

Illegal dams on canal removed after 10 yrs

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Patuakhali

About ten thousand acres of agricultural land in two villages of Barguna's Amtali upazila was finally saved from inundation after five illegal dams, built 10 years ago, on a public canal were removed on August 13.

Aman cultivation on the agricultural land, in Haldia and Gurudal villages, became uncertain as the croplands and nearby homes of several thousand villagers were submerged by overflowing water from the dams, built to cultivate fish in Kaunia canal, a government property.

Several hundred villagers, led by Haldia Union Parishad (UP)

Chairman Asaduzzaman Mintu Mollik and Patuakhali district council Member Ariful Hassan, took part in the removal of the dams and an obstructed culvert in the canal on Friday.

The Daily Star Online ran a news item on the matter the day before.

Earlier, locals said they had filed a formal complaint with Amtali upazila nirbahi officer (UNO), seeking immediate remedy to the situation.

According to the complaint, Kaunia canal runs through Haldia and Gurudal villages in Amtali upazila, before ending at five sluice gates in Julekha area.

About ten years ago, an

influential local named Nannu Mollah blocked the canal's water flow by illegally building five dams and closing off a culvert in it to cultivate fish.

About two to three years ago, when Nannu started commercial fish cultivation there, croplands and houses in a massive area started to go under water due to the obstruction created in the canal.

After heavy rain over the past few days, overflowing water from the canal flooded nearly ten thousand acres of agricultural land and most of the houses in Haldia and Gurudal villages. Without being able to cultivate the submerged croplands, the farming community in the villages was bracing to incur

huge losses this Aman season.

Demanding removal of the obstructions from Kaunia canal, a number of the affected farmers, including Haldia village resident Ruhul Amin Payada, filed a written complaint with the Amtali UNO on August 11.

Farmer Ruhul Amin Payada said that Nannu Mollah, from the same village, has been blocking the canal by building the dams and closing off the culvert so he can cultivate fish there. But his act is causing them to suffer losses in Aman cultivation on about ten thousand acres of land and flooding of homes in the two villages.

Russell Payada of the same village said all the affected villagers had been seeking removal of the dams and any other obstruction in the canal for a long time.

Haldia UP Member Saiful Islam Swapan confirmed the existence of the dams and a closed culvert in the canal.

Asked, Nannu Mollah admitted that he had been cultivating fish with a net in the mouth of the culvert in Kaunia canal, but he denied building the dams there.

Confirming receipt of the formal complaint about illegal dams on Kaunia canal, Amtali UNO Asaduzzaman said the upazila agriculture officer was already tasked with investigation of the allegations.

He also said they would remove any illegal obstruction from Kaunia canal if the allegations were found to be true during investigation.

Amtali Upazila Agriculture Officer CM Rezaul Karim said after the allegations against Nannu Mollah were proven to be true during his visit to the site, local public representatives on Friday saved the croplands and dwellings from inundation by removing the illegal obstructions from the canal.

Villager Ruhul Amin Payada said the farmers in the area were finally relieved after the dams were removed from Kaunia canal.



Villagers, at the directive of local public representatives, removing one of the five illegal dams that were built ten years ago in Kaunia canal under Amtali upazila of Barguna. The Photo was taken on August 13.

PHOTO: SOHRAB HOSSAIN



A tense situation is prevailing at Burimari land port in Patgram upazila of Lalmonirhat over the announcement of two separate committees of the C&F Agent Association.

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BURIMARI LAND PORT

Tension prevails over forming separate committees

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A tense situation has prevailed at Burimari land port in Patgram upazila of Lalmonirhat over the announcement of two separate committees of the Clearing and Forwarding (C&F) Agent Association, an organisation of importers and exporters.

Ordinary traders are worried over the formation of two separate committees by the two groups fearing an untoward situation at any time.

The traders at Burimari Land Port said one of the committees headed by Patgram Upazila Parishad Chairman Ruhul Amin Babul as its president and Burimari Union Parishad chairman Abu Sayeed Newaz Nishat as its secretary was announced along with a 31-member executive council of the Burimari Land Port C and F Agent Association on August 4.

Three days later, another executive committee of the association was formed declaring Sayeduzzaman Sayed, owner of Sayed Enterprise, and district AL president Motahar Hossain MP's son as its president and General Secretary of Hatibandha Upazila AL Mahmudul Hasan Sohag as its general secretary on August 7.

Humayun Sauwdagar Liton, proprietor of Messrs HL Trading at Burimari land port, said 'Business is not running properly because of the grouping. It is better to do business by

creating a business-friendly environment with people from all walks of life.'

'We the ordinary traders want to do business without any problems. Traders will lose interest in doing business if they are not given a good environment and condition,' he said.

Tahajul Islam Babul of TN Enterprise in the land port said, 'The business environment will not be good as there are two counter committees. Traders will fall in trouble. A single committee should be formed through discussion.'

Abu Sayeed Newaz Nishat, general secretary of a committee, said 'Our committee is legal and it will continue the association's activities in the land port.'

However, Sayeduzzaman Sayed, president of the other committee, said, 'Our committee is only valid. We will continue the activities of the association in accordance with the constitution in the land port,' he claimed.

Ruhul Amin, assistant director of the Bangladesh Land Port Authority at Burimari Land Port, said that the business environment here could be jeopardized as there were two antagonistic committees among traders. This will disrupt business activities and reduce government revenue. He called upon all the businessmen to come together and form a single committee to run the business in an orderly manner in the land port.

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A mobile court demolished 16 kilns of an illegal charcoal manufacturing factory in Tangail's Mirzapur upazila yesterday. The court led by Executive Magistrate Jubayer Hossain also fined the factory owner Tk 50 thousand for running the business, defying law.

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ATTACK ON POLICE Counsellor, brother land in jail

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bogura

A Bogura court yesterday sent a ward councillor and his brother to jail, rejecting their bail prayer in connection with a case for attacking a police team during a raid in Sariakandi municipality earlier in the day.

Sariakandi police arrested Apel Mahmud Rony, 35, councillor of ward number 4 of Sariakandi Municipality, also a member of the municipality unit Awami League (AL), and his elder brother Hirok Ahmed Jony, 38, the same morning for attacking police while performing their duties.

Officer in Charge (OC) of Sariakandi Police Station Mizanur Rahman said Councillor Rony and his brother Jony are accused in an extortion case filed by the Upazila Dalil Lekhak Samity.

A police team raided the siblings' house around 1:30am early yesterday and arrested Jony, the OC said, adding that while they were returning from the spot, Rony and his 20 to 25 associates attacked the police team and tried to snatch Jony.

Later, police arrested both the siblings and produced them before the court.

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02.	586592	DDIRWSP/Faridpur/Sadar/20-21/BR-01	Construction of 40.00m Long PCC Girder Bridge on Taltala R&H to Goaland GC via Khalimondoler Hat GC-Momimkhar Hat Road (Sadar Part) at Ch: 14.00m under Upazila: Faridpur Sadar, District: Faridpur. Road ID No. 329472007, Salvage amount Tk. 148053.00
03.	586596	DDIRWSP/Faridpur/Sadar/20-21/BR-02	Construction of 15.00m Long RCC Girder Bridge on Taltala R&H to Goaland GC via Khalimondoler Hat GC-Momimkhar Hat Road (Sadar Part) at Ch: 4298.00m under Upazila: Faridpur Sadar, District: Faridpur Road ID No. 329472007, Salvage amount Tk. 62689.00

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Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP System Portal and from e-GP help desk.

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