

School water-logged for 6 months a year

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Mymensingh*

Students of a primary school in Phulbaria upazila cannot play sports and games on their school ground as it remains water-logged for six months a year.

Established in 1938, Koierchala Government Primary School has 229 students.

Headmaster Asma Khatun said the field remains water-logged for some six months a year, preventing the students from playing there.

Asma, who joined the school in 2009, said she has been facing the water-logging problem since she joined, but no initiative has been

taken yet to solve the problem.

The situation has become more serious in recent years as there is no drainage system to let the rainwater flow out, so the stagnant water remains for days, she said. In the rainy season, the school field looks like a flood-hit area after slight or moderate rainfall, she added.

Asma said she informed Bakta Union Parishad Chairman Fazlul Haque Makhani about the matter, but no steps have been taken yet.

The chairman said he is trying to solve the problem and has talked to the school authorities.

Lubana Akhter, a Class IV student, said they cannot use the field

for either playing or walking as it becomes muddy after recession of rainwater.

Mosabbir Hossain and Khadija Lipi, members of the school football teams (boys and girls), said they had to face serious problems practicing for the recently concluded school level competitions due to the bad condition of the school ground. They demanded immediate solution of the problem.

School Managing Committee President Tobarak Hossain said unplanned building of houses adjacent to the school made the condition worse.



Students of Koierchala Government Primary School in Phulbaria upazila of Mymensingh wade across the water-logged playground of the school on their way home. The photo was taken on Saturday.

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UP chairman on remand in rape case

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Tangail*

A court here yesterday placed a local union parishad chairman on a four-day remand for quizzing in a case filed against him on charge of raping a woman.

Senior Judicial Magistrate Hamidul Islam passed the order against Maksudur Rahman Milton Siddique, 50, chairman of Nagbari UP in Kalihati upazila, said advocate Ataur Rahman Azad, district unit general secretary of Bangladesh Manabdhikar Bastobayan Sangstha, also lawyer of the plaintiff.

The housewife filed the case against Maksudur with Kalihati Police Station on March 15 alleging that the UP chairman had raped her on March 14 after taking her to a resort at Elenga, in the name of an arbitration over dispute over the demarcation of her house with her neighbour, he said.

Later, the case was shifted to Tangail DB police, he added.

Maksudur took bail from a higher court in April that asked him to appear before a lower court by seven days, said Ashok Kumar Sinha, officer-in-charge of Tangail DB police.

Maksudur, however, did not comply with the higher court order, Sinha said.

The DB police arrested him from Nagbari on August 12 and produced him before the senior judicial magistrate's court in Tangail the next day seeking five-day remand for quizzing, he said.

Cobbler changes lot thru small entrepreneurship

KM REZAUL HOQUE, *Gaibandha*

A young cobbler in Gaibandha Sadar has changed his lot, thanks to his innovative idea that inspired him to set up a small shoe factory at Dariapur Bazar in the upazila.

Raimol Rabidas, 27, hailing from Analetari village in Gaibandha Sadar upazila, joined his father's work of mending old shoes at an early age to help their eight-member family comprising parents and six siblings.

In 2012, Raimol joined a shoe making factory in Rangpur for daily wage of Tk 300. He joined another shoe factory at Pirgachha in 2014.

With the knowledge and experience of making new shoes, he finally decided to set up a shoe

factory and returned home in 2015. He hired a small shop at Dariapur Bazar, six kilometres from Gaibandha town, and started making shoes there manually with ordinary tools.

"With my small savings and the money borrowed from a local lender, I was able to set up a tiny factory," said Raimol.

"In the next winter, I got enough order from local people, especially students, for making new shoes and I had to work hard to meet the demand as I made all the shoes myself.

"Within two years, the reputation of my factory spread to other places and I employed three additional workers. I have also started getting

wholesale order from distant places. "I need a new machine for improving the quality of shoes, but I failed to get bank loan for the purpose. They turned down my application, saying it was not possible without guarantor," he added.

"There is wide demand of shoes and sandals for both male and female, as I tried to introduce latest models and attractive designs that draw the attention of young generation, said Raimol.

Raimol's father Manik Rabidas said, "I feel proud of my son Raimol. Taking initiative for business, he earns well and helps to run our family smoothly. Gone are the days when I could not feed the children regularly due to poverty."



Raimol Rabidas, left, works along with employees at his mini shoe factory at Dariapur Bazar in Gaibandha Sadar upazila.

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SONAKATA ECO-PARK

'Animals about to die for lack of food'

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Patuakhali*

Due to scanty allocation by the authorities concerned, animals in Sonakata Eco-Park in Tangargiri reserve forest in Barguna's Taltoli upazila are facing food crisis.

As no fresh allocation was given for 2017-18 fiscal year, staff of local forest beat office have to manage foods for the animals with the help of local people.

In 2011-12 fiscal year, Sonakata Eco-park was built under the Forest and Environment Ministry on about 10,000 acres of land under the 'Increase of opportunities in Eco-tourism' programme.

"We get allocation of only Tk 1.5 lakh annually from the higher authority, but we badly need over Tk 5 lakh to meet the demand for food," Divisional Forest Officer (DFO) Ajit Kumer Rudhro said.

Beat Officer Zahid Pramanik of Sakhina Beat Office said no allocation was given in the new fiscal year since July 1 for food of the animals but they continue supplying food with the help of local people.

Sonakata UP Chairman Md Sultan Farajee said the animals are about to die due

to shortage of food.

The authority concerned should take immediate steps to supply food for animals before end of the fiscal year as same problem is found every year, he said.

At the beginning, there were about 200 animals of different species in the eco-park, including over 100 monkeys, 10 deer, 25 boars, 3 leopards, 25 pythons, two crocodiles, and two porcupines.

Now there are only 14 deer and two crocodiles while other animals were released to the wild on October 28 last year due to shortage of food for them.

"Three kilograms of poultry are fed to the crocodiles every two days. We have to manage food somehow when the allocation ends," said DFO Ajit.

A tourist named Asaduzzaman Rony, 29, of Pirojpur's Mathbaria upazila was killed by a crocodile last year.

The accident took place when the victim scaled the eight-foot high wall of the crocodile enclosure and put his hand in the pond to find out if there was any crocodile there.

The victim's companions and forest guards tried to rescue the victim but failed, said Ajit.

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Date: 17.08.2017

Invitation for Tender: Microbus

1	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Education.
2	Agency	Govt Commerce College, Chittagong.
3	Procuring entity name	Principal, Govt Commerce College, Chittagong.
4	Procuring entity district	Chittagong, Bangladesh.
5	Invitation for	Tender for procurement of vehicles: Microbus.
6	Invitation Ref No. & date	নং-৩৭.০০.০০০০.০৬৯.০২৬.০১৯.১৭-৮৮০ ০৯/০৮/২০১৭ তারিখঃ
7	Procurement method	Open Tendering Method (OTM).
8	Budget and source of funds	Ministry of Education Approved Fund.
9	Tender publication date	17/08/2017.
10	Tender last selling date	10/09/2017.
11	Tender submission date and time	12/09/2017 12.00 noon.
12	Tender opening date and time	12/09/2017 12.30pm

13	Name & address of the office(s)			
	Selling tender document Principal, Govt Commerce College, Chittagong.			
	Receiving tender document Convener, Vehicle Purchase Committee (Govt Commerce College, Chittagong).			
	Opening tender document 12/09/2017 at 12.30pm, Convener, Vehicle Purchase Committee (Govt Commerce College, Chittagong).			
14	Eligibility of tenderer Well reputed tenderers having (a) Current Year Trade License (b) Up-to-date Income Tax Clearance Certificate (c) VAT Registration Certificate (d) 10 years experience in supplying of similar nature of goods to govt/semi-govt/autonomous organisation (e) Other requirements described in the tender documents/schedule/PPA-2006 & PPR-2008.			
15	Brief description of goods or works Procurement for supply of vehicle 01 unit Microbus is to be latest model, International Standard, good quality, brand new, fitted with modern amenities, high efficiency engine, CBU by the country of origin with detail specifications (supported by original voucher & other condition as per schedule).			
17	Price of tender document (Tk) Tk 2,000/- (non-refundable).			
18	Lot	Identification of lot	Location	Tender security amount
	01	01 Unit Microbus	Govt Commerce College, Chittagong.	2,50,000/-
				Completion time in days/months 15 days from contract/work order
19	Name of official inviting tender Professor Mohammed Ayub Bhuiyan, Principal.			
20	Designation of official inviting tender Principal, Govt Commerce College, Chittagong.			
21	Address of official inviting tender Principal, Govt Commerce College, Chittagong.			
22	Contact details of official inviting tender Phone: 031-721900 E-mail: gov.commercecollegectg@gmail.com Website: www.gcom.edu.bd			
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Request for Expression of Interest (EOI)

Procuring entity name	: Biman Bangladesh Airlines.
Procuring entity district	: Dhaka
Invitation for	: Making of TVC for Biman Bangladesh Airlines.
Invitation Ref. No.	: DACPR/TVC/46/2017/1536 Date: 09-07-2017
KEY INFORMATION	
Procurement method	: Quality & Cost Based Selection (QCBS).
FUNDING INFORMATION	
Budget and source of funds	: Biman Bangladesh Airlines.
PARTICULAR INFORMATION	
EOI publication date	: 17 August 2017
Last date & time of submission of EOI	: 06-09-2017 05:00pm
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Brief description of the assignment	: The services include but not limited to Concept development and production of audio-visual TVC on Biman Bangladesh Airlines.
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Name of official inviting tender	: Shakil Meraj.
Designation of official inviting tender	: General Manager Public Relations.
Address of official inviting tender	: General Manager, PR Biman Bangladesh Airlines Ltd. Balaka Biman Head Office, Kurmitola, Dhaka-1229, Bangladesh.
Contact details of official inviting tender	: 88-02-8901672, 8901600 Ex-2110

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Abducted kid rescued

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Tangail*

Police rescued a three-year-old boy who was abducted for ransom and arrested the abductor from Ghatail upazila on Tuesday.

Police said Mohammad Robin, 20, of Bidyananda village under Phulbari upazila of Mymensingh, took work at the poultry farm of Al Amin Kazi at Akonderbaid village in the upazila in July.

Robin recently demanded some money as advance from farm owner Al Amin. As Al Amin refused to give the money, Robin abducted his three-year-old son Samiul from his house on Tuesday, police said.

Robin later phoned Al Amin and told him to send Tk 5,000 to his bKash number as ransom. Al Amin sent him the money. The bKash agent, however, became suspicious of Robin's movement and told locals about the matter. They detained Robin and informed the police.

A police team rescued Samiul from the spot and arrested Robin.

Officer-in-Charge (investigation) of Ghatail Police Station Mosharaf Hossain said Samiul has been handed over to his parents.

Samiul's father filed an abduction case with the police station on the same night, accusing Robin, he added.

Woman kills 4-yr-old son in Jessore

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Benapole*

A four-year-old boy was killed allegedly by his mother over the latter's extramarital affair with a man at Taulakup village in Jessore's Bagharpara upazila on Tuesday.

The victim was Minhaz, son of Imdadul Haque of Joradul village in Sadar upazila.

Insar Ali alleged that his daughter-in-law Salma Begum, daughter of Abdul Maleq of Taulakup village, kept the body of the kid under rotten jute in the river Chitra near her father's residence after killing him over her extramarital affair on Tuesday night.

On information, police recovered the body from the spot and sent it to Jessore General Hospital morgue for autopsy, said Sub-Inspector Ziaur Rahman of Bagharpara Police Station.