A fine of Tk 60 lakh was imposed on 10 brickfields in Gangni

On Tuesday all day long a special team of mobile court of Environment Department conducted here in the district and raided 10 separate brick kilns in Gangni upazila and imposed fine taka 60 lakhs as the kilns were running without clearance from the Environment Department and burning wood polluting environment.

According to the mobile court sources, most of the brick kilns are burning wood and there is no clearance from the environment department. Besides, brick kilns were set up in populated areas and on cultivable lands. In addition to the fines, several parts of the brickfields were smashed with excavator machines.

Taka 6 lakh to Tama Bricks, 6 lakh to Joardar Bricks, 6 lakh to Samata Bricks, 6 lakh to Rupsa Bricks, 4 lakh to Three Star Bricks, 4 lakh to Boss Bricks, 5 lakh to Best Bricks, 7 lakh to Ekta Bricks, 7 lakhs to Vision Bricks and 6 lakh to Janata Bricks were imposed fine.

The court was conducted by Abu Hasan, executive magistrate of the mobile court. A team of police including Deputy Director of Kushtia Zone of Environment Department Ataur Rahman, DAD of RAB-7 Shafiqul Islam, Station Master of Fire Service Isahak Ali were present at the time.

Executive Magistrate Abu Hassan said most of the brick kilns were burning wood and there was no clearance from the environment department. For all these reasons, the brick kilns have been demolished by conducting a mobile court and collected fines. The fine was imposed as per the Brick Manufacturing Brick Installation Act 2013 amended in 2019.

“Our campaign against illegal brick kilns will continue,” he said.