

Patients and their attendants on the hallway floor of a hospital in Bagerhat as a sudden inflow of diarrhoea patients caused overcrowding at the medical facilities.

Bagerhat hospitals teeming with diarrhoea patients

Our Correspondent, Bagerhat

The number of diarrhoea patients has been

rising alarmingly in Bagerhat.

Medical staff at different hospitals of the district have been grappling with the sudden influx as they provided treatment to more than 600 diarrhoea patients in the past week alone, while 200 of the patients still remain hospitalised.

Dr KM Humayun Kabir, civil surgeon of Bagerhat, said the incidence of waterborne diseases has increased due to drinking of contaminated water.

Drying up of freshwater ponds in extreme heat amid a drought-like situation might have worsened the situation, he added.

Meanwhile, patients and their attendants alleged that the hospitals are providing only one set of saline and two tablets to each patient and everything else has to be purchased by the patient

Acknowledging a shortage in the stock of saline, many hospital authorities said that a sudden increase in the number of patients caused the shortage.

They were providing free medications to the patients according to availability, they also said. Mehedi (not his real name) was admitted to

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the Diarrhoea Ward of Bagerhat Sadar Hospital with complaints of vomiting and dysentery.

"I've been in the hospital for the last three days. Here, all the medicines except for a saline and a couple of tablets need to be bought from outside. I bought about Tk 3 thousand worth of medicines so far. The overall atmosphere inside is not so good either. Poor patients are having a hard time buying medicines from outside," he said

A female diarrhoea patient was admitted to the same hospital on Wednesday from Ghazalia in Kachua upazila.

She was also provided only one saline and five more saline sets had to be bought by her relatives from outside.

"We are poor people. It was really difficult for me to buy the saline," she said.

Asked, the hospital's Resident Medical Officer Mirajul Karim said inadequate supply against a large number of patients is causing the situation.

"Around 20 to 25 patients are being admitted every day against only four beds in the ward of our hospital. We are also struggling to serve the patients. In last one week, I provided medical services to more than two hundred women, men and children. Many of the patients are still admitted here."

Drinking unsafe water might be one of the reasons that helped spread diarrhoea in the region, he also said.

Civil Surgeon Dr KM Humayun said water in most parts of Bagerhat, a coastal district, already has high salinity and the number of diarrhoea patients has been rising after freshwater ponds started drying up due to an ongoing drought.

The situation might improve after the monsoon replenishes the sources of freshwater, he hoped.

Regarding the scarcity of saline at hospitals in the district, he said, "We informed our higher authorities in Dhaka so more saline and medicines are sent urgently."

Inmates of Kandapara red-light quarter living in hunger pangs

Around 550 sex workers get government food supports, cash aid

Mirza Shakil

Several hundred sex workers at Kandapara red-light quarter in Tangail town have been passing their days in hunger as punters stopped coming due to the lockdown imposed by the government for curbing coronavirus spread.

Around 600 sex workers and their dependents are suffering from hunger at 60 houses at the 200-year-old brothel situated on three acres of land.

Several sex workers at the brothel said they have been passing hard days since the outbreak of coronavirus last year.

Many of them had to live hungry as the visits of punters decreased due to the lockdown. In this situation, a number of the sex workers have already left the area while many others are living on by borrowing money from others, including moneylenders.

"My life has turned worse as punters could not come to visit us due to the lockdown. I am living in empty stomach due not having any income. Now, I am living by borrowing money from others," told Kanta (not her original name), a sex worker.

A sex worker said she has been living at the brothel for over a decade. Previously she earned Tk 1000 to Tk 1500 in a day. But her earnings dropped after the outbreak of the coronavirus. Her income, however, completely ceased after the lockdown was imposed.

"However, I have to give the house rent, feed my child and also send money for my parents. Then, think, how I am living," she said.

The condition of almost the all brothel inmates and their dependents is the same,

Aklima Akter, president of the sex workers organisation Nari Mukti Sangha, said the brothel inmates have been living a very inhuman life since the beginning of the outbreak of coronavirus last year. Some of them are working at the house of the solvent sex workers for foods and other needs.

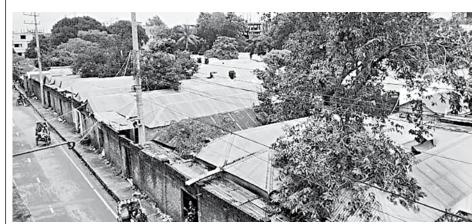
Being informed of the hardship of the brothel inmates, Dr Ataul Gani, deputy commissioner in Tangail, went to on Sunday and distributed food items among 550 sex workers as gift from the prime minister. The food items include 10 kilograms of rice, one kilogram of lentil, oil, sugar, salt, onion, gram (chhola) and two kilograms of potato.

The DC on Sunday also handed over Tk 500 cash to each of 120 children of the sex workers for buying their Eid dress in association with Tangail Ladies Club, a club of the wives of the government officers working in the district.

The brothel inmates, however, urged the administration that the government supports continue until the crisis ends.

The DC, in his speech, said they are extending food supports to the people who have been passing hand to mouth during the pandemic as gift from the prime minister. As part of this, the inmates of the brothel were provided the supports and more supports will be provided to them, he said.

"The Prime Minister has already sent supports (TR, KABIKHA) of Tk 130 crore for the people of the Tangail. The supports will be reached to around seven lakh poor people in the district before the Eid," he added.



Around 600 sex workers and their dependents at the houses at the 200-year-old brothel at Kandapara in Tangail town bear the brunt of pandemic. $_{\rm PHOTO:~ST}$

Man kills mother

Our Correspondent, Dinajpun

A woman was killed by his son allegedly over a trifling matter in Joypurhat Sadar upazila early yesterday.

The deceased, Sufia Khatun, 55, was wife of Taslim Uddin of Komargram village.

Police detained Uzzal Hossain, 28, for his alleged involvement in the murder.

Quoting neighbours, police said Sufia locked in an altercation with her daughter-in-law Meneka over a trifling matter on Sunday night, when Uzzal arrived in the middle and tried to stop his mother

from quarrelling.
At one stage, Uzzal took a brick and hit his mother on the head, leaving her severely injured.

Locals rescued Sufia and took her to Joypurhat General Hospital first, from where she was shifted to Bogura Shaheed Ziaur Rahman Medical College Hospital the same night.

But Sufia succumbed to her injuries at the hospital early yesterday.



A mobile court in a drive recovered this portion of an important canal, illegally occupied by some local influential people. The photo was taken from Bhuanpara area in Tangail's Gopalpur upazila a few days ago.

PHOTO: STAR

Man killed in boat collision

Our Correspondent, Bandarban

An indigenous man was killed when a speedboat, carrying the Barkal upazila nirbahi officer (UNO), hit a passenger boat in Rangamati's Barkal upazila on Sunday.

The deceased is Shantiranjan Chakma, 35, of Shilardhakpara under Subolong union in the upazila.

Officer in Charge (OC) of Barkal Police Station Jashim Uddin said the accident

occurred when a speedboat carrying Barkal UNO SM Monjurul Haque collided with a small engine-boat coming from the opposite direction on Sunday noon.

Shantiranjan, who was travelling on the passenger boat, fell on the water and drowned, the OC said.

Later, Shantiranjan's body was recovered from the river and sent to Rangamati Sadar Hospital for autopsy, the OC added.

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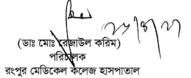
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