

A Correspondent Rangamati: Members of a joint force have rescued three forest officials, who were reputedly kidnapped by miscreants from Harikata of Langadu upazila, from Naniachar of the upazila 19 days after the incident. The three forest officials are- conservator Farid Mia, range officer Robiul Islam and forester Bibartan Chakma of the forest department (North) of Chittagong Hill Tracts (CHT)--were rescued from a deep forest beside the Naniachar-Malchhari Road on Tuesday night. Tipped off, a team of joint force comprising members of police, Rapid Action Battalion, Bangladesh Army and Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) conducted a drive in different areas of Naniachar area on Tuesday morning, a forest conservator at Rangamati circle said. Sensing the presence of the joint force, the kidnapers managed to flee the area leaving behind the three forest officials in deep forest beside the Naniachar-Malchhari Road. Later, the joint force members rescued the three abducted forest officials from the area around 8.00pm. The rescued returned to their respective houses at night, the forest conservator added. On November 6, miscreants picked up the three forest officials from Harikata area of Langadu upazila when they went to the area to visit a garden.