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by Staff Reporter

Eight illegal traders in currency notes were detained by the security staff of the Bangladesh Bank from the cash counters at its Motijheel main office yesterday.

They were caught and detained as they were found buying huge quantity of currency notes of different denominations apparently to sell them at higher prices.

Motijheel thana, however, last night said that it had not received any case in this connection.

Bangladesh Bank's sources could not confirm what actually happened to the eight persons at the end.

The action was taken against them following after the suspension of two Bangladesh Bank employees on Wednesday for their involvement in selling ten taka polymer notes.

They were selling it at 20 to 50 per cent higher than its face value.

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Eight held on suspicion of unlawful trade in polymer note

By Staff Correspondent

Bangladesh Bank (BB) security men yesterday caught eight people from its premises suspecting their involvement in illegal trading in new 10 taka polymer notes and handed them over to police.

Bundles of polymer notes were recovered from their possession sources said.

The law enforcers took them to the police barrack on the BB premises, witnesses said. But it could not be known whether any case was lodged in this connection. When contacted, the duty officer at Motijheel thana could not say anything about the incident.

The BB authorities have tightened security and restricted issuance of not more than 10 polymer notes to a person following allegations that some people were selling those at premium rates in connivance with some BB staff.

The BB authorities on Wednesday suspended two of its staff for their alleged involvement in illegal trading in polymer notes and also ordered an inquiry to find who else are involved in the unlawful practice.

Meanwhile, the BB has suspended issuance of polymer notes from December 26. Polymer notes will be issued again from next month when the next consignment will reach the country.

According to BB sources, some five crore polymer notes have been printed in Australia. Only 4,800,000 notes have been brought to the country in the first consignment.

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