



Varieties of fish on display at the annual fish fair in Lalbazar of Sylhet city, marking the end of Bangla month Poush. The three-day fair showcases several hundred native and foreign species, and drew a huge number of people yesterday.



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SHEIKH NASIR

SBMCH IN BARISHAL

110 infants died of cold-related diseases in Dec

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barishal

With winter temperature going down, 110 infants died of cold related diseases at Barishal Sher-e-Bangla Medical College Hospital (SBMCH) last month, according to doctors.

Dr Bakir Hossain, director of the hospital, said, "The situation has turned worse recently as 110 infants died at our hospital in December, which is around four children a day. They were suffering from cold-related complications and were brought to the hospital in critical condition."

Since the beginning of December, several hundred child patients have been arriving at the hospital every day with conditions like pneumonia, asthma, and bronchitis. Some of them were having serious breathing difficulties.

Dr Faizul Haque Ponir, resident physician of SBMCH, said seven infants died only on Saturday.

Meanwhile, the hospital is treating child patients more than double its capacity.

Dr Ponir said, "Last month around 200 infants received treatment at the outdoor on an average every day, and 110 remained admitted on a given day while our admission capacity is 48."

As there is no specialised government hospital for children in Barishal, SBMCH has to treat child patients coming from all over the division.

Anisha Rahman brought her two-year-old daughter from Bauphal upazila on Friday with complaints of breathing

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2 held over raping woman in Savar

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Savar

Police yesterday arrested two people for their alleged involvement in the gang rape of a woman in Kaundia area of Savar on Friday night.

The arrestees are Raihan and Alamin Joy, said Abdul Awal, officer-in-charge of Savar Model Police Station. They have been placed on a two-day remand for interrogation.

The accused were acquaintances of the 19-year-old woman's husband, a local shopkeeper, the OC said.

Quoting him, the police official said the couple bought a mobile phone on loan from Raihan a few days ago. As the husband could not repay the money on Friday, Raihan had an altercation with him.

Around 11pm that night, Raihan, Alamin and three others forcibly took the couple to a secluded place. They tied the husband, raped her and left.

On Saturday, the husband filed a case with the police station accusing the five.

The OC said the victim is being treated at One-stop Crisis Centre of Dhaka Medical College Hospital. Drive is underway to arrest rest of the accused, he added.

Ensure healthcare at lower cost

President tells physicians

BSS, Dhaka

President Abdul Hamid yesterday urged physicians to provide proper medical treatment to patients at lower cost.

"Ensure medical services for people at lower cost," the president said when a delegation of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University (BSMMU) met him at Bangabhaban.

BSMMU Vice Chancellor Prof Dr Kanak Kanti Barua led the 10-member delegation. President's Press Secretary M Joynal Abedin briefed reporters after the meeting.

"Getting treatment is one of the fundamental rights of people and the physicians should perform their responsibilities with utmost devotion and sincerity...", Hamid said.

He called upon BSMMU authorities to take pragmatic steps to ensure proper treatment of various fatal diseases and conduct research on the diseases.

Tk 135.8CR EMBEZZLEMENT CASE HC scraps BNP leader Aslam Chy's bail

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday scrapped its earlier order that had granted bail to BNP Joint Secretary General Aslam Chowdhury in a corruption case filed for misappropriating Tk 135.8 core from Chattogram's Halishahar branch of South East Bank.

The HC also directed the trial court to try former managing director of South East Bank Mahbubul Alam and former manager of its Halishahar branch Mahbubur Rahman Sabbir in the case.

It also warned the ACC investigation officer Md Mosharaf Hossain Mridha for exempting Mahbubul Alam and Mahbubur from the case proceedings.

The HC bench of Justice Md Nazrul Islam Talukder and Justice KM Hafizul Alam passed the order after rejecting Aslam's bail petition. Aslam is also accused in a seditious case filed on charge of hatching conspiracy with Israel's Likud Party and its intelligence agency Mossad to oust the government.

ACC filed the corruption case with Halishahar Police

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World leaders continue to congratulate Hasina

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

More heads of state and government, including Nigeria, Croatia, Hungary and Belarus have extended their congratulations to Sheikh Hasina on her party's landslide victory in the December 30 national election, as well as her assuming office as the prime minister for the fourth time.

"Your Excellency and your party's historic landslide victory in the elections is a testimony to the excellent leadership style and commitment to the interest of the citizens, as well as the progress recorded during your previous stewardships," said Nigerian President Muhammadu Buhari in a message received on Saturday.

"I have no doubt that with exemplary and visionary leadership, Bangladesh will maintain its fast growth and development traction which would continue to impact

positively on her friendly people."

Prime Minister of Belarus Sergei Rumas in his congratulatory message to Hasina expressed his conviction that her work in this position will contribute to development of the economy of the country, strengthening of international cooperation and ensuring well-being of the people.

The Belarusian premier also reiterated their readiness to widen collaboration with Bangladesh, said a foreign ministry press release yesterday.

Mentioning Hungary's focus on Southern Asia as part of its Southern Opening policy, and recalling visit of Hasina to Hungary in 2016, Hungarian Prime Minister Victor Orban assured of his commitment to continue to work in development of economical, commercial and educational cooperation between the two countries.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Bangladesh Police

Police Telecom & Information Management Headquarters

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Invitation for International Tender

1	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Home Affairs.		
2	Agency	Bangladesh Police.		
3	Procuring entity name	SP (Logistics), Police Telecom & Information Management.		
4	Procuring entity code	Not used at present.		
5	Procuring entity district	N/A.		
6	Invitation for	Tender	Goods	Multi Lot
7	Invitation Ref. No.	44.01.0000.057.11.028.18/204/Betar.		
8	Date	13/01/2019.		

KEY INFORMATION

9	Procurement method	ICT (International)	Open Tendering Method (OTM) (One Stage Two Envelope)
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FUNDING INFORMATION

10	Budget and source of funds	GOB.	
11	Development partners (if applicable)	None.	

PARTICULAR INFORMATION

12	Project/programme code (if applicable)	None.	
13	Project/programme name (if applicable)	None.	
14	Tender package No.	GD1/4112203/2018-2019.	
15	Tender package name	Betar Saranjamadi.	
	Date		
16	Tender publication date	14/01/2019	
17	Tender last selling date	03/03/2019	
	Date	Time	
18	Tender closing date and time	04/03/2019	11.00am
19	Tender opening date and time	04/03/2019	11.30am
20	Name & address of the office(s)	Address	
	-Selling tender document (principal)	Addl. SP (Admin), Rajarbag, Dhaka-1217.	
	-Selling tender document (others)	DC (Logistic & Procurement), DMP, Dhaka.	

No conditions apply for sale, purchase or distribution of tender documents

	-Receiving tender document	Police Telecom & Information Management, Rajarbag, Dhaka-1217.	
	-Opening tender document	Police Telecom & Information Management, Rajarbag, Dhaka-1217.	
21	Place/date/time of	Police Telecom & Information Management, Rajarbag, Dhaka-1217.	
	Pre-tender meeting (optional)	Date	Time
		31/01/2019	11.00am
		Police T&IM, Rajarbag, Dhaka-1217.	

INFORMATION FOR TENDERER

22	Eligibility of tenderer	1) Up-to-date trade licence, 2) Current income tax certificate, 3) VAT registration, 4) Bank statement and 5) Other requirements described in the standard tender document.		
23	Brief description of goods or works	Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of VHF and UHF DMR Radio System on Turnkey Basis for Bangladesh Police.		
24	Brief description of related services	N/A.		
25	Price of tender document (Tk)	Lot-2: 15,000.00 (fifteen thousand) Tk only. Lot-3: 10,000.00 (ten thousand) Tk only.		
26	Identification	Location	Tender security amount (Tk)	Completion time in days/weeks/months
	GD-1	Lot-2: Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of VHF DMR Radio System on Turnkey Basis. Lot-3: Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of UHF DMR Radio System on Turnkey Basis.	Police Telecom & Information Management, Rajarbag, Dhaka-1217. Tk 37,00,000/- or US\$ 45,000.00 Tk 27,39,000/- or US\$ 33,000.00	120 days from the date of opening L/C

PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS

27	Name of official inviting tender	Sarwar Murshed Shamim.		
28	Designation of official inviting tender	SP (Logistics), Bangladesh Police, Rajarbag, Dhaka-1217.		
29	Address of official inviting tender	Police Telecom & Information Management, Rajarbag, Dhaka-1217.		
30	Contact details of official inviting tender	Phone: +880 2 8301253	Fax: +880 2 8301530	splog.telecom@police.gov.bd
31	The tenderers shall submit their technical and financial offer in separate sealed envelope. Furthermore both envelopes shall cover by the outer envelope with sealed.			
32	<div><div>Special instructions</div><div>a) No tender will be received after the deadline of submission time & date. b) The procuring entity reserves the right to reject all tenders or annul the tender process without assigning any reason. c) The procuring entity also reserves the right to omit, increase or decrease the quantity of any item(s) from the tender. d) If not possible to receive/open the tender on the schedule date for any unavoidable circumstances, the same will be received/opened on the next working date at the same time & same venue. e) The procurement will be performed according to the Public Procurement Act-2006 and Public Procurement Rules-2008.</div></div>			

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Schoolboy among 5 killed in road accidents

18 others injured

STAR REPORT

Five people were killed and 18 others injured in road accident in six districts during the last two days, according to reports from our correspondents.

In Jhenidah, a schoolboy was killed as a truck ran him over while he was crossing a road. The 12-year-old was on his way to school in the town's Bypass area yesterday.

Imran Hossain, son of Lokman Ali from Shikarpur village in Sadar upazila, was a sixth-grader of the town's Al-Hera Secondary School.

His schoolmates blocked the road for half an hour demanding a speed breaker there, and sought exemplary punishment for the driver.

Police said they seized the truck, and are trying to arrest the driver who fled the scene.

In Gopalganj, a man was killed and 13 others were injured as a nosimon (locally assembled three-wheeler) and a battery-run auto-rickshaw collided on Dhaka-Khulna highway in Fakirkandi area of Sadar upazila yesterday.

The deceased -- Kamrul Sikder, 35, from Siararbor village in Lohagara upazila -- was driving the nosimon.

Locals said the injured -- from both the vehicles -- were taken to a local hospital.

In Noakhali, two riders of a motorcycle were killed and five others injured as a car hit the bike on Oskhali Tomroddi road in

Hatiya upazila yesterday.

Ariful Islam, 25, died on the spot and his co-rider Mohammad Yousuf, 28, on the way to Noakhali General Hospital, said police.

The injured were in the car that plunged into a roadside ditch.

In Panchagarh, the driver of a brick-laden tractor and his helper were killed when one of its tyres burst and the vehicle fell into a ditch beside Dhaka-Panchagarh highway in Muslimbag village of Boda upazila on Saturday evening.

Driver Monsur Ali, 42, from Panchagarh town; and his helper Chottrish Chandra, 38, from Bhimpukur village in Boda, died on the spot, said police.

In another incident, Abdus Salam, 45, and his wife Munni Akhter, 38, from the town's Rajnagar were injured when a truck hit their motorbike on Panchagarh-Banglabandha highway at Barrister Bazar in Sadar upazila of Panchagarh the same evening.

They were taken to Rangpur Medical College Hospital (RMCH).

Shortly after, three passengers of a rickshaw-van were injured as a truck hit it on the same highway in front of Moynaguri BGB camp in the district.

The injured are Tasirul Islam, 45, from Mirgarh Dangabari village; his daughter Bithi Akhter, 18; and Ruhul Amin, 40, from Magura Dhonipara village.

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BIWTA structures in Sadarghat only for passengers

SC orders authorities

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The structures constructed by BIWTA in Sadarghat area of Dhaka have to be used only for the passengers' interest, ordered the Supreme Court yesterday.

It also cleared the way for Bangladesh Inland Water Transport Authority (BIWTA) to continue allocating its newly erected four-storey building on Bakland embankment at Sadarghat for passengers' interest.

The apex court stayed a High Court verdict that directed the BIWTA to allocate the building for 118 writ petitioners who are businessmen, BIWTA's lawyer Manzill Murshid told The Daily Star.

A three-member bench of the Appellate Division of the SC passed the order following an appeal filed by BIWTA challenging the HC verdict.

Advocate Manzill said the HC in 2009 delivered a verdict that all the structures

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Uttaran donates warm clothes to hijras

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Uttaran Foundation, a non-government organisation gave away warm clothes and blankets among hijras in the capital on January 11.

With the presence of top officials of Dhaka Metropolitan Police, around 500 blankets were given to hijras on Mirpur Govt College premises.

Habibur Rahman, deputy inspector general of police (admin) and founder of Uttaran Foundation, presided over the programme while Md Asaduzzaman Mia, DMP commissioner; Masud Ahmed, deputy police commissioner of Mirpur division; Maj (ret'd)

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