### 7 Shibir men held with bombs

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pabna

Police arrested seven activists of Islami Chhatra Shibir from Char Kaliganj at Bonnakandi village in Sirajganj's Ullapara upazila early yesterday.

They also seized six crude bombs from their possession, said Officer in Charge of Ullapara Police Station Dewan Koushik Ahmed.

The arrestees are Masud Rana, 21, secretary of Sirajganj district unit of Shibir, and activists Shariful Islam, 35, Shahin Alam, 20, Russel Rana, 20, Rahul Rana, 18, Ali, 19, and Md

Alamgir Hossain, 45. On information, police raided the area and arrested the Shibir men with the bombs when they were holding a clandestine meeting there to

commit crime, said the OC. The arrestees were later produced before a court that sent them to jail, said the police official.

# Tk 1cr fish getting rotten

Fish drying process hampered in Dublar Char due to adverse weather

OUR CORRESPONDENT,

Fish drying process has been hampered at Dublar Char in the Sundarbans due to the ongoing adverse weather.

Fish worth about Tk one crore are getting rotten as the fishermen are not able to dry those due to rain for the last few days, said Kamal Uddin Ahmed, general secretary of Dubla Fisherman Group.

Akkas Ali, a fisherman of Dubalr Char, said they are not able to dry the fish for the last few days as the weather is not good. Due to this, the fish are getting

According to Sundarbans East Division, thousands of fishermen catch fish in the deep sea from October to March every year. Later, the fish are dried in Dublar Char and adjacent areas of the Sundarbans. The dried fish are then exported to

Chattogram and abroad. Divisional Forest Officer Mahmudul Hasan of Sundarbans Eastern Division said if the situation continues, revenue collection of the forest department

may be greatly reduced.



Scores of patients suffering from cold-related diseases stay on the floor of verands as the wards of Thakurgaon Sadar Hospital cannot accommodate them. PHOTO: STAR

# Cold-related diseases on sharp rise

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There has been a sharp rise in the number of patients suffering from cold-related diseases at Thakurgaon Sadar Hospital, while low-income people in Lalmonirhat are facing the biting cold without warm clothes.

Thakurgaon Sadar Hospital is struggling to cope with the situation due to shortage of manpower and accommodation, our Thakurgaon correspondent reports.

During a visit to the hospital yesterday, this correspondent saw that most of the patients were staying on the floors and verandas as the wards cannot accommodate them.

Civil Surgeon (CS) Dr Abu Mohammad Khairul Kabir said 385 patients were admitted to the hospital, adding that 167 of them are staying in the children's ward while the rest are accommodated in other wards and verandas.

Most of the patients have been admitted with cold-related complaints, but it is hard to provide quality service due to shortage of doctors and staff, he said.

In three days, at least 167 child patients were admitted to the children's ward of the hospital, although there are only 18 seats.

Of them, 73 were affected with diarrhoea, 56 with pneumonia and 38 with other cold-related diseases, said Dr Shahajahan Nawaj, senior

child consultant. Dr Shahajahan said only two doctors, including him, are working in the children's ward with ten nurses. Despite the pressure, they are trying their best to tackle the situa-

The ongoing low temperature coupled with cold wind causes diarrhoea, bronchitis, pneumonia and other respiratory illnesses. Children are more vulnerable to these infections because their immune system is weak. If the patients come to hospital in time it is easy to give treatment.

"The situation is likely to improve when the weather becomes normal," he said.

"I admitted my 18-month-old son to Thakurgaon Sadar Hospital on Tuesday morning as he was affected with diarrhoea. We are staying on the floor due to shortage of space in the children's ward," said Rabbina Khatun, wife of Abdur Razzak of Nargoon village in Thakurgaon Sadar upazila.

Marjina Begum, wife of Kalachand of Chondipur village in Sadar upazila, admitted her eightmonth-old pneumonia-affected son there on Monday evening. She is also staying at the hospital corridor.

Momena Begum, 65, wife of Botu Mohammad of Kochubari village, was admitted on Tuesday with breathing problem. She is staying on the veranda, and it is hard to sleep on the floor due to the cold, she said.

Thakurgaon Department of Agriculture Extension recorded the lowest temperature as 12 degrees Celsius yesterday.

people in Lalmonirhat are suffering in the severe cold due to lack of warm clothes, reports our correspondent.

"As we have no warm clothes we keep warm by burning straw at night and in the morning," said Aslima Khatun, 46, a distressed woman at the railway station platform in

Lalmonirhat town.

"We cannot sleep peacefully during the night as biting cold makes us uncomfortable," she said, adding that she and her two children are suffering as they do not have warm clothes.

"We get up early in the morning as we cannot tolerate the biting cold. We burn straw to keep warm," said Mansur Ali, 56, a distressed man in station platform area in the town. "Cold wave has paralysed our living," he said, adding that he could not go out for work.

Akashi Bewa, 62, a distressed woman who lives on the station platform, said she feels severe pain at night due to the intense cold as she has no warm clothes.

Rickshaw puller Suresh Chandra Das, 48, of Sadhutari village in Sadar upazila said he goes out with his rickshaw tolerating the biting cold, but he is very upset as there are very few passengers. "We get some passengers during daytime but there are no passengers at night," he said.

Char farmer Abdar Ali, 58, of Teesta river char Kalmati in the upazila, said they could not stay for a long time in the crop field due to biting cold, so their daily farm work is being hampered seriously.

Lalmonirhat Sadar Upazila Nirbahi Officer Jayashree Rani Roy told this correspondent that warm Meanwhile, many low-income clothes, especially blankets, are being distributed every day among the cold-hit ultra-poor people in slums, flood prone areas and chars.

The meteorological office in Rangpur said the lowest temperature was 13.5 degrees Celsius yesterday, while it was 12.8 degrees Celsius on Tuesday afternoon.

# Moulvibazar people recall mine blast tragedy today

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

Today, December 20 is a reminder of Moulvibazar mine blast tragedy.

On this day in 1971, over 25 freedom fighters were killed in a series of explosions that followed an accidental mine blast at the transit camp of freedom fighters at Moulvibazar Government High School in the district town, four days after the nation's final victory over the Pakistan occupation forces.

After December 16, local freedom fighters in batches started joining the transit camp and arms, ammunition, mines and other explosives carried by the freedom fighters were being kept there.

"On the morning of December 20, a mine from the hand of a freedom fighter accidentally fell on the floor of the school building and exploded with a big bang. It caused blasting of several other mines," Azizur Rahman, chairman of

Moulvibazar Zila Parishad.

"Hearing the sound of explosions, locals rushed to the spot. They later recovered the bodies of over 25 freedom fighters," said Azizar, also an eyewitness to the incident.

They were buried with due honour in the south-eastern corner of the school ground and a martyrs' memorial built in front of the burial place, came to be known as the Central Shaheed Minar of Moulvibazar district, he said.

inscriptions of a list of 25 freedom fighters who died in the tragic incident. The number of the victims would be much

Another monument was later built with

more as several bodies got burnt and destroyed beyond recognition, said a few senior politicians of the area.

Marking the day, different government, nongovernment, socio-cultural and political organisations have taken up day-long programmes including placing of floral wreaths at the memorial, doa mahfil and discussion meeting.



The memorial built in honour of the freedom fighters who met tragic death in the accidental series mine blast at their transit camp at Moulvibazar Government High School on December 20 in 1971. PHOTO: STAR

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# বেসরকারি গ্রন্থাগারে অনুদানের জন্য দরখাস্ত আহ্বান

সংস্কৃতি বিষয়ক মন্ত্রণালয়ের অনুনুয়ন খাতে বরাদ্দকৃত অর্থ থেকে ২০১৮-২০১৯ অর্থবছরের জন্য বেসরকারি গ্রন্থাগারসমূহে অনুদান প্রদানের নিমিত্ত বেসরকারি গ্রন্থাগার থেকে নির্ধারিত ফরমে আবেদন আহ্বান করা যাচ্ছে।

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- নির্ধারিত আবেদন ফরম বাংলাদেশ সচিবালয়ের সংস্কৃতি বিষয়ক মন্ত্রণালয়ের শাখা-৪ এবং জাতীয় গ্রন্থকেন্দ্র, ৫/সি, বঙ্গবন্ধু এভিনিউ, ঢাকা থেকে সংগ্রহ করা যাবে। এ ছাড়া সংস্কৃতি বিষয়ক মন্ত্রণালয়ের ওয়েবসাইট www.moca.gov.bd, তথ্য মন্ত্রণালয়ের www.moi.gov.bd এবং জাতীয় গ্রন্থকেন্দ্রের ওয়েবসাইট www.nbc.org.bd হতে আবেদন ফরম ডাউনলোড করে আবেদন পাঠানো যাবে।
- আবেদন ফরম সংশ্লিষ্ট উপজেলা নির্বাহী অফিসার/জেলা প্রশাসক (মেট্রোপলিটন এলাকার জন্য) গ্রন্থাগারসমূহের অস্তিত্ব ও কার্যক্রম সম্পর্কে নিশ্চিত হয়ে প্রত্যয়ন করবেন এবং আবেদনে স্থানীয় মাননীয় সংসদ সদস্য/জেলা প্রশাসক/পৌরসভার মেয়র/উপজেলা পরিষদ চেয়ারম্যান এর সুপারিশ থাকতে হবে। আবেদনপত্রের সঙ্গে আবেদনকারীর (গ্রন্থাগারের সভাপতি/সাধারণ সম্পাদক/মনোনীত প্রতিনিধি) জাতীয় (ঘ)
- পরিচয়পত্রের সত্যায়িত ফটোকপি সংযুক্ত করতে হবে। আবেদন ফরম আংশিক পূরণকৃত হলে কিংবা স্থানীয় জনপ্রতিনিধি/স্থানীয় প্রশাসন কর্তৃক যথাযথ (8) প্রত্যয়নকৃত না হলে আবেদন বাতিল বলে গণ্য হবে।
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# Police vehicle

FROM PAGE 2 logs on Sakhipur-Sagardighi road near Borochowna Baza and vandalised the car, injuring the policemen, the OC

The gang also blasted a crude bomb on the spot, he

added. On information, police patrol teams from different places in the upazila went to the spot and brought the situation under control.

"The law enforcers later detained five Krishak Sramik Janata League and BNP men from the area in connection with the attack," the police official said, adding that they suspected the attackers were local KSJL and BNP men.

The injured were taken to Sakhipur Upazila Health Complex at 2:00am. Of them, Sub-Inspector Dayal Chandra Sarkar of Sakhipur Police Station and Assistant Sub-Inspector Foyez Uddin were undergoing treatment there, the OC said.

The Daily Star could not independently verify the incident.

Contacted, Rafiqul Islam, president of Tangail district KSJL, termed the incident a drama staged by police.

The case, which was filed against 55 KSJL and BNP men in connection with attacking BCL men, is "false", he said. Earlier, police arrested Atoar Rahman, president of KSJL Sakhipur upazila unit, in the case and Julfiqur Shamim,

general secretary of the unit, in another case, he said.

#### · C O · 1 1 · Latif Siddiqui

FROM PAGE 2 Police, however, stopped the ambulance carrying Latif at the

hospital gate for an hour, Laila said. As a result, he started walking towards the RO's office.

Around 1:45pm, police allowed him to start his journey

to Dhaka, along with his two nephews, she said.

Contacted, Dr Md Sharif Hossain, civil surgeon in Tangail, who also checked Latif on Tuesday, said he had been suffering from severe breathing issues and dehydration. He was given saline in Tangail General Hospital.

On Sunday, a group of 20 to 25 Awami League men allegedly attacked Latif's motorcade. At least 10 were hurt and four cars were damaged in the incident.

### Bangladesh College of Physicians and Surgeons (BCPS)

67, Shaheed Tajuddin Ahmed Sarani, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212 No. CPS-355/2018/2595

Date: 15-12-2018

Schedule for FCPS Part-I, FCPS Part-II (Final), Preliminary FCPS Part-II, FCPS (Sub-Speciality) and MCPS written examinations to be held in January, 2019.

FCPS Part-II (Final), Preliminary FCPS Part-II, FCPS (Sub-Speciality) and MCPS Examinations.

Subject	Paper	Date	Time	venue
All subjects	Paper-I	01.01.2019 (Tuesday)	9.00am	BCPS, Mohakhali,
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FCPS Part-I Examination

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Subject	Paper	Date	Time	Venue		
Anaesthesiology, Biochemistry, Dentistry and allied, Dermatology & Venereology, Haematology,	Paper - I	03.01.2019 (Thursday)	9.00am to 10.40am	BCPS, Mohakhali,		
Histopathology, Microbiology, Obstetrics and Gynaecology and allied, Ophthalmology,	Paper - II	05.01.2019 (Saturday)		Dhaka-1212		
Otolaryngology, Paediatrics and allied, Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, Psychiatry, Radiology and Imaging, Radiotherapy and Transfusion	Paper - III	06.01.2019 (Sunday)				

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Medicine and allied &	Paper - I	03.01.2019 (Thursday)	12.00 noon to 01.40pm	BCPS, Mohakhali, Dhaka- 1212.	
Surgery and allied	Paper - II	05.01.2019 (Saturday)			
	Paper - III	06.01.2019 (Sunday)			

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