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The cultural hub of Tangail lies abandoned for three years

The epicentre for local cultural activists in Tangail town turns into a den of drug addicts, anti-social activities

Our Correspondent, Tangail

The Bhasani Hall in Tangail town, the epicentre for entertainment and cultural activities of the town, has remained abandoned for the last three years due to its dilapidated condition.

The hall, a part of the heritage of the town, used to be abuzz with different cultural activities over the year, has now turned into a den of drug addicts and anti-social activities.

Abul Fazal founded the hall in 1976, while Khan A Alam Khan, former Dhaka divisional commissioner, formally inaugurated it on April 2, 1978. Fazal was the Education Advisor of theatre troupe in Tangail.

the then President. Later, the hall was modernised supervision of Sheikh Habibullah, renamed after Maulana Abdul of the days, he said.

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Hamid Khan Bhasani, the leader of the oppressed and downtrodden.

programme or stage any play due abandoned," he said. to lack of suitable place or stage for

"However, works to reform the during meetings, and they assured dilapidated Bhasani Hall have not "After the closure of the started yet although three years Bhasani Hall, we cannot hold any have passed since it was declared

Singer Jalaluddin Shahin it," said Talha Al Mahmud, general Chakladar, president of Awami

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in the next two years under the Minar and the open stage of the the local cultural activists after the Shaheed Smrity Pouro Udyan in the then deputy commissioner the town would remain booked in Tangail. Later, the hall was for political programmes for most

secretary of Natyam, a prominent Sangskritik Jote in Tangail, said the cultural activities in Tangail are Until the outbreak of the seeing an ebbing trend and a dead coronavirus, the central Shaheed silence has been prevailing among hall was declared abandoned.

"We conveyed our concerns to the local government officials as well as public representatives

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us that they would take necessary steps in this regard," he said.

Asked about the matter, Md Aminul Islam, additional deputy commissioner (General) in Tangail, said a proposal to modernise the Bhasani Hall was already sent to the Ministry of Cultural Affairs after the hall was declared abandoned.

"Later, a team from the ministry along with local officials of Public Works Department (PWD) visited the hall," he said.

Contacted, Al Amin Mohammad Nurul Islam, executive engineer of PWD in Tangail, said after visiting the hall, the ministerial team directed them to conduct a survey to construct a cultural complex in place of the hall.

"Later, we conducted the survey and sent the report to the ministry several months ago. However, the process has not progressed due to the Covid-19 situation," he added.

Illegal sand lifting worsens Padma erosion in Pabna

At least 20 homesteads devoured by the erosion at Aria-Gohailbari village in Pabna Sadar upazila in the last couple of weeks

Our Correspondent, Pabna

At least 20 families have been rendered homeless at Aria-Gohailbari village of Chartarapur union under Pabna Sadar upazila and several hundred have shifted their houses elsewhere as the erosion of Padma has taken a serious turn in the area because of illegal sand lifting by an influential quarter.

Villagers demanded that the illegal sand extraction from the river be stopped immediately.

Lawmaker of Pabna-5 Golam Faruk Khandaker Prince also blamed illegal sand lifting for the severity of the erosion after visiting the affected area couple of days ago.

The MP has also asked the Water Development Board (WDB) to take initiative to lessen the impact of erosion in the area and stop the sand lifting.

"My house, my orchard were standing tall a few weeks ago on the riverbank; now a lone coconut tree is standing there in place of them. The erosion has rendered me homeless," Md Wahab Ali Khan, a resident of the village, said.

Influential quarters have been lifting sands setting dredger machines in the river over the last few months resulting into the erosion of the river bank, he claimed.

Helena Khatun, a housewife of Aria-

Gohailbari village, who also lost her homestead in the river erosion a week ago echoed Wahab saying that "Because of them (influential quarters) we have been rendered homeless. We requested them to stop sand lifting but they didn't pay any heed to our

Robiul Haque Tutul, chairman of Chortarapur Union Parishad, said that some 20 homesteads have gone into the riverbed over the last couple of weeks while several hundred people have shifted to other places

"We took steps to stop the sand lifting, local administration raided the spot and stopped sand lifting several times but it resumed after few days," he said.

Lawmaker of Pabna-5 constituency Golam Faruk Khandaker said, "It is true that illegal sand lifting is main reason behind the erosion. I have ordered the WDB for taking immediate steps to mitigate the impact of the ongoing erosion."

Talking with The Daily Star, Md Mosharaf Hossain, assistant director of Pabna WDB, said encroachers have been continuously lifting sands and digging the river vertically therefore the river bank has been eroding so severely.

"We have already taken initiative to dump GEO bags in the eroding point of the river in a bid to tame the erosion," Mosharaf added.



Losing all her belongings to the erosion of the mighty Padma, a woman stares at a bleak future. The photo was taken from Aria-Gohailbari village of Chartarapur union under Pabna Sadar upazila. PHOTO: STAR

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