

WILDLIFE  
CONSERVATION

2 individuals,  
one org  
nominated  
for award

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Two individuals and one organisation have been nominated for “Bangabandhu Award for Wildlife Conservation”.

Wildlife Advisory Board of Environment, Forest and Climate Change Ministry finalised the nominations on Thursday.

They were finalised in three categories at a meeting chaired by Environment Minister Shahab Uddin held in ministry’s conference room.

Late noted zoologist and wildlife researcher Mohammad Anisuzzaman Khan has been nominated in “Education and Research” category, Bakthiyar Hamid from Chuadanga in the category of “Forest and Wildlife Conservation Officer, Renowned Researcher, Scientist, Wildlife Conservation and Media Personnel”.

An organisation -- “Team for Energy and Environment” -- from Government Azizul Haque College in Bogura has been nominated in “Dedicated to Wildlife Conservation” category.

Each awardee will receive a crest worth two tola of gold along with Tk 50,000.

Deputy Minister for Environment, Forest and Climate Change Begum Habibun Nahar and Secretary Md Mostafa Kamal were present, among others, at the meeting.



After a text message to the Prime Minister’s Office, asking for a home of his own, speech and hearing-impaired Babu Mia from Magura, got a house under the Ashrayan-2 project. Babu (right) was seen taking a stroll in the yard of his house yesterday.

PHOTO: COLLECTED

# A text message changed his life

How Babu Mia got a home under Ashrayan project

DIPAN NANDY, back from Magura

“I’ve been living in different places in different houses with my mother since my childhood. We have no land and no house to call our own. We are a family of five, and we need a house. I’ll be forever grateful if the prime minister gives me one.”

This was the text message that Babu Mia, a person with speech and hearing impairment from Magura’s Shree Rampur, sent to Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina a couple of years ago.

And his wish was fulfilled. Last year,

Babu got a house under the Ashrayan scheme.

Babu’s life has been one of continuous struggles. A second-year student at Magura Adarsha College, he narrated his story of overcoming obstacles to this correspondent.

“My father died in a road accident when I was a child. My mother took me and my younger brother to live with our grandfather after my father’s death,” he recalls, from his early years.

“My mother and brother got jobs in garment factories in Dhaka. My

grandmother used to take care of me until she passed away in a road accident as well.”

Babu informed that his uncles are not financially well-off to take him in.

“There is no one in the world to look out for me,” he said.

After sending the text to the Prime Minister’s Office (PMO), Babu also wrote a letter to the prime minister. The PMO then sent a letter to Magura deputy commissioner’s office, asking the DC to arrange a house for him.

Magura Deputy Commissioner Ashraful

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# Mega-project brings mega miseries

Ujir Ali Shah Lane  
waterlogged for 3 months  
due to development works

ARUN BIKASH DEY, City

Waterlogging on the port city’s Ujir Ali Shah Lane has made the lives of residents miserable for the last three months, as Chattogram Development Authority (CDA) temporarily blocked Chaktai canal to build a retaining wall.

Hundreds of families living in Rahattar Pool area have to wade through filthy water overflowing from roadside drains to reach their destinations.

Many have been suffering from skin diseases, while others got cholera after coming in contact with the water, said locals.

“My seven-year-old daughter has been suffering from diarrhoea for three days,” said resident Sharmin Akter. “Water overflowing from drains has filled the road, and we have been suffering for two months.”

Abdul Aziz, another local, said he has been suffering from skin disease, as he has to walk through the filthy water for the last couple of months.

Contacted, Prof Serajul Islam, former head of the dermatology department at Chattogram Medical College Hospital, said people coming in contact with the water are at risk of developing skin problems like itching, eczema and scabies.

Nesar Ahmed, another local, said, “To know the reason behind this issue, we contacted Chattogram City Corporation’s (CCC) conservancy department. They said CDA has been building a retaining wall around Chaktai canal at Rahattar Pool area, and so a temporary embankment has been made, around 300 yards off the lane, which prevents water from passing.”

“We have been suffering for three months, but neither the local ward councillor nor any public representative came to see us,” he said.

“At last, we, the locals, elevated a part of the lane with sand around a month ago to get relief

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PHOTO: STAR

# 800 people get free health check-ups

Faraaz Hossain Foundation holds medical camp

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

Around 800 people with various health complications from Dinajpur, Thakurgaon and Panchagarh got a chance to consult specialised doctors free of cost at a health camp on the premises of Dinajpur’s Amena Baki Residential College yesterday.

The daylong health camp was organised by Faaraz Hossain Foundation.

Tahmeed Ibne Mazhar, assistant manager of the foundation, said nine doctors specialising in different areas, including orthopaedic, cardiac, ENT, gynaecologist, medicine, liver and gastroenterology, examined patients and prescribed medicines where necessary.

The prescribed medicines were also provided by the foundation free of cost.

Professor M Amjad Hossain, eminent orthopaedic and founder of Amena Baki School and College in Dinajpur’s Chirirbandar, was present and examined patients as well.

**“We could not consult a cardiac specialist for various reasons. The camp made it possible for us to finally consult a specialist for our father.”**

**Alamgir Hossain**  
Son of a cardiac patient

Zahangir Alam, a cardiac patient from Panchagarh’s Banglabandha, came to Chirirbandar when he heard of the free medical camp. Accompanied by his two sons, Zahangir Alam, the 63-year-old man finally saw a cardiac specialist.

Zahangir’s son Alamgir Hossain said his father has been suffering from acute cardiac problems for the last four years. “We could not consult a cardiac specialist for various reasons. The camp made it possible for us to finally consult a specialist for our father,” said Alamgir.

Md Hafizur Rahman, area manager of SK-F in Dinajpur, said they distributed 21 types of medicines free of cost as prescribed by the doctors.

Professor Sameeran Kumar Saha, medicine specialist; Dr Zia Uddin; Dr MR Islam, ENT specialist; Dr Mohammad Abul Khayer; and Dr Rezaul Haque were among the nine doctors.

The foundation has been organising the yearly health camp since November last year.

# ‘Increase our allowance to Tk 2,000 from Tk 750’

Demand people with hearing and speech impairments

OUR CORRESPONDENT, M’singh

A group of people with hearing and speech impairments yesterday demanded increased allowance and free treatment facilities for them.

They made the demand at a human chain in front of Mymensingh Press Club.

More than 50 people took part in the event, organised by Mymensingh Badhir Sangha.

The speakers said people with hearing and speech impairments are the worst sufferers of the present price hike of daily essentials. The government should take steps to increase their monthly allowance to Tk 2,000 from Tk 750.

Press club president Md Golam Fazle Anwar Parves, secretary Tapon Saha and treasurer Md Fazlul Haque spoke on the occasion.

# 27 lakh shrimp fry seized, 11 arrested

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Patuakhali

Coast Guard seized around 27 lakh shrimp fry in Barguna’s Patharghata yesterday morning while those were being smuggled to Khulna.

Coast Guard Patharghata Station Commander Lt Harun Rashid said their team also detained 11 persons.

They conducted a raid in Kanthaltali area and recovered the fry from 50 drums and five pitchers, said the Coast Guard official.



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