



Munshi Pukur at risk as grabbers eye exposed bank

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The 94-year old Munshi Pukur in the Shulak Bahor area of Chattogram city is facing an imminent threat of occupation due to prolonged negligence by the authorities, despite a High Court order mandating its conservation.

During a recent visit, a section of the pond's demarcation boundary was found dismantled, leaving the area vulnerable to encroachment. A net had been placed over the compromised bank, though locals said they did not know who installed it.

Residents voiced concern that an influential quarter may be trying to grab a portion of the pond, which was dug in 1931 by the ancestors of Abdus Sobhan Sawdagor. The pond is currently owned by the Abdus Sobhan Sawdagor Waqf Estate, said Shahidul Islam, an official of the estate.



Siraj Miah, an elderly resident, said locals once used the pond for bathing and even drinking, as its water was clean and transparent. He said attempts to occupy the pond began in 2012, when part of the boundary wall was dismantled as land prices rose.

Human Rights and Peace for Bangladesh later filed a petition with the court to protect the waterbody.

In August 2016, a High Court bench ordered the conservation of Munshi Pukur, directing the CCC mayor, CDA chairman and DoE director to enforce the order and remove all illegal structures around the boundary. Despite this, residents say no concrete steps have been taken to secure the now exposed bank.

Manzill Murshid, president of the HRPB executive committee, confirmed the petition and the court order.

Contacted, CDA Chairman Nurul Karim said he had spoken with the mayor several months ago and both agreed to conserve the pond. The mayor had promised to protect the boundary and build a walkway, he said, adding he would follow up again.

CCC Mayor Shahadat Hossain is currently abroad and could not be reached for comment.



Workers move in a long line carrying sacks of fish, caught in the deep sea, from boats to cold storage along the Karnaphuli river in Chattogram. After the fishing trawlers return, the fish are offloaded onto small boats and taken to storage facilities before being sent across the country. The photo was taken at Karnaphuli ghat recently.

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BANSHBARIA-SANDWIP ROUTE

Sunken pontoon disrupts ferry service

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Ferry service on the Banshbaria-Sandwip route has been disrupted for the past six months after one of the two pontoons at Banshbaria ghat sank in the Sandwip Channel.

The route connects Sandwip Island, an upazila of Chattogram, with the mainland, and residents are heavily dependent on waterway transport.

At present, ferries can operate only during high tide, relying on a single pontoon.

Ferry service on the route was launched in March this year, allowing all types of vehicles and passengers to travel directly between the mainland and the island.

Bangladesh Inland Water Transport Authority had installed two pontoons, a low-water and a mid-water, at Banshbaria ghat. Tidal surges

in May caused the low-water pontoon and its adjoining road to subside and sink.

During a recent visit, this correspondent saw goods-laden trucks waiting for high

long as five to six hours," said Mohammed Sobahan, a truck driver.

"The ferry service has transformed our connectivity, allowing direct vehicular

and teacher from Sandwip.

Md Yusuf, pontoon-in-charge at Banshbaria ferry ghat, said they can now operate only one trip during high tide.

Currently, a ferry named Kapotakkho makes one round trip on the route. According to BIWTA, each trip carries around 20 to 25 vehicles of various sizes and 60 to 70 passengers.

Contacted, Selim Reza, assistant engineer of BIWTA, said physical work has begun to recover the pontoon. "Construction has also started for an additional pontoon at Banshbaria ghat. We hope to complete these works during the dry season," he said.

Adverse weather and excessive silt accumulation on the route are the biggest challenges to maintaining regular ferry operations, he added.



tide for the ferry to resume operations.

"Ferry cannot dock during low tide, so we have to wait for high tide, sometimes for as

access to the mainland. However, due to the sunken pontoon, we are unable to reap the benefits fully," said Shahidul Islam, a resident

‘Unite to implement CHT accord’ Says PCJSS vice president

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Ushatan Talukder, vice president of Parbatya Chattagram Jana Samhati Samiti, yesterday called upon hill communities to unite and organise a movement to press home their demand for implementation of the Chittagong Hill Tracts agreement.

"Implementing the agreement is more difficult than it was to sign it. Nonetheless, since we have signed the agreement, we will see it implemented. All Jumma people should be organised in the movement to claim their rights themselves," he said while addressing a public event marking 28 years of the CHT accord on the Rangamati Kumar Sumit Roy Gymnasium premises.

"After the signing of the accord, five political governments and two interim governments came to power in 28 years, but none of them came forward with sincere willingness to implement it. As a result, the fundamentals of the agreement still remain unimplemented," he said.

He called for greater movement to resist all kinds of conspiracies against the CHT accord and against Jumma peoples' interests.

Ushatan said PCJSS will participate in the upcoming general elections.

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Date: 02 December, 2025

Corrigendum of REQUEST FOR BIDS (Package No: CP-GD-34)

Assignment Title	Last Date of Submission (Original)	Last Date of Submission (Updated)
Supply, installation and commissioning of Full Mission Engine Room Simulator, Liquid Cargo Handling Simulator & High Voltage Simulator for Ship Building and Marine Technology of Institute of Marine Technologies	14:30 hour BST (GMT+6:00), 15 December 2025	14:30 hour BST (GMT+6:00), 15 January 2026

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours ie. 09:00 to 17:00 hours (GMT+06:00).

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Sl No.	e-GP ID	Package No. & description/name of works	Work location
01	1185657	Package No. Naogaon/OM/EMRK/25-26/W-2 Protective work (Precautionary) on the Left Bank of the Little Jamuna River from Km. 15.980 to Km. 16.080 = 100.00m at Krishnapur in Upazila: Raninagar, District: Naogaon in C/W "Raktadaha-Lohachurn Beel Drainage Scheme" Project under Naogaon WD Division, BWDB, Naogaon during the FY 2025-2026.	Area: Krishnapur Upazila: Raninagar District: Naogaon

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