

'Implement Teesta masterplan soon'

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Dinajpur*

Demanding early implementation of Teesta masterplan to save people around the Teesta basin, speakers at a meeting yesterday threatened to launch a tougher movement from next month if the work does not start soon.

They said this at an event organised by Teesta Bachao Nodi Bachao Sangram Parishad at Town Hall in Rangpur.

They said the Chinese ambassador visited the Teesta basin in Rangpur, Lalmonirhat and Nilphamari last week and told the Parishad members that the Chinese government is sincere in implementing the masterplan.

The speakers also urged the prime minister to implement the project soon for the sake of the people who have been residing in the area for generations.

Nazrul Islam Hakkani, president of the parishad, Shafiar Rahman, its general secretary, and leaders of different districts including Lalmonirhat and Nilphamari, were present at the meeting.

'Save us from river erosion' Demand Kurigram locals

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Lalmonirhat*

Several hundred people of Kurigram's Dhaniram village formed a human chain with the slogan "Save us from river erosion" on Friday afternoon.

The protest comes after homes, croplands, orchards and various other establishments in the area have been washed away due to severe erosion in Dharla river.

"My house and three bighas of arable land have been eaten up by the Dharla. I have nowhere else to go with my family. I demand permanent actions to tackle erosion," said farmer Meser Ali, one of the agitators.

Echoing the same, farmer Afsar Ali said, "My family has taken refuge in one of our relative's homes. But life can't go on like this."

Ilias Hossain, a member of Baraviti Union Parishad, said, "More than 50 homes and arable land have been devoured by Dharla river in the last few weeks. More than 100 houses are on the verge of getting washed away."

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Crops of local farmers went under water as arable lands were washed away following the untimely rise of the Jamuna river's water in Tangail's Bhuapur.

PHOTO: STAR

'Crops washed away overnight'

Untimely increase in Jamuna water level puts farmers in a tight spot

MIRZA SHAKIL, *Tangail*

Farmer Shahidul Islam of Kukadair village of Gobindasi union of Bhuapur upazila has cultivated different crops on his 12 bighas of land, after taking loan from local money launderers.

However, the crops got washed away in a single night after water level rose in Jamuna river.

"What will I do now? How can I repay my loan?" said a devastated Shahidul.

Crops, including peanut, kalai, maize and paddies of many farmers of the Jamuna Char areas got submerged under water recently.

Farmers Hurmuz Pramanik, Raheez Uddin and Sabur Ali said water on the

river had increased six times this year, washing away their crops.

Sazzad Hossain, executive engineer of Water Development Board (WDB) in Tangail, said the water level had increased by 22cm yesterday. However, it was flowing 62cm below the danger level.

"This untimely increase of water level was caused by a rush of water from upstream and due to the impact of climate change," he added.

During a recent visit at char areas including Govindasi, Gabsara and Arjuna unions, it was seen arable lands were submerged in water, incurring losses to the farmers.

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The field level agriculture officials were visiting the affected areas to assess the damages. We hope that the situation won't prevail for a long time. We'll provide incentives to the affected farmers.

DR MD HUMAYUN KABIR
Upazila Agriculture Officer in Bhuapur



DWOHA CHOWDHURY, *Sylhet*

The rift between the ruling Awami League candidate and a rebel candidate has become visible in Sunamganj, ahead of the Zilla Parishad election, to be held tomorrow.

As the preparations for the polls are all in place, the conflict between them has become more intense.

The ruling party has nominated Advocate Khayrul Kabir Rumen, vice president of the district's AL unit and former public prosecutor of Sunamganj court, while his opponent is Nurul Huda Mukut, senior vice president of the unit and incumbent chairman of Sunamganj Zilla Parishad.

On September 26, the district AL suspended Mukut from his post on the grounds of breaking party discipline, after he submitted his nomination as a rebel candidate.

Rumen's brother Barrister Anamul Kabir Emom is the general secretary of the district AL unit and former administrator of the Zilla Parishad.

On October 1, Mukut's wife Husna Huda, general secretary of the Sunamganj unit of Awami Mahila League, was show-caused by the party for taking part in the election campaign for her husband.

On October 2, Mukut filed written complaints to the returning officer, alleging that two AL lawmakers were influencing voters on behalf of his opponent.

Meanwhile, last Wednesday, a petition was filed with the High Court on behalf of Rumen, stating that Mukut hid information about many of his properties in the affidavit submitted along with the nomination paper.

About the electoral environment, Rumen said, "The environment is overall good, but the rebel candidate is spending money to buy out voters. He is also intimidating them and acting like a goon."

"He is misusing his position as the chairman... I have verbally informed about his activities to the

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Six burnt in Jurain fire

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Six workers were burnt in a fire while repairing an underground gas pipeline in Dhaka's Jurain area early yesterday.

The injured -- Sirajul Islam (20), Khalilur Rahman (45), Jumman (19), Azizul Haque (65), Abdur Rahman (60) and Jihad alias Noman (19) -- were rushed to Sheikh Hasina National Institute of Burn and Plastic Surgery.

The workers were digging the soil near Jurain graveyard around 12:30am to repair the underground pipeline after locals complained to Titas Gas's office about gas leakage. Selim Mia, a leader of the workers, told reporters at the hospital.

Suddenly, fire originated from the pipeline, leaving them injured, he said.

An official at fire service control room said they were not informed about the fire.

Four hurt in Ctg Eastern Refinery fire

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, *Ctg*

At least four people were burnt in a fire that broke out at the Eastern Refinery, the country's lone state-owned oil refinery in Chattogram.

The fire broke out near the metering station in the tank farm area of the Eastern Refinery around 11:15am yesterday. Eight vehicles of four units of the fire service went to the spot at 11:30 am and brought the fire under control at 12:45pm.

Confirming the development, Managing Director of Eastern Refinery Md Lokman told The Daily Star that the injured were taken to Chattogram Medical College Hospital.

Factory sources said four people were injured in



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