

# NEWS

## Fisher killed in crocodile attack in Sundarbans

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bagerhat

A fisherman was killed in a crocodile attack in the Sundarbans on Tuesday. His body was recovered that night, nearly seven hours later.

The deceased is Subrata Mondol, 32, from Dhangmari village in Khulna's Dacope upazila.

The incident occurred around 3:30pm in the Karamjal canal under Chandpail range of the Sundarbans East Forest Division, locals said.

Subrata and other fishermen were returning after catching crabs through the canal when he was attacked. The crocodile dragged him underwater, and he went missing.

Villagers retrieved his body around 10:30pm from the Gajalmari area of the canal after hours of searching, said Israfil Boyati, a resident of Dhangmari village who joined the rescuing effort.

Subrata and the others had entered the forest with permission from Dhangmari station of the forest division, according to forest department sources.

Howlader Azad Kabir, officer-in-charge of the Karamjal Wildlife Breeding Centre, said, "The victim's family took his body home at night. Since he entered the forest with permission, his family is entitled to government compensation."

## Lightning strike kills couple in Kurigram

UNB, Kurigram

A couple was killed in a lightning strike in Saheber Alga village under Kurigram's Ulipur upazila on Tuesday night.

The deceased were identified as Jahangir Hossain, 42, a farmer, and his wife Rubi Begum, 35.

The two were hit by lightning near their home around 7:30pm, Md Zillur Rahman, officer in charge of Ulipur Police Station, said quoting locals.

They died on the spot, he added.



Farmers float paddy seedlings on tidal waters to carry them to the fields for planting, a method that reduces physical labour. The photo was taken at Chak Shailmari village in Batiaghata upazila of Khulna yesterday.

PHOTO: HABIBUR RAHMAN

## PIROJPUR'S NAZIRPUR Damaged bridge leaves hundreds stranded

KM HABIBUR RAHMAN, Pirojpur

Hundreds of commuters in Pirojpur's Nazirpur upazila have been suffering for the past two months as an iron bridge that partially collapsed is yet to be repaired.

The bridge, built over the Eider canal on the Annesa-Kaldoania Bazar road at Utar Dirgha village more than 20 years ago, had been in a vulnerable condition for nearly eight years. One side recently collapsed, making it almost unusable.

Every day, over 2,000 people from Dirgha and Kaldoania unions depend on the road to travel to neighbouring Nesarabad upazila, while others from adjoining areas also use it.

Auto rickshaw driver Mohammad Ibrahim said the bridge had been damaged repeatedly over the years.

"We used to repair it from our own earnings. But two months ago, it collapsed badly on the Annesa side, which is beyond our capacity to repair,"



he said.

Kamrunnahar said it was nearly impossible for them to cross the bridge, especially while carrying goods.

Locals said only a concrete bridge

could solve their problem.

Nazirpur UNO Sajja Sahnaj Tama said they were aware of the situation. "The bridge will be repaired soon through a local project," she added.

## 'Bird House' of Kalapara

For over four decades, schoolteacher's homestead has been a sanctuary for birds

SOHRAB HOSSAIN, Patuakhali

For more than four decades, hundreds of birds have found sanctuary in the homestead of 60-year-old Akhtar Hossain, a schoolteacher in Kalapara upazila of Patuakhali.

Locals now fondly call it the "Bird House".

Located in Musuliabad village under Balitali union, Akhtar's home is surrounded by tall trees that have become nesting grounds for cattle egrets, cormorants and even bats.

The assistant headteacher of Purba Madhukhali Secondary School lives under a canopy alive with constant fluttering and calls.

During a recent visit, this correspondent saw the entire yard shaded by large, leafy trees teeming with birds. Every evening, flocks return home and perch on the branches.

"Ever since I was a child, I loved birds. They inspire us with their beauty, captivate us with their movement, fascinate us with their behaviour, and enchant us with their songs," he said.

"Sometimes injured or sick birds return to the trees. We take care of them, even provide food or treatment if needed. Over time, a bond has grown between my family and these birds," he added.

When asked how many birds reside at his home, he smiled and said, "I don't know the number anymore. Perhaps around a thousand. They come and go as they please."

The family ensures the birds'



They need tall trees with big branches, a quiet place free from mechanical noise and disturbance. Akhtar Sir's house provides exactly that, which is why they have stayed for nearly 40 years."

KM Moniruzzaman, range officer of Mohipur Forest Department, said, "We are happy to see such a safe haven for birds. The department will extend full support to protect them."

Akhtar said, "These birds are part of nature's balance. I hope more people will come forward to protect them."

Meanwhile, the birds chirped away in his green-shaded yard.

## Chaotic

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airport daily. "It means nearly 1,250 passengers travel per hour. If at least two persons accompany each passenger, the number goes to around 4,000," said Executive Director SM Ragib Samad.

"Even after security officials drop co-passengers or visitors off from the car, they enter into the canopy area using the wrong side. Now tell me, from which side will you check the visitors? We cannot deploy force to control each person," he told The Daily Star.

"We are continuously giving announcements through loudspeakers that not more than two persons will be allowed inside the canopy area. But no one is paying heed. When people don't listen, we are not in a position to enforce it, because it may have the opposite effect. Allegations of mistreatment with passengers and visitors will be raised, and everything will go viral," he added.

Many people, especially those from distant districts, arrive at the airport with relatives 10 to 11 hours before flights scheduled early in the morning or late at night, considering road conditions and safety.

Although the authorities have arranged a waiting lounge at the multi-level car park for passengers and visitors, few make use of it.

## গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার



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## দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি

দি পাবলিক প্রক্রিয়ামেন্ট আইন/২০০৬ ও বিধিমালা/২০০৮ এর সরবরাহে সংশোধনী অনুসারে ২০২৫-২৬ অর্থ সনে বিনাইদহ জেলা পুলিশের নিম্নে বর্ণিত খাতে মালামাল দরপত্রের মাধ্যমে জন্মের লক্ষে প্রকৃত ব্যবসায়ী/সরবরাহকারী প্রতিষ্ঠানের নিকট হতে সৈলমোহরকৃত খাতে

প্রতিযোগিতামূলক দরপত্র আহরণ করা যাচ্ছে।

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২। সংস্থা/বিভাগ

৩। সংগ্রহকারী সন্তানের নাম ও জেলা

৪। দরপত্র বিজ্ঞাপন নং

৫। সংগ্রহ পদ্ধতি

৬। বাজেট এবং তহবিলের উৎস

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