we are not always fortunate to find our targets, especially when there are more commercial trees or no tress in the forests or salt pans across the wetlands. However, we still find reasons to worship our wildlife in every corner of our land. One firm example of it is the Pacific Reef Egret on Saint Martin's Island.

It was the lowest peak of the ebb tide when we landed on the island. I could not wait any longer to get to Chhera Dwip where the bird was originally sighted. Tide plays a key role while searching for water birds along the coast. Most water birds often rest during high tide. Therefore, the ebb tide was a minor setback for me to start the search right away. I hired a boat and headed further

offshore to test my fortune.

I searched every corner of Chhera Dwip for the blue bird -- from the sandy shores to the gravelly placed dead corals. Whimbrels, Sand Plovers and Ruddy Turnstones came by. As the day rolled on, the tidal water began to emerge, filling in the gaps created by my footprints or the thin cracks formed while the Whimbrel dug deeper into the mud to hunt crustaceans. The splendour of nature was at its best but no sign of the treasure I was looking for.

The next morning I went back to the site, putting all hopes together in my pair of old binoculars. The name Chhera Dwip sounds appropriate only when the tidal water inundates the surroundings, detaching it from the main island. Chhera Dwip appeared incredibly smaller than the day before and all my hopes of seeing the Pacific Reef Egret were pinned on my luck and hard work for the next few hours.

The sun was against me but I could still see an indistinct limestone on the horizon. I walked further and after a few footsteps, a beam of blue blazed as the dead coral turned alive. Yes, there it was -- the secret of Saint Martin's! What a brilliant bird with more charcoal-grey than blue. For them, life on this island was perhaps very different now than several decades ago when there were no fancy hotels, and only a few islanders caught fish from the sea and cultivated rice.

While searching for peace the egret pair ended up at the furthestmost spot of Chhera Dwip, hiding in the cliffs of dead corals from hundreds of tourists each day.

And thus my sojourn ended with profound emotions attached to this magical land and the blue bird. Days passed by in search of new philosophy of life and new adventures. I went back to Chhera Dwip a few more times but never saw the pair again. Is this it? Did we push them from our land forever?

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Tender Memo No: Est.Sec-1-2016/1296 Date: 26.05.2016

Invitation for Tender (PG2)

Tender No: 253 (2015-2016)

1.	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Housing and Public Works.
2.	Agency	Ministry of Home.
3.	Procuring entity name	Md. Abul Kalam, Executive Engineer, PWD E/M Division-1, Dhaka.
4.	Procuring entity code	Not used at present.
5.	Procuring entity district	Dhaka.
6.	Invitation for	Tender for A/C of SB-CID Headquarters Bhaban, Dhaka.
7.	Invitation Ref. No.	N/A
8.	Date	26-05-2016.

KEY INFORMATION

9.	Procurement method	Open Tendering Method (OTM).
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FUNDING INFORMATION

10.	Budget and source of funds	GoB.
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PARTICULAR INFORMATION

11.	Tender last selling date	12-06-2016 up to office hours.
12.	Tender closing date and time	13-06-2016 up to 12:00 hours (tender may be submitted any day before last date).
13.	Tender opening date and time	13-06-2016 at 01:00pm.
14.	Name & addresses of the offices selling tender document	Principal: Office of the Executive Engineer, PWD E/M Division-1, Dhaka. Others: (i) Divisional Commissioner, Dhaka Division, (ii) DIG (State), Police Headquarters, Dhaka, (iii) PWD E/M Division-2/3/4/5/6/7/8, Dhaka/PWD E/M Mechanical Workshop Division, Dhaka/PWD Wood Workshop Division, Dhaka.
15.	Name & addresses of the offices receiving tender document	Principal: Office of the Executive Engineer, PWD E/M Division-1, Dhaka.
16.	Opening tender document	PWD E/M Division-1, Dhaka.
17.	Pre-tender meeting	Not applicable.

INFORMATION FOR TENDERER

18.	Eligibility of tenderer	This invitation for tender is open to all eligible tenderers having the following qualification:- (a) Reputed bonafide firm/organization having (i) Up-to-date Trade License, (ii) Up-to-date TIN, VAT Registration Certificate (iii) Bank Solvency Certificate (iv) Valid ABC category Electrical License & Supervisory License from Electrical Licensing Board. (b) Having experience in successful completion of 1 (one) number of similar nature of work in Govt./Semi gov./Autonomous organization in Bangladesh during last 3 (three) years amounting Taka 6.00 lac. (c) The experience certificate for successful completion of works shall have to be issued by the officer not below the rank of Executive Engineer of concerned Department/Organization. In case of other than PWD, certificate for completion of works shall be duly verified by the concerned Executive Engineer of PWD of that district/area under whose jurisdiction of the work has been done [Form-'A']. (d) All other qualification, terms & conditions as specified in Tender Data Sheet (TDS). Necessary supporting documents are to be submitted with the tender. (e) Turnover: Minimum average annual turnover in last 5 (five) years preceding the date of submission of the tender to be greater than Tk 10.00 lac [Form-'B']. (f) Liquid Asset: the minimum amount of free funds (Liquid Asset) or Approved credit facilities net of other confidential commitments of the successful tenderer shall be Tk 8.00 lac [Form-'C'].
19.	Brief description of goods	As per BOQ.
20.	Price of the tender document	Tk 500.00 [non-refundable].

21.	Tender name and description			
Tender No.	Identification of works	Location	Tender security (Tk.)	Completion time
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PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS

22.	Name of the official inviting tender	Mw. Abul Kalam.
23.	Designation of the official inviting tender	Executive Engineer.
24.	Address of the official inviting tender	PWD E/M Division-1, Dhaka.
25.	Contact details of the official inviting tender	Tel No- 02-9569820
26.	The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders.	
27.	Special instructions	This tender notice is brief and the details of the tender may be seen from the office of the undersigned during the office hours.

Md. Abul Kalam
Executive Engineer
PWD E/M Division-1, Dhaka

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