

Chudanga conjoined twins shifted to Dhaka

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The conjoined twin baby girls, who were born through a caesarean in Chudanga on Wednesday, were shifted to Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University in the capital yesterday.

They have been shifted to Dhaka as specialist surgeons are needed to separate them, said local doctors.

The twins are joined from chest to abdomen while their head, face, eyes, ears, hands and legs are normal, said Mahmud Bin Hedayet Setu, a physician of Jibonnagar upazila health complex in Chudanga, who conducted the caesarean.

Father of the newborn twins, Mukul Hossain, a small farmer, has made a plea to the government for financial support for the operation needed to separate the babies.

One dies, 18 hurt as villagers clash

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One villager was killed and 18 others were injured in separate clashes in two villages under Shailakupa upazila of the district yesterday.

In Debinagar village, a man was killed and six others of both sides sustained injuries in a clash between two groups of ruling party men.

The deceased was identified as Atiar Rahman Khan, 45, son of Mohammad Ali Khan of the village.

The names of the injured could not be known immediately. They have been admitted to Shailakupa health complex.

Police said a fierce clash took place between the supporters of two ruling party men, Atiar Rahman Khan and Shahjahan Mollah, over an affair with a woman. Both the groups were armed with sharp weapons.

Police opened fire to disperse the angry mob and bring the situation under control.

Sub-inspector of Ramchandrapur police outpost Ajoy Kumar said Atiar died on the spot.

In Shaphkholia village, two groups of villagers locked in a clash yesterday over establishing supremacy in the area.

Twelve people of both sides were injured and some houses were vandalised during the clash.

The injured are Laltu Mondol, 50, Jashim Uddin, 22, Milon Hossain, 25, Ashraf Hossain, 22, Tito Shikdar, 45, Shimul Hossain, 23, Razu Hossain, 24, Swapan Mollah, 45, Suzayed Hossain, 60, Jahangir Hossain, 65, Razu Ahmed, 20, and Tupu Hasan, 35.

Locals said there was a longstanding conflict between acting chairman Faruk Hossain and ex-chairman Mofiz Uddin over establishing supremacy in the area.

As a sequel to the previous enmity, supporters of the two men had an altercation yesterday at a tea stall of the village. Later, they clashed with each other with locally made weapons.



Travel has become risky on Barektila road in Taherpur upazila of Sunamganj as the hills developed large cracks.

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Sonaimurir Tek draws tourists

The area in Narsingdi has been marked as an archaeologically important spot

BENAZIR AHMED BENU with ENAMUL HUQ

Sonaimurir Tek in Narsingdi, with its abundant greenery and red soil, has been attracting an increasingly larger number of tourists every year.

Situated by the side of Dhaka-Sylhet highway, it is among the top tourist spots in the country.

Sonaimurir Tek, surrounded by six hills in Shibpur upazila of the district, is 65 km from capital Dhaka and 12 km from Narsingdi town.

Vegetables are the main source of income of the farmers of the area. Bitter gourd (korola), beans (shim), lady's finger (dherosh), gourd (lau), sponge gourd (jhinge), pumpkin (kumra), green papaya (kacha pepe), and arum (kachu) grown there play

an important role in meeting the country's demand.

It also has jackfruit trees, olive groves and berry gardens, and various types of herbs grow on the slopes of the hills.

Archaeologists have been conducting research in this area for long. In 1968 a fossilised sheaf of paddy and a trunk of hijol tree were found there. A good number of earthen potteries have been unearthed in Kamartek area. Archaeologists think these date back to 2,500 BC. The area has been marked as an archeologically important spot.

Film directors have long been using this area as shooting spot for films and dramas. Besides, a huge number of tourists visit this area every year. During winter, people go to Sonaimurir Tek for picnic. Calls of

various types of birds, including cuckoos and doves, add enchantment to the environment.

Recently, some motels, picnic spots and attractive bungalows have been built by private entrepreneurs on the hill tops. Parjatan Corporation can earn a big amount of revenue by setting up an attractive tourist centre and beautifying the spot.

It will also play an important role in economic development of the country by expanding cottage industries. The area is reputed for its earthenware, and various household articles of bamboo and cane are also made in this area.

Beautiful spots like Sristigarh, Kamartek, Morjal, Jossor Bazar, Joy Mongol and Baghabo surround Sonaimurir Tek.



The palace of Balapur zamindar in Narsingdi is heading towards ruination due to utter neglect.

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Landslide risk on Tanguar Haor road

Indiscriminate hill-cutting, unplanned house construction on due to admin negligence

MINTU DESHWARA with ANDREW EAGLE

Indiscriminate hill-cutting, unplanned house construction and administration negligence have contributed to make travelling along the Tanguar Haor road in Barektila of Taherpur upazila in Sunamganj a risky proposition. Tourists and locals alike are fearful.

"This road is dangerous for all," says Mumtaj Uddin Ahmed, a tourist from Dhaka on his way to visit the haor. "From the higher side it seems alright but when seen from the lower portions, it's clear there is a significant chance of a landslide. If tourists knew the road condition beforehand they would lose interest to visit Tanguar Haor."

"Tanguar Haor is well-known around the world," says another tourist, Akther-uz-Zaman, 38. "But the hilltop road has become so risky."

"This road has been in poor condition for a long time," says motorcycle rider Ruhan Mia. "If there is any accident people could well die."

"I rented a motorcycle and then I saw the Barektila road," says Samir Mahmud, 35, a tourist from Chittagong. "I was so scared because one side of the road is severely damaged and a landslide could happen at

any time."

According to Sumon Mia, from Barektila village, no government official has visited the area to inspect the road.

"The population in the area is rising," says Abdul Karim Kim, general secretary of the Sylhet chapter of Bangladesh Poribesh Andolon. "For this reason many hills have been cut without thought to make houses and the local administration has done nothing to stop it."

He believes strict law enforcement is needed to save the hills and protect the road. "It's easy to level a hill," he says, "but not so easy to rebuild one."

The road is used by hundreds of tourists and locals every day.

According to environmentalists, when it rains the water soaks the hill soil causing it to become loose and heavy. If the rain's intensity is too great the hill slope will not be able to bear the weight of the mud and a landslide will occur.

The chairman of Taherpur upazila, Kamruzzaman Kamrul, is likewise concerned about the road's condition. "I hold grave fears there can be a landslide at any moment in some areas," he says. "I have already spoken with our higher authorities in this regard."

Rangamati BCL factions clash

A CORRESPONDENT, *Rangamati*

Five students of both sides were injured in a clash between two groups of Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) at Rangamati Government College yesterday.

They are Sabbir Rahman, 22, Dipankar Dey, 22, Najim Uddin, 21, Hasan Murad, 19, and Nur Nabi, 19. They have been admitted to Rangamati General Hospital.

Ritan Chakma, an eyewitness, said a group of BCL men went to the college and beat up another group of BCL men, creating panic among the students.

Later, police brought the situation under control.

Sultan Mahmud Bappa, president of Rangamati Government College BCL, said two rival groups of activists clashed in the college.

Principal of the college Jafor Ahmed said the college authorities have told the students not to get involved in conflicts in the college campus.

Officer-in-Charge of Kotwali Police Station Md Rashid said the clash took place between two groups of BCL. Police brought the situation control and additional police have been deployed in the area to avert any untoward incident, he added.

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