



**Finding it extremely difficult to move, the people Char Sholmari on the Teesta river basin in Bhoatmari union under Kaliganj upazila of Lalmonirhat took spades on their hands to reclaim and repair a government road that was under the illegal possession of a private solar power company.**

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# Char people reclaim govt road from clutch of a pvt company

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Lalmonirhat

Char people have reclaimed and repaired a govt road that was under illegal possession of a private solar power company at Char Sholmari on the Teesta river basin in Bhoatmari union under Kaliganj upazila of Lalmonirhat.

More than a hundred farmers of the char took the spades in their hands and repaired the only government road by filling it with earth after reclaiming it from the illegal possession of Intraco Solar Power Limited on Saturday noon (September 25). Later, they also formed a human chain on the Teesta Char protesting the forcible occupation of the khas land (government-owned land) and road by the private company.

The char people alleged that in the name of a 30MW solar power generation project at Sholmari Char, the private company has continued building various establishments by occupying khas lands, roads and canals in the char. They were forced to reclaim and repair the govt road for their movement on Saturday noon.

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Soleman Ali, 62, a farmer from Char Sholmari, said the private company did not stop just after grabbing the river and khas land in the char. The company has taken possession of the land of many farmers by 'forging documents'. It has forced farmers to sell their land at a cheap rate by employing brokers.

'We used to cultivate khas land on the char and grow various crops. In this way, our family was going well. Now we can't cultivate the lands as the company has taken over the possession of the khas lands,' he said.

'We will soon call for a movement to recover the khas land. The solar power plant on the char will not be of any use to us,' said Sekendar Ali, 55, another farmer of the same char.

A clique of brokers is benefiting from the private company by deceiving the char farmers. The brokers are also threatening us in various ways,' he said. Abdul Matin, a local UP member, said that Intraco Solar Power Limited enclosed the government road and khas land in the name of setting up a solar power plant. As a result, the teachers, students and char people have been facing extreme difficulty while moving. Locals repeatedly asked the company to keep the road free, but they did not listen. This caused anger among the local people. The char people had no choice but to take spades in their hands and repair the road after recovering it from the possession of the company on Saturday noon, he said.

Contacted, Aziz Babu, manager of Intraco Solar Power Limited's Sholmari Solar Power Plant, declined to make any comments.

# Gorai erosion puts Sheikh Russell Bridge, nearby villages at risk

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Kushtia

Nearly one-fourth of a 410-metre-long embankment along the Gorai river, on Haripur union side of Sadar upazila, has collapsed in only four years after construction.

In 2017, Local Government Engineering Department (LGED) spent around Tk 10 crore to build embankments on both sides of the river to protect the Tk 78-crore Sheikh Russell Bridge that was completed earlier that year.

Built to protect the bridge as well as establishments, croplands and dwellings in nearby villages, the affected part of the embankment started to develop cracks in October last year, said locals.

The embankment has continued to collapse into the river since then and till date, the river eroded away more than a hundred houses and around 150 metres of roads, said Shompa Mahmud, chairman of Haripur Union Parishad.

The newly built bridge and a larger area now run the risk of getting washed away by the Gorai river, but the authorities concerned are yet to take steps in this regard, the locals said frustratingly.

Officials at the LGED in Kushtia claimed that soon after the cracks started to develop, they informed the higher authorities of the situation and sought necessary funds for its repair work.

However, the funds were yet to be allocated, they also said.

Afsar Uddin, executive engineer of Bangladesh Water Development Board in Kushtia, said the damage to the embankment could have been prevented if measures were taken swiftly.

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MA Hafiz Ovi, a resident of the area and an engineer by profession, said there has to be engineering flaws in the embankment, otherwise it would not have developed cracks within three years of construction.

An LGED official seeking anonymity said a thorough river training work was not done before the dam was constructed.

Contacted, Executive Engineer Jahidur Rahman of LGED in Kushtia said the embankment being eroded by the Gorai river would not affect the bridge.

They wrote to the higher authorities last year for necessary funds for the repair work and they hope that the funds would be allocated soon, he also said.



**With the Sheikh Russell Bridge visible several hundred feet away, a large section of the bridge's protection embankment has eroded away by the Gorai river in Haripur union of Kushtia Sadar upazila. The photo was taken recently.**

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# No closure, no justice

FROM PAGE 12 houses of the Hindus in Kharulia village.

The following day, the zealots attacked and ransacked five Buddhist temples in the bordering Ukhiya upazila and damaged two Hindu temples in Palongkhali union of the upazila. They also torched and vandalised Buddhist houses in Hoaikong union of Teknaf upazila.

On October 2 and 3, 2012, SC lawyers Jyotirmoy Barua and Md Eunus Ali Akond, separately filed the two writ petitions, seeking actions against the perpetrators and the local administrative officials who were negligent in preventing

the incidents.

**PROBE REPORTS**

The probe reports were submitted to the HC bench, led by Justice Mirza Hussain Haider, now retired. Before his elevation as a judge of the Appellate Division, the jurisdiction of the bench was reconstituted by the chief justice.

One of the reports submitted to the HC on May 16, 2013 found the failure of the local administration and intelligence and law enforcement agencies in preventing the attacks.

The probe, conducted by a judicial body, identified 298 people as responsible for the attacks. It also made 20 recommendations that include helping improve the

competence and standards of the administration, restricting posts on social media, and awakening a sense of patriotism in people, HC sources said.

Another probe led by the police found failures of the then superintendent of police of Cox's Bazar and officer-in-charge of Ramu Police Station. While the probe committee recommended action against the then OC AK Nazibul Islam, it did not suggest any action against the then SP Selim Md Jahangir.

The final probe report, by the home ministry, mentioned that 205 people were involved in the mayhem, which was

planned at least 10 days ahead.

The police have reportedly submitted seven charge sheets against 385 people to the lower court concerned in Cox's Bazar in connection with the cases filed with Ramu Police Station.

However, the people accused in the charge sheets do not include any officials in the police, local administration, and intelligence agencies.

Only some leaders and activists of Jamaat-e-Islami and BNP, including Tofail Ahmed, chairman of Naikhyangchhari upazila of Bandarban, have been named in the charge sheets. **PETITIONS**


The petitioners have also been showing apathy in moving for a hearing, causing delays for the HC to give a final decision.

'I could not take any move for a hearing of the writ petition due to overburdening of the relevant High Court benches with other cases. Besides, the court remained closed at different times due to vacations and the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic. I will pray to a High Court bench after it starts full regular functions when the pandemic is over,' Jyotirmoy Barua told The Daily Star on September 26.

He also said all of the accused in the Ramu violence cases are now out on bail, and there is no significant progress at the lower court concerned in Cox's Bazar.

Lawyer Eunus Ali Akond, the other writ petitioner, told this correspondent on September 26 that the HC bench headed by Justice Mirza Hussain Haider did not held a hearing of his writ petition, as the matter did not get a spot in the queue for hearing.

Without elaborating, he said he would not pray to any bench for hearing his petition, as the judges don't accept his petition for its final hearing due to an overburdened caseload.



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০২। বেতন স্কেল	জাতীয় বেতন স্কেল, ২০১৫ এর টাকা ১৬০০০-১৬৮৫০-১৭৬০০-১৮৪৫০-১৯২০০-২০০০০-২০৮৫০-২১৬০০-২২৪৫০-২৩২০০-২৪০০০-২৪৮৫০-২৫৬০০-২৬৪৫০-২৭২০০-২৮০০০-২৮৮৫০-২৯৬০০-৩০৪৫০-৩১২০০-৩২০০০-৩২৮৫০-৩৩৬০০-৩৪৪৫০-৩৫২০০-৩৬০০০-৩৬৮৫০-৩৭৬০০-৩৮৪৫০-৩৯২০০-৪০০০০-৪০৮৫০-৪১৬০০-৪২৪৫০-৪৩২০০-৪৪০০০-৪৪৮৫০-৪৫৬০০-৪৬৪৫০-৪৭২০০-৪৮০০০-৪৮৮৫০-৪৯৬০০-৫০৪৫০-৫১২০০-৫২০০০-৫২৮৫০-৫৩৬০০-৫৪৪৫০-৫৫২০০-৫৬০০০-৫৬৮৫০-৫৭৬০০-৫৮৪৫০-৫৯২০০-৬০০০০-৬০৮৫০-৬১৬০০-৬২৪৫০-৬৩২০০-৬৪০০০-৬৪৮৫০-৬৫৬০০-৬৬৪৫০-৬৭২০০-৬৮০০০-৬৮৮৫০-৬৯৬০০-৭০৪৫০-৭১২০০-৭২০০০-৭২৮৫০-৭৩৬০০-৭৪৪৫০-৭৫২০০-৭৬০০০-৭৬৮৫০-৭৭৬০০-৭৮৪৫০-৭৯২০০-৮০০০০-৮০৮৫০-৮১৬০০-৮২৪৫০-৮৩২০০-৮৪০০০-৮৪৮৫০-৮৫৬০০-৮৬৪৫০-৮৭২০০-৮৮০০০-৮৮৮৫০-৮৯৬০০-৯০৪৫০-৯১২০০-৯২০০০-৯২৮৫০-৯৩৬০০-৯৪৪৫০-৯৫২০০-৯৬০০০-৯৬৮৫০-৯৭৬০০-৯৮৪৫০-৯৯২০০-১০০০০০-১০০৮৫০-১০১৬০০-১০২৪৫০-১০৩২০০-১০৪০০০-১০৪৮৫০-১০৫৬০০-১০৬৪৫০-১০৭২০০-১০৮০০০-১০৮৮৫০-১০৯৬০০-১১০৪৫০-১১১২০০-১১২০০০-১১২৮৫০-১১৩৬০০-১১৪৪৫০-১১৫২০০-১১৬০০০-১১৬৮৫০-১১৭৬০০-১১৮৪৫০-১১৯২০০-১২০০০০-১২০৮৫০-১২১৬০০-১২২৪৫০-১২৩২০০-১২৪০০০-১২৪৮৫০-১২৫৬০০-১২৬৪৫০-১২৭২০০-১২৮০০০-১২৮৮৫০-১২৯৬০০-১৩০৪৫০-১৩১২০০-১৩২০০০-১৩২৮৫০-১৩৩৬০০-১৩৪৪৫০-১৩৫২০০-১৩৬০০০-১৩৬৮৫০-১৩৭৬০০-১৩৮৪৫০-১৩৯২০০-১৪০০০০-১৪০৮৫০-১৪১৬০০-১৪২৪৫০-১৪৩২০০-১৪৪০০০-১৪৪৮৫০-১৪৫৬০০-১৪৬৪৫০-১৪৭২০০-১৪৮০০০-১৪৮৮৫০-১৪৯৬০০-১৫০৪৫০-১৫১২০০-১৫২০০০-১৫২৮৫০-১৫৩৬০০-১৫৪৪৫০-১৫৫২০০-১৫৬০০০-১৫৬৮৫০-১৫৭৬০০-১৫৮৪৫০-১৫৯২০০-১৬০০০০-১৬০৮৫০-১৬১৬০০-১৬২৪৫০-১৬৩২০০-১৬৪০০০-১৬৪৮৫০-১৬৫৬০০-১৬৬৪৫০-১৬৭২০০-১৬৮০০০-১৬৮৮৫০-১৬৯৬০০-১৭০৪৫০-১৭১২০০-১৭২০০০-১৭২৮৫০-১৭৩৬০০-১৭৪৪৫০-১৭৫২০০-১৭৬০০০-১৭৬৮৫০-১৭৭৬০০-১৭৮৪৫০-১৭৯২০০-১৮০০০০-১৮০৮৫০-১৮১৬০০-১৮২৪৫০-১৮৩২০০-১৮৪০০০-১৮৪৮৫০-১৮৫৬০০-১৮৬৪৫০-১৮৭২০০-১৮৮০০০-১৮৮৮৫০-১৮৯৬০০-১৯০৪৫০-১৯১২০০-১৯২০০০-১৯২৮৫০-১৯৩৬০০-১৯৪৪৫০-১৯৫২০০-১৯৬০০০-১৯৬৮৫০-১৯৭৬০০-১৯৮৪৫০-১৯৯২০০-২০০০০০-২০০৮৫০-২০১৬০০-২০২৪৫০-২০৩২০০-২০৪০০০-২০৪৮৫০-২০৫৬০০-২০৬৪৫০-২০৭২০০-২০৮০০০-২০৮৮৫০-২০৯৬০০-২১০৪৫০-২১১২০০-২১২০০০-২১২৮৫০-২১৩৬০০-২১৪৪৫০-২১৫২০০-২১৬০০০-২১৬৮৫০-২১৭৬০০-২১৮৪৫০-২১৯২০০-২২০০০০-২২০৮৫০-২২১৬০০-২২২৪৫০-২২৩২০০-২২৪০০০-২২৪৮৫০-২২৫৬০০-২২৬৪৫০-২২৭২০০-২২৮০০০-২২৮৮৫০-২২৯৬০০-২৩০৪৫০-২৩১২০০-২৩২০০০-২৩২৮৫০-২৩৩৬০০-২৩৪৪৫০-২৩৫২০০-২৩৬০০০-২৩৬৮৫০-২৩৭৬০০-২৩৮৪৫০-২৩৯২০০-২৪০০০০-২৪০৮৫০-২৪১৬০০-২৪২৪৫০-২৪৩২০০-২৪৪০০০-২৪৪৮৫০-২৪৫৬০০-২৪৬৪৫০-২৪৭২০০-২৪৮০০০-২৪৮৮৫০-২৪৯৬০০-২৫০৪৫০-২৫১২০০-২৫২০০০-২৫২৮৫০-২৫৩৬০০-২৫৪৪৫০-২৫৫২০০-২৫৬০০০-২৫৬৮৫০-২৫৭৬০০-২৫৮৪৫০-২৫৯২০০-২৬০০০০-২৬০৮৫০-২৬১৬০০-২৬২৪৫০-২৬৩২০০-২৬৪০০০-২৬৪৮৫০-২৬৫৬০০-২৬৬৪৫০-২৬৭২০০-২৬৮০০০-২৬৮৮৫০-২৬৯৬০০-২৭০৪৫০-২৭১২০০-২৭২০০০-২৭২৮৫০-২৭৩৬০০-২৭৪৪৫০-২৭৫২০০-২৭৬০০০-২৭৬৮৫০-২৭৭৬০০-২৭৮৪৫০-২৭৯২০০-২৮০০০০-২৮০৮৫০-২৮১৬০০-২৮২৪৫০-২৮৩২০০-২৮৪০০০-২৮৪৮৫০-২৮৫৬০০-২৮৬৪৫০-২৮৭২০০-২৮৮০০০-২৮৮৮৫০-২৮৯৬০০-২৯০৪৫০-২৯১২০০-২৯২০০০-২৯২৮৫০-২৯৩৬০০-২৯৪৪৫০-২৯৫২০০-২৯৬০০০-২৯৬৮৫০-২৯৭৬০০-২৯৮৪৫০-২৯৯২০০-৩০০০০০-৩০০৮৫০-৩০১৬০০-৩০২৪৫০-৩০৩২০০-৩০৪০০০-৩০৪৮৫০-৩০৫৬০০-৩০৬৪৫০-৩০৭২০০-৩০৮০০০-৩০৮৮৫০-৩০৯৬০০-৩১০৪৫০-৩১১২০০-৩১২০০০-৩১২৮৫০-৩১৩৬০০-৩১৪৪৫০-৩১৫২০০-৩১৬০০০-৩১৬৮৫০-৩১৭৬০০-৩১৮৪৫০-৩১৯২০০-৩২০০০০-৩২০৮৫০-৩২১৬০০-৩২২৪৫০-৩২৩২০০-৩২৪০০০-৩২৪৮৫০-৩২৫৬০০-৩২৬৪৫০-৩২৭২০০-৩২৮০০০-৩২৮৮৫০-৩২৯৬০০-৩৩০৪৫০-৩৩১২০০-৩৩২০০০-৩৩২৮৫০-৩৩৩৬০০-৩৩৪৪৫০-৩৩৫২০০-৩৩৬০০০-৩৩৬৮৫০-৩৩৭৬০০-৩৩৮৪৫০-৩৩৯২০০-৩৪০০০০-৩৪০৮৫০-৩৪১৬০০-৩৪২৪৫০-৩৪৩২০০-৩৪৪০০০-৩৪৪৮৫০-৩৪৫৬০০-৩৪৬৪৫০-৩৪৭২০০-৩৪৮০০০-৩৪৮৮৫০-৩৪৯৬০০-৩৫০৪৫০-৩৫১২০০-৩৫২০০০-৩৫২৮৫০-৩৫৩৬০০-৩৫৪৪৫০-৩৫৫২০০-৩৫৬০০০-৩৫৬৮৫০-৩৫৭৬০০-৩৫৮৪৫০-৩৫৯২০০-৩৬০০০০-৩৬০৮৫০-৩৬১৬০০-৩৬২৪৫০-৩৬৩২০০-৩৬৪০০০-৩৬৪৮৫০-৩৬৫৬০০-৩৬৬৪৫০-৩৬৭২০০-৩৬৮০০০-৩৬৮৮৫০-৩৬৯৬০০-৩৭০৪৫০-৩৭১২০০-৩৭২০০০-৩৭২৮৫০-৩৭৩৬০০-৩৭৪৪৫০-৩৭৫২০০-৩৭৬০০০-৩৭৬৮৫০-৩৭৭৬০০-৩৭৮৪৫০-৩৭৯২০০-৩৮০০০০-৩৮০৮৫০-৩৮১৬০০-৩৮২৪৫০-৩৮৩২০০-৩৮৪০০০-৩৮৪৮৫০-৩৮৫৬০০-৩৮৬৪৫০-৩৮৭২০০-৩৮৮০০০-৩৮৮৮৫০-৩৮৯৬০০-৩৯০৪৫০-৩৯১২০০-৩৯২০০০-৩৯২৮৫০-৩৯৩৬০০-৩৯৪৪৫০-৩৯৫২০০-৩৯৬০০০-৩৯৬৮৫০-৩৯৭৬০০-৩৯৮৪৫০-৩৯৯২০০-৪০০০০০-৪০০৮৫০-৪০১৬০০-৪০২৪৫০-৪০৩২০০-৪০৪০০০-৪০৪৮৫০-৪০৫৬০০-৪০৬৪৫০-৪০৭২০০-৪০৮০০০-৪০৮৮৫০-৪০৯৬০০-৪১০৪৫০-৪১১২০০-৪১২০০০-৪১২৮৫০-৪১৩৬০০-৪১৪৪৫০-৪১৫২০০-৪১৬০০০-৪১৬৮৫০-৪১৭৬০০-৪১৮৪৫০-৪১৯২০০-৪২০০০০-৪২০৮৫০-৪২১৬০০-৪২২৪৫০-৪২৩২০০-৪২৪০০০-৪২৪৮৫০-৪২৫৬০০-৪২৬৪৫০-৪২৭২০০-৪২৮০০০-৪২৮৮৫০-৪২৯৬০০-৪৩০৪৫০-৪৩১২০০-৪৩২০০০-৪৩২৮৫০-৪৩৩৬০০-৪৩৪৪৫০-৪৩৫২০০-৪৩৬০০০-৪৩৬৮৫০-৪৩৭৬০০-৪৩৮৪৫০-৪৩৯২০০-৪৪০০০০-৪৪০৮৫০-৪৪১৬০০-৪৪২৪৫০-৪৪৩২০০-৪৪৪০০০-৪৪৪৮৫০-৪৪৫৬০০-৪৪৬৪৫০-৪৪৭২০০-৪৪৮০০০-৪৪৮৮৫০-৪৪৯৬০০-৪৫০৪৫০-৪৫১২০০-৪৫২০০০-৪৫২৮৫০-৪৫৩৬০০-৪৫৪৪৫০-৪৫৫২০০-৪৫৬০০০-৪৫৬৮৫০-৪৫৭৬০০-৪৫৮৪৫০-৪৫৯২০০-৪৬০০০০-৪৬০৮৫০-৪৬১৬০০-৪৬২৪৫০-৪৬৩২০০-৪৬৪০০০-৪৬৪৮৫০-৪৬৫৬০০-৪৬৬৪৫০-৪৬৭২০০-৪৬৮০০০-৪৬৮৮৫০-৪৬৯৬০০-৪৭০৪৫০-৪৭১২০০-৪৭২০০০-৪৭২৮৫০-৪৭৩৬০০-৪৭৪৪৫০-৪৭৫২০০-৪৭৬০০০-৪৭৬৮৫০-৪৭৭৬০০-৪৭৮৪৫০-৪৭৯২০০-৪৮০০০০-৪৮০৮৫০-৪৮১৬০০-৪৮২৪৫০-৪৮৩২০০-৪৮৪০০০-৪৮৪৮৫০-৪৮৫৬০০-৪৮৬৪৫০-৪৮৭২০০-৪৮৮০০০-৪৮৮৮৫০-৪৮৯৬০০-৪৯০৪৫০-৪৯১২০০-৪৯২০০০-৪৯২৮৫০-৪৯৩৬০০-	