

Re-excavation of Boalia-Naihur canal begins

BRATMANBARIA, Dec 20: Secretary General of the Bangladesh National Party (BNP), Professor A. Q. M. Badruddoza Chowdhury, today inaugurated the re-excavation work of the Boalia-Naihur canal re-excavation project, twelve miles from here, reports BSS.

Professor Chowdhury, and Information and Broadcasting Minister, Mr. Habibullah Khan took part in the re-excavation work of the canal along with about fifty thousand people drawn from all spheres of life.

The five and a half mile long 30 feet wide Boalia-Naihur canal will be dug seven and a half feet deep involving 30 lakh cubic feet of earth. The project will require 62,000 man days to be completed.

On completion of the re-excavation work, the canal will provide irrigation facility to 5,600 acres of land to produce additional crops of 224,500 maunds worth Taka two crore 25 lakh annually. It is estimated that one hundred power pumps will be required to arrange irrigation in the project area.

Speaking on the occasion, Professor Chowdhury called upon the people to make BNP programme a success. He said no nation could achieve success without hard work.

In his speech, Information Minister Mr. Habibullah Khan said, we do like to depend more on foreign countries for food.

He urged the people to participate in voluntary mass participation schemes which he said would bring happiness to our future generation.

The Minister said that the power pumps that would be required in the project area will be arranged by the government.