

Four Allar Dal men sent to jail

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

A court here yesterday sent four activists of militant outfit Allar Dal to jail after police produced them before it.

Senior Judicial Magistrate Sukanta Saha gave the order.

The four were arrested from different areas of Thakurgaon Sadar upazila on Monday.

The arrestees are Fakhru Islam, 31, son of Abdul Motalib of Atghoria village in Pabna, Arif Hossain, 22, son of Md Hamid of Krishnapur village, Rabbani Haque alias Fajlu, 24, son of Shafiqullah of Thakurgaon Sadar upazila and Majibul Islam Miron, 32, son of Khandakar Halim of Kushtia.

Superintendent of Police Farhad Ahmed said Bangladesh Agriculture Development Corporation (BADC) employee Fakhru Islam had been living in a house at Kalibari in Thakurgaon municipality for several years.

Later, Fakhru gave shelter to Arif and Rabbani in the house, Farhad said, adding that on information, police picked up Fakhru from the house. He said Fakhru admitted his involvement with the party during interrogation.

As per his information, police arrested three others from different places in the upazila the same day, Farhad said, adding that about 120 members of Allar Dal are active in Thakurgaon and Panchagarh.



Khasi people at Meghatila Punjee, like others of their community at eight punjees in Kulaura of Moulvibazar, urge saving their homes as vested quarters threaten them. Inset, a child holds a placard showing their worry.

PHOTO: STAR

RIGHTS ACTIVISTS VISIT PUNJEES IN KULaura

Khasi people seek security

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

The government should take initiative to ensure security of the indigenous Khasi people who are fleeing their homes out of fear of attacks by local Bangalees in Kulaura upazila of the district.

Khasi people said this yesterday to a group of rights activists that visited Meghatila punjee (village) in the upazila led by Bangladesh Poribesh Andolon central committee member Father Joseph Gomes.

Father Joseph told this reporter that the life of the indigenous people in eight punjees in the upazila is getting harder as they are threatened of being evicted from their homes.

Bangladesh Adibashi Forum Sylhet Chapter President Gouranga Patro, KUBORAZ (an Inter

Punjee Development Association for the indigenous people) General Secretary Bably Talang and Khasi Students Union President Husia Tongper also talked to the correspondent.

Headman of Meghatila punjee Monika Khonglah said, "Bangalees are making our daily life miserable. They try to influence the administration to save the criminals. Before election they promise to be with us but the murder of Rimon on February 6 shows their real face."

The chairmen and local leaders double-cross and cheat us. They encourage the local people to create instability here, she added.

Nilima Raksam of Amuli punjee said students cannot go to schools and buyers do not come to the punjees for lack of security of life.

Joyanti Rema, an SSC examinee of Amuli

punjee, said she cannot concentrate on her studies because of the insecurity.

Headmaster of Lokkipur Mission High School Sagor Louis Rozari told this correspondent that students and teachers of the punjee cannot attend classes, and SSC candidates feel afraid while going to appear in the examinations.

Officer-in-Charge of Kulaura Police Station Md Shamsuddoha said the Superintendent of Police in Moulvibazar and local policemen asked the Bangalees to protect the indigenous people's rights and not to threaten them.

Earlier, the body of Rimon Mia, 25, a farmer of Mamoni punjee, was found with several bruise marks in the area on February 6.

THREE-WHEELERS ON HIGHWAYS

Bus owners threaten strike

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Patuakhali

Bus owners of Patuakhali, Barguna and Barisal have threatened to stop running of buses in the districts for an indefinite period from tomorrow if plying of three-wheelers on the regional highways is not stopped by today.

Md Nazrul Islam, executive president of Barisal-Patuakhali-Barguna bus-minibus owners association, announced the ultimatum, reading out a written statement at a press conference at Patuakhali Press Club around 8:00pm on Monday.

Leaders of three bus owners associations also demanded immediate release of all 17 bus workers who were arrested by police during a clash between bus workers and three-wheeler drivers at Amtali Chowrasta on Patuakhali-Kuakata road on Monday noon.

The government earlier banned plying of three-wheelers on highways across the country but those vehicles continue run-

ning on divisional and regional highways in Barisal, Patuakhali and Barguna districts, causing road accidents, goes the statement.

On Monday noon, a clash between bus workers and three-wheeler drivers at Amtali Chowrasta left nine people including five policemen hurt.

Bus workers damaged 16 three-wheelers including battery-run auto rickshaws. A police van was also ransacked during the incident.

It took around half an hour for the police to bring the situation under control.

Jahirul Islam Khokon, president of three-wheeler workers' union of Barguna unit, said bus workers attacked the men of three-wheelers without any reason and damaged their 16 vehicles.

Bijoy Bashak, superintendent of police of Barguna, said steps will be taken after proper investigation into the matter.

Steps to stop three-wheelers on highways will also be taken soon, he said.

Madrasa teacher fined

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

A mobile court fined a madrasa teacher for supplying answers to an examinee during the ongoing SSC examinations in Panchbibi upazila of Joypurhat yesterday.

The incident took place while he was an invigilator at Panchbibi Government Girls' High School centre.

The accused is Azmal Hossain, assistant teacher of Shidhoil Madrasa in the upazila, said police.

The court realised Tk 50,000 from him, said Delwar Hossain Dulal, secretary of the examination centre.



Farmer Zahurul Islam harvesting beans on a fallow land at Shivram village in Barabari union under Lalmonirhat Sadar upazila.

PHOTO: STAR

VEGETABLE FARMING ON FALLOW LANDS IN LALMONIRHAT

Zahurul the inspiration

S DILIP ROY, Lalmonirhat

A farmer at Shivram village in Barabari union under Sadar upazila has successfully farmed vegetables on fallow land, inspiring other farmers to do the same on their fallow lands.

Farmer Zahurul Islam, 44, was not satisfied farming vegetables in his 70 decimals of land, so he took sublease of three acres of land from a landowner a few years ago on Tk 75,000 yearly contract basis.

Landowner Niloy Chandra Roy, 65, of the village, said he has no manpower for farming his land, so it had been fallow for years. "I subleased my land to Zahurul and he has been farming vegetables round the year," he said, adding that Zahurul has set an example

for better vegetable farming.

"I never keep the land unused," said Zahurul, adding that he earns profit of Tk 1,50,000 to Tk 2,00,000 every year after bearing all expenditures.

"My wife Rahima Begum helps me, and she gets financial support through easy instalment basis loan facility by NGO Muslim Aid Bangladesh," he said, adding that many local farmers come to him for advice on how to grow vegetables round the year.

Zahurul cultivates bean, cucumber, potato, bitter gourd, pumpkin, carrot, papaya, cabbage, mint, cauliflower, lal shak, palong shak, lady's finger, garlic, squash and napa shak.

Lalmonirhat Sadar branch Manager of Muslim Aid Bangladesh

Abdullah Al Noman said his organisation provides loan on easy instalment basis for farming vegetables. "We are always ready to provide support to those who want to do better in farming," he said.

Farm labourer Kanok Roy, 55, said he and seven others, including three women, got year-round jobs in Zahurul's farm for a wage of Tk 200 per day.

Farmer Haroish Chandra Barmon, 50, said Zahurul earns profit due to his labour and skills, adding that Zahurul has given hope to farmers.

Lalmonirhat Sadar Upazila Agriculture Officer Enamul Haque said farmer Zahurul was given training in farming vegetables, adding that agriculture officials provide him with technical support.

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Memo No. BKTTC/STEP/Procurement/2017/121 Dated : 13/02/2017

Invitation for Re-Tender

1. Ministry/Division	Ministry of Expatriates' Welfare & Overseas Employment
2. Agency	Directorate of Technical Education
3. Procuring Entity Name	Bangladesh-Korea Technical Training Centre.
4. Procuring Entity Code	Not used
5. Procuring Entity District	Dhaka
6. Invitation for	Procurement of Machineries and Equipments for Different Trades
7. Invitation Ref No.	BKTTC/STEP/Procurement/2017/121
8. Date	13/02/2017
KEY INFORMATION	
9. Procurement method	Open Tendering Method (National-Compilation Bidding)
FUNDING INFORMATION	
10. Budget and Source of Funds	Development Budget, International Development Association (IDA).
11. Development Partners (if applicable)	International Development Association (IDA)
PARTICULAR INFORMATION	
12. Project/ Programme Code	N/A
13. Project/ Programme Name	Skills and Training Enhancement Project (STEP)
14. Tender Package No	BKTTC/GD-7
15. Tender Package Name	Procurement of Machineries and Equipments for Different Trades Lot-1: Refrigeration and Air-Conditioning Lot-2: Electrical House Wiring Lot-3: Driving Cum Auto Mechanics Lot-4: Machine Tools Operation and CNC Operator
16. Tender Last Selling Date and time	05/03/2017 5:00 PM
17. Tender Closing Date and Time	06/03/2017 12:00 NOON
18. Tender Opening Date and Time	06/03/2017 12:30 PM
Name and address of the office(s)	
19. Selling Tender Documents	Bangladesh-Korea Technical Training Centre. Mirpur Road, Darus-Salam, Dhaka-1216.
Receiving & Opening Tender Documents	Office of the Principal, Bangladesh-Korea Technical Training Centre. Mirpur Road, Darus-Salam, Dhaka-1216
20. Place/Date/Time of Pre-Tender Meeting (Optional)	Office of the Principal, Bangladesh-Korea Technical Training Centre, Mirpur Road, Darus-Salam, A Dhaka-1216. 26/02/2017. 11 am.
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER	
21. Eligibility of Tenderer	(a) The Tenderers should be the Manufacturers/ Distributors/ Sole Agents of machinery and equipments and related goods" having authorization from the Manufacturer. (b) Shall have a minimum of 5 (five) years of overall experience in the supply of goods and related services. (c) Shall have experience of satisfactory completion of supply of similar goods of minimum BDT 14.00 Lac for Lot-1, BDT 12.0 Lac for Lot-2, BDT 9.00 Lac for Lot-3 and BDT 13.00 Lac for Lot-4 within last 5 (five) years in one contract. (d) Others (as mentioned in the Tender Document).
22. Brief Description of Goods	Procurement of Machineries and Equipment for Different Trades as Tender Document; section-6
23. Brief Description of Related Service	Fitting, Fixing, Assemble, Install and Commissioning of equipment Driving cum Auto-Mechanics, Refrigeration & Air Conditioning, Electrical House wiring and Machine tools Operation
24. Prize of Tender document for each package	Tk. 1000.00 (One Thousand Taka) only.
Tender Package Name	
Identification of Lot	
Tender Security	
Completion Time	
25. Procurement of Machineries and Equipment for Different Trades	Lot-1: Refrigeration and Air-Conditioning 30,000.00 Lot-2: Electrical House Wiring 25,000.00 Lot-3: Driving Cum Auto Mechanics 20,000.00 Lot-4 Machine Tools Operation and CNC Operator 30,000.00 8 weeks
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS	
26. Name of Official Inviting Tender	Dr. Engr. Md. Sakawat Ali
27. Designation of Official Inviting Tender	Principal
28. Address of Official Inviting Tender	Bangladesh-Korea Technical Training Centre. Mirpur Road, Darus-Salam, Dhaka-1216
29. Contact details of Official Inviting Tender	Telephone: 9000184, E-mail: principalbkttc67@yahoo.com Website: www.skilledbangladesh.info/Bangladesh_Korea
30. The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.	

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