



Flooding of vegetable fields, like this one in Durgapur village of Pirojpur's Sadar upazila, has caused the demand for vegetable saplings to fall significantly.

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## IMPACT OF FLOODS

# Vegetable sapling demand takes a nosedive

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pirojpur

Growers of vegetable saplings in two unions of Nazirpur and Nesarabad upazilas are counting huge losses due to the flood this year.

Farmers in Kalardoania union of Nazirpur and Balodia union of Nesarabad are well known for growing saplings of different varieties of winter vegetables on floating seedbeds in marshlands in the area.

Around 215 hectares of marshlands in the two unions are used for producing vegetable saplings, according to data received from Department of Agricultural Extension in Pirojpur.

The demand for the saplings dropped significantly while vegetable fields remain flooded in a large swath of land in the district as well as elsewhere in the country.

It costs around Tk 9 thousand to make a 180-foot-by 4-foot floating seedbed with water hyacinth and other aquatic plants. About 2,000 saplings can be grown on a seedbed, with a thickness of nearly two feet.

Between June and October, various saplings of winter vegetables including bean, tomato, beet, pumpkin, bitter melon, papaya, aubergine or brinjal and chilli are grown on the seedbeds, the growers said.

After the saplings are ready for sale in about a month's time, wholesale buyers buy the saplings from the growers and transport those on boats across the country.



The process can be repeated a maximum of five times during the wet season, said farmer Mizanur Rahman from Gagan village in Nesarabad upazila.

But with agricultural land inundated in floodwaters in Pirojpur, the demand for saplings has plummeted, he added.

Mohammad Ibrahim, another sapling grower from the same village, said a large number of wholesale buyers arrive at their village for the saplings every year, but this year, the picture is gloomy as only a handful of them turned up for the saplings.

He also said that if vegetable farmers are unable to prepare their land for cultivation again after the

floodwater recedes completely, the sapling growers might suffer massive losses this year.

The vegetable saplings planted by farmers are damaged in the floods, while the saplings on their seedbeds have become unfit for sale as those, left unsold for long, have grown too tall, said sapling grower Saidul Islam from Mugarjhor village in Nazirpur upazila.

Prodip Kumar Sikder, sub-assistant agriculture officer for Mugarjhor block in Nazirpur upazila, acknowledged the situation and said that the farmers this year might be able to grow saplings only three times.

## 2 cousins drown

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Faridpur

Two minor cousins drowned in a pond in Sadar upazila yesterday.

The deceased are Monira Aktar, 10, a Class III student at a local primary school and daughter of Mamun Mollah, and her five-year-old cousin Selina Aktar, daughter of Selim Mollah, of Mollahpara village.

Quoting the villagers, Sadarpur Upazila Nirbahi Officer (UNO) Purabi Goldar said Monira and Selina along with some other kids of their age went to play near an abandoned pond adjacent to their house in the morning.

At one stage of playing, Monira suddenly slipped into the pond water and drowned. Selina also fell into the water while trying to save her cousin and drowned.

Hearing the news from their playmates, family member and locals rushed to the spot, rescued the minor girls and took them to Sadarpur Upazila Health Complex, where the doctors declared them dead. A pal of gloom descended in the area after the incident.

## 1 arrested over attempted rape

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

Police arrested a youth for allegedly attempting to rape a schoolgirl in Netrakona's Kalmakanda upazila on Monday.

The arrestee was identified as Noor Jamal, 19, son of Abdul Hakim of Kalihala village in the upazila.

Earlier, victim's grandmother lodged a case with Kalmakanda Police Station accusing Noor, a battery-run auto-rickshaw driver, on Monday evening.

Quoting the case statement, Officer in Charge (Investigation) of the police station Sirajul Islam Khan said neighbour Noor entered the house of the victim, also a Class V student at a local primary school, on Monday evening and tried to rape her forcibly when none of her family members were present.

Hearing her screams, neighbours rushed in, rescued the girl and caught Noor red-handed.

Police produced the arrestee before a Netrakona court yesterday that sent him to jail.

# Flood dashes hopes of sugarcane growers

Sugarcane of around 65 hectares of lands have been damaged by flooding

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Tangail

Farmer Jinnat Ali of Dhitpur village in Sadar upazila of the district cultivated sugarcane on his three and half bighas of land this year and the yield had been good. But the recent flood damaged his sugarcane fields fully.

"My sugarcane fields have been submerged under the floodwater during the second week of July. The sugarcanes were supposed to be harvested after one month and a half," Jinnat said.

"I had cultivated the sugarcane spending Tk 70,000 after borrowing money from others. I hoped to sell the sugarcane at Tk 2 lakh. But the prolonged floods dashed my hope," he added.

"Now it is time to cultivate Aman paddy on the fields but I do not know how I will arrange the money for it," Jinnat said.

All sugarcanes of the 50 decimals of land of Mohammad Ali of the same village were also damaged fully by the floods.

"However, none from the agriculture office came to visit our damaged fields," Ali said.

Farmer Rafiqul Islam of the village said the flood also hit his sugarcane field. He incurred a huge loss due to the flood.

Not only Jinnat, Ali and Rafiqul of the village but also sugarcane of around 50 farmers in the area and adjacent areas were destroyed by the floods and the poor farmers incurred huge losses, sources said.

The local growers said farmers in the area are interested in cultivating sugarcane for higher yield. Its cultivation is very profitable too. It is more profitable than other crops.

According to the office of the deputy director (DD) of Department of Agricultural Extension (DAE) in Tangail, sugarcane was cultivated on 467 hectares

of land in 10 upazilas of the district with a target to produce 21,456 tonnes of sugarcane.

Sugarcane of around 65 hectares of lands have been damaged fully and partially by flooding. Of these, the crops on 16 hectares of land in Tangail Sadar upazila were damaged fully.

Contacted, Ziaur Rahman, upazila agriculture officer in Tangail Sadar upazila, told The Daily Star that a part of the total flood affected farmers will be provided government supports such as seeds and fertilisers, which will be distributed soon.

Local growers said farmers in the area are interested in cultivating sugarcane for higher yield and its cultivation is more profitable than other crops.

Meanwhile, several local sugarcane farmers have demanded separate allocation for them.

Agriculturist Ahsanul Bashar, deputy director of DAE in Tangail, besides sugarcane, other crops such as banana and lemon in some areas were also damaged by the floods.

They have plan to help the flood affected sugarcane, banana and lemon growers in the district by providing them saplings, he said.

A proposal has already been sent to the higher authorities in this regard, said the DAE official.



A flood-damaged sugarcane field at Dhitpur village in Tangail Sadar upazila.

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## গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার

জাতীয় রাজস্ব বোর্ড

(মুসক বাস্তবায়ন ও আইটি)

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### 'গণবিজ্ঞপ্তি'

মুসক পরামর্শক লাইসেন্স প্রাপ্তির লক্ষ্যে আগ্রহী ব্যক্তির নিকট হতে আবেদনপত্র আহ্বান

মূল্য সংযোজন কর ও সম্পূর্ণক শুদ্ধ আইন, ২০১২ এর ধারা ১৩০ এর উপ-ধারা (১) অনুযায়ী কোনো কার্যধারায় কোনো করদাতার পক্ষে প্রতিনিধিত্ব করা বা তাকে পরামর্শ প্রদানের জন্য চার্টার্ড একাউন্টেন্ট বা চার্টার্ড সেক্রেটারী বা লাইসেন্সধারী মুসক পরামর্শকগণের মধ্য হতে যে কোনো ব্যক্তিকে নিয়োগের বিধান রয়েছে। মুসক পরামর্শক হিসাবে কার্যক্রম পরিচালনা করতে আগ্রহী ব্যক্তিকে প্রয়োজনীয় দলিলাদি ও সনদসহ ফরম "মুসক- ১৮.১" এ ৩১ শে ডিসেম্বর, ২০২০ খ্রিস্টাব্দ তারিখের মধ্যে মূল্য সংযোজন কর ও সম্পূর্ণক শুদ্ধ বিধিমালা, ২০১৬ এর বিধি ১০৯, ১১০ ও ১১১ এবং মুসক পরামর্শক লাইসেন্সিং বিধিমালা, ২০১৯ এ নির্ধারিত পদ্ধতি ও শর্ত মেনে মহাপরিচালক, কাস্টমস, এন্ড্রাইজ ও ভ্যাট ট্রেনিং একাডেমি এর নিকট কেবল রেজিস্টার্ড ডাকযোগে আবেদন করার জন্য অনুরোধ করা হলো।

(২) মুসক পরামর্শক লাইসেন্স প্রাপ্তির জন্য আবেদনকারীর নিম্নবর্ণিত যোগ্যতা থাকতে হবে, যথা:-

- বাংলাদেশের নাগরিক হতে হবে;
  - আবেদনের তারিখে বয়স অন্যান্য ২৫ (পঁচিশ) বৎসর হতে হবে;
  - কোনো স্বীকৃত বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় হতে যে কোনো বিষয়ে স্নাতক বা সমমানের ডিগ্রিধারী হতে হবে।
- (৩) নিম্নবর্ণিত যে কোনো ব্যক্তি মুসক পরামর্শক লাইসেন্স পাওয়ার জন্য অযোগ্য বলে বিবেচিত হবেন, যথা:-
- সরকারি বা কোনো স্থানীয় কর্তৃপক্ষের অধীনে চাকুরি, চাকুরি হতে অপসারিত, বরখাস্তকৃত কোনো ব্যক্তি;
  - ফৌজদারী অপরাধে সাজাপ্রাপ্ত ব্যক্তি, যার সাজা ভোগ শেষ হওয়ার পর ৫ (পাঁচ) বৎসর সময় অতিবাহিত হয়নি; এবং
  - ইতঃপূর্বে যার মুসক পরামর্শক, মুসক এজেন্ট ক্রিয়াজিৎ ও ফরোয়ার্ডিং, ফ্রেইট ফরোয়ার্ডার্স বা আয়কর পরামর্শকের লাইসেন্স বাতিল করা হয়েছে এমন কোনো ব্যক্তি।
- (৪) মুসক পরামর্শক লাইসেন্সের জন্য আবেদনপত্রের সাথে আবেদনকারীকে নিম্নবর্ণিত দলিলাদি দাখিল করতে হবেঃ
- বয়স নির্ধারণের জন্য এসএসসি বা সমমানের পরীক্ষার সত্যায়িত সনদ;
  - ০৩ (তিন) কপি পাসপোর্ট আকারের সত্যায়িত ছবি;
  - শিক্ষাগত যোগ্যতা বা প্রযোজ্য ক্ষেত্রে, অভিজ্ঞতার সনদের সত্যায়িত কপি;
  - জাতীয় পরিচয়পত্রের সত্যায়িত কপি; এবং
  - মহাপরিচালক, কাস্টমস, এন্ড্রাইজ ও ভ্যাট ট্রেনিং একাডেমি এর অনুকূলে আবেদন ফি হিসেবে ৫ (পাঁচ) হাজার টাকা মূল্যমানের পে-অর্ডার বা ব্যাংক ড্রাফট।
- (৫) নির্ধারিত পদ্ধতি ও শর্তে, মুসক বিভাগে জাতীয় বেতন স্কেলের নবম গ্রেডের নিম্নে নন এমন পদে ন্যূনতম ৫ (পাঁচ) বছর কাজ করার অভিজ্ঞতাসম্পন্ন অবসরপ্রাপ্ত কর্মকর্তা বা ৫ (পাঁচ) বছরের অভিজ্ঞতাসম্পন্ন চার্টার্ড একাউন্টেন্ট বা চার্টার্ড সেক্রেটারী বা কন্সট এন্ড ম্যানেজমেন্ট একাউন্টেন্টগণকে পরীক্ষায় অংশগ্রহণ ব্যতীত আবেদনপত্র সঠিক প্রাপ্তি সাপেক্ষে লাইসেন্স প্রদান করা হবে।

(৬) মহাপরিচালক, কাস্টমস, এন্ড্রাইজ ও ভ্যাট ট্রেনিং একাডেমি প্রাপ্ত আবেদনপত্র বাছাইয়ের পর যোগ্য প্রার্থীদের তালিকা ও পরীক্ষার সময়সূচি একাডেমির ওয়েবসাইটে প্রকাশ করবেন এবং সুবিধাজনক সময়ে লিখিত ও মৌখিক পরীক্ষা গ্রহণ করবেন।

(৭) নির্ধারিত শর্ত পূরণ করা হয়নি, এমন আবেদনপত্র বাতিল বলে গণ্য হবে।

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Tender ID-487309 Package No. e-Tender/LGED/Noa/GOB/M-20/21/W-32	LTM	Periodic Maintenance of Mirwarishpur-Takia Road Ahmadulla Road from Ch 00m-760m ID No. 47504204 [Begumganj]	Up to 05-10-2020 at 4:00pm
Tender ID-487310 Package No. e-Tender/LGED/Noa/GOB/M-20/21/W-33	LTM	Periodic Maintenance of Banabaria-Aladinagar Road Beer Muktizudda Al-Haz Kazi Abdul Rob Road from Ch 1000m-2000m ID No. 475074007 [Begumganj]	Up to 05-10-2020 at 4:00pm
Tender ID-487311 Package No. e-Tender/LGED/Noa/GOB/M-20/21/W-34	LTM	Periodic Maintenance of Chamuhani-Sharifpur UP Office Via Arif Hazir Pool-Boro Sharifpur Road from Ch 3580m-5580m ID No. 475073023 [Begumganj]	Up to 05-10-2020 at 4:00pm
Tender ID-487312 Package No. e-Tender/LGED/Noa/GOB/M-20/21/W-35	LTM	Periodic Maintenance of Bachur Dokan R&H-Kendurbag Via Mirwarishpur UP-Barirhat Road from Ch 00m-1750m ID No. 475073016 [Begumganj]	Up to 05-10-2020 at 4:00pm
Tender ID-487313 Package No. e-Tender/LGED/Noa/GOB/M-20/21/W-36	LTM	Rehabilitation of Puranbibi Bazar-Sharifpur UP office Via Mujahidpur Road from Ch 00m-2113m ID No. 475073027 [Begumganj]	Up to 05-10-2020 at 4:00pm
Tender ID-487314 Package No. e-Tender/LGED/Noa/GOB/M-20/21/W-37	LTM	Periodic Maintenance of Zamidherat-Majidee Bazaar via Rasulpur UP-Shaheberhat-Hasanhat Road from Ch 2000m-3500m ID No. 475072010 [Begumganj]	Up to 05-10-2020 at 4:00pm
Tender ID-487315 Package No. e-Tender/LGED/Noa/GOB/M-20/21/W-38	LTM	Periodic Maintenance of Bangla Bazar-Amishapara Bazar via Padipara Road from Ch 00m-1050m & Ch 1500m-2500m ID No. 475072003 [Begumganj]	Up to 05-10-2020 at 4:00pm
Tender ID-487316 Package No. e-Tender/LGED/Noa/GOB/M-20/21/W-39	LTM	Periodic Maintenance of Zamidherat-Majidee Bazaar via Rasulpur UP-Shaheberhat-Hasanhat Road from Ch 3500m-5000m ID No. 475072010 [Begumganj]	Up to 05-10-2020 at 4:00pm
Tender ID-487317 Package No. e-Tender/LGED/Noa/GOB/M-20/21/W-40	LTM	Periodic Maintenance of Rafiquepur Purnachandra Buiarhat - Joy Bangla Hat Via Rafiquepur Gov. Prg. School Road from Ch. 179m-2785m ID No. 475074188 [Begumganj]	Up to 05-10-2020 at 4:00pm
Tender ID-482769 Package No. GNP-3/NOA/BEG-20/21/W-279	LTM	A. Maintenance of Fataypur Betagi Bari-Chowdhry Mia Tek Road at Ch. 00-500m ID No. 475075044 earth work A. i. Maintenance of Fataypur Betagi Bari-Chowdhry Mia Tek Road at Ch. 00-500m ID No. 475075044 Pavement & Surfacing Works A. ii. Providing 175.00m Palisading work [Begumganj]	Up to 05-10-2020 at 4:00pm

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