

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.

Musabbir 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

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 Mamiya Talukder, 21, of Khagrachhari's Dighinala upazila.

A Rangamati court yesterday sent them to jail after they were produced before it 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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Flood situation worsens in the north

Major rivers in Sylhet still overflowing

STAR REPORT

The flood situation in the country's north continues to deteriorate due to an onrush of water from the upstream, while two major rivers in the Sylhet region are still flowing above the danger level.

The Flood Forecasting and Warning Centre (FFWC) warned that floods may worsen at some low-lying areas near the Brahmaputra and Jamuna rivers in Kurigram, Jamalpur, Gaibandha, Bogura and Sirajganj districts.

Heavy to very heavy rainfall is expected in the north and areas adjoining the upstream in the next 48 hours, an FFWC bulletin released at 9:00am said yesterday.

However, the flood situation in the low-lying areas of Sylhet region may remain steady in the next 24 hours, it added.

Yesterday, fresh areas were inundated in Kurigram as the Brahmaputra's water level further rose by 48cm in 24 hours from 6:00pm on Wednesday. Earlier, it was 60cm above the danger level at the Noonkhawa point, according to the local Water Development Board (WDB).

"If the water level continues to rise at this rate, the flood situation may take a severe turn," said Rakibul Hasan, executive engineer of

Kurigram's WDB.

Meanwhile, the flood-hit people have been suffering immensely.

Tofazzal Hossain, 60, a resident of Char Bhagabatipur in Kurigram Sadar, said, "My house has gone at least 3-4 feet under water. The tube wells and toilets were also submerged. My 10 chickens and two goats floated away."

Majibur Rahman, 60, of Barabhitia village in Phulbari upazila, said, "We can't get out of home and we have no work due to the flood. How will



we survive?"

Some also lost their paddy fields to the flood.

In Sirajganj, low-lying and char areas have been inundated as water levels of the Jamuna rose 20cm above the danger level at Hard Point last evening.

According to Nazmul Hossain, sub-divisional engineer of Sirajganj WDB, it will continue to rise for the next 2-3 days due to the onrush of

water from the upstream.

In Gaibandha and Bogura, floods further intensified as the Jamuna flowed 77cm above the danger level at Gaibandha's Fulchari upazila around 6:00pm yesterday.

At least 80,000 people were affected in both districts combined, according to the district relief and rehabilitation officers.

In the northeast, the Surma river was flowing 70cm above the danger level at Sylhet's Kanaighat point at 3:00pm, while the Kushiara was flowing 155cm above the danger level at the Amalshid point.

However, the water levels of the Sari-Gowain and Manu rivers in Sylhet and Moulvibazar were flowing below the danger levels.

"Water will continue receding if there is no rainfall in the upstream," said Dipak Ranjan Das, executive engineer of Sylhet WDB.

However, many people still remained stranded.

Moinul Islam, a resident of Bademansur area in Moulvibazar, said, "We can't even get out of our house as the entire village remains under water."

(Our correspondents from Lalmonirhat, Sylhet, Moulvibazar, Bogura and Pabna contributed to this report.)

889 schools closed in Sylhet division



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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 Rontu Ranjan Chanda, headteacher of Ghourkoron 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.

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 Gaytapara 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 Gaytapara, Dantabhangra, Char Shoulmari, and Bandabera 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 labourer from Char Gaytapara, 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.



A submerged village in Kurigram. People trying to cross an inundated bridge in Jamalpur.

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<p>Corrigendum-01</p>			
<p>Memo No. 35.06.0000.010.07.002.24-545</p>		<p>Date: July 04, 2024</p>	
<p>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:</p>			
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
<p>All other terms and conditions shall remain unchanged. This corrigendum will be an integral part of the published IFT.</p>			
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সীমিত দরপত্র পদ্ধতিতে ঠিকাদার তালিকাভুক্তি/লাইসেন্স নবায়ন বিজ্ঞপ্তি

এতদ্বারা সংশ্লিষ্ট সকলের অবগতির জন্য জানানো যাচ্ছে যে, সড়ক বিভাগ, মাগুরা কর্তৃক পাবলিক প্রকিউরমেন্ট বিধিমালা-২০০৮ এর আলোকে সড়ক ও জনপথ অধিদপ্তরের পরিচালন (রাজস্ব) বাজেটের আওতায় সীমিত দরপত্র পদ্ধতি প্রয়োগের মাধ্যমে প্রতিক্ষেত্রে ৫০.০০ (পঞ্চাশ) লক্ষ টাকা পর্যন্ত প্রাকল্পিত মূল্যের অভ্যন্তরীণ ক্রয়কার্য (NCT-Works) সম্পাদনের লক্ষ্যে ২০২৪-২০২৫ অর্থবছরের জন্য ঠিকাদার তালিকাভুক্তি/নবায়ন করা হবে। সিপিটিইউ 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 খ্রিস্টাব্দ তারিখ পর্যন্ত অফিস চলাকালীন সময়ে সরবরাহ করা হবে। ১০০০.০০ (এক হাজার) টাকা অফেরতযোগ্য পে-অর্ডার/ব্যাংক ড্রাফট নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী, সওজ, মাগুরা সড়ক বিভাগ, মাগুরা এর অনুকূলে জমা প্রদান করে অথবা মানি রিসিটের মাধ্যমে ১০০০.০০ (এক হাজার) টাকা পরিশোধ করত: আগ্রহী ব্যক্তি/প্রতিষ্ঠান নির্ধারিত আবেদনপত্র (ডকুমেন্ট) সংগ্রহ করতে পারবেন। নির্ধারিত আবেদনপত্র (ডকুমেন্ট) সঠিকভাবে পূরণ পূর্বক প্রয়োজনীয় কাগজপত্রসহ আগামী ৩১ আগস্ট ২০২৪ খ্রিঃ বিকাল ৫:০০ ঘটিকার মধ্যে মাগুরা সড়ক বিভাগীয় অফিসে জমা প্রদান করতে হবে। সীমিত দরপত্র পদ্ধতি প্রয়োগের ক্ষেত্রে পাবলিক প্রকিউরমেন্ট বিধিমালা-২০০৮ এর বিধি ৬৩ অনুসরণযোগ্য এবং এ তালিকাভুক্তিকরণ দরপত্র আহ্বান/কাজ প্রদানের নিশ্চয়তা বিধান করে না।

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