

# COLLAPSE OF EMBANKMENT ON JURI RIVER 20 villages still under water in Moulvibazar

MINTU DESHWARA, Moulvibazar

At least 20 villages are still under water as they were flooded due to collapse of an embankment on the Juri river in the district on Tuesday.

Around 1,000 homesteads were flooded in Juri upazila when fifty feet of the embankment collapsed in Boroitoli area due to surge of water from the hills and heavy rain for the last couple of days.

Several thousand people of the villages in Phultola and Sagornal unions under the upazila have been affected.

Abdul Hakim of Sagornal village urged the government to take immediate steps for repairing the embankment.

Farmer Afsar Ali of Boroitoli village said four bighas of his land with vegetables have gone under water. If the flood water does not recede soon, a huge amount of vegetables will be damaged, Afsar Ali added.

Some residents of the area said erosion started in the area where the embankment broke. Movement on the dirt road above

the embankment has become very risky, they said, adding that there were streams of water flowing over the detour.

Whip Shahab Uddin, MP, said over mobile phone that he has talked with officials of Water Development Board (WDB). He assured locals that the embankment would be repaired soon.

Upazila Parishad Vice-chairman Kishore Roy Chowdhury said the collapse of the embankment has affected thousands of families and the authorities concerned should take immediate steps to repair it.

Besides, the roads and seedbeds of the areas have gone under water and fish of around 200 ponds were washed away by the floodwater, he added.

Juri Upazila Parishad Chairman Gulshanara Chowdhury said a huge amount of relief is needed for the affected areas.

WDB Executive Engineer in the district Bijoy Indra Sankar Chakrabarty said they have not got allocation for repairing the embankment as yet.



The embankment on the Juri river in Boroitoli area collapsed on Tuesday, flooding 20 villages in Juri upazila of Moulvibazar.

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## Dr Anwar now JSTU VC

A CORRESPONDENT, Jessore

Prof Dr Anwar Hossain has been appointed as the vice-chancellor of Jessore Science and Technology University (JSTU) for the next four years.

President Abdul Hamid, also the chancellor of the university, appointed Dr Anwar as VC on Monday. Before his current appointment, Dr Anwar was serving as professor at Microbiology Department of Dhaka University.

Dr Anwar did his PhD degree from Tokyo University in 1991.

## Storm-hit people cry for relief

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

Storm-hit people of Lehemba union yesterday besieged the office of Ranishankoil upazila nirbahi officer (UNO) in the district demanding relief for the affected families.

The people of different villages under the union, holding their damaged crops plants, took out a procession that paraded different roads of the upazila headquarters and then held a rally in front of the UNO office.

Speakers at the rally alleged that although three days have passed, the local administration did not take any steps for providing government relief to the affected people.

Locals said hailstorms coupled with rain swept through three unions -- Lehemba, Nanduar and Hossaingao -- of the upazila on Monday, damaging over 3,000 thatched and tin-roofed houses and vast tracts of croplands.

According to the upazila agriculture office, about 1,790 hectares of Boro, 620 hectares of Aus, 590 hectares of maize, 265 hectares of vegetables and 98 hectares of jute fields were badly damaged by the storm.

Ranishankoil Upazila Nirbahi Officer Md Nahid Hasan said nearly 4,000 families of different villages under three unions of the upazila were affected by the recent storm.

"Soon after the incident, 20 tonnes of rice and Tk 30,000 were distributed among the affected people," the UNO said.

## Peanut farming gets popular in Naogaon

KONGKON KARMAKER, From Dinajpur

Peanut farming is gaining popularity among farmers in Naogaon as they can cultivate it at a little cost and get good profit.

Upazila Agriculture Officer (UAO) of the Department of Agriculture Extension (DAE) in Naogaon Sabuj Kumar Saha said 127 hectares of land in Atrai and Raninagar upazilas of Naogaon have been brought under peanut, also called groundnut, farming this year, while it was 80 hectares last year. Production target is 2.50 tonnes per hectare.

Growers are cultivating Dhaka-1, 2, DGM, BARI and Jhinga varieties of groundnut for their high yield, the UAO added.

Groundnut is called 'brown gold' by the growers in those upazilas.

Farmer Rafiqul Islam of Atrai upazila said cultivation of groundnut usually starts in February. "Harvesting will be started within 15 days. We are expecting extremely good yield this season," he added.

It's a new crop in the district, and farmers

are increasing cultivation every year as the land and weather in the district are favourable for groundnut farming, growers in the district said, adding that they have been getting high production for the last five years.

Md Ariful Islam, a farmer of Mirat village in Raninagar upazila, said he cultivated groundnut on 10 decimals of land last year, and increased the area to 75 decimals after getting good profit, adding that he has spent Tk 8,000 so far on the cultivation.

Last year, he earned profit of Tk 25,000 and is expecting to get more this season, he said, adding that the groundnut produced in Naogaon has a unique taste and flavour.

The UAO said more and more farmers in his upazila are opting for groundnut farming as it is profitable and production cost is low.

DAE field workers are raising awareness among the farmers about cultivating new and high yielding varieties of groundnut on their lands with the target of gaining more profit, he added.

## Tangail-based NGO chief sent to jail

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Tangail

A court here yesterday sent the head of a non-governmental organisation (NGO) to jail.

Detectives arrested the chairman of Islamic Trade and Commerce Limited (ITCL) and Social Development Sangsad (SDS) Ismail Hossain Siraji from Tangail town on Wednesday night.

Siraji had been absconding after coming out of jail on bail in 2010.

Officer-in-Charge of Tangail DB police Ashok Kumar Sinha said, acting on a tip-off, they arrested Siraji from Nagar Jalpai area under Tangail Sadar upazila.

Police said Siraji of Dhulbari village in Sadar upazila established Social Development Sangsad (SDS) in the '90s along with three friends after getting registration from the Social Welfare Department in Tangail.

They established ITCL in 1996 and started taking deposits from subscribers. Bangladesh Bank declared deposit taking activities of ITCL illegal in 2002.

When the subscribers demanded return of their savings the owners, officials and employees went into hiding. The subscribers then filed cheating cases against the people involved with SDS and ITCL.

Police arrested Siraji in Tangail in 2002. He was freed on bail in 2010, promising to repay the subscribers.

He went into hiding after getting the bail and did not return the deposits of the subscribers.

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**e-Tender Notice 10/RRD/2016-2017**  
**(Open Tendering Method, NCT)**

The following e-Tenders have been invited in the National e-GP Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) by the Executive Engineer, RHD, Rajbari Road Division, Rajbari for the procurement of works as stated below:

Tender ID	Package No.	Name of work
102863	31/e-GP/RRD/2016-2017	Necessary repairing work of Executive Engineers Residence under Rajbari Road Division during the year 2016-2017.
102923	32/e-GP/RRD/2016-2017	Repair of RHD Office Building & Boundary wall under Rajbari Road Division during the year 2016-2017.

The above tenders are online tenders, where only e-Tenders will be accepted in e-GP Portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted. To submit e-Tender, please register on e-GP System Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>). For more details please contact help desk contact numbers.

**Mohammed Zahirul Islam**  
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**Madaripur boy found dead in Gopalganj**

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Faridpur

The body of a teenager was found at Tanbari area under Muksudpur upazila in Gopalganj on Wednesday.

The deceased was Amit Roy, 18, son of Ananto Roy of Auerakandi village in Kadambari union under Rajoir upazila of Madaripur.

Ananto Roy said, "My son went out of our house at 11:00am on Tuesday, but did not return."

Office-in-Charge of Muksudpur Police Station Jafor Mia said, "Being informed by locals, we recovered the body and sent it to Gopalganj General Hospital morgue for autopsy. Someone killed him and left the body there. There were injury marks behind his head and on his back."

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**PRICE SENSITIVE INFORMATION**

This is for the information to all concerned that IFAD AUTOS LIMITED has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Gulf Oil Bangladesh Limited, a subsidiary company of Gulf Oil International Limited (UK), with a view to subscribe 49% of its equity shares at a cost of USD 1.685 million (United States Dollars One Million Six Hundred and Eighty Five Thousand). Gulf Oil Bangladesh Limited is engaged in importing and selling its renowned brands of lubricant, grease and car care products in Bangladesh. GOI (Gulf Oil International) is present in 73 countries. The said investment is expected to contribute a profit of Tk. 4.36 crore in the next year towards overall profitability of the company (approximately). The investing amount shall be financed from IFAD AUTOS LIMITED's own fund. We solicit full-fledged cooperation from all of our valued stakeholders towards our every endeavor.

Dated: Dhaka May 18, 2017

**By the Order of the Board**  
Sd/-  
Md. Sirajul Islam  
Company Secretary

**EDCL ESSENTIAL DRUGS COMPANY LIMITED**  
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Ref No: EDCL/PD-Gopalganj/ICT/LEA/2017/155 Date: 18 May, 2017

**Amendment of Tender Notice**  
**(Amendment No-02)**

Project Title : Establishment of Essential Drugs Company Limited (3<sup>rd</sup> Plant), Gopalganj  
Package Name : Laboratory, Packaging, Warehouse and Ancillary Equipment  
Lot No. : 01  
Lot Name : Supply, Erection, Installation, Testing, Commissioning, Qualification and Validation of Laboratory Equipment and Accessories  
Ref. No : EDCL/PD-Gopalganj/ICT/LEA/2017/26, Dated: 15 March, 2017

Notice Sl. No	Subject to be Amended	Existing as (According to Amendment No.- 01)	Shall be Amended as
16	Tender Last Selling Date and Time	18 May, 2017 at 05:00 PM ( Local Time)	30 May, 2017 at 03:30 PM ( Local Time)
17	Tender Closing Date and Time	22 May, 2017 at 03:00 PM ( Local Time)	4 June, 2017 at 02:00 PM ( Local Time)
18	Tender Opening Date and Time	22 May, 2017 at 03:30 PM ( Local Time)	4 June, 2017 at 02:30 PM ( Local Time)

All other terms & conditions shall remain unchanged.

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