

# 200 Faridpur families live amid stagnant water for 2 months

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Faridpur

Around 200 families have to live up to two months in stagnant water in Faridpur municipality during the rains every year.

The people of Ombikapur Railway Colony said they live with knee-deep water in their houses due to rain for two months. Most of the families are poor and they are to cook food on their beds for lack of a dry place. Rafts made of banana plants are their only means of transport.

Firoz Khan said they face the situation during monsoon every year and there is no relief from the suffering.

Jahangir Alam said he is always worried about his children as they do not know how to swim.

Beauty Begum said she has sent her children to her father's house due to the flood and fear of snakes.

Nadia Akter, a student of Class IX, said they are in a great problem as they cannot

attend their classes regularly due to the water.

Elderly woman Nurjahan Begum said she stays on the railway line the whole day and eats and sleeps in others' houses.

Hamida Begum said she left her house due to fear of snakes and is now living under a tent.

Md Hafaj Sheikh said they informed the municipality mayor of the situation several times, but no steps have been taken yet. He said they do not want any relief goods, they only want to get rid of the stagnant water.

Ward No 7 Councillor Shamsul Arifin said they are trying to find a permanent solution to this problem, but there is no way to drain out the water now. He said they would take steps in this regard as soon as possible.

Sadar Upazila Nirbahi Officer Provangsu Som said they would take necessary steps to solve the problem. He said he has visited the affected area.



Over 200 families in Ombikapur Railway Colony in Faridpur municipality have to live in knee-deep stagnant water for around two months every year during the monsoon season.

PHOTO: STAR

## DEATH IN CUSTODY 6 Nachole cops sued

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Chapainawabganj

Six policemen, including the officer-in-charge of Nachole Police Station, were sued yesterday as a murder case accused died while on remand on July 26.

The policemen are OC Anwar Hossain, sub-inspectors Abdul Barik, Ahsan Habib, Johrul Islam, ASI Md Shamsul and constable Chan Jarul of the police station.

Shahinur Alam, brother of deceased Mahfuzur Rahman, filed a complaint to the cognisance court of the senior judicial magistrate demanding justice for the death of his brother in police custody.

Akramul Islam, lawyer for Shahinur, said Senior Judicial Magistrate Shariful Islam heard the statement of Shahinur and ordered the superintendent of police to record it as a regular case and investigate the matter.

He also ordered submission of the investigation report to the court and inform the inspector general of police (IGP) and the DIG in Rajshahi.

According to Shahinur, his brother was tortured to death although police claimed it to be a suicide.

On July 20, 'fake' doctor Mahfuzur was arrested in a case for killing a schoolgirl by wrong treatment at a clinic in Nachole upazila of the district.

Mahfuzur was later produced before the court that granted two days' remand and he was taken to police custody on July 25.

## Pro-AL leader murdered

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jhenidah

A Swetchhasebak League leader was hacked to death by a gang of criminals in Arappur bus stand area of the town yesterday.

Feroz Hossain, 32, son of Ansar Ali, was organising secretary of ward No 8 of the organisation in the municipality.

Police and locals said the criminals hacked Feroz indiscriminately near Chandpara mosque while he was going to the town after having lunch. Locals rushed him to Jhenidah Sadar Hospital where the doctor declared him dead.

Sadar Police Station Officer-in-Charge Imdadul Haque said Feroz might have been killed due to previous enmity.

District Swetchhasebak League General Secretary Manwar Hossain Badsha demanded exemplary punishment to the killers of Feroz.

## Pain of three-year-old Pallab seems never ending

Parents seek support to save son from rare skin disease

KONGKON KARMAKER, Dinaipur

A three-year-old boy from the indigenous community in Naogaon's Badalgachhi upazila, has been suffering from unbearable pain due to an undiagnosed skin condition since his birth.

The entire body, even the face, of the boy, Pallab Sardar, son of Suresh Sardar and Prarthona Rani of Hakimpur village in the upazila, is fully covered with boils that often bleed.

Mother of the boy said she first noticed a boil on her son's body on the day he was born.

Gradually numerous boils developed on his entire body that often bleeds and causes strong pain.

The child cannot even open his eyes and mouth properly as many

boils have developed on his entire face, said his parents while talking to journalists on Wednesday.

Failing to bear the suffering of their son, the couple appeared at Badalgachhi Press Club with the ailing boy and sought help from the newsmen to save the kid.

"The boils keep bleeding continuously during summer while fluid-like substance comes out in winter season," Prarthona said.

"Due to the skin disorder my son cries for relief from his pain all the time," said the tearful mother.

Villagers said last year people living in the area raised funds for Pallab's treatment and sent the boy and his parents to the capital after local doctors failed to diagnose his disease.

But his treatment ended halfway due to crisis of fund, said

Suresh, adding that doctors advised them to feed the boy nutritious foods but he cannot afford it due to poverty.

Badalgachhi Upazila Family Planning Officer Dr Jahid Nazrul said Pallab's disease seemed rare to him.

He urged solvent people from the society to extend their helping hand so that the poor family can continue his treatment and let the boy know that he is not alone.

After seeing news on nine-year-old girl Mahmuda, suffering from a similar disease, on the Country Page of this newspaper on July 20, several solvent people extended their helping hands and admitted the girl to Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University (BSMMU) on Saturday for treatment.

## MURDER OF 2 SISTERS Next hearing tomorrow

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jamalpur

A court here yesterday fixed Tuesday for the next hearing of the prayer for remand of two suspects in the case for the murder of two sisters in Jamalpur Sadar upazila last week.

"We produced Wares Ali, 50, and Bilash Mia, 28, of Baluata village under Sadar upazila before the court of Senior Judicial Magistrate Niskriti Hakitak, seeking five-day remand, and the court fixed tomorrow for the hearing," said Sadar Police Station Inspector Mahabbat Kabir, also investigation officer of the case.

Slit-throat bodies of Bhabana, 14, and Lubna, 9, daughters of Malaysia expatriate Shamim Hossain and Taslima Begum of Dewliabari village in the upazila, were found at their house on

## B'baria schoolchildren at risk

Buildings of twelve govt primary schools in Nasirnagar upazila are dilapidated

MASUK HRIDOY with ANDREW EAGLE

For up to three thousand schoolchildren in Brahmanbaria's Nasirnagar upazila, dilapidated school buildings are a usual hazard. At twelve government primary schools some or all of the classrooms that should house daily lessons are unusable due to neglect. In the worst instances the designated buildings are at risk of collapse. Classes are often relocated, to be held in rented tin sheds, in corridors or under the open sky, which for the students is hardly a scenario that can inspire. Understandably, enrolment rates are falling.

Durgapur Government Primary School in Bhalakut union is one school facing such circumstances. "Plaster falls from the ceiling of our classroom," says Arina Akter, a stu-

dent of class five. "When the rain starts our classrooms are also wet. From fear we don't go inside.

Instead, our classes are held in a tin shed."

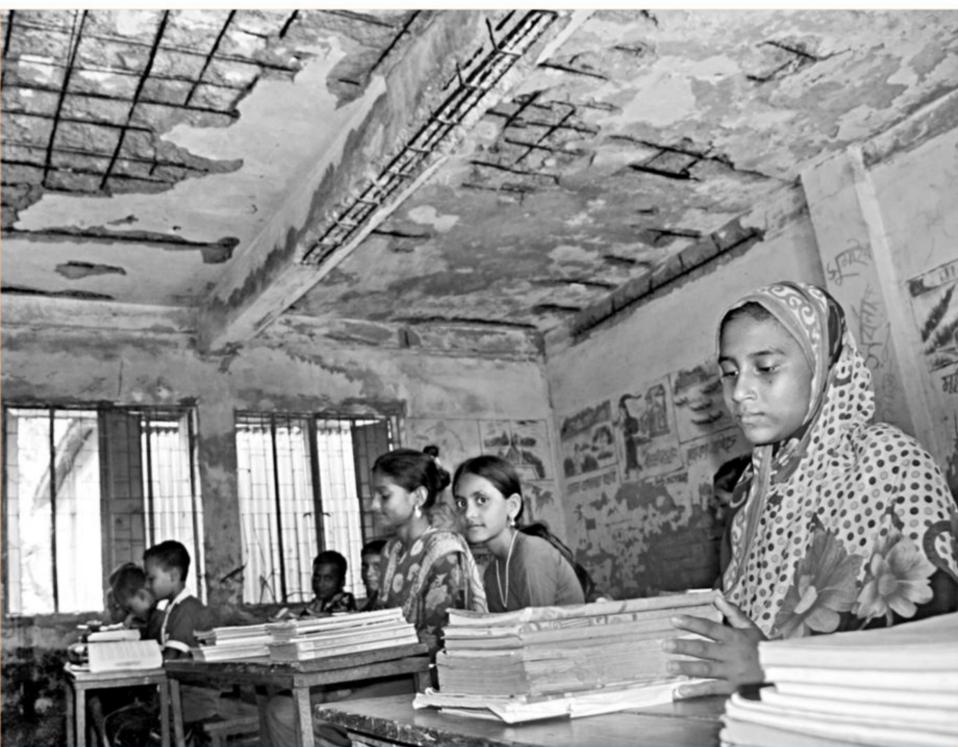
"Roof cracks in the three classrooms and the office room at our school first appeared fifteen years ago," says the assistant teacher, also acting headmaster, Kohinoor Begum. "Every day, plaster falls from the ceilings. It's really terrible," she adds. She says that there was no choice but to rent a tin shed for classes, with the teachers themselves paying the rent.

"The original contractor used such low quality materials," says president of the school management committee Hemendra Chandra Das. "Plaster routinely falls, and at any time the building can collapse. The risk of a major catastrophe is very real."

Due to the condition of the classrooms, the school is failing to attract students. "In light of the situation, many families prefer to enrol their children in kindergartens in neighbouring villages," says Das. "The number of students we have is decreasing day by day." It's a reality that's also true for the eleven other schools with dilapidated buildings.

Requests to fix the buildings have been sent. "The authorities should allocate funds to urgently repair the buildings at several schools in this area," agrees the upazila's Primary Education Officer Umme Salma.

"Most of the schools with risky buildings are in haor areas," says Nasirnagar's Upazila Nirbahi Officer Md Liakot Ali. "Immediate steps will be taken to construct safe buildings at these schools."



A dilapidated classroom of Durgapur Government Primary School in Nasirnagar upazila under Brahmanbaria. The photo was taken recently.

PHOTO: MASUK HRIDOY

## Man to die for killing wife

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

A court here yesterday sentenced a man to death for killing his wife in 2014.

The convict is Saiful Islam, son of Abdul Motaleb of Phulbaria upazila.

Mymensingh Women and Children Repression Prevention Tribunal Judge Md Helal Uddin delivered the verdict, said court inspector.

The court also fined him Tk 10,000. Motaleb and Maleka were acquitted as charges brought against them were not proved.

The case statement said Saiful married Morjina Khatun some seven years ago, and since then he and his parents used to pressure her for dowry and also tortured her mentally and physically on various occa-

## 'Arrest killers of baby boy Kawsar'

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gaibandha

Speakers at a human chain yesterday demanded immediate arrest and punishment of the culprits who killed 16-month-old boy Kawsar in May this year.

Villagers, relatives and victim's family members joined the rally in front of Gaibandha Press Club.

They said although victim's father Abul Kashem filed a case with Sadar Police Station on June 6, police are yet to arrest any of the accused in connection with the murder.

The speakers alleged that the culprits are moving freely and threatening the victim's family to withdraw the case.

One May 5, Mohammed Ali of Khidir Sharif village in Sadar upazila and his men allegedly killed Kashem's son Kawsar over previous feud.

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২	ক্রম/সংগ্রহকারী দপ্তরের নাম	:	বন্দ্যাবিধি হাসপাতাল, ফৌজদারহাট, চট্টগ্রাম।	
৩	ক্রম/সংগ্রহের স্বত্বাধিকারীর জেলা	:	চট্টগ্রাম।	
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৫	ক্রম/সংগ্রহের পদ্ধতি	:	উন্মুক্ত দরপত্র পদ্ধতি (OTM)।	
৬	বাজেট ও তহবিলের উৎস	:	রাজস্ব (২০১৭-১৮)।	
৭	দরপত্র বিক্রয়ের তারিখ ও সময়	:	০৮/০৮/২০১৭ইং তারিখ হইতে ২৯/০৮/২০১৭ইং (সকাল ১০.০০ ঘটিকা হইতে দুপুর ০২.০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত)।	
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	গ গ্রুপ-লিনেন ধৌতকরণ	:	৪০০/- (অফেরতযোগ্য)	
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১৪	দরদাতার যোগ্যতা ও দরপত্র ক্রয় পদ্ধতি এবং প্রাক পরিচিতি	:	হালনাগাদ ট্রেড লাইসেন্স (২০১৭-১৮) এবং লাইসেন্সের ব্যবসায়ের ধরণ পদ্ধতি উল্লেখসহ, ভ্যাট রেজিস্ট্রেশন সনদ, আয়কর জমা প্রদানের রশিদসহ ২০১৬-১৭ইং অর্থবছরের পরিশোধকৃত আয়কর সনদ, সরকারি, আধা-সরকারি ও স্বায়ত্তশাসিত প্রতিষ্ঠানে স্ব-স্ব কাজে ০৩ (তিন) বছরের বাস্তব অভিজ্ঞতা ক গ্রুপের বেলায় উক্ত সময়ের কর্তৃত্বকৃত আয়কর ও ভ্যাট সনদ এবং কমপক্ষে ২০,০০,০০০/- (বিশ লক্ষ) টাকা লেনদেন করিতে সক্ষম হইয়াছেন মর্মে প্রত্যয়নপত্র, বাংলাদেশ চেম্বার ও কমার্শ কল্জ প্রতিষ্ঠানটির সদস্যত্বকৃত সনদ, ব্যাংক কর্তৃক ২০,০০,০০০/- (বিশ লক্ষ) টাকা লেনদেন করিতে সক্ষম হইয়াছেন মর্মে আর্থিক সচ্ছলতার সনদ এবং ২০১৬-১৭ইং অর্থবছরের লেনদেন বিবরণী ও ২০১৭-১৮ইং অর্থবছরের কমপক্ষে ৭,০০,০০০/- (সাত লক্ষ) টাকা স্থিতিসহ ব্যাংক স্টেটমেন্ট প্রতিষ্ঠানের মালিকানার স্বপক্ষে এক্ষেত্রেই সনদ। প্রতিষ্ঠানের মালিকের ০২ (দুই) কপি রশিদ ছবি। জেলা/উপজেলা ট্রেজারী কর্মকর্তা কর্তৃক সিডিউল ক্রয় করিতে হইবে। প্রত্যেকটি কাগজপত্র ১ম শ্রেণীর গেজেটেড কর্মকর্তা কর্তৃক নামযুক্ত সীলে সত্যায়িত করিয়া দরপত্রের সহিত সংযুক্ত করিতে হইবে। অন্যথায় দরপত্র সরাসরি বাতিল বলিয়া গণ্য হইবে। সিডিউলে বর্ণিত অন্যান্য শর্তাবলী যথাযথি অপরিবর্তিত থাকিবে। বিশেষ দ্রষ্টব্যঃ লিনেন সামগ্রী ধৌতকরণের বেলায় শুধুমাত্র ট্রেড লাইসেন্স, পে-অর্ডার, অভিজ্ঞতা সনদ ও ছবি। বাকী অন্যান্য সকল শর্তাবলী শিথিলযোগ্য।	
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