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Revoke decision to install mobile tower near Lawachhara

Environmentalists urge at rally to save the rain forest

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

Lawachhara Jibo Boichitro Rokkha Andolon formed a human chain and organized a rally in Srimangal upazila town of Moulvibazar yesterday protesting the Teletalk's move to install a mobile phone tower within half a kilometre from Lawachhara National Park.

"It will cause immense harm to the environment and ecology if a mobile tower is installed beside Lawachhara

Udyan," Dipen Bhattacharjee, Srimangal unit vice president of Transparency International Bangladesh (TIB), said at the programme.

"It seems the forest department is least bothered to save the nature of Lawachhara. We will continue protest unless the plan to mobile tower established is revoked," said Joly Paul, convener of Lawachhara Jibo Boichitro Rokkha Andolon, who presided over the programme.

The government should not embark on

projects that may destroy the environment, said Provasini Sinha, Srimangal unit president of Mohila Parishad.

Installation of mobile towers around Lawachhara National Forest, a tropical rain forest covering 1250 hectares of land, will lead to its virtual destruction, speakers at the programme said.

Adverse situation is already forcing the wild animals to move to villages adjoining the forest area, they said.

Joint conveners of Lawachhara Jibo

Boichitro Rokkha Andolon Kazi Shamsul Haque and Taposh Das, Moulvibazar district coordinator of Bangladesh Poribesh Bachao Andolon ASM Saleh Sohel, Sujan's Moulvibazar district Secretary Jawahar Lal Datta, Lawachhara punjee headman Phila Pathomy, district Jubo Union General Secretary Jahangir Joyce, poet Jahirul Mithu, dramatist Faisal Ahmed, rights activist SK Suman Das and writer Javed Bhuiyan, among others, were present at the programme.

NARCOTICS TRADE

Rohingya woman lands in jail

Top Hajiganj drug peddler surrenders

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A court in Cox's Bazar yesterday sentenced a Rohingya woman to five years' rigorous imprisonment in a narcotic case, while in Chandpur's Hajiganj, a top drug peddler surrendered to police.

The Rohingya woman, Fatema Khatun, 47, is a resident of Kutupalang refugee camp in Cox's Bazar and wife of Ruhul Amin from Panirchhara village in Myanmar's Akyab (now Sittwe).

The court also fined Fatema Tk 5,000 and she would have to serve an additional five months in jail if she fails to pay the fine, reports our correspondent from Cox's Bazar.

According to the case statement, a team of Rapid Action Battalion arrested Fatema in Amgachhtoli area of the refugee camp with 9,790 pieces of contraband yaba pills on October 28, 2017.

Meanwhile, top drug peddler Kazi Dulal, 50, accused in 15 narcotic cases, surrendered to police at the office of Jihadul Kabir, superintendent of police (SP) in Chandpur, a correspondent from Chandpur reports.

Kazi Dulal, from Toragar area of Hajiganj, had been involved in illegal trade of Phensedyl and yaba since 1996, the SP said, adding that the drug peddler had served different terms in jail and warrants were issued against him in several other cases.

Dulal established his illicit drug network under patronage of influential political leaders in Hajiganj and police did not arrest him due to the influence, alleged locals requesting not to be named.

3 children drown in Kalapara upazila

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Patuakhali

Three children died in two separate drowning incidents in Kalapara upazila on Saturday and yesterday.

Yesterday, around 1:15pm in Nachnapara area of Kalapara municipality, two-year-old Jidnee drowned in a bucket filled with water in the family's bathroom.

The boy's father Anwar Hossain said after finding the baby drowned in the 25-litre bucket, they took him to Kalapara Upazila Health Complex where doctors pronounced him dead.

The day before, two young girls – Shahnaz, 8, daughter of Shah Alam Fakir; and Fatima, 7, daughter of Fazlu Mia; – drowned in a pond at Poshribunia village of Lalua union of the upazila.

Shahnaz, Fatima and another girl named Mim fell in the pond while playing beside it around 3:00pm, said their family members.

Villagers and family members rushed to the scene and rescued the three after hearing their scream for help. Shahnaz and Fatima died after the three were taken to the upazila health complex.

Confirming the incident, Monirul Islam, officer-in-charge of Kalapara Police Station, said Mim is still undergoing treatment at the health complex.

Outbreak of diarrhoea at Bhurbhuria Tea Garden

One died, hundreds undergoing treatment

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

The number of people suffering from diarrhoea at Bhurbhuria Tea Garden in Srimangal upazila has increased during the last several days.

Officials at the tea garden dispensary and Srimangal Upazila Health Complex said at least 92 people have been admitted to the government hospital in the last one week while an elderly tea worker died while undergoing treatment there on Wednesday.

The dead was identified as Rajkumar Chetry, 60, a resident at Bhurbhuria Tea Garden.

Sadat Hossain, a physician at Bhurbhuria Tea Garden's dispensary, said at least 34 diarrhoea patients took treatment there last week.

As the dispensary has a capacity of only six beds, many patients were referred to different hospitals for lack of space facility.

According to the hospital sources about 468 patients, mostly women

workers and children at Bhurbhuria Tea Garden, were admitted to Srimangal Upazila Health Complex since April 1 till May 8.

One of the female tea labourers Kamalaboti Ghatuar said they have to do their household work using water from nearby river as they do not have any tube-well in the area.

They have been facing the outbreak of diarrhoea due to this, she said.

Octogenarian Mohan Roy, who lives with his tea worker son Modan, said his entire family, except him, was infected with the disease after taking boiled taro a few days ago.

His daughter-in-law brought the arum from one of their neighbours as she had nothing to cook on that day, Mohan said.

Besides, the entire family of another tea labourer Sajib Das, 32, including his wife and two children, has been taking treatment at the hospital after being infected with diarrhoea on Wednesday night.

Another patient Shipon Chetry said people have been infected with the disease after drinking contaminated water of deep tube-well.

Many families at Bhurbhuria Tea Garden have been suffering from diarrhoea since last month, Srimangal Upazila Health and Family Planning Officer Dr Shakhawat Hossain said, adding that usually such situation occurs due to extreme heat also.

Moulvibazar Civil Surgeon Dr Shahjahan Kabir Chowdhury said rural people, who consume water from pond, canal or river, are getting affected with the disease.

Lack of awareness about diarrhoea and other water-borne diseases is also a reason for spread of such diseases.

Meanwhile, Kalighat Union Parishad Chairman Pranesh Goala is distributing oral saline, medicines and pure drinking water among the tea garden workers with his own money.



Diarrhoea patients receive treatment at Bhurbhuria Tea Garden Dispensary in Moulvibazar's Srimangal upazila, as the disease continues to spread in the area amid the ongoing scorching heat. Inset, the shabby dispensary lacks required treatment facilities for a large number of workers. PHOTO: STAR



Small Tea Garden Owners' Association in Panchagarh yesterday blockade Tentulia-Panchagarh highway in Shalbahon village of Tentulia upazila for two and a half hours, demanding a rate of Tk 24.50 for selling each kilogram of tea leaves to tea processing factories. Although the rate was fixed by Tea Leaf Price Fixation Committee on September 5 last year, the factories recently started to pay Tk 20 for a kg of tea leaves, the demonstrators alleged. PHOTO: MD QUAMRUL ISLAM RUBAIYAT

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Invitation for Tenders
Tender Notice No. 01/2018-19

1.	Procuring entity & code	: Deputy Director, Zila Social Services Office, Narayanganj.		
2.	Procuring entity district	: Narayanganj.		
3.	Invitation Ref. No.	: Approval Date: 01-11-2018		
4.	Procurement method	: OTM.		
5.	Source of funds	: GOB.		
6.	Tender publication date	: 05-05-2019	9: Tender last selling date	26-05-2019, 3.30pm
7.	Tender closing date	: 27-05-2019	Time: 12:00 Noon	
8.	Tender opening date	: 27-05-2019	Time: 2:00pm	
9.	Name & address of selling tender documents	: (1) Office of the Deputy Commissioner, District: Narayanganj. (2) Office of the Deputy Director, Zila Social Services, Narayanganj.		
10.	Name & address of opening tender documents	: (1) Office of the Deputy Commissioner, District: Narayanganj. (2) Office of the Deputy Director, Zila Social Services, Narayanganj.		
11.	Name & address of opening tender documents	: Office of the Deputy Director, Zila Social Services, Narayanganj.		
12.	Place of pre-tendering meeting	Office of the Deputy Director, Zila Social Services, Narayanganj	Date and time	15-05-2019, 11:00am
13.	Eligibility of tenderer	: As described in tender document.		
14.	Description of work	: Name of works		
15.	Package No.	Name of works	Tender security amount (Tk)	Price of tender doct (Taka)
	GOB/SOCIL/2018-19/W-01	Construction of dining shad for Sarkari Asharia Kandra Godnail, under Sadar Upazila, Narayanganj (Part-1)	12,000.00	1000.00
	GOB/SOCIL/2018-19/W-02	Construction of dining shad for Sarkari Asharia Kandra Godnail, under Sadar Upazila, Narayanganj (Part-2)	11,000.00	1000.00
				Completion time
				30 days
				30 days

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