



The regional office of the Directorate of Haor and Wetland Development in Sunamganj is lying virtually useless since its inauguration a year ago as the authorities have not arranged required manpower for it.

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Haor dev office lying idle for year

MINTU DESHWARA, back from Sunmganj

The regional office of the Directorate of Haor and Wetland Development at Sholohar in Sunamganj town has hardly seen any work due to manpower crisis since its inauguration over a year ago.

Only three daily basis employees - a personal assistant, an office assistant and a night guard are working after the regional office was inaugurated on February 28 last year, said office sources.

The ground and first floors of the three-storey office building are meant for office activities

while the second floor is used as a rest house.

This correspondent during a recent visit found the main gate of the building locked. After sometime, office assistant Yasin Sheikh came down from the top floor.

"We have no work other than taking care of the building. Occasionally we become busy when officials come here from Dhaka," he said.

Often drug addicts enter inside the boundary and give threat if they are asked to leave, said Abbas Mia, night guard of the office.

Freedom fighter Bazlul Majid Chowdhury, convener of 'Haor Bachao, Sunamganj Bachao Andolon', said, "Most of the haors of the country

are in Sunamganj district. But unfortunately, the regional office is yet to start programmes for solving problems of the people of haor areas and improving the quality of their life."

Mujibul Rahman, director general of the Directorate of Haor and Wetland Development, said the directorate is running with only seven persons including four officers.

"In July last year, recommendation for 71-strong manpower for the directorate was sent to the Ministry of Public Administration and it was approved. After the recruitment of necessary manpower, the directorate's work will begin in full swing this year," he added.

Police active only after minister's cows stolen!

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

Hearing the news of recovery of some stolen cows by police, a number of people, whose cows were stolen in Phulbari upazila recently, gathered on the local police station premises yesterday, only to return home disheartened when they learnt that the recovered cattle belong to an incumbent minister.

Police recovered four cows which were stolen from a dairy farm owned by Primary and Mass Education Minister Mostafizur Rahman, also the local lawmaker.

The law enforcers also detained five people in connection with the incident, but declined to disclose their identities.

A gang of thieves lifted 10 cows from the minister's farm, at Rajarampur-Fakirpara village, on January 26.

Police raided a dairy farm in Patgram upazila of Lalmonirhat early yesterday and recovered four of the stolen cows.

Villagers alleged that as many as 150 cows were stolen from different villages in the upazila but police are reluctant to recover any of those cows belonging to the poor villagers.

"Police took prompt action for the minister's cows, but what about ours?" villager Altaf Mondal said.

Officer-in-Charge of Phulbari Police Station Sheikh Nasim Habib said they were trying to recover the other stolen cows as well.

Housewife takes own life

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

A housewife allegedly committed suicide at Yakupur Devnathpara village in Sadar upazila yesterday.

The deceased was Dipti Devnath, 25, wife of Joyanta Devnath of the village.

Local union parishad Chairman Mahbubur Rahman Mukul told this correspondent over cellphone that Dipti committed suicide by hanging herself with a scarf from a beam of her room. She was in the house with her two-year-old daughter while other family members had gone to work.

Hearing the screams of Dipti's daughter neighbours went to the house and saw Dipti hanging from the beam.

The reason behind the suicide could not be known immediately.

Addict kills mother

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Faridpur

A 55-year-old woman was killed by her drug addict son over a family feud in Sadar upazila of the district yesterday.

The deceased, Amena Khatun, wife of Mujaher Sheikh, was a resident of Alipur area in the district town.

Locals said Amena's son Akkas Sheikh, 28, used to torture her for money to buy drugs.

An altercation took place when Amena refused to give money that Akkas demanded from her around 11:00am.

At one stage, Akkas hit his mother on the head with a stick, leaving her critically injured.

Neighbours rushed her to Faridpur Medical College Hospital, where the doctors declared her dead.

Office-in-Charge of Sadar Police Station Md Nazim Uddin said Akkas came out of jail on bail a few days ago in connection with a case filed for drug abuse.

Row over drug peddling Man hacked to death in Pabna

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pabna

A listed drug peddler was hacked to death and another injured in attacks by their rivals in separate incidents at Chatiani in Pabna municipality early yesterday.

The injured was admitted to Pabna Medical College Hospital.

The deceased, Faisal Hossain, 35, son of Fakhrul Islam of Chatiani Purbopara village, was hacked on the Fazle Rabbi School premises about 1:00am.

Police recovered the body from the spot in the morning.

Md Rony Hossain, 30, son of Raich Uddin of Chatiani Purbopara village, was stabbed in front of his house yesterday morning. He was rushed to Rajshahi Medical College Hospital in a critical condition.

Pabna Police Station Sub-Inspector Md Abdus Salam said both the victims might have come under attack by the rivals over drug peddling in the area.

Faisal and Rony are listed drug peddlers in the area and they had developed enmity with other drug peddlers recently, said Salam.

Police sent Faisal's body to Pabna Medical College Hospital morgue for autopsy.

Labourer killed in mudslide

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

A labourer was killed and three others were injured as a big chunk of clay fell on them in Bedikura area of Dhabaura upazila yesterday.

The deceased was Ramzan Ali, 45, son of Keramot Ali of Netrokona's Durgapur upazila.

The injured were Babul Mia, 40, Nanda Hajong, 45, and Joynal Abedin, 48. They were admitted to a hospital.

Md Shawkat Alam, officer-in-charge of Dhabaura Police Station, said the accident took place when the four were cutting earth at a hillock in Bedikura area around 10:00am. Ramzan died on the spot.

On information, police rushed to the spot, recovered the body and sent it to Mymensingh Medical College Hospital morgue for autopsy.

An unnatural death case was filed in this connection, said the OC.

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Request for Expressions of Interest (EoI) for Infrastructure Development Information System of LGED

1. The ICT Unit of Local Government Engineering Department (LGED) has been allocated with public funds from the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh (GoB) and intends to apply part of the proceeds of this fund to payments under the Contract for the services of "Infrastructure Development Information System of LGED."
2. The firm/company will be engaged to develop a mobile and web-based project information app which will ensure citizen participation and feedback management. The objectives of the service shall be but not limited to as follows:
 - i. Development of mobile and web-based project information application with admin control panel, user access control and integration with existing EPMS, RSDMS and GIS database of LGED.
 - ii. Application shall have an interactive intuitive dashboard containing necessary graphs, charts, tables to show overview at a glance, and facility to capture geo-tagging photographs and generate customized reports.
 - iii. Registration & search option for citizen to be informed about any ongoing project of LGED development project and public feedback management facility.
 - iv. System shall provide information of ongoing development scheme based on user's GPS location & shall be able to generate GIS map of ongoing schemes.
 - v. Project status update based on location, categories and work progress.
3. The service shall be completed over approximately 6 (six) months as per the tentative Work Program, which is expected to commence in April 2018.
4. Local Government Engineering Department (LGED) now invites eligible firms to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested firms must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services.

The EOIs would be reviewed on the basis of the following:

- a. Age of the firm (Year of the establishment).
- b. Legal establishment of the firm (TIN, VAT registration, trade licence, etc.)
- c. Availability of key professionals to carry out the assignment (mention academic qualification & length of experience).
- d. Organizational capacity of the firm.
- e. Financial capacity of the firm (Turnover of last 5 years).
- f. Experience of the firm in similar task/assignments in last five years (example of past experience of similar nature and complexity including cost and duration of the assignment).
- g. Experience of the firm in other works in last five years (example of past experience including cost and duration).

Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications, and, if association, should mention whether the association is in the form of "joint venture" or "sub-consultancy". It is preferable to limit the total number of firms in an association including the Lead Firm to 3 (three).

A consulting firm will be selected in accordance with the Quality & Cost Based Selection (QCBS) procedures as set out in Standard documents according to PPR-2008. Interested firms may obtain further information at the address below during office hours. A shortlist of firms will be prepared, from the expressions of interest, for requesting proposals for this assignment.

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below in sealed envelope on or before 22 February 2018 during office hours. Submission through e-mail will also be accepted provided:

- (i) It is delivered by the deadlines, and
- (ii) Appropriate reference is made in the subject line of the e-mail, such as "Expression of Interest for Infrastructure Development Information System of LGED."

The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all EOIs without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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