

## Infant abandoned on launch

### Man identifying himself as her father disappears

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Patuakhali

An eight-month-old infant was abandoned on a Dhaka-bound launch in Patuakhali's Bauphal upazila on Wednesday night after a man identifying himself as the child's father disappeared.

Passengers said the launch had left Kalaiya launch ghat in Bauphal for Dhaka around 4:00pm.

At Dholia, a man boarded with a baby girl, spoke briefly with passengers and sat on the deck.

He later told nearby passengers he would bring the child's mother aboard and asked them to look after the baby before getting off. When the launch resumed its journey, he did not return.

Passengers grew concerned when the baby began crying and no guardian was found. They informed the launch authorities, who placed the child under the care of several female passengers as the vessel continued towards Dhaka.

Md Sohel, a passenger, said, "The man boarded the launch at Dholia ghat and sat beside us for a while. Just before the launch departed, he left the baby with us, saying he would bring the child's mother. But he never came back."

Supervisor of MV Bandhan-5, Md Sajal, said the reason behind the man's disappearance remains unknown. "The

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Farmers sort through spoilt potato stocks to salvage good produce for sale at lower prices. Despite good yields in Rajshahi, high cold storage costs (Tk 6-7 per kg) have forced many to store potatoes in the open, where a significant portion has rotted, leaving them to sell the rest below the current market price of Tk 10-11 per kg. The photo was taken at Molandi village in Mohanpur upazila yesterday.

PHOTO: AZAHAR UDDIN

## Husband held for severing wife's tendons

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Netrakona

Police in Netrakona's Madan upazila detained a man for allegedly severing the tendons of his wife during a domestic dispute yesterday.

The victim, Marufa Akter, 27, a senior staff nurse at Madan Upazila Health Complex, was critically injured and referred to Mymensingh Medical College Hospital, said Dr Nurul Huda Khan, upazila health and family planning officer.

The incident occurred in the morning at the couple's rented house on Baribhadra Road in the municipal area.

Locals rescued Marufa and took her to the upazila health complex, where on-duty doctors referred her onward.

The accused, Ariful Islam, was detained shortly after the incident, said Hasnat Zaman, officer-in-charge of Madan Police Station, adding that legal action would follow upon receiving a written complaint from the victim's family.

Police and local sources said the couple, married for around 10 years with a seven-year-old daughter, had longstanding disputes.

Ariful claimed he acted "out of anger" as he had been subjected to "mistreatment" from his wife despite continuously supporting her, according to police.

## 31,800 litres of stockpiled diesel seized in 2 districts

STAR REPORT

Mobile courts have seized a total of 31,800 litres of illegally stockpiled diesel during drives in Netrakona and Pabna over the last two days, report our correspondents.

On Wednesday night, the Santhia upazila administration in Pabna seized 800 litres of diesel and later sold it to local farmers under its supervision, depositing the proceeds into the government treasury.

According to Assistant Commissioner (Land) Asif Raihan of Santhia, the mobile court acted on a tip-off and raided the Kashinathpur area.

The team intercepted a van carrying diesel for a hoarder's warehouse and seized the fuel, storing it at Santhia Police Station for safekeeping.

Yesterday, the diesel was sold in the open market at the government-fixed price. The AC confirmed that the entire sale amount has been deposited into the government fund.

In Netrakona Sadar upazila, a mobile court seized 31,000 litres of diesel during a drive at Thakurakona Bazar yesterday, fining two traders a total of Tk 40,000.

Illegal diesel storage was found at two

Thakurakona Bazar firms, prompting immediate action by the mobile court.

Assistant Commissioner (Land) Md Shamsuzzaman Asif led the drive in Netrokona Sadar upazila, and the district administration said the seized diesel was confiscated in favour of the government.



At the same time, in two separate cases, the traders were fined Tk 20,000 each, totalling Tk 40,000. The market value of the seized diesel is estimated at around Tk 2,95,000.

Additional District Magistrate Wahiduzzaman stated that such drives against illegal hoarders will continue to ensure a stable fuel supply in the district.

## Child dies from measles-rubella complications in Cumilla

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Cumilla

Measles infections are rising in Cumilla, with another child dying from measles-rubella complications yesterday morning.

The latest victim, Raihan, 8, died while undergoing treatment at the measles isolation ward of Cumilla Medical College Hospital.

With this, the total number of child deaths from measles-rubella in the district has risen to four.

Doctors at the hospital said Raihan was admitted on the night of April 14 with a high fever, cough, and severe rash. His condition remained critical from the time of admission.

According to data from the Civil Surgeon's Office, a total of 672 children have been infected with measles or its symptoms in Cumilla from the beginning of this year until yesterday morning. Among them, 344 were hospitalised, while 245 have been released after treatment.

Children under age five account for 66 percent of the infected cases. Of them, infants aged 0 to 9 months make up the largest share at 33 percent.

Additionally, 17 percent are aged 9-11 months, 16 percent are 1-2 years old, and 13 percent are between 2-4 years.

Among older children, 9 percent are aged 5-9, 3 percent are 10-14, and 8 percent are between 14-15

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## Two killed in lightning strikes

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Benapole

Two people were killed in lightning strikes in Chuadanga yesterday.

In Jibannagar, Russell Hossain, 25, of Ghoshnagar village, was working in a nearby field, when a sudden lightning strike hit the area with a loud thunderclap, said locals.

He collapsed on the spot after being struck by lightning. He was rushed to the upazila Health Complex, where he was declared dead, said police.

In Darshana, Azim Uddin, 15, of Damurhuda upazila, was struck by lightning while delivering food to his father. Azim, a ninth-grade student, died on the spot, confirmed Darshana Police Station OC Md Mehedi Hasan.

## Teenage girl found dead in Jhenaidah pond

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jhenaidah

A teenage girl was found dead in a pond near a brick kiln in the Municipal College area of Kotchandpur upazila in Jhenaidah yesterday.

On information from locals, police recovered the body of Nasima Khatun, 14, daughter of late Nazmul Meer from Sabdarpur village.

Since last Ramadan, her family had been living in Solemanpur village under the Kotchandpur municipality, said police.

Kotchandpur Police Station Officer-in-Charge Md Asaduzzaman told The Daily Star that locals spotted the body in the pond near Eco Bricks, located beside the Kotchandpur-Kaliganj highway. Initially, the identity of the body could not be confirmed. The victim's identity was later verified.

The body was sent to Jhenaidah 250-bed General Hospital morgue for autopsy.

Family members said Nasima left home on Wednesday morning, telling them she was going out with friends, but did not return.

Kotchandpur Circle Additional Superintendent of Police Sayem Yusuf said police started investigation.

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e-Tender Notice No. 54.01.1500.107.05.144.25-907 Date: 16-04-2026

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Sl No.	e-GP Tender ID	Title of the procurement
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Category	Number of Fellowship
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Energy Governance	01
Waste, Environment & Climate Governance	05

To submit proposal and further information: <https://ti-bangladesh.org/ijf>

Last Date for Submission: 15 June 2026

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Memo No. 37.01.4703.057.34.027.26.441 Date: 15/04/2026

### e-Tender Notice (Re-Tender)

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

Sl. No.	Re-Tender ID No.	Ref./Package No.	Description	Online tender notice publication date	Online tender closing date
01	1231554	37.01.4703.057.34.027.26.419; Date: 09/04/26	Procurement and Installation of Laboratory equipment	16-Apr-2026	26-Apr-2026

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 last selling/downloading the e-Tender documents from the National e-GP System Portal have to be deposited online through any registered banks branches. Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP System Portal and from e-GP help desk ([helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd](mailto:helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd)).

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### Invitation for Tender Through Web

Tender No. 123/2026 Date: 15/04/2026

Tenders are hereby invited through Electronic Media (e-Tenders) from bona fide, government-approved higher educational/training institutes/firms for following package:

Sl	Tender ID	Package No.	Name of work	Tender closing date & time
1	122/2026	BSCS/2025/01	Selection of Institution/Firm for conducting recruitment examination for the post of Senior Officer (G) (9th Grade, Job Id: 25101) for State Owned 09 Banks and 02 Financial Institutions	29/04/2026 02:00pm

The interested parties may visit the website [www.bb.org.bd/en/index.php/about/tenders](http://www.bb.org.bd/en/index.php/about/tenders) & [tender.bb.org.bd](http://tender.bb.org.bd) to get the details of the tender.

DCP: 48/2026-982  
Date: 16-04-2026

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Sl. No.	Tender ID & Ref. No.	Name of works	Tender publication date	Tender closing date
1	Tender ID: 1258174 Ref. No. 27.11.0000.716.77.26.454 Dt: 15.04.2026	Supply Installation and Commissioning of 02 Nos. Rack Mounted Server for Dhaka Computer Center of BPDB with Necessary Support Service for 3 years.	15.04.2026	04.05.2026 6 Time: 12:00

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