

ARSA commander held in Cox's Bazar

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Cox's Bazar

Rab claimed to have arrested a commander of Arakan Rohingya Salvation Army (ARSA) along with a G3 rifle in Ukhiya upazila of Cox's Bazar on Thursday night.

The arrestee, Mohammad Zakaria, was a resident of F-17 block in Balukhali Rohingya Camp-10, said Lt Col HM Sazzad Hossain, commanding officer of Rab-15, at a press briefing yesterday.

Acting on a tip-off that ARSA members smuggled firearms from Myanmar for subversive activities, Rab raided the camp and arrested Zakaria, he said.

Rab recovered the G3 rifle and five rounds of ammunition from the Ghati Beel area in Palongkhali union.

During primary interrogation, Zakaria admitted that ARSA members acquired the weapons, looted during recent conflicts in Myanmar, and smuggled those into Bangladesh.

Zakaria concealed the weapon in Camp-10. He is also accused in several cases filed with Ukhiya Police Station and has been arrested twice earlier.



PHOTO: TITU DAS

As the summer heat intensifies, a group of children jumps off a trawler into the Kirtonkhola for a little relief. A dip in the river's cool water makes them almost forget about the high temperature. The photo was taken in Beltola area of Barishal city recently.

ANTI-ORGANISATION ACT BCL leader relieved of post

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Lalmonirhat

A BCL leader has been relieved of his post for alleged involvement in "crimes and anti-organisational activities" in Lalmonirhat.

The BCL central committee took the decision against Rashed Zaman Bilas, president of the district unit of BCL, at a meeting on Thursday and issued a notice to this end yesterday, said central committee president Saddam Hussain. The Daily Star has a copy of the notice.

BCL general secretary Sheikh Wali Asif Inan said, "We are embarrassed due to his [Bilas] activities."

BCL sources said Bilas is accused in several criminal cases, including extortion. On June 9, Bilas along with his accomplices allegedly extorted Tk 2.4 lakh from a cattle trader.

The trader filed a complaint with Lalmonirhat Sadar Police Station, accusing five people including Bilas, said OC Omar Faruk. The complaint was turned into a case yesterday.

Meanwhile, villagers formed a human chain at Bhadai in Aditmari, demanding justice. Bilas could not be contacted over phone despite repeated attempts.

Work begins to breathe life into dying Ichamati

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pabna

The long-awaited project to rejuvenate the Ichamati river began in early June under the supervision of Bangladesh Army, bringing joy to the people of Pabna.

Earlier, the Water Development Board (WDB) initiated the "Rejuvenating River Ichamati" project with a budget of Tk 1,554.90 crore. The project was later handed over to the Army Engineering Division.

"We have started dredging operations in the Madhpur-Jagannathpur area of Santhia upazila, Pabna, under the supervision of the Bangladesh Army Engineering Division," said Shudhangshu Kumar Sarkar, project director.

This three-year project involves dredging 110km of waterways. This includes 33.772km of the main river, 44.072km of connecting



canals, 20km of the Sutikhali river, and 12.37km of Varara canal to restore water flow.

Sarkar, who is also the superintendent engineer of WDB Pabna, said, "Dredging of the main river will be conducted first, and then other works will begin."

In addition to dredging, the project includes constructing a 10km retaining wall, 10km of drainage, 23 new bridges, 56 ghats for boats, and a 10km

walkway. The project also plans to plant 42,310 trees along the riverbanks.

A visit to the Madhpur-Jagannathpur area a few days ago revealed rapid progress in the dredging work.

The 82 kilometre-long Ichamati River, which originates from the Padma and reaches Hurasagar in Bera upazila, flows through the district headquarters of Pabna. However, it has been severely

affected by encroachment and pollution over the decades. "The people of Pabna have been striving to protect the Ichamati river, essential to their livelihoods," said SM Mahabubul Alom, founder of Ichamati Rokhka Andolon.

After the project was approved by the Ecenec last October, the work was handed over to the Army Engineering Division, according to WDB.

Encroachers have occupied land forging documents in their names over the past few decades. The WDB has identified 1,053 illegal structures on the Ichamati. Encroachers have filed a series of cases, with 73 cases still pending in court. "Ichamati will be dredged according to the CS map, and illegal structures will be removed as per court directions," said Md Mosharaf Hossain, assistant director of WDB Pabna.



Water level of 26 rivers rising

Flood, erosion fear grip shoal residents in Lalmonirhat, Kurigram

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Lalmonirhat

Water level of 26 rivers including Brahmaputra, Teesta and Dharla is rising in Kurigram and Lalmonirhat districts following rain and flow of upstream waters.

Many low-lying areas and shoals in the districts have already become inundated since yesterday morning, even as the water level has yet to cross the danger level.

The residents of the riverbank and shoal areas are living amid fear of flooding and erosion.

According to officials of the Water Development Board, the water level of Teesta has increased by 29cm and was flowing around 85cm below danger level at Doani Point of Teesta Barrage in Hatibandha upazila of Lalmonirhat yesterday morning.

Meanwhile Dharla's water level rose by 29cm at Shimulbari point of Lalmonirhat Sadar upazila and was flowing 180cm below the danger line, and Brahmaputra was flowing 169cm below the danger level at Chilmari Point in Kurigram.

"Teesta's water started entering the houses in our village this [Friday] afternoon. The yards and tube-well are now submerged under water. If water level rises more, we would have to move elsewhere for shelter," said Achiya Bewa, 67, of Gobordhan shoal under Aditmari upazila of Lalmonirhat.

Sohrab Hossain, 60, of the same village echoed her.

Shunil Kumar, executive engineer of BWDB in Lalmonirhat, said, "The water level may rise further but for now there is no threat of flooding. Since Brahmaputra river is flowing below the danger level in downstream, Teesta's water is receding rapidly."



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- Supporting documents of the minimum qualification such as a copy of a valid trade license, VAT, TIN certificates, Tax Return certificates, valid authorization certificate, and any other document, etc. (where applicable).

Interested parties are requested to submit the Technical & Financial Proposal by 30th June 2024 by 04:00 PM in sealed envelopes to the following address: 59 Gulshan Avenue, Simplerose Anarkali (4th Floor), Gulshan-1, Dhaka-1212.

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BANGLABANDHA PORT Trade to remain suspended for 7 days

UNB, Panchagarh

Trade activities with India, Nepal, and Bhutan via the Banglabandha land port will remain suspended for seven days from June 15, on the occasion of Eid.

Importer and Exporters Group of the port took the decision in a meeting with the Phulbari Exporters Association of India, the C&F Agent Welfare Association, and the Truck Owners Association.

A letter regarding this has already been sent to the authorities concerned. However, the movement of travellers through the immigration checkpoint will continue as usual.

Newborn's body found in front of DMCH

UNB, Dhaka

Police recovered the body of a newborn from a sidewalk opposite the emergency gate of Dhaka Medical College Hospital yesterday.

A passerby noticed a dog tugging at a bag on the sidewalk and alerted the police via the national emergency hotline number, 999.

Sub-inspector Mohammad Selim of Shahbagh Police Station said upon receiving the call through the hotline, they discovered the body of the newborn girl inside a bag lying on the trash-covered sidewalk opposite the emergency gate around 11:00am.

The body was sent to the hospital morgue.

PRAYER TIMING

JUNE 15

Fazr Zohr Asr Maghrib Esha

AZAN 4-05 12-45 5-00 6-50 8-15

JAMAAT 4-40 1-15 5-15 6-55 8-45

SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION

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website: www.dphe.gov.bd

Invitation for e-Tender notice

No.	Ministry/Division	Local Government/Division	Publishing Date	Closing Date & Time
1.	Implementing Agency	Department of Public Health Engineering, Barguna District, Barguna.		
2.	Project/Program Name	Revenue		
3.	e-Tender ID/s	999104, 999105		
5.	i. Construction of 40 Nos Twin pit Household Pucca Latrine ii. Construction of Community Based Water Supply scheme by installing 100mm x 50mm dia Tube well		13/06/2024	25/06/2024
6.	This is online Tender, where only e-Tenders will be accepted in the National e-GP portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted. Interested persons/firms can see details in the website: www.eprocure.gov.bd			
7.	Name, Designation & Address of Official	Sd/- (Md. Rashed Miam) Executive Engineer, DPHE, Barguna District, Barguna. Tel No-02479930083.		

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e-Tender Notice

e-Tenders have been invited in the National e-GP System Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) for the procurement of the following work:

Tender ID	Description of Goods	Tender Publish Date & Time	Tender/Proposal Document Last Selling Date & Time	Tender Closing & Opening Date & Time
998932	Event Management and Related Services for World Youth Skills Day, 2024	16-June-2024 Time:09:00	30-June-2024 Time:10:00	30-June-2024 Time:14:00

This is an online Tender, where only e-Tender will be accepted in the National e-GP portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted. To submit e-Tender, registration in the National e-GP System Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) is required. The fees for downloading the e-Tender Documents from the National e-GP System Portal must be deposited online through any registered Bank's branches up to banking hours as stated on tender notice. Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP System Portal and from e-GP help desk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd) (01762625528-31).

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Ref No: 46.207.014.24.02.123.2024 Dated: 13/06/2024

e-Tender Notice

e-Tenders are invited in e-GP portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) by Executive Engineer, Zone-2 Dhaka South City Corporation for the procurement of following package, which will be available at e-GP website from 12/06/2024 at 22:00 PM

Sl No.	Tender ID, Ref No & package No	Name of works	Last Selling date and Time	Tender Closing Date & Time
1.	Tender ID-964127 egpdscc/z02/w08 fy 2023-24	Development work of road and construction work of drain at Komlapur lane-by-lane (H: N: 149/3 to H: N: 158, H: N: 143 to H: N: 145, H: N: 158 to H: N: 79/A, II: N: 88/10 to II: N: 157/4) under word 08, zone 02 DSCC	27-Jun-2024 11:30	27-Jun-2024 12:00
2.	Tender ID-964132 egpdscc/z06/w075 fy 2023-24	Development work of road at Kyetpara Bazar CC Road to Iderakandi Azgar Member's house (Chainage 00 m to 435 m) under word 75, zone 06 DSCC.	27-Jun-2024 11:30	27-Jun-2024 12:00
3.	Tender ID-993288 egp/dscc/Z-05/24-25/P-04	Repairing Works of Road Cutting by different organization of ward no 6 and 8 under zone-2 (Group- kha). DSCC. FY 2024/2025	27-Jun-2024 11:15	27-Jun-2024 12:15

This is an online tender, where only e-Tenders will be accepted in e-GP portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted. To submit e-Tender, please register on e-GP system portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>).

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