

Flood hits 10 districts hard

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 Nilphamari.
 "The met office has forecast heavy rains over the next few days. It could worsen the flood situation," State Minister for Disaster Management and Relief Enamur Rahman said.
 The authorities have flagged 628 points in different rivers as risky. Of them, 26 were marked very risky.
 In Lalmonirhat, new areas were flooded yesterday. Around 50,000 people in 60 villages have been stranded as the Teesta and Dharla rivers swelled.
 Mozahar Ali, 56, a resident of Gobordhan area of near the Teesta in Aditmari, said villagers have been facing an acute shortage of drinking water as tube-wells in the area have gone under water.
 "We have been surviving on chira, muri, sugar, bread and biscuits as cooking is impossible in flooded stoves and kitchens.
 In Kurigram, people in almost 250 char areas in Sadar, Ulipur, Chilmari, Rowmari and Rajibpur upazilas have been severely affected.

Flood water in Sunamganj and Sylhet have risen as the Surma and Kushiara rivers are overflowing.
 In Sunamganj, 13,100 families of five upazilas are seriously affected, officials said.
 In Sylhet, water level in the Sari-Gowain river began to fall yesterday, giving hope to thousands of affected people.
 In Netrakona's Kalmakanda upazila, vast new areas were flooded yesterday, officials said.
 Over 10,000 families have been seriously affected while farmed fish from 5,000 ponds were washed away.
 In Bandarban, around 1,000 families have been stranded as road communication to the areas remain snapped. Chattogram-Bandarban and Bandarban-Rangamati highways have been blocked by floodwater for three days.
 In Rangamati, about 20 villages of Baghaichari have been submerged.
 Flash flood has damaged crops on around 100 hectares in the upazila.
 Officials said the flooding was caused mostly by heavy downpour.



The Sangu bursts its banks and inundates homes and business in Bandarban town.

PHOTO: SANJOY KUMAR BARUA

AL is not neglecting

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 yesterday decided to punish its leaders who took stance against the party's electoral symbol "boat" in the local government polls, a leader told The Daily Star on condition of anonymity.
 Show-cause notices would be issued to the AL leaders, including ministers, state ministers and lawmakers, over working against "boat", said the leader who was present at the meeting.
 Those who would not be able to answer satisfactorily would be suspended from the party. Around 60 AL leaders may face party action, said the leader.
 Speaking at the meeting, the PM said a plan to run the country properly was almost prepared by the party. "... such a plan was almost ready and that's why we could work [for the country]."
 The AL chief said her party has a plan about where it would take the country in future.
 "We've already declared our plan. But we'll have to take preparations and overcome the hurdles to this end. For this, the organisation will have to be strengthened further and public opinion be created," the PM added.
 Taking a swipe at a section of civil society members, Hasina said there are some people who don't find comfort in anything. "We're marching forward economically. But some people see it differently... it is their habit."
 The PM said those people never want the democratic trend to continue. She said her party wants continuity of the democratic process and take the country forward economically.
 Hasina said Bangladesh has the capability of tackling any natural disaster. "The officials and volunteers concerned start working whenever any disaster hits the country... there is no need to give any directives to them."
 In this connection, the PM said her government is taking information frequently about flood, rain and river erosion.
 She said the political parties would have to remain active in this regard. "Awami League always played a pioneering role during the previous disasters."

Describing the country's tremendous development in various sectors, Hasina said Bangladesh has already got recognition as a developing country and earned successes in other fields.
 Putting emphasis on retaining this achievement, she said the government wants to advance Bangladesh further as the most developed and prosperous country in South Asia.
 The PM said her government has been able to keep the pace of the country's development.
 Expressing gratitude to the people for giving scope to the AL to run the country time and again, Hasina said Bangladesh has become a role model of development in the last one decade.
 "Bangladesh has become self-reliant economically and we've been able to increase the GDP growth to 8.1 percent."
 The PM said Bangabandhu had graduated Bangladesh to a Least Developed Country within three and a half years of its independence.
 Following his footprints, Bangladesh got recognition as a developing country, she said.

First waterways load to arrive

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 authority on July 10 and BIWTA gave go ahead on Thursday, he said.
 The cargo, which will complete custom related works at Chilmari Port in Kurigram, is expected to arrive in Narayanganj Port in three to five days, he added.
 Bhutan Exporters Association (BEA) General Secretary Tshering Yeshe said it was a much-awaited event, reported Bhutanese daily Kuensel.
 "It is historic," he said, adding that the "flagship" consignment was possible after India and Bangladesh

declared Dhubri Port as "port of call." Bhutan has been exporting significant quantity of stone aggregates through the land route for different construction projects in Bangladesh.
 The exports through inland waterways mode will serve as an alternative mode of transportation which is cheaper and more environment-friendly. It also offers larger shipment size as compared to road, avoiding congestion on land ports.
 While the consignment is being transported in one single barge through inland waterways, by road

it would have taken 50 trucks of 20 tonnes capacity each to carry the same volume of cargo.
 To study the feasibility of the inland waterways, BEA and Bhutanese trade officials also recently travelled to Bangladesh using the same waterways route via Chilmari Port and Mongla Port.
 "We found it is feasible and the depth of the river is satisfactory and even convenient in monsoons," BEA general secretary Tshering Yeshe said adding that it will reduce transportation cost by 30 percent.

WB to give

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 about 87 percent households have access to various improved water sources in the country. "But only 10 percent people have access to piped water supply. About half of the municipalities have basic piped water systems, but they cover only a small share of population in town centres."
 With Bangladesh's rapid urbanisation, both small towns and big cities need to improve their infrastructures, including water and sanitation systems, to cater to the growing population, said Mercy Tembon, WB country director for Bangladesh and Bhutan.
 She said this project would contribute to the government's goal of expanding piped water coverage in municipal areas.
 It would also help the participating municipalities improve sanitation and drainage systems, Tembon said. "This will include investments in septage management, public toilets, septage disposal, and critical drainage infrastructure. The project will also provide equipment and training to cleaning workers for fecal sludge management."
 The credit from the World Bank's International Development Association (IDA), which provides concessional financing, has a 30-year term, including a five-year grace period, and an interest rate of 1.25 percent with a service charge of 0.75 percent.
 The project also includes \$100 million financing from the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) and \$9.53 million financing from the Bangladesh government.

2 lands in jail over rape of woman

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 her into the bamboo cluster, the girl managed to reach a nearby home, residence of Hasin, and sought help. Hasin, however, did not pay a bid and pushed her back.
 Later, the criminals took the girl into an abandoned house and

raped her again, the case statement added.
 Hearing the incident, the victim's family members took her to local police station and filed a case.
 In the case, Hasin was accused of helping the criminals who raped the girl.

According to OC Khandaker Shaker Ahmed, Ujjal already confessed his deeds before the court.
 "Ujjal's confessional statement was recorded under section 164," he said.
 Police were trying to arrest all the criminals involved in the rape incident, he added.

One more

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 investigation officer of Rifat murder case, said Rabbi was arrested on Thursday night.
 Humayun, however, denied to answer any other query about Rabbi's arrest.
 Meanwhile, the same court ordered a three-day fresh remand for Saimon, another accused in the case, for the fourth time after police placed him before the court with a five-day remand plea, the IO said.

So far police arrested a total of 14 people in connection with the murder, the IO said, adding that seven of them were named in the first information report of the case.
 The prime accused of the murder, Nayan Bond, was killed in a "gunfight" with police on July 2. Five accused were on remand in police custody, the IO said.
 On June 26, Nayan and Farazi, along with some others, attacked 25-year-old Rifat Sharif with sharp weapons in

front of Barguna Government College when Rifat and his wife Aysha were leaving the college premises.
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Over 100 cops stand released

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 Deputy Inspector General (DIG).
 Officials at the PHQ said punitive action would be taken against the police members involved in illegal monetary transaction after further investigation.
 While the normal procedure is that an aspirant will get a government job after successfully completing all tests, couple of years back there were widespread allegations that a police constable aspirant had to bribe Tk 12 lakh to 15 lakh to get a job.
 A strict surveillance and supervision by the PHQ has managed to stop the unscrupulous practice as many recruits from different districts this year said they got the constable job by just spending the Tk 103 required for postal order and examination fees.
 The PHQ earlier warned of legal action and cancellation of appointment in case any kind of monetary exchange or unfair means used for the recruitment of constables.
 To make the recruitment process transparent and fair, the PHQ also sent a SP ranked and an ASP ranked official to all districts to ensure cent

percent fair written examinations.
 On June 30, all SPs and range DIGs were called to the PHQ and warned of action if any allegations were found true against any police officials or members at the district level.
 A team from the PHQ also worked to gather intelligence about the recruitment.
 As part of the move, all staffers of a district office of reserve officer were sent on forced leave as the reserve officers (ROs) were found involved in illegal monetary exchange, said the official at the PHQ wishing anonymity.
 The source did not reveal the name of the district.
 Besides, those who have long been serving as ROs at the same office were transferred, he added.
 As per the existing rules, the SPs recruit constables in their districts. But in most cases, they were recruited earlier from the lists of names provided by political leaders, said a number of SPs.
 There were also allegations that political leaders, and in some cases dishonest SPs and other policemen and staffers, take hefty bribes from aspiring candidates, sources said.

Meanwhile, political leaders continue to push for their favourites to be given the job.
 Jhalakathi-2 lawmaker BH Haroon sent a letter recently to the district SP recommending names of his 11 supporters from Rajapur and Kathalia upazilas for recruitment as constables.
 Though the district SP Fatima Yeasmin said she did not get any such letter, a copy of the letter was circulated in different media.
 "I didn't get any letter from anyone for recruiting police constables and even have not seen the letter on any social media," she said.
 None from the list got the posting according to Awami League and Jubo League leaders of both Rajapur and Kathalia upazila unit.
 This reporter also checked the names of those recruited against those recommended but could not find any matches.
 Contacted, the lawmaker admitted sending the letter. "I do not find anything wrong in sending such a recommendation letter as I did not get any financial gain from the jobseekers. I just wanted to help those locals who came to me,"

Haroon said.
 Meanwhile, those who secured the job without having to pay large bribes expressed happiness.
 "I did not dream of getting the job as my family has no ability to spend huge amount of money," said new recruit Mithila Mim in Jamalpur.
 "I am excited as I got a job after successfully passing the tests held in a transparent manner."
 Jamalpur SP Delwar Hossain said the district police administration has pledged to hold a fair and transparent recruitment as per the PHQ directive.
 In Khulna, new recruit Abul Hasan could not hold back tears after being selected.
 "I was abandoned by my parents three days after my birth. I was given shelter in my grandfather's house, but that was a bad experience. I was put into an orphanage in Tetulia of Koyra upazila at the age of four where I studied with the help of locals," he said.
 He said he left the madrasa in 2015 and did different jobs -- security guard, hotel boy, van puller, waste collectors -- to survive.

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উন্মুক্ত দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি (OTM)

নিম্নলিখিত শর্ত সাপেক্ষে হাইওয়ে পুলিশ হেডকোয়ার্টার্স, ঢাকার জন্ম ২০১৯-২০২০খ্রিঃ অর্থ সালে পন্যের ভাড়া ও পরিবহন খাতে টিকাদার নিয়োগের লক্ষ্যে পৃথক পৃথক সীলমোহরকৃত খামে সর্বশ্রেষ্ঠ যোগ্যতাসম্পন্ন দরদাতাদের নিকট হইতে পাবলিক প্রকিউরমেন্ট আইন, ২০০৬ ও পাবলিক প্রকিউরমেন্ট বিধিমালা, ২০০৮ ও সংশোধনসহ মোতাবেক দরপত্র আহবান করা হইতেছে।

১. মন্ত্রণালয়/বিভাগ	স্বরাষ্ট্র মন্ত্রণালয়
২. সংস্থা	বাংলাদেশ পুলিশ
৩. ক্রয় কর্তৃপক্ষ	অতিরিক্ত আইজি, বাংলাদেশ পুলিশ, হাইওয়ে পুলিশ, ঢাকা।
৪. টেন্ডার প্যাকেজ নম্বর	ক্রমিক নং ১৪ মোতাবেক।
৫. দরপত্র পদ্ধতি	উন্মুক্ত দরপত্র পদ্ধতি (OTM)
৬. দরপত্রের অর্ধের উদ্বৃত্ত	জিএফসি (স্বাক্ষর)
৭. সিডিউল বিক্রয়ের সর্বশেষ তারিখ ও সময়	২৮ জুলাই ২০১৯খ্রিঃ তারিখ অফিস চলাকালীন সময় পর্যন্ত।
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১৭. বিশেষ জ্ঞাতব্য	ক) ব্যক্তি বা প্রতিষ্ঠানের স্বত্বাধিকারীর স্বাক্ষরসহ প্যাডে আবেদনপূর্বক অফিস চলাকালীন সময় পর্যন্ত দরপত্র সিডিউল সজ্ঞা করা হইবে। খ) অনিবার্য কারণবশতঃ নির্ধারিত দিনে বা সময়ে দরপত্র দাখিল/গ্রহণ বা খোলা সম্ভব না হইলে দরপত্র আহবানকারী কর্তৃপক্ষ কর্তৃক দরপত্র দাখিলের ও খোলার/গ্রহণের পুনঃ নির্ধারিত তারিখ ও সময় স্থানীয় বিজ্ঞপ্তির মাধ্যমে সার্টিফিকেশনক্রমে অবহিত করা হইবে।

কোন কারণ দর্শানো ব্যতিরেকে যে কোন দরপত্র গ্রহণ/প্রত্যাহ্বান করার ক্ষমতা অত্র সংস্থা সংরক্ষণ করে।

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 After the alternate route is built, the road inside the forest will be closed, and the rail route will be fenced on both sides so that the wild animals cannot go near.
 Md Rashedul Haque, sub-divisional engineer of the Roads and Highways Department in Moulvibazar, said the new route may be five kilometers more than the existing forest road that is about 6.5 kilometers long.
 "So it is not a long way around and will not take much time."
 The higher authorities will soon inform the authorities concerned about the start of construction of the alternate route, he added.

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 Md Rashedul Haque, sub-divisional engineer of the Roads and Highways Department in Moulvibazar, said the new route may be five kilometers more than the existing forest road that is about 6.5 kilometers long.
 "So it is not a long way around and will not take much time."
 The higher authorities will soon inform the authorities concerned about the start of construction of the alternate route, he added.

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