# Paddy processing on roads poses risk

The callous act during the harvesting season hampers vehicular movement in Lalmonirhat

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Lalmonirhat

Mindless use of public roads and highways for paddy processing during the ongoing harvesting season is disrupting vehicular movement in different areas of the district.

Threshing of paddy on roads isn't new as farmers usually prefer to use public roads during the harvesting period every year, farmers said.

Farmer Sirajul I slam of Kalbhairab village in Kaliganj upazila said like him many farmers in the area use the road for processing paddy during the harvesting said. period.

when there are not many vehicles ply the road," he said.

"We use the road for paddy processing as there are not many vehicles use the rural roads daily," farmer Nazrul Islam of Daikhawa

village in Hatibandha upazila said.

"We have been using the Lalmonirhat-Burimari highway for long as many farmers, especially the marginal ones, hardly have any space for the purpose," farmer Didarul Islam of Ratherpar village in Aditmari upazila said.

"Due to paddy processing I face serious trouble in at least 30 places while driving my vehicle on Lalmonirhat-Burimari highway road. Drivers have to remain more cautious in running their vehicles to avoid accidents," trucker Abul Kalam

Sahedul Islam, 42, a driver from "Usually we do this in the morning Hatibandha upazila, said he faces huge trouble while driving the vehicle on Lalmonirhat-Hatibandha road.

Pulin Chandra Roy, president of District Transport Workers Union in Lalmonirhat, said around 1,500 trucks and buses ply different roads of the district daily.



Farmers are seen busy processing their harvested paddy on Lalmonirhat-Hatibandha road. The photo was taken from Daikhawa area in Lalmonirhat's Hatibandha upazila on Saturday.

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People trying to remove a tree that toppled over a house during a storm on Saturday night. The photo was taken in Bananipara area of Sunamganj Sadar on Sunday. PHOTO: COLLECTED

## Nor'wester disrupts power supply in 4 Sunamganj upazilas

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

Many areas except headquarters of Sunamganj Sadar, Bishwambharpur, Jamalganj and Tahirpur upazilas are still without any power supply after a nor'wester swept through the area on Saturday night.

However, residents in the areas where power supply was restored complained of excessive voltage fluctuations.

Aside from damaging electric lines and poles, the storm damaged many houses by toppling large trees.

While many residents were seen busy trying to fix their houses, others were trying to find ways to cope with the boiling heat without any running electric fan in their houses.

Tahirpur upazila town was the first out of the four affected upazilas to restore electricity on Sunday afternoon.

A resident, Amirul Islam, said they had been without power since 10:00pm on Saturday.

electricity of Bishwambharpur upazila town resumed after around 30 hours of disruption, said resident Swapan Kumar Barman.

Faisal Amin, a resident of Selimganj area in Jamalganj upazila, said they had been experiencing power outage since Saturday night and it was restored only around 3:00pm yesterday.

Power supply in Bananipara area of Sunamganj Sadar became unstable since the storm lashed out on the area on Saturday night. Frequent outages are causing disruptions to daily activities and damaging electrical equipment, complained locals.

Saidul Islam of the area said, their water tanks are running dry while they cannot cool themselves off in the ongoing heat spell as they cannot operate water pumps or electric fans due to frequent power cuts.

Electricity in the area was shut in down after a large tree fell on his house on Saturday night, said Mohammad Mia from the same area.

the same upazila, Mohammadpur area resident Zakir Ahmed said, "There's no power here since 10 o'clock on Saturday night. But it's hard to understand how the power department works. It's impossible to reach them with a complaint."

Akhil Contacted, Kumar Saha, general manager of Rural Electrification Board in Sunamganj, said the situation was caused by a number of fallen trees on the distribution lines at several locations on Saturday night.

Normal supply of electricity was reinstated in Sunamganj Sadar on Sunday afternoon and their workers were working relentlessly to do the same in Bishwambharpur, Jamalganj and Tahirpur upazilas, he also said.

Remains of trunks bear testimony to the felling of around 400 trees at Meghla

400 trees felled at DC's

# Another Bangladeshi murdered in South Africa

Mohammad

Expatriates want steps ensuring their security

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Tangail

A Bangladeshi youth, who was shot dead by some unknown criminals in Newcastle city in South Africa (SA) on May 8, was laid to rest after holding the namaj-e-janaza in Kalihati upazila yesterday. The body of Joynal Abedin, 35,

son of Rustom Ali of Terki village in Kalihati upazila, was brought back to the country early yesterday and later taken to his native village in Tangail. Family members and relatives burst

into tears after Joynal's body reached his house yesterday morning while his mother Jahanara and sister Jesmin were losing consciousness often, locals said. After holding his namaj-e-janaza

around 10:00am Joynal was buried at the village graveyard the same day, they said. younger

Deceased's brother

completing his graduation from a local college, Joynal went to South Africa in 2010 and started a grocery business in Newcastle. He used to live in a room adjacent nearly 10 years.

to his shop, Alam said. After hearing some noise on May 8,

when Joynal peeped through a widow of his room, a group of unidentified criminals shot him dead, Alam said. Joynal's uncle Dudu Mallik said

another Bangladeshi, also one of

Joynal's neighbours in SA, informed the

family about the murder on Thursday. Joynal, second among four brothers and a sister, was scheduled to visit his village home on the occasion of the

upcoming Eid-ul-Fitre, he added. Earlier on April 23, Firoz Miah alias Shimul, 30, son of Humayun Kabir of Gorai village in Mirzapur upazila,

was shot dead by some unidentified criminals in Johannesburg. The gang also took away Tk 6

lakh from Shimul, who had been running a stationary shop there for On October 6 last year, criminals

stabbed Titu Khan, 40, son of late Hasmot Khan of Baoar Kumarjani village in the upazila, to death at Musina in Limpopo province.

Titu was running a business there for the last 12 years.

Ripon Hasan of Khudirampur village in Tangail Sadar upazila, who has been serving at a shop in Cape Town, told this correspondent over phone that some local gangs are responsible for most of the attacks. He said as far he knows, about 1

lakh Bangladeshis live in different cities of South Africa.

## Rab arrests three fraudsters

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Faridpur

Rapid Action Battalion (Rab-8) on Saturday claimed to have arrested three alleged members of a gang that defrauded account holders of mobile financial services provider bKash in Faridpur's Bhanga upazila. Sheikh Nazmul Arifin, company

commander of Rab-8, in a press briefing said based on specific information, a Rab team conducted raid in Chatlarpara village and arrested the three -- Firaz Khandakar, Nazmul Khandakar and Uzzal Matobbar, all residents of the same upazila.

The law enforcers also seized 11 mobile phone sets, 22 SIM cards, a powerbank and Tk 4,010 in cash from the possession of the arrestees, he added.

A case was filed in this connection with Bhanga Police Station and a court in Bhanga sent them to jail yesterday after police produced them before it, said Nikhil Adhikari, a sub-inspector at the police station.

### GD filed against fake reporter STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Daily Star's Noakhali correspondent Nurul Amin, on behalf of the newspaper, yesterday filed a general diary (GD) with Lakkhipur Sadar Police Station against one Md Azizur Rahman alias Azam for falsely claiming himself to be Lakkhipur correspondent of the paper. Azizur, a member of Lakkhipur Press

Club, has been cheating people and thus tarnishing the image of The Daily Star by introducing himself as its Lakkhipur correspondent with a fake press identity card and business cards of The Daily Star. The Daily Star never appointed Azizur

as its Lakkhipur correspondent and Nurul Amin has been the authorised correspondent to cover news in the district for the paper for over a decade, according to the GD.

The president and secretary of Lakkhipur

Press Club have been informed of the matter verbally. All concerned are requested to be aware of Md Azizur Rahman alias



Azam's false identity and refrain from communicating with him regarding any matter relating to The Daily Str.

## Man to die for murder

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

A Mymensingh court yesterday sentenced a young man to death for killing in a schoolboy in 2013.

The convict, Rakibul Islam, 25, son of Abdur Razzak, is a resident of Paika Shimul village in Muktagachha

upazila of the district.

Mymensingh District and Sessions Judge Mohammad Helal Uddin delivered the verdict in presence of the convict yesterday afternoon and also fined him Tk 10,000, Court Inspector Sheikh Kabirul Islam said. According to the case statement, Majeda Khatun was

staying at her house with her three children when her husband went to perform hajj on September 25, 2013. On October 19, Majeda's 10-year-old son Mahbubur

Rahman Maruf, a Class III student at Residential Model School in Mymensingh town, went out of the house and did not return home. Later, Majeda and her neighbours looked for the boy

at every possible places and finally found his throat-slit body at a nearby bush around 11:30pm the same day and

informed police. Police recovered the body and sent it to Mymensingh

Medical College Hospital for autopsy. The following day, Majeda filed a case with Muktagachha Police Station against her relative Rakibul, his father Razzaq and his brother Rezaul Karim.

After examining witnesses and pieces of evidence, the court acquitted Razzaq and Rezaul as charges brought against them were not proved.

## Ex-UP chairman held with yaba

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

30 yaba pills and 20 litres of local wine in Ishwarganj upazila yesterday. The arrestee is Asaduzzaman Asad, 42, former chairman

of Sohagi UP in Ishwarganj. Asad has been involved with drug peddling for long in

charge (OC) of Ishwarganj Police Station. On information, police arrested Asad with the yaba pills

and wine early yesterday, said the OC. Later, a case was filed with Ishwarganj Police Station

A former union parishad (UP) chairman was arrested with

Sohagi Bazar area, said Ahmed Kabir Hossain, officer-in-

against the arrestee, said the police official.

In 2016, former NDC Hossain Mohammad Al-Muzahid, following instructions from the then DC Dilip Banik arranged planting various trees. fruit trees there on around two acres of land, said sources at the district administration office.

tourist spot in Bandarban in last one month.

instruction

Over a hundred old trees and around 300

young fruit trees were cut in Meghla tourist

instruction of Deputy Commissioner

(DC) Md Daudul Islam to cultivate

malta fruit there, said nezarat deputy

collector (NDC) Md Kamruzzaman.

The trees were felled at the

spot area during the last one month.

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bandarban

"I am really shocked to hear about the cutting of the fruit trees that we planted in 2016. Over a hundred old trees have also been felled in the area," Muzahid said. Asked about the matter, DC Daudul

PHOTO: SANJOY KUMAR BARUA

Islam said, "I have got the trees felled for making a malta orchard."

officer in the district, declined to say whether the DC took permission

He requested this correspondent to

পরিচালকের কার্যালয় জাতীয় উদ্ভিদ উদ্যান, মিরপুর, ঢাকা

"শেখ হাসিনার নির্দেশ জলবায়ু সহিষ্ণু বাংলাদেশ"

#### হজারার দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি

মন্ত্রণালয়/বিভাগ বাস্তবায়নকারী সংস্থা

প্রবেশদার ইজারার দরপত্র

দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি নং-০৫ (৪র্থ বার)

কাজের/ইজারার নাম গ্রুপ-ক'

সিডিউল বিক্রয়ের স্থান

দরপত্র খোলার তারিখ ও সময়

(গ) ভ্যাট রেজিস্ট্রেশন সনদপত্রের সত্যায়িত কপি।

দরপত্রের সহিত নিম্লোক্ত কাগজপত্রাদি অবশ্যই দাখিল করিতে হইবেঃ (ক) হালনাগাদ নবায়নকৃত ট্রেড লাইসেন্সের সত্যায়িত কপি (খ) হালনাগাদ আয়কর পরিশোধের সনদপত্রের সত্যায়িত কপি

(চ) দরপত্র জামানত হিসাবে সরকার অনুমোদিত যে কোন সিডিউল ব্যাংক হইতে (পরিচালক, জাতীয় উদ্ভিদ উদ্যানের অনুকূলে) গ্রুপ-ক-এর ক্ষেত্রে ৫,০০,০০০/- (পাঁচ লক্ষ) টাকা এবং গ্রুপ-খ-এর ক্ষেত্রে ২,০০,০০০/- (দুই লক্ষ) টাকার পে-অর্ভার/ব্যাংক ড্রাফট। যাহাদের নিকট বন বিভাগের পাওনা আছে বা যাহাদের বিরুদ্ধে বন বিভাগের সহিত মামলা আছে তাহারা দরপত্র সংগ্রহ বা দরপত্রে

অংশগ্রহণ করিতে পারিবেন না দরপত্র সংক্রান্ত বিজ্ঞপ্তির বিস্তারিত তথ্যাদি ও অন্যান্য শর্তাবলী দরপত্র দাখিলের পূর্ব দিন পর্যন্ত অফিস চলাকালীন সময়ে জানিতে ও দেখিতে পারা যাইবে।

সর্বোচ্চ দরদাতার দর বা যে কোন দরপত্র গ্রহণ করা বা বাতিল করার পূর্ণ ক্ষমতা বা দরপত্র প্রক্রিয়ার যে কোন পর্যায়ে উহা স্থগিত

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Bipul Krishna Das, divisional forest

from the department for cutting the

contact with the DC to know about the matter.

# গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার

তারিখঃ ০৯/০৫/২০১৯

বন অধিদপ্তর, জাতীয় উদ্ভিদ উদ্যান, মিরপুর, ঢাকা ০৫ (৪র্থ বার) তারিখঃ ০৯/০৫/২০১৯। জাতীয় উদ্ভিদ উদ্যান, মিরপুর, ঢাকার প্রবেশদ্বার ২০১৯-২০২০। আর্থিক সালে দর্শনার্থীদের নিকট হইতে প্রবেশ ফি আদায়ের ইজারা।

পরিবেশ, বন ও জলবায়ু পরিবর্তন মন্ত্রণালয়।

জাতীয় উদ্ভিদ উদ্যান, মিরপুর, ঢাকার নিয়ন্ত্রণাধীন বলধা বাগান ওয়ারী ঢাকার সিবলী অংশের প্রবেশদ্বার ২০১৯-২০২০ আর্থিক সালে দর্শনার্থীদের নিকট হইতে প্রবেশ ফি ঃ ২০১৯-২০২০ আর্থিক সাল ১লা জুলাই/২০১৯ হইতে (অথবা শর্ত পূরণ সাপেক্ষে

কার্যাদেশ গ্রহণের তারিখ হইতে) ৩০ জুন/২০২০ পর্যন্ত। সরকারি/আধা-সরকারি অথবা স্বায়ন্তশাসিত সংস্থার তালিকাভুক্ত ১ম শ্রেণীর

ঠিকাদার/ইজারাদার/প্রকৃত ব্যবসায়ী বা আগ্রহী ব্যক্তিবর্গ। ঃ গ্রুপ-ক-১,০০০/- (এক হাজার) টাকা। গ্রুপ-খ-১,০০০/- (এক হাজার) টাকা

> (ক) রেঞ্জ কর্মকর্তা, জাতীয় উদ্ভিদ উদ্যান, মিরপুর, ঢাকার কার্যালয়। (খ) তত্তাবধায়ক, বলধা বাগান, ওয়ারী, ঢাকার কার্যালয়। ঃ (ক) পরিচালক, জাতীয় উদ্ভিদ উদ্যান, মিরপুর, ঢাকার কার্যালয়। (খ) বন সংরক্ষক, বন্যপ্রাণি ও প্রকৃতি সংরক্ষণ অঞ্চল, বন ভবন, আগারগাঁও, ঢাকার

(গ) উপ-পুলিশ কমিশনার (মিরপুর বিভাগ), ঢাকা মেট্রোপলিটন পুলিশ, মিরপুর, ঢাকার ২৬/০৫/২০১৯ তারিখ অফিস চলাকালীন সময় পর্যন্ত। দরপত্র বিক্রয়ের তারিখ ও সময় দরপত্র গ্রহণের তারিখ ও সময়

২৭/০৫/২০১৯ বেলা ১২:০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত বন সংরক্ষকের কার্যালয়, বন্যপ্রাণি ও প্রকৃতি সংরক্ষণ অঞ্চল, বন ভবন, আগারগাঁও, ঢাকা।

২৭/০৫/২০১৯ তারিখ বেলা ০২:০০ ঘটিকা মোট উদ্ধৃত মূল্যের উপর ১০%। নিরাপত্তা/কার্য সম্পাদন জামানত

(ঘ) আর্থিক স্বচ্ছলতার স্বপক্ষে সরকার অনুমোদিত যে কোন সিডিউল ব্যাংক হইতে দরপত্র দাখিলের সময় ন্যুনতম গ্রুপ-ক-এর ক্ষেত্রে ৫০,০০,০০০/- (পঞ্চাশ লক্ষ) টাকা এবং গ্রুপ-খ-এর ক্ষেত্রে ২৫,০০,০০০/- (পঁচিশ লক্ষ) টাকার হালনাগাদ স্থিতি (Balance) এর প্রমাণস্বরূপ ব্যাংক স্টেটমেন্ট (Balance Sheet) এর মূল কপি। (ঙ) সিডিউল ক্রয়ের মূল রশিদ।

করার ক্ষমতা নিমুস্বাক্ষরকারী সংরক্ষণ করেন। মোল্যা রেজাউল করিম পরিচালক জাতীয় উদ্ভিদ উদ্যান

মিরপুর, ঢাকা

ফোনঃ ০২-৫৮০৫০১৯৯