

Land 'illegally handed over to fake landless'

Alleges chairman of union parishad in Roumari upazila of Kurigram

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Lalmonirhat

At least two land office employees of Roumari Sadar union and Roumari upazila in Kurigram have been accused of helping some people illegally occupy a piece of land that belongs to Jadurchar Union Parishad of the upazila.

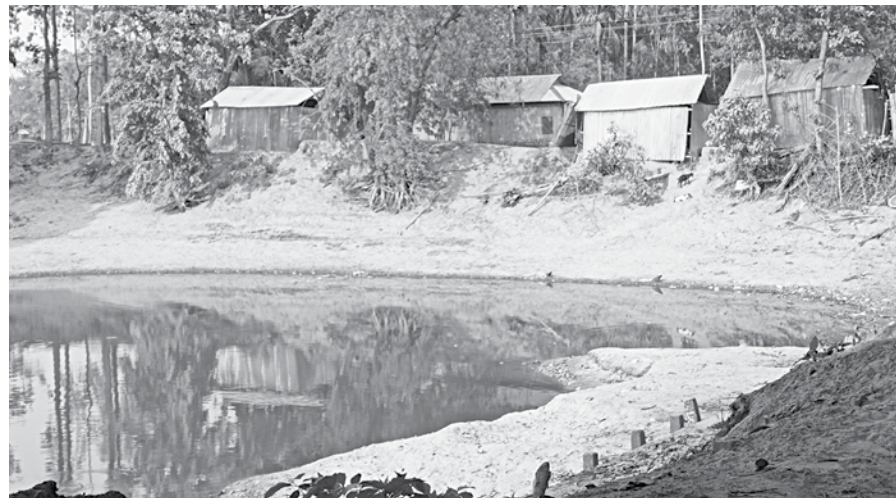
Sarbesb Ali, the chairman of the union parishad (UP), in a written complaint submitted to the deputy commissioner (DC) of Kurigram, upazila nirbahi officer (UNO) of Roumari and various other departments concerned, made the allegation against the two and seven others.

In a general diary filed earlier with Roumari Police Station, the UP chairman had anticipated that attempts might be made to illegally occupy the same land, which is part of a pond owned by the union parishad.

In his written allegation sent out to the authorities, Sarbesb Ali said in the wee hours on April 5 (Monday), the seven people with the connivance of the two land office employees -- Land Assistant Officer (Tahashildar) Shahadat Hossain of Roumari Sadar union and Land Surveyor Abdul Awal of Roumari upazila -- forcibly built four houses with corrugated iron sheets, on around 30 decimals of land of the pond.

The intruders overpowered the members of Village Defence Party (VDP) on duty at the site that night and drove them away, said Sona Miah, a member of VDP.

They immediately reported the



The new houses built overnight on a piece of land that is claimed by Jadurchar Union Parishad in Roumari upazila of Kurigram.

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No salaries, Eid bonus for teachers, staffers of a college

Salaries and bonus could not be paid as the chairman of the managing committee denies signing bill documents

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

The Eid festival of 41 teachers and staffers of a college in Chirirbandar upazila of Dinajpur has been somber for the non-payment of salaries and festival bonus as the chairman of the college's managing committee did not sign the documents on time.

Karenthat Degree College in the upazila has 28 teachers and 13 staffers, said the principal.

Jalal Uddin Mazumdar, principal of the college, said the teachers and staffers of his colleagues have been passing a hard day as they are totally dependent on their monthly salaries.

The teachers and staffers had to celebrate a somber Eid festival this year, he said.

Hasibul Hasan, the chairman of the college's managing committee, denied signing the relevant documents for the

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salary and festival bonus on May 5 to disburse the salaries of the teachers and staffers, he also said.

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Unfortunately, the payment could not be made timely as the chairman refused to give his signature on the documents.

As the teachers and staffers of the college had put pressure on the principal, then the principal and 12 other senior teachers went to the residence of Hasibul Hasan to get his signature on May 12 and pleaded him to give his signature, but he again refused.

The principal, however, said he does not know the reason why the chairman refused to sign the documents.

Contacted, Hasibul Hasan denied explaining the reason behind the incident.

However, he confirmed that he gave his signature finally on the relevant documents recently, and teachers and staffers will get their payment within a day or two.

incident to the UP chairman, he added.

The UP chairman, Sarbesb Ali, said he informed the DC and UNO of the incident the next day (April 6).

"I've come to learn that the two land employees received bribe money and illegally handed over the land [owned by the UP] to some people in the name of allocating government land to the landless, without proper survey and verification."

One of the occupants, Mosharrif Hossain, claimed that he was a genuine landless and he had received necessary land allocation documentation from the government before building the house by the pond.

However, he refused to make any comment when asked whether he made any payment to the land employees for the allocation of the land.

Denying any monetary exchange taken place in exchange for the allocation of land, accused surveyor Abdul Awal said genuine landless people were allocated the land as it is demarcated as Khas land of the government.

Another accused, Land Assistant Officer Shahadat Hossain, said they adhered to government rules properly while allocating the land to the landless and the accusation made by the UP chairman was false and baseless.

Contacted, Roumari UNO Al Imran said the allocation of the land will be revoked if it is found to be illegal during investigation and due action will be taken accordingly against the ones involved.

Export, import hampered as bridge lies damaged

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

A worn-out Bailey bridge in Batuli Customs Station and Immigration Check Post area of Juri upazila lies useless for long, badly hampering the export and import business activities.

According to the customs authorities, at present, plastic materials, PVC doors and cotton are exported to India through Batuli customs station. Besides, different types of fruits are imported from India to Bangladesh.

The activities of this customs station and immigration investigation centre started in 2001. The bridge over a hill called Ragnachhara lies in the Indian part within 150 metres of the zero line. With the consent of the both countries, India built the bridge on a small scale in 2008. But there was no approval for the movement of freight vehicles between the two countries through the bridge.

At one stage, freight cars from both countries were parked around the middle of the bridge. The goods were then loaded and unloaded from one vehicle to another. But later, due to heavy rains, the soil on both sides of the Bailey bridge was removed from the hill slopes, putting the bridge under threat. Since then, the export and



The export and import business activities in Batuli Customs Station and Immigration Check Post area of Moulvibazar's Juri upazila are being hampered badly as the worn-out Bailey bridge lies unrepaired for long there

PHOTO: STAR

import business activities in Batuli Customs Station and Immigration Check Post area have been badly hampered.

About two years ago, India took initiative to build a new bridge at that place, but when the Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) raised objection to construction of the bridge, the work remained suspended.

Contacted, the BGB said they had no objection to renovation of the old bridge.

But they raised objection to construction of a new bridge at Batuli following the direction of the higher authorities, said BGB-52 Battalion Commander Lt Col Md Shah Alam Siddiqui.

At present, freight cars from both countries are parked on both the approach roads of the bridge for loading and unloading goods, badly hampering business activities as the bridge lies damaged.

The BGB official added that some

infrastructural works including roads are left in the customs station area. Once these works are completed, progress can be made in building bridges as needed. For the time being, if India renovates the old bridge, there will be some benefit in import-export.

Moulvibazar Deputy Commissioner Mir Nahid Ahsan said necessary steps will be taken after contacting with the authorities concerned.



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Invitation for Tender Through Web

Tender No. EMD-2(DST):17/2021-557

Date: 17/05/2021

Tenders through Electronic Media (e-Tenders) are invited from the bonafide Contractor/Firm/Authorized Suppliers for their Local Agent/Distributors/reputed Manufacturers for Supply of Note Banding Tape for Online Automated Note Processing Machine (BPS-M7) Banding bank note/currency note of the Cash Department, Bangladesh Bank, Mothijheel Office, Dhaka and Bogura Office, Bogura.

Necessary information are given below:

01	Procuring entity	: Expenditure Management Department-2, Bangladesh Bank, Head Office, Dhaka-1000.
02	Source of fund	: Bangladesh Bank's own fund.
03	Tender No.	: EMD-2(DST):17/2021-557, Dated: 17/05/2021
04	Method of procurement	: Open Tendering Method (OTM), e-Tendering.
05	Bidders eligibility	: This tender is open to all eligible Manufacturers/Suppliers of Bangladesh who have: i) Business experience at least 05 (five) years and satisfactorily completed at least 01 (one) similar nature of work worth not less than Taka 70.00 lac (Taka seventy lac) in a single contract, in any government/semi-government banks or financial institution of Bangladesh during the last 5 (five) years. The tenderers shall have to furnish certificates in this respect from officer not below the rank of Executive Engineer or equivalent. ii) Minimum average annual turnover in the last 05 (five) years preceding the date of submission of the tender shall not be less than Taka 280.00 lac (Taka two hundred eighty lac) only. iii) Minimum liquid assets/credit facilities shall be Taka 60.00 lac (Taka sixty lac). In case of credit facilities Bank shall ensure that the abovementioned credit limits will be given if the said work is awarded to the contractor. Tenderers shall have to fulfill the qualification criteria stipulated in the Tender Data Sheet & other Terms and Conditions of the Tender Documents otherwise tender should be considered as non-responsive.
06	Website address	: Submit in web: www.bangladeshbank.org.bd : www.bangladesh-bank.org (e-Tender)
07	Address	: General Manager, Expenditure Management Department-2 (7th Floor of 30-storied Building), Bangladesh Bank, Head Office, Dhaka.
08	Last date and time for submission of tender document through web	: 07/06/2021 up to 3:00pm.
09	Last date and time for receiving original tender security & tender submission letter as per format PW2-1	: 07/06/2021 within 3:00pm.
10	Date, time and place for tender opening	: All tenders will be opened at Expenditure Management Department-2 (7th Floor of 30-storied Building), Bangladesh Bank, Head Office, Dhaka on 07/06/2021 at 03:30pm (Intending tenderers or their authorized representative are allowed to attend the tender opening with authorization letter).
11	Specification of the machine	: Type: Online Automated Note Processing Machine, Brand G & D Model: BPS-M7, Country of Origin-Hungary.
12	Brief specification of Note Banding Tape	: PE Coated paper band roll for Online Automated note processing machine (Width: 39mm, Weight-600 to 610 grms; Length- 150 to 160 mts; Paper gsm-80 gsm; PE coating-18 to 20 gsm; Core Id-76mm; Core Thickness-5 to 6 mm, Colours- White & Pink, BB Logo inserted after two inch.
13	Country of origin	: Germany/USA/Japan/Taiwan.
14	Time for completion of the works	: Maximum 120 (one hundred twenty) days from the date of issue of Contract Award.
15	Tender security	: Taka 2,50,000.00 (Taka two lac fifty thousand) only in the form of PO.
16	Special instructions.	: i) The tenderer should submit up-to-date trade licence, up-to-date income tax certificate (e-TIN with tax clearance certificate), Vat registration certificate, ISO-9001-2015 certificate (minimum validity 30.06.2017), list of services with contract number & address, bank solvency certificate & experience certificate, IRC, FSC certificate etc. ii) The tenderer should submit tender and scanned copy of documentary evidence through Bangladesh Bank website (e-Tendering) & must have valid e-mail address for participation through e-Tendering. iii) If the tender is not submitted through online or incomplete, defective or without tender security will not be considered. iv) Original PO as Tender Security along with Original Tender submission letter as per format PG-6 must reach at General Manager, Expenditure Management Department-2, within stipulated date and time mentioned in TDS. v) Tenderer should provide all documentary evidence (original or attested whichever necessary) when requested, failing which may be considered as non-responsive. vi) Tenderer shall duly fill in the (Form PG-1) Tender Submission Letter and Form PG-4 (Tenderer Information) as format given in tender document. vii) PG-1 form should be completed and signed by the authorized signatory on the letterhead pad attached by Scanning during submitting tender and original should be sent to the General Manager, Expenditure Management Department-2, within scheduled time as per TDS. viii) Collect Sample Expenditure Management Department-2, Dead Stock Stationery Section (7th Floor of 2nd Annex Building), Bangladesh Bank, Head Office, Dhaka. ix) Minimum 01 (one) Roll (Note Banding Tap) have to submit as sample to this Department (EMD-2) before submit tender. x) Furnishing of any false, misleading documents may result in rejection of tender and may lead to action under Rules 127 of PPR 2008/Reg 12 of BBPR 2004. xi) Submission of tender after the specified time shall not be acceptable under any circumstances. xii) Bangladesh Bank authority is not bound to accept the lowest tender. xiii) The period of validity of warranty should be 12 (twelve) months from the date of completion of project. xiv) All sorts of security & safety measures must be carried out by the manufacturers/suppliers during execution of the work. xv) Bangladesh Bank reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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ব্যার্থিক ও আর্থিক সেবা পেতে হয়রানির শিকার হলে কিংবা কোনো অভিযোগ থাকলে ১৬২৩৬ নম্বরে ফোন করুন।

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Abducted girl rescued, 2 arrested

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Tangail

Rapid Action Battalion (Rab-12) in a drive early yesterday rescued a minor girl, abducted from Sirajganj's Tarash upazila on May 12, and arrested two people for their alleged involvement in the abduction.

The arrestees are Mohammad Jony, 22, and his father Kafi Fakir, 45.

Assistant Superintendent of Police Mostafizur Rahman, also media officer of Rab-12, said Jony with the help of some of his accomplices picked up the twelve-year-old victim on May 12 when she came out of her room to respond to the call of nature.

Failing to trace her whereabouts, the girl's family later lodged a general diary with Tarash Police Station and also submitted a complaint to Rab-12 in this regard on Sunday.

After tracking the kidnappers' mobile phone location, a team of Rab-12 led by Major Moshirur Rahman, deputy commander of Rab-12, raided Jony's house around 1:30am early yesterday and rescued the girl.

The law enforcers also arrested Jony and his father Kafi from the spot.

Addict kills wife

OUR CORRESPONDENT Benapole

A pregnant housewife was strangled to death allegedly by her husband at Shibnathpur Baropota village under Benapole Port Police Station on Sunday.

The deceased was identified as Ruma Khatun, 19, wife of Ariful Islam Tutul of the village.

Quoting locals, police said Tutul, a drug addict, killed his wife Ruma after the later refused to give him money for buying drugs.

The culprit went into hiding soon after the murder.