

No country for

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of corridors, and electrocution."

This correspondent took a trip to the forest of Chakaria's Punnoogram, Lohagara upazila's Borohatiya and Jongol Sharaf Bhata in December last year to see the situation first-hand.

Power lines were seen aplenty in Punnoogram forest, with one found running behind the Punnoogram forest beat office. Inside the forest, there were thousands of acres of paddy field.

A dozen of illegal brick kilns are also operating within the periphery of the reserve forest.

The power lines come as a boon for grabbers, as they easily set up electric fences using galvanised wire to kill elephants.

Meanwhile, various fish farms and betel leaf gardens dominate Teknaf and Ukhiya forest, where

a significant number of elephants live.

In Boalkhali and Rangunia under Chattogram Forest Division (south), lemon garden and brick kilns were established throughout the elephant habitat.

Involvement of politically connected people were found behind all the encroachments.

Contacted, Molla Rezaul Karim, conservator of forest (wildlife and nature conservation), said they were seeking a gazette to secure 12 elephant corridors, proposing a project to conserve the flagship species.

"We also proposed to the relevant authorities the idea of forming a divisional elephant conservation committee and wrote a letter to the power division to eliminate power lines through the forest," he added.

Condemned

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Two days later, another 40kg bomb was recovered from the college premises.

Asaduzzaman, also an additional commissioner of the Dhaka Metropolitan Police, yesterday said Azizul, who was a close associate of Mufti Hannan, was tasked with planting the bombs.

He fled to Dhaka from Gopalganj after the recovery of the bombs.

He had been using fake identities for 22 years and carried out militant activities, the police officer said.

Azizul joined Hujji through his teacher, a close associate of Mufti Hannan, in 1987 when he was studying in a Gazipur madrasa.

On April 12, 2017, Mufti Hannan was hanged at Kashimpur High Security Prison in a case over killing three people and injuring the then British high commissioner in Bangladesh and a dozen others in Sylhet.

139 deeds out

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attorney general said citing relevant documents and papers.

Amin Uddin also told the HC that the writ petitioners should be fined for submitting such a misconceived petition, which is not acceptable.

They submitted writ petitions in November last year with the HC challenging different issues including the government's decision to not consider their deeds and the Chandpur deputy commissioner's action to assess the actual price of the land through a committee.

The HC bench of Justice Md Ashfaqul Islam and Justice Md Iqbal Kabir Lytton is set to resume the hearing on the petitions today.

Contacted, the attorney general refused to make any comment.

Writ petitioners' lawyer Ajmalul Hossain could

not be reached for his comments.

DAG Kazi Mynul Hassan told The Daily Star that a section of influential people including Salim Khan, his family members and Jewel, arbitrarily inflated the price of the 62.5-acre land in Chandpur where the university is planned to be built.

The DC of Chandpur accurately assessed the price of the land through a committee, he said, adding that the government would have had to spend Tk 359 crore more than the actual price if it went by the deeds.

The writ petitioners have submitted multiple applications to the education ministry to set up the CSTU in the land for which they registered the deeds.

The DAG also said that, following the writ petitions, the HC in November last year issued two separate rules questioning the government's decisions of not considering the deeds.

Covid has taken severe mental health toll: WHO

AFP, Geneva

The Covid pandemic has taken a dire toll on mental health, the WHO said yesterday, indicating that cases of anxiety and depression had swelled by over 25 percent globally.

In a fresh scientific brief, the World Health Organization also found that the Covid-19 crisis had in many cases significantly impeded access to mental health services and raised concerns about increases in suicidal behaviour.

The brief, which was based on an umbrella review of a vast number of studies, determined that the world saw a 27.6-percent increase in cases of major depressive disorder in 2020 alone.

Labaid Cancer Hospital observes 1st anniversary

CITY DESK

Labaid Cancer Hospital and Super Speciality Centre observed its first founding anniversary through a special event yesterday, said a press release.

Dr Shucharita Ahmed, director of Labaid Group, was present as the chief guest at the event.

Shakif Shamim, managing director of the hospital, presided over the programme. Parisha Shamim, director of LabAid Group; Dr Parvin Akhtar Banu, senior consultant and advisor; and other senior consultants, consultants and all other senior officials of the hospital were also present on the occasion.

The programme was conducted by Prof Dr Md Ehteshamul Hoque, senior consultant, Radiation and Clinical Oncology.

A daylong complementary health check up was also organised for the family members of patients.

It's now official

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The slogan, which translates as "Victory to Bengal", was not merely a political one, but a sign of commitment to the motherland and a symbol of national spirit and patriotism.

Historians said during the mass upsurge in January 1969, students under the banner of Sarbadaliya Chhatra Sangram Parishad (All Student Parties Resistance Council) started chanting "Joy Bangla" instead of "Pakistan Zindabad".

The slogan helped Bangladeshis unite and fight against the Pakistani regime.

According to The Indian

Express, this slogan was first used during anti-British movement. Anti-British hero Purnachandra Das, a schoolteacher from Madaripur, was imprisoned and tortured by British rulers for his anti-British movement.

National Poet Kazi Nazrul Islam composed the poem "Purna Abhinandan" in 1922 upon a request from Kalipada Roychowdhury on the occasion of the release of Purnachandra Das. The poem mentioned "Joy Bangla".

The main theme of the poem was rebellion against colonialism, oppression and exploitation.

3 years chopped off

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researchers quantify the likelihood of dying from diseases related to that factor at different ages in a population and calculate a "risk deleted" life expectancy -- that is, the length of life that would be expected if the factor were absent.

According to the World Health Organisation, air pollution kills an estimated seven million people worldwide every year.

Pallavi Pant, senior scientist at Health Effects University's chemistry department, said, "It is an established fact that air pollution reduces people's life expectancy. The report has also shown us that checking outdoor air pollution is as important as curbing indoor pollution."

She also said, "Currently, most countries in the region do not even meet the least stringent target values for PM2.5 or ozone. Data shows that there is a need to prioritise long term reduction of emissions from major sources of air pollution. In doing so, the WHO guidelines and Interim Targets can serve as useful milestones or benchmarks."

As his attention was drawn to the report, Prof Abdus Salam of Dhaka University's chemistry department, said, "There is an established fact that air pollution reduces people's life expectancy. The report has also shown us that checking outdoor air pollution is as important as curbing indoor pollution."

55 BNP men injured

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Police charged baton only in self defence, said the OC, adding that three BNP men were detained over the attack on police.

A case will be filed over the incident, he said.

In Munshiganj, a scuffle took place between BNP men and police as leaders and activists of district BNP staged a protest in Muktarpur Old Ferry Ghat area around 11:00am, ignoring police obstruction.

District BNP General Secretary Md Kamruzzaman Ratan alleged, "For the last three days, police have been harassing BNP leaders and activists by searching their

houses. Yet the leaders and activists have carried out the programme."

Abu Bakkar Siddique, OC of Munshiganj Sadar Police Station, said, "There was no permission for the BNP programme. The police have ensured the safety of the people and that the movement of vehicles is not disrupted."

[Our correspondents in Patuakhali, Savar and Munshiganj contributed to the report]

MyGoal

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"We set water purifiers outside the mosques for people from low-income backgrounds, including women and children, who cannot afford to buy bottled mineral water," said Saiful, an IDLC Finance Limited official.

Tanjila virtually joined the event from Sylhet. Her goal was to implement free quality education for the poverty-stricken population of her area.

"We only have nine years to reach our goals. If everybody works collectively to reach the goals, it will not be impossible," said Sudipto Mukerjee, UNDP's resident representative, and chief guest at the event.

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Candidates should apply from his/her own e-mail address with complete CV, photographs, copies of certificates, transcripts and other credentials by **02 April 2022**.

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Shahbag, Dhaka-1000

Memo No. 03-A-602/2021-2022/৩০৩০ Date: 02/03/2022

e-Tender Notice

e-Tender is invited in the National e-GP Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) for the procurement of following works:

Sl No.	Tender ID No.	Name of work	Tender opening & closing date & time
01	668271	Different types of printing work of Bangladesh National Museum.	16-Mar-2022 18:00:00
02	668266	Supplying of Projector for auditorium Section of Bangladesh National Museum.	16-Mar-2022 20:00:00
03	668262	Supplying and installation of different type LED light and spare parts at Kabi Sufia Kamal auditorium, Cineplex, BOT Conference room, Main Lobby & Nalinikanta Vattashali Exhibition Hall of Bangladesh National Museum.	16-Mar-2022 18:00:00
04	665865	Painting of exterior walls of the palace building of Ahsan Manzil Museum.	16-Mar-2022 18:00:00
05	665649	Spare parts supply and installation works of VCB LT Switchgear of Bangladesh National Museum.	16-Mar-2022 18:00:00
06	665646	Repair, renovation and painting of office room, verandah, store, and cargo lift staircase on 4th floor of main building of Bangladesh National Museum.	16-Mar-2022 17:00:00
07	665636	Repair, renovation and maintenance of residential building of Ahsan Manzil Museum.	16-Mar-2022 17:00:00
08	665635	Repair, renovation of Public Toilet of Bangladesh National Museum.	16-Mar-2022 17:00:00
09	665633	Repair, renovation, Development and painting of Boundary wall of Ahsan Manzil Museum.	16-Mar-2022 16:00:00
10	665632	Supplying of Sound Mixing Console for Auditorium Section of Bangladesh National Museum.	16-Mar-2022 16:00:00
11	665631	Supply of Air Cooler and Related service at different places of Bangladesh National Museum.	16-Mar-2022 16:00:00
12	664178	Supplying of Different type of Air Cooler Spare parts of Bangladesh National Museum.	16-Mar-2022 13:00:00
13	663769	Repairing & painting of steel file cabinet, almirah, various type of furniture and others related work of Bangladesh National Museum.	16-Mar-2022 13:00:00
14	663758	Supply and installation of IP camera, NVR and other related equipment at Bangladesh National Museum.	16-Mar-2022 13:00:00
15	663757	Supplying, fitting and fixing of tiles in bathroom & kitchen of residential building-3 of Bangladesh National Museum.	16-Mar-2022 12:00:00
16	663734	Supplying, fitting and fixing of tiles in bathroom & kitchen of residential building-2 of Bangladesh National Museum.	16-Mar-2022 12:00:00
17	663717	Supply of computers and related accessories for Bangladesh National Museum and its branch Museums.	16-Mar-2022 12:00:00

This is an online tender, where only e-Tender will be accepted in National e-GP Portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted. To submit e-Tender, please register on e-GP System (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>). Further information & guidelines are available in the National e-GP System Portal and from e-GP helpdesk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd). For more details please contact support desk contact numbers.

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Sunset and evening star,
And one clear call for me!
— Alfred Lord Tennyson

20TH DEATH ANNIVERSARY

In Remembrance of our founder Vice-President

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Bridges Division
Bangladesh Bridge Authority
Construction of Bridge Over Paira River
Setu Bhaban, Banani, Dhaka-1212
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Invitation for Re-Tender

1	Ministry/Division	Bridges Division, Ministry of Road Transport & Bridges.								
2	Agency	Bangladesh Bridge Authority (BBA).								
3	Procuring entity name	Md. Tofazzel Hossain, Project Director, Construction of Bridge at 17th Km along Kochua-Betagi-Patuakhali-Lohalia-Kalaya Road (Z8052) Over Paira River.								
4	Procuring entity code	Not available.								
5	Procuring entity district	Dhaka.								
6	Invitation for	Supply of 4 Nos. Motorcycle for the project of Construction of Bridge at 17th km along Kochua-Betagi-Patuakhali-Lohalia-Kalaya Road (Z8052) Over Paira River.								
7	Invitation Ref No.	50.01.0000.851.14.040.21-360								
8	Date	March 02, 2022								
KEY INFORMATION										
9	Procurement method	Open Tendering Method (OTM).								
FUNDING INFORMATION										
10	Budget and source of funds	GoB.								
11	Development partners (if applicable)	Not applicable.								
PARTICULAR INFORMATION										
12	Project/program code (if applicable)	224310300								
13	Project/program name (if applicable)	Construction of Bridge at 17th Km along Kochua-Betagi-Patuakhali-Lohalia-Kalaya Road (Z8052) Over Paira River.								
14	Tender Package No.	1 (one).								
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16	Tender publication date	Date: March 02, 2022								
17	Tender last selling date	Date: March 20, 2022 Time: During office hours								
18	Tender closing date and time	Date: March 21, 2022 Time: 03:00pm								
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22	Brief description of works	Supply of Motorcycle.								
23	Brief description of related services	Not applicable.								
	Lot	Identification of lot	Location	Price of tender document (Tk)	Tender security amount (Tk)	Completion time in weeks				
24	1	Supply of 4 Nos. Motorcycle for the Project of Construction of Bridge at 17th Km along Kochua-Betagi-Patuakhali-Lohalia-Kalaya Road (Z8052) Over Paira River.	Dhaka	1,000.00	15,000.00 (fifteen thousand Taka only)	7 weeks				
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS										
25	Name of official inviting tender	Md. Tofazzel Hossain.								
26	Designation of official inviting tender	Project Director, For the Project of Construction of Bridge at 17th Km along Kochua-Betagi-Patuakhali-Lohalia-Kalaya Road (Z8052) Over Paira River.								
27	Address of official inviting tender	Bangladesh Bridge Authority, Setu Bhaban, New Airport Road, Banani, Dhaka-1212.								
28	Contact details of official inviting tender	Tel. No. 55040323								
29	The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders.									

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