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Shortage of teachers, furniture in schools

1.32 lakh children deprived of pry. education in Gopalganj

From Our Correspondent

GOPALGANJ, Oct. 30.—The Universal Primary Education Programme (UPEP) will suffer setback in five thanas of the district.

The dilapidate condition of most of the schools, shortage of teaching staff and furniture hampers education of children.

Poverty, social factors and negligence of officials are hampering the education of children.

A recent survey on primary education carried out by the District Education Office shows that the number of children between the age groups of six and ten is 6,58,236 of whom 5,78,310 have been enrolled in different primary schools and madrasas of the district and the rest 1,32,723 boys and girls are deprived of education.

The shortage of teachers is acute in many government primary schools specially in rural areas. As a result normal education is being hampered.

The schools which were damaged during flood, cyclones and other natural calamities. Several years ago have not yet been repaired for want of fund.

Some of these schools have no houses the students are compelled to attend their classes under the open sky.

One Belal Hossain (6), was killed in a bus accident at Chandradhigolia village on Gopalganj-Bhatiapara road on October 2.

A passenger bus bearing No. Jessore-Ba-751 coming to Gopalganj town from Bhatiapara, hit Belal Hossain at Chandradhigolia village when he was crossing the road on October 2. Belal died on the spot.

A case has been registered with Gopalganj PS in this connection.

One Atul Chandra Podder (75), son of late Sidderhor Podder of village Boitail under Sadar thana was killed in road accident near Boitail Bazar on Gopalganj-

Takerhat road on October 7.

A passenger bus on way to Dhaka from Khulna town knocked down Atul Chandra Podder while he was crossing the road. He died on the spot.

A case has been registered with Gopalganj PS in this connection.

3 held with arms

Police arrested three gangsters and recovered ammunition from their possession at Ulpur village under Sadar thana on October 4.

Acting on a tip off police raided the area and caught Matin Chowdhury Senhati of Khulna, Siraj of village Chunkhola under Mollhat thana and Minto Sikdar of village Churchon under Mollhat thana of Bagerhat district from a field at Ulpur village.

Some members of the gang managed to escape with fire arms, leaving five rounds of bullet.

A case has been registered with Gopalganj PS in this connection.

Student killed in clash

One Hasanuzzaman Hassan (24), a college student was killed and other 10 persons were injured in a clash between two rivals at Gochapara village play ground under Kotalipara

thana of Gopalganj district on October 14.

Two groups of young men were playing football Gochapara play ground on October 14 and at a stage they made quarrel over a goal. They used country made weapons. Eleven persons were injured and Hasanuzzaman Hassan died way to hospital. Five persons were admitted to Kotalipara Health Complex in critical condition.

A two-day long training course on fish cultivation in paddy field was held at Gopalganj Khamarbari Training Hall, organised by Agriculture Extension Department on October 15 and 16. Mr. A.H.M. Abu Ishaque, Deputy Director of Agriculture Extension Department, Gopalganj, inaugurated the training course.

About 60 fish cultivators of five thanas of the district attended the training course.

One Rahima Khatun (18), a student of Class X of Patkhelbari High School and daughter of Ahmed Ali Khan of village Patkhelbari under Sadar thana committed suicide by hanging in her house on October 11.

Rahima Khatun loved a youngman of her village Patkhelbari but the youngman married another girl recently.