

Retired cop, wife sued over graft

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The Anti-Corruption Commission yesterday sued a former senior assistant superintendent of police of the Industrial Police and his wife for accumulating wealth illegally beyond their known source of income and concealing information in their wealth statements.

They are Abul Hashem, who retired recently, and his wife Taherina Begum.

Musabir Ahmed, assistant director of ACC Chattogram Integrated Office 2, filed two separate cases with ACC Chattogram Integrated Office 1 against the two after finding irregularities in their wealth statements during an initial probe, said Nazmus Sadat, deputy director of ACC in Chattogram.

According to the case statements, Abul Hashem concealed information on Tk 4.45 lakh wealth and accumulated wealth worth Tk 18,60,298 beyond his known source of income.

His wife showed a boutique house to her name but failed to show relevant verified documents.

She also concealed information on Tk 6.84 lakh wealth and accumulated wealth worth Tk 43.32 lakh beyond her known source of income, the case statements revealed.

Abul Hashem started his career as a sub-inspector of the police force in 1988 and retired in 2022 as senior ASP of Industrial Police.



While returning from school, a girl sticks her hand out to touch the rainwater while her guardian tries to shelter her with an umbrella. The photo was taken in front of Khalishpur Navy School in Khulna yesterday.

PHOTO: HABIBUR RAHMAN

FLOOD IN SYLHET DIVISION

889 primary schools remain closed

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At least 889 primary schools in Sylhet division have kept their academic activities suspended indefinitely due to ongoing floods.

According to the Divisional Primary Education Office, there are 5,054 primary schools in the division, many of which are either submerged or being used as shelters for flood-affected people.

The floods, a recurring issue during monsoons due to torrential rain and downstream waters from India, have impacted 6,49,378

people in the division.

Currently, 19,820 people are staying at 366 shelters across four districts - 164 in Sylhet, 59 in Sunamganj, 75 in Moulvibazar, and 68 in Habiganj. Most of these shelters are set up in primary and secondary schools, said Jalal Uddin, deputy director of the Directorate of Primary Education.

In a recent visit to Kulaura upazila in Moulvibazar, this correspondent saw at least 28 government primary schools kept their doors closed due to flood damage.

Many schools are submerged, with

some standing like isolated islands in the middle of waterlogged roads.

"There is over a foot of water in classrooms, making it impossible to conduct classes," said Roniton Ranjan Chanda, headteacher of Ghorkoron Government Primary School.

As floodwaters persist and inclement weather continues, the situation may worsen.

Khushi Mohan Sarkar, chief executive engineer of the Bangladesh Water Development Board in Sylhet, said around 20 rivers in the region would be excavated to mitigate future flooding.



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The Invitation for Tender (IFT) for "Supply and Installation of Galvanized Steel Rolling Shutter Gates in Station Front (Docking Locations) of 25 BRT Stations", vide IFT Memo No. 35.06.0000.010.07.001.24-506, dated: 26/06/2024 is hereby amended as follows:

ITT Ref.	Title	Original Text	Amended Text
ITT 14.1(b)	Specific Experience	The minimum specific experience as Supplier in supply of similar Goods of at least one (1) contract successfully completed within the last five (5) years, with a value of at least Tk. 4,20,00,000.00 (Taka forty-two million) .	The minimum specific experience as Supplier in supply of similar Goods of at least three (3) contracts successfully completed within the last five (5) years, each with a value of at least Tk. 10,00,000.00 (Taka One million) .
ITT 14.1(c)	Supply/Production Capacity	The minimum supply and/or production capacity of Goods is/are: Similar type of metal goods with 5,000 square meter or equivalent quantity supply and/or production capacity per year.	None

All other terms and conditions shall remain unchanged. This corrigendum will be an integral part of the published IFT.

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এতোরা সংশ্লিষ্ট সকলের অবগতির জন্য জানানো যাচ্ছে যে, সড়ক বিভাগ, মাগুরা কর্তৃক পাবলিক প্রকিউরমেন্ট বিধিমালা-২০০৮ এর আলোকে সড়ক ও জনপথ অধিস্থপনের পরিচালন (রাজস্ব) বাজেটের আওতায় সীমিত দরপত্র পক্ষতি প্রয়োগের মাধ্যমে প্রতিক্রিয়ে ৫০.০০ (পাঁচাশ) লক টাকা পর্যন্ত প্রাক্তিক্রিয় মূল্যের অভিভৱন ক্রয়কার্য (NCT-Works) সম্পাদনের লক্ষ্যে ২০২৪-২০২৫ অর্থ বছরের জন্য ঠিকাদার তালিকাভুক্তি/নথায়ন করা হবে। সিপিটিউ কর্তৃক নির্ধারিত আবেদন ফরম নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলীর কার্যালয়, সড়ক বিভাগ, মাগুরা অথবা উপ-বিভাগীয় প্রকৌশলীর কার্যালয়, সড়ক উপ-বিভাগ, মাগুরা হতে আগামী ০৭/০৭/২০২৪ হতে ০৭/০৮/২০২৪ প্রিয়ে প্রক্রিয়াজ করতে হবে। সীমিত দরপত্র পক্ষতি প্রয়োগের ক্ষেত্রে পাবলিক প্রকিউরমেন্ট বিধিমালা-২০০৮ এর বিষি ৬৩ অনুসরণযোগ্য এবং এ তালিকাভুক্তকরণ দরপত্র আহ্বান/কাজ প্রদানের নিশ্চয়তা বিধান করে না। উল্লেখ্য যে, ইতিপূর্বে অত্র দষ্টরের তালিকাভুক্ত ঠিকাদারগণ ২০২৪-২০২৫ অর্থ বছরের লাইসেন্স নথায়ন ফি বাবদ টাকা = ২,০০০/- (দুই হাজার টাকা) + ১৫% ভ্যাটসহ বিনা জরিমানায় আগামী ৩১/০৭/২০২৪ প্রিয়ে প্রক্রিয়াজ করার মধ্যে অনুরোধ করা হলো।

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Three traffickers held in Dhaka

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Police have arrested three members of a human trafficking gang from Dhaka's Uttara and Bashundhara residential areas.

The arrestees are: gang leader Sajeev Chakma, 21, of Rangamati's Barkal upazila; his sister Jassi Chakma, 23; and Miama Talukder, 21, of Khagrachhari's Dighinala upazila.

A Rangamati court yesterday sent them to jail after they were produced before the court shown arrested in a case filed with Baghaichhari Police Station for kidnapping a 19-year-old girl from an indigenous community in Rangamati. They confined her to Bashundhara and Uttara areas of Dhaka, and tried to force her to marry a man who speaks Chinese.

Police said the arrestees admitted their involvement in organised human trafficking.

Earlier, Rangamati police arrested them on Wednesday following a two-day drive after the girl filed the case accusing four gang members and few others including Chinese nationals.

Another accused member of the gang, Ankhi Chakma of Rangamati, is absconding.

Uttara Paschim police rescued the victim from house in Uttara on June 25 a day after her father lodged a general diary with Baghaichhari Police Station.

In the case statement, the victim said

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CTG ELEVATED EXPRESSWAY

Probe committee finds error in construction work

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A parliamentary probe body -- formed to investigate irregularities in the Chattogram Expressway project -- found some errors in the project's work during its investigation yesterday.

The committee also found inconsistency in the works while visiting the under-construction expressway.

MA Latif, an Awami League lawmaker and head of the sub-committee, told reporters after visiting the expressway that they will include technical experts in their committee to investigate these errors.

"Then we will submit our report to the ministry concerned through parliament," he said.

Latif said they informed the project officials about the errors, who assured them of rectifying those soon.

After some cracks were found at multiple pillars of

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EMBEZZLING TK 60.72 LAKH

Former state minister among 3 issued legal notice

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Zakir Hossain, former state minister for primary and mass education, and two of his family members have been issued a legal notice for allegedly embezzling Tk 60.72 lakh.

The money was allocated for providing solar-powered houses to 263 poor families in Kurigram's Roumari upazila, as per the allegations.

The other accused are Hossain's wife, Suraiya Sultana, and cousin, Ahsan Mandal alias Babu Mandal.

Moksed Ali, a resident of Char Gayatpara and an Awami League activist, sent the notice through his lawyer. Ali said Tk 60 lakh was collected from 191 families for houses and Tk 72,000 from 72 families for solar facilities in FY 2020-21 from



Many families alleged that they did not get homes or solar facilities.

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Char Gayatpara, Dantabhang, Char Shoulmari, and Bandaber villages.

He claimed the money was delivered to Hossain and his wife through Babu Mandal but neither houses nor solar facilities were provided.

Akbar Ali, a day laborer from Char Gayatpara, said he paid Tk 36,000 but received neither a house nor a refund. Multiple victims shared similar stories.

Contacted, Zakir Hossain claims the allegations are part of a conspiracy against him.

Babu Mandal, who is sub-publicity secretary of Roumari upazila AL, denied knowing Moksed Ali and refuted the allegations.

Moksed's lawyer, Khademul Hasan, said the legal notice was sent on June 26, and they have supporting documents. If the money is not returned within 15 days, a case will be lodged.