

20 chargesheeted in SSC question leak cases

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The CID yesterday chargesheeted 20 people, including nine employees of the BG Press, in two cases filed in connection with the leaking out of question papers of SSC examinations held in 1997 and 1998.

The principal accused in both the cases is Musa Mia alias Kamaluddin, a binder of the BG Press. The eight other accused employees of BG Press were also working as binders.

Of the accused, Abdul Qaiyum, a teacher of a primary school at Mirersharai in Chittagong, has been absconding since the incident while the rest 19 are detained at the Dhaka Central Jail, according to CID sources.

Controller of Dhaka Education Board filed a case with Uttara thana after a teacher of a

coaching centre at Uttara was arrested by police for leaking out question papers in March 1997.

Later, CID took over the investigation of the case and arrested eleven persons in this connection. But CID was not able to arrest any employees of BG Press at that time.

The CID restarted investigating the incident along with Special Branch of police after SSC question papers again leaked out in April this year.

The CID investigation revealed that Qaiyum, the primary school teacher of Chittagong, purchased those question papers from Musa for Tk 40,000.

Police arrested Musa Mia on April 22 and recovered documents that showed his in-

volvement in the incident. Being interrogated by police, Musa Mia confessed that he along with eight colleagues leaked out SSC question papers this year and also during last year.

Police arrested the eight other employees of BG Press and also Babul Kanti Paul, owner of medicine shop in Mirersharai, for abetting Qaiyum in the incident.

CID Inspector Nasiruddin Paik filed a case with Tejgaon thana in April this year accusing the nine BG Press employees, Babul and Qaiyum.

The accused 11 in the case filed with Tejgaon thana were chargesheeted while a total of 18 people were chargesheeted in the case filed with Uttara thana. The nine BG Press em-

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ployees were chargesheeted in both the cases. The chargesheet in the case with Uttara thana includes the director, a teacher and a student of the coaching centre and the owners and employees of photocopying shops.