

Laxmipur canal in grabber's grip

Upazila administration keeps mum on building market

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Noakhali

An alleged land grabber has been building a market on a canal at Gazipur in Ramganj upazila of Laxmipur, thanks to the authorities' negligence.

Local people blamed one Mizanur Rahman Mintu, son of Harun Miah of Gazipur village in the upazila, for the grabbing.

They alleged that construction workers have been building a market there for about a month but the administration did not take any effective step against the grabbing.

A number of traders at Gazipur bazar and some farmers alleged that Mintu has been building an 11-room multi-storied market grabbing a link canal.

They said if water flow in the canal is stopped due to the grabbing, Irri-boro farming on about 6,000 acres of land at Azimpur and Gazipur will be affected.

The traders and farmers said they informed the local upazila administration of the matter but they did not take any action although the construction of the market has been going on for the last one month.

Upazila Nirbahi Officer Md Abu Yusuf told this correspondent that he is informed about the matter and will take action to dismantle the under-construction market soon.



US Ambassador to Bangladesh Marcia Stephens Bloom Bernicat accompanied by officials visits an unregistered camp of the Rohingya refugees at Leda in Teknaf under Cox's Bazar yesterday.

PHOTO: STAR

27 Indian cattle seized in Kurigram

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Kurigram

Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) seized 27 Indian cattle from border areas under Bhurungamari upazila of the district yesterday.

A patrol team of BGB from Shaljhore border outpost (BoP) camp, led by Nayek Nazrul Islam, raided Shaljhore village and seized 19 Indian cattle inside 100 yards from the border when a cowboy was coming with the cattle around 7:30am, said sources of Kurigram 45 BGB Battalion.

The cowboy, however, managed to escape, sensing the presence of BGB men.

Another BGB team of Dhaldanga BoP, led by Nayek Abdul Hannan, raided Gopalpur village, one kilometre from the border, and seized eight Indian cattle from there at 12:05pm.

The 27 cattle worth around Tk 8.25 lakh will be auctioned in presence of local customs officials, BGB officials said.

BEGGING FOR son's schooling

EAM ASADUZZAMAN with ANDREW EAGLE

Last Sunday afternoon, neatly dressed 12-year-old boy with books in hand was crossing busy Shaheed Dr Zikrul Huq Road in Nilphamari's Saidpur municipality.

He was accompanied by his 52-year-old mother Jobeda Bibi. The duo had just spent Tk 480 on grammar and essay books, as well as some guides which the son requires for school. It would have been nothing unusual, just an average sort of a daily chore faced by any average family, except that Jobeda is a visually impaired who lives a gruelling life of begging in order to support her son's education.

The boy was helping his mother cross the road, guiding her back towards the Saidpur railway station platform so she could rest. The vicinity of the railway station is her usual begging territory.

Jobeda, from a distant village in Domar upazila, wasn't born blind. "My parents married me to a vegetable vendor in a local market," she tells of her life. "We had a son and a daughter. Then, ten years ago I was in a road accident and I lost my eyesight. That's when the bad days started."

Her husband fled, leaving the now visually impaired woman in a hopeless situation to care for their two children. "I looked for work in the village," says Jobeda, "but nobody chose me because I'm blind. Finding no alternative I migrated to Saidpur town with my children and started to beg."

Five years ago with money saved from the meagre alms she receives, Jobeda managed to arrange her daughter's marriage to cycle van puller, from Polasbari Araji Ikathola village. She then sent her

son to live with them, so he could study in a school there.

"I'm leading a miserable life," she says, almost in tears. "I'm doing that to give my son the chance to live a reputable one, and for no other reason. Allah must be with me since I have nobody else." Holding her hand, the boy says he is trying to fulfil his mother's dream, adding that he is really proud of her for making such an extraordinary effort to turn the impossible into the possible, for him.

Each night Jobeda sleeps on the station platform and at dawn she once again starts to seek out alms. In shabby clothes she looks the

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part. Few could guess she harbours such a noble dream for her son's future.

On an average day Jobeda can earn about Tk 80, from which she arranges a small portion of food for herself. The remainder she sends to her daughter, about Tk 400 each weekend, to pay for her son's schooling and living expenses, which her daughter sincerely does.

Her son currently studies in class six at Poroshmoni High School. He has quite a few years ahead of him before he can finish school. And in the meantime there are always more expenses.

"The school has asked me to come with a new uniform, bag and shoes," says the boy. "I told my mother about it; but I know that she will go without sufficient food to arrange the money for that. She never leaves me with any requirement unfulfilled."

Mung bean seed crisis in two districts

Around 2,070 tonnes of seed needed in Patuakhali, Barguna

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Patuakhali

Shortage of mung bean seeds threatens fulfilling of the target for mung bean cultivation in Patuakhali and Barguna.

Growers are facing serious crisis of seed as Bangladesh Agriculture Development Corporation (BADC) failed to meet their demands. They have to buy seeds at Tk 140 to Tk 160 per kg, while BADC's rate is only Tk 58.

Md Gias Uddin, a mung bean grower of Ghopkhali village in Itbaria union under Patuakhali Sadar upazila, said he cultivated mung bean on two acres of land last year and also planned to cultivate it on three acres this year as it is very profitable.

He bought seeds from BADC last year as they were of good quality and high productivity, but BADC does not have seeds this year, he said.

"Finding no alternative, I bought 10 kg seeds from a local shop at Tk 150 per

kg," he added.

Md Rafiqul Islam of Badura village in Auliapur union said he also faced crisis of mung seed this year as BADC has no seeds. "I have been cultivating mug for 10 years as it is very profitable. I earned Tk about 50,000 last year," he added.

Deputy Director (DD) of the Department of Agriculture Extension (DAE) in the district Md Nazrul Islam said they have set a target to cultivate mung bean on 75,000 hectares of land this year, while it was 72,300 hectares last year.

Around 2,070 tonnes of seeds would be needed to meet the target, nearly half of which is procured by the farmers from the market, he said.

Mung bean farming is very profitable in the coastal region for its suitable soil, favourable weather and cheap labour cost, the DD said.

Deputy Director of BADC (seeds) Md Asaduzzaman said they got only 3,470 tonnes from the centre, of which 1.2 tonnes were given to government's revenue project free of cost. The remaining 2.27 tonnes is not sufficient to meet the demand, he added.

Man confesses raping minor sister-in-law

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jamalpur

A youth, who allegedly raped his minor sister-in-law in Dewanganj upazila of the district on Sunday, confessed to violating the girl before a judicial magistrate's court on Monday.

The accused, Mohammad Wasim, 22, son of Hobibur Rahman of Baulpara village of the upazila, is brother-in-law of the victim.

The Court of Judicial Magistrate Wahiduzzaman sent Wasim to jail after his confessional statement under Section 164.

The eight-year-old victim, daughter of a poor farmer, hailing from Polobandha village of Islampur upazila, used to live at her brother-in-law Wasim's house, police said quoting the victim's family members.

Wasim allured his minor sister-in-law about 4:00pm on Sunday by offering jujube locally known as kul, to a maize field at neighbouring Purabhita village where he raped her, leaving her critically injured, said Officer-in-Charge of Dewanganj Police Station Mostasinur Rahman.

The victim's elder brother filed a rape case with the police station accusing Wasim on Sunday night.

The girl, now undergoing treatment at Jamalpur General Hospital, was traumatised, said Superintendent of Police Rounok Jahan, quoting the doctors of the hospital.

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Invitation for Tender

1	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Posts, Telecommunications & ICT/Posts and Telecommunications Division.
2	Agency	Department of Telecommunications (DoT).
3	Procuring entity name	Director General, Department of Telecommunications (DoT).
4	Invitation for	Purchase of Furniture for DoT.
5	Invitation Ref No.	14.30.0000.213.07.099.16/3
6	Date	31.01.2017
7	Procurement method	Open Tendering Method (National).
8	Budget and source of funds	GoB
9	Office name	Office of the Director General, Department of Telecommunications.
10	Tender publication date	01.02.2017
11	Tender last selling date	15.02.2017
12	Tender closing date and time	16.02.2017 at 11:30 hrs. BST.
13	Tender opening date and time	16.02.2017 at 11:40 hrs. BST.
14	Name & address of the office	Office of the Director General, Department of Telecommunications, 423-428, Tejgaon Industrial Area, Dhaka-1208.
	Place of selling, receiving & opening tender document	Office of the Director General, Department of Telecommunications, 423-428, Tejgaon Industrial Area, Dhaka-1208.
15	Eligibility of tenderer	Any licensed contractor, supplier, furniture seller or supplier is allowed to participate in the bid. Tenderer will have legal, financial, professional and technical capacity to deliver the requirements of this tender and have to fulfill the obligations of all tax requirements as per the tender document.
16	Brief description of goods or works	Purchase of Furniture for DoT.
17	Price of tender document	Tk. 500/- (non-refundable).
18	Tender security amount	Tk. 10000.00 (ten thousand) only.
19	Completion time in days	15 days.
20	Name & address of official inviting tender	Office of the Director General, Department of Telecommunications, 423-428, Tejgaon Industrial Area, Dhaka-1208.
21	The procuring entity reserves the right to accept any or reject any or all tenders.	

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টি-হেড জেটি নির্মাণের দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি

১।	মন্ত্রণালয়	মৎস্য ও প্রাণিসম্পদ মন্ত্রণালয়।
২।	ক্রমকারী প্রতিষ্ঠানের নাম	বাংলাদেশ মৎস্য উন্নয়ন কর্পোরেশন (বামউক)।
৩।	ক্রম পদ্ধতি	ওপেন টেন্ডার মেথড (ওটিএম)।
৪।	অর্থের উৎস	কর্পোরেশনের নিজস্ব অর্থায়ন।
৫।	দরপত্রের সূত্র নম্বর ও তারিখ	পত্র নং-৩৩.০৩.১৫৬১.০২.০০৬.১৫৯.১৪ তারিখঃ ২৯/০১/২০১৭ইং।
৬।	কাজের সংক্ষিপ্ত বিবরণ	টি-হেড জেটি নির্মাণ (মালামাল ব্যতীত)।
৭।	দরপত্র দলিল বিক্রির শেষ তারিখ ও সময়	তারিখঃ ১২/০২/২০১৭ইং অফিস চলাকালীন সময় পর্যন্ত।
৮।	দরপত্র দাখিলের শেষ তারিখ ও সময়	তারিখঃ ১৩/০২/২০১৭ইং সময়ঃ বেলা ১২.০০ ঘটিকা।
৯।	দরপত্র খোলার তারিখ ও সময়	তারিখঃ ১৩/০২/২০১৭ইং সময়ঃ বেলা ১২.৩০ ঘটিকা।
১০।	দরপত্র প্রাপ্তির স্থান	ক) হিসাব নিয়ন্ত্রক এর কার্যালয়, বামউক, ২৪-২৫, দিলকুশা বা/এ (৫ম তলা), ঢাকা-১০০০। খ) প্রধান হিসাবরক্ষক এর কার্যালয়, চট্টগ্রাম মৎস্য বন্দর, বামউক, চট্টগ্রাম।
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১৩।	দরপত্রদাতাদের যোগ্যতা	বাংলাদেশের প্রকৃত ব্যবসায়ী। এ বিষয়ে দরপত্রের দলিলে বর্ণিত প্রয়োজনীয় কাগজপত্রাদি দাখিল করতে হবে।
১৪।	নির্মাণের সময়সীমা	চুক্তি সম্পাদনের পরবর্তী ৬০ (ষাট) দিন।
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১৭।	দরপত্র আহ্বানকারী কর্মকর্তার পদবী	মহাব্যবস্থাপক।
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