

Over 1.5kg crystal meth, 10,000 yaba pills seized

STAR REPORT

Members of Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) recovered 1.65 kilogrammes of crystal meth, also known as ice, from the border along Naf river in Teknaf upazila of Cox's Bazar yesterday.

They also recovered 10,000 yaba pills in the raid on Kharangkhal border, said Commanding Officer of BGB-2 Battalion Lt Col Sheikh Khalid Mohammad Itekhhar.

The value of the recovered drugs are estimated to be around Tk 5.625 crore, he said.

No one has been arrested in the incident. The suspected drug peddlers swam through the Naf river and fled.

The narcotics were found in a bundle abandoned by the drug peddlers.

The recovered narcotics were kept at the office of BGB battalion-2 and will be officially destroyed later, the BGB official added.

GAZIPUR HOSPITAL Prisoner dies while undergoing treatment

UNB, Gazipur

A prisoner who fell sick at Kashimpur Jail in Gazipur died at Shaheed Tajuddin Ahmed Medical College Hospital early yesterday.

The deceased is Md Nehal Uddin, 65, of Kaliakoir upazila of the district. He had been in Kashimpur Jail since November, 2022.

Nehal was arrested in a case filed under the Women and Children Repression Prevention Act with Kaliakoir Police Station, said Amirul Islam, jail superintendent of Kashimpur Central Jail Part-2.

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WINTER IS HERE, SO ARE THE GUESTS... Flocks of migratory birds have started arriving at the ponds and lakes of the country as the countryside is sparkling in morning dew, announcing the arrival of winter. And the Laskar Dighi of Chattogram's Raozan is no different. This photo was taken recently.

PHOTO: RAJIB RAIHAN

CMCH limps due to manpower shortage

ARUN BIKASH DEY, Chattogram

Although Chattogram Medical College Hospital (CMCH), the lone tertiary-level hospital in greater Chattogram region, has stepped into its 66th year, it is still afflicted with a lack of workforce and logistics.

Only 343 doctors are currently employed at the 2,200-bed hospital. According to CMCH sources, the establishment gradually increased total beds, from 500 to the current number, over the decades, but the number of doctors remained the same.

The hospital had 437 nursing staffers five years ago; however, new appointments in the past few years have increased that number to 1,228. But CMCH officials said 1,228 nurses are not enough for a 2,200-bed hospital.

Apart from the workforce shortage, the hospital also lacks an adequate number of third- and fourth-class employees.

According to CMCH sources, 173 of 565 posts

for third- and fourth-class employees are vacant as new appointments haven't been made over the years.

Besides, the hospital doesn't even provide vital medicines to patients. Although the hospital has a pharmacy, which sells medicines at subsidised prices, many drugs remain unavailable, and patients often buy from pharmacies outside after falling prey to brokers. This cuts a deep hole into the pockets of poor service seekers.

According to CMCH sources, the hospital serves at least 3,300 admitted patients on average every day, 1,100 more than its bed capacity.

During a recent visit to the hospital, it was seen that many patients were being treated on the floor in different wards, as the beds were already occupied. Doctors and nurses were struggling to serve the huge number of patients.

Suffice to say, patients are facing difficulties to get proper service. Take for instance Tanvir

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ISSUES

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- Yearly budget only Tk 16 crore

AL leader dismissed over factional clash

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A local unit committee of Awami League in Jorarganj Union under Mirsarai upazila yesterday dismissed Mainuddin Titu in response to the factional clash between two AL group in the upazila on Sunday.

"The Jorarganj union committee of Awami League dismissed Titu from his post as well as the party for his involvement in Sunday's attack," said Jahangir Kabir, president of Mirsarai upazila unit of AL.

"A copy of the order has been sent to the upazila unit committee by the union committee," he told The Daily Star.

Jahangir Kabir also said the incident not only hampered the festive mood of the Bijoy Mela in the upazila but also tarnished the image of the party.

"The dismissal order against Titu came after grassroots activists demanded for action against him for his involvement in Sunday's attack," said Jahangir.

At least 11 activists of Jubo League and Chhatra League were injured in the factional clash between two groups of the ruling party over the Bijoy Mela in the upazila on Sunday.

Police are yet to detain anyone in this connection. No case was lodged in this regard as well. Police and local AL sources said Mirsarai upazila Muktijoddha Sangsad had organised 10 day-long Bijoy Mela from December 22. The fair ended on Saturday night.

Ex-SP Babul's father, brother get bail in DSA case

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka tribunal yesterday granted bail to former superintendent of police Babul Akhter's father and brother after their surrender before it in a case filed by PBI chief under the Digital Security Act.

The accused are Babul's father Md Abdul Wadud Mia and brother Md Habibur Rahman Labu.

Judge AM Julfiker Hayet of Dhaka Cyber Tribunal granted them bail till submission of the police report. The judge passed the order upon a bond of Tk 5,000 with two guarantors.

In the same case, Babul was shown arrested on November 10 last year and placed on a one-day remand for quizzing.

Another accused journalist Elias Hossain went abroad to avoid the arrest.

On September 27 last year, PBI Chief Banaj Kumar Majumder filed the case against Babul and three others with Dhanmondi Police Station on charges of spreading false and untrue information regarding Mitu murder case.

Mitu was stabbed and shot to death on June 5, 2016 when she was walking her son to his school bus at the GEC crossing in Chattogram city.



A few women at Kanihati Tea Garden Colony in Moulvibazar's Kamalganj upazila are trying to save themselves from the bone-chilling cold by making fires with straw and tree stems.

PHOTO: STAR

Mild cold wave sweeps parts of Bangladesh

UNB, Dhaka

Amild cold wave is sweeping Panchagarh, Moulvibazar and Kurigram districts and it may continue, said the Bangladesh Meteorological Department (BMD) yesterday morning.

When the temperature drops below 10 degrees Celsius or less and continues for some period, it is considered a cold wave, according to the BMD.

Different parts of the country experience different intensities of cold waves.

Temperature between 8 to 10 degrees Celsius

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'They need warm clothes' Tea workers hit hardest by cold wave

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

Normal life has been badly disrupted due to the ongoing cold wave accompanied by thick fog in the Sylhet region in the last few days.

Children and elderlies are getting infected with different cold-related diseases due to the cold spell.

Low-income groups, especially tea garden workers, are the worst sufferers due to the adverse weather.

About 10 lakh ultra-poor workers, living in different tea gardens of the region, are passing days in extreme misery without warm clothes.

Anisur Rahman, meteorological assistant at Srimangal Met Office, said the minimum temperature recorded in Srimangal was 9.3 degrees Celsius yesterday, while the wind was blowing at 11km per hour speed.

As per the weather forecast, the

temperature will continue to fall further in the next three days, he said, adding that there is also a possibility of light rain today.

Mina Bauri, a widow living at Chandpur Tea Garden in Habiganj's Chunarughat upazila, said, "I have been shivering in extreme cold for the last two days as I do not have any warm clothes."

Sometimes she has to pass days half-starved as she cannot go out for work due to the fog and chilling cold, Mina added.

During a visit to the areas, it was seen that people living at different tea gardens were trying to keep themselves warm by making fires with straw and tree stems.

Meanwhile, many people were seen thronging the makeshift shops in the town to buy warm clothes.

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