



A girder of an under-construction bridge in Tangail's Ghatail upazila lies broken.

PHOTO: STAR

Bridge girder collapses

Locals blame use of substandard materials in work of the under-construction bridge in Ghatail

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Tangail

One of the girders of an under-construction bridge in Ghatail upazila of the district collapsed on Thursday.

The incident took place due to use of low-quality materials in the construction work, alleged locals.

The authorities concerned, however, termed the matter as an accident.

According to Local Government Engineering Department (LGED) in Ghatail, the 81-metre-height and 7.32-metre-wide bridge is being constructed on the Tok river in Baniapara area at a cost of Tk 4 crore. Construction firm 'Durga Enterprise' of Jamalpur got the work order.

About 65 percent work of the bridge has already been completed. Six girders out of total nine were already set up on the three spans of the bridge. The seventh girder

was broken while it was being set up on Thursday.

Local people blamed use of substandard materials in the construction work for this.

Sabuj Miah, site manager of the construction firm, said owner of the firm Shamyal Chandra Saha is now touring abroad.

Low substandard materials were used in work as the girder was constructed in presence of the upazila engineer of LGED about three weeks ago.

Despite repeated attempts, LGED Upazila Engineer AKM Hedayetullah could not be contacted on his phone.

Refuting the allegation of use of low-quality materials in the construction work, Tangail LGED Executive Engineer Golam Azam said it is just an accident.

He further said the contractor is responsible for this.

Woman murdered

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

A woman was hacked to death at Joyda Lengrabazar village in Muktagachha upazila of the district on Sunday.

The deceased was identified as Parul Wrishi, 40, wife of late Jongli Wrishi of the village. She was the mother of four children.

Quoting the neighbours, Officer-in-Charge of Muktagachha Police Station Mohammad Ali Mahmud said Parul went to sleep alone on Saturday night as her children went to visit a relative's house.

In the morning, neighbours found Parul lying on a pool of blood on the floor and informed police who later recovered the body and sent it to Mymensingh Medical College Hospital (MMCH) for autopsy.

Parul might have been killed over previous enmity, said the OC.

Police detained two youths of the village for interrogation, he said.

Meanwhile, police early yesterday arrested a boy on charge of killing an elderly woman in Kishoreganj town.

The victim was Joynob Bibi, 65, wife of late Abul Hossain of Gujaria village in Karimganj upazila.

Her son Delwar Hossain, 38, an assistant teacher of Monsantushpur Government Primary School in Karimganj, was also critically injured in the attack. He is now undergoing treatment at MMCH.

Police detained the body from Harua area, said OC of Kishoreganj Sadar Police Station Abu Bakar Siddiq.

However, the name of the arrestee was not disclosed, said the OC.

MURDER OF FRIEND

One gets life term, another 10 years' jail

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Manikganj

A Manikganj court yesterday sentenced a youth to suffer life term and another to 10 years imprisonment in connection with a case for killing one of their friends in November, 2013.

After examining 18 witnesses, Manikganj District and Sessions Judge Mamta Begum delivered the verdict in presence of the convicts.

The lifer was identified as Rakib Noor Hridoy, 19, son of late Ayub Ali of Bandutia area under Manikganj municipality, while Mohammad Rakib, 19, son of Asaduzzaman Salam of the same area, was jailed for 10 years.

According to the case statement, Hridoy and Rakib had an altercation with slain Maruf Hassan Nayan, 19, son of Majedul Islam, over stealing Hridoy's mobile phone set on November 26, 2013.

As a sequel, Hridoy and Rakib called Nayan in Shailipara area and beat him with sticks.

At one stage, Hridoy stabbed Nayan on the chest with a knife and fled the scene, leaving him critical condition.

Locals rescued Nayan and took him to Manikganj District Hospital, from where he was shifted to Dhaka Medical College Hospital, where he succumbed to his injuries the following day.

Nayan's uncle Farid Al Mahmud filed a case against Hridoy and Rakib with Sadar Police Station on November 27.

Woman dies of dengue fever

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

A woman died of dengue fever, a mosquito-borne tropical viral disease, at a hospital in Dinajpur early yesterday.

Shilpi Begum, 32, wife of Delwar Hossain of Salandar area in Thakurgaon Sadar upazila, breathed her last around 1:45am at M Abdur Rahim Medical College Hospital, hospital Assistant Director Shahadat Hossain said.

Shilpi was first admitted to Thakurgaon Sadar Hospital on September 24 after she was diagnosed with dengue fever, the official said.

As her condition started deteriorating since Sunday, doctors referred her to the hospital in Dinajpur the same afternoon, said the assistant director.

LAND DISPUTE

Rivals inflict cigarette burns on housewife

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pabna

Criminals cut hair of a woman and burnt parts of her body with the burning butt of a cigarette over land dispute at Madarbari village in Sadar upazila early yesterday.

The victim is Sakhina Begum, 35, wife of Jilal Pramanik of the village. She is now undergoing treatment at Pabna Medical College Hospital.

Lying in the hospital bed, Sakhina said a gang swooped on their residence around 2:00am and tied her husband to a tree and started beating him with iron rods.

"They also tied me to the tree and cut my hair and burnt the body with the burning butt of a cigarette," she said.

Hearing screams, locals rushed to the

spot and rescued them and sent her to the hospital. However, the criminals managed to flee the scene.

The victim's husband Jilal said there was a longstanding conflict between him and one Shajahan over 14 decimals of land.

As Shajahan and his men earlier attempted to grab the land by making a false document, he filed a case, said Jilal, adding that "After getting bail, they started harassing us to withdrew the case."

Jilal blamed Shajahan and his men for the attack.

A case was filed, accusing five people including Shajahan yesterday, said Officer-in-Charge of Sadar Police Station Md Nasim Ahmed.

They are raiding different areas to arrest the accused, said the OC.

Three-day rain disrupts life in Thakurgaon

Early vegetable growers worried as newly sown seeds face damage

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

Ceaseless rain since Friday noon disrupted normal life in Thakurgaon.

Business and official activities were hampered, schools and colleges saw thin attendance of students while low income group people, especially those who depend on daily earning, badly suffered due to unavailability of work.

The Department of Agriculture Extension (DAE) in Thakurgaon recorded 84.7 ml rainfall in last 24 hours.

This correspondent in last two days saw day labourers waiting near Thakurgaon intersection where people hire them for work.

Usually 60 to 70 day labourers come here and most of them get call by 9:00am. But these days only 12/15 people were seen passing ideal time in the morning as they failed to

manage work.

"Failing to get work due to bad weather in last three days, I am worried about managing meals for my four-member family," said Nalini Roy, 55, a day labourer from Debadangi village of Thakurgaon Sadar upazila.

A rickshaw puller of Police Lines area under the same upazila said he got fewer passengers in last three days due to the continuous rain.

Hasmat Ali, 45, of Barunagaon came to Govindanagar wholesale market to sell two maunds of brinjal but he was waiting for long due to lack of buyers.

Early winter vegetable growers in the district are facing troubles due to continuous rain during the late monsoon.

"I sowed some 1,000 seedlings of cauliflower, spending about Tk 10,000.

But it is going to be damaged as I could not manage to drain out the water due to ceaseless rain," said Rafiqul Islam, 45, of Barunagaon village.

Mohammad Hossain, 52, of Nargoon village said he cultivated early variety of potato with hope to reap additional profit but the rain dashed his hope as the already sown seeds of potato have started rotting.

Md Aftab Hossain, deputy director of Tahkurgaon DAE, said the rain will be good for most of the crops although it will do a little harm to early vegetable cultivation.

The vegetable growers can reduce damage from rain if they take care of the cultivated crops as per instructions of agricultural officials, he added.



Govindanagar wholesale market in Thakurgaon municipality sees only a few customers yesterday as rain continued in the area for three consecutive days.

PHOTO: QUAMRUL ISLAM RUBAIYAT



Birds flutter in Tarua sea beach area of Dhalchar under Bhola's Charfashion upazila on Friday. The area with vast greenery is gradually becoming a popular nesting place for different sea birds.

PHOTO: M JAHRUL ISLAM JEWEL

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