CU vacation from tomorrow

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Chittagong University goes on a month-long vacation from tomorrow on the occasion of holy Ramadan, Shab-e-Qadar, Eid-ul- Fitr and Martyred Intellectuals' Day.

All classes will remain suspended up to December 16, says a university press release.

Different offices of the university, however, will remain closed from November 22 to December 2.

Programming contest today

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An Inter-school and college computer programming competition, organised by the Independent University, Bangladesh, will be held today.

The Computer Club, Chittagong (ICC) will conduct the contest on the university campus at 10.00am.

Some 25 teams from different schools and colleges of the port city will take part in it.

Qulkhwani

BSS, *Dhaka*

Qulkhwani of journalist Hasina Ashraf will be held at her Chameli Tower residence at Chamelibagh in the city after Asr prayers tomorrow.

Relatives, colleagues and well-wishers have been requested to attend the qulkhwani.

Hasina Ashraf, a senior reporter of now-defunct Dainik Bangla, died of brain haemorrhage at BIRDEM Hospital on Thursday at the age of 65.

Assault of army officer

Charges to be pressed against 8 JCD cadres soon

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, *Sylhet*

Charges will be framed within a couple of days against eight Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal cadres responsible for assaulting an army officer, said a police official yesterday.

The eight cadres were arrested for assaulting Second Lieutenant Zubayer in the city's Barutkhana area on the night of November 7.

All the accused except one have been arrested, the official said. The main accused Habib Ibne Islam Chamak is yet to be arrested.

JCD cadres Chamak, Muhibul Haque Chowdhury Rahi, Dibya Roy, Hakim, Lavlu and others swooped on the army officer. They pointed firearms at the army man and hurled abusive words during an altercation with him.

Station Commander of Jalalabad Cantonment Brigadier General Matiur Rahman filed a case under Speedy Trial Act with the Kotwali police against them.

Of the accused, five were arrested in Dhaka on November 9. They are Rahi, Humayun Kabir Khan, Lipu Banik, Junel Ahmed and Aminur Rahman Pavel.

The private car in which they were travelling in Dhaka was also recovered.

The five were produced before the Sadar Magistrate's court on November 10.

Meanwhile, the police took three accused -- Dibya, Lavlu and Rahi --on one-day remand while others were sent to jail hajat.

Dibya, Lavlu and Hakim were arrested from Sylhet within the 24 hours of the incident.

All the members of the group are accused in cases like murder, snatching, extortion and kidnapping, police said.

Meanwhile, Mashuk Ahmed, a former JCD leader, filed a case two days after the incident with the Kotwali police alleging that his car was hijacked by Rahi and others two days ago.

Death anniversary

The 32nd death anniversary of Shaheed Dr Azharul Haque, ex-assistant surgeon of Dhaka Medical College Hospital, will be observed today, says a press release.

He was killed by Al-Badar during the War of Liberation.

A doa mahfil will be held at Azimpur graveyard in the city after Asr prayers.

Dr Maleka Al Razee

The third death anniversary of Dr Maleka Al Razee, founding president of Bangladesh Women Scientists' Association, will be observed on November 17, says a press release.

A milad mahfil will be held at Dhaka University Teachers' Association auditorium at 3.00pm on the day.

Relatives, association members and admirers have been requested to attend the milad.

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Roundtable
A roundtable on the ninth session of the conference of the parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, organised by Bangladesh Centre for Advanced Studies, will be held. Venue: Sonargaon Hotel. Time: 3.00pm.

Seminar
A seminar titled 'Khilafat to Monarchy: An investigation' will be held. Venue: Centre for Advanced Research in Humanities of Dhaka University, (434 Lecture Theatre). Time: 3.00pm.

Memorial meeting
Bangladesh Muktijoddha Sangsad organises a meeting and iftar to commemorate the death of its former vice-chairman Mejbah Uddin Ahmed Sabu with City Mayor Sadeque Hossain Khoka as chief guest. Venue: 393, New Eskaton.

Workshop
A workshop on 'Resistance against noise pollution and our role', organised by the Coordination committee for resisting noise pollution, will be held. Venue: House-49, Road-4/A, Dhanmondi. Time: 9.30am.

Seminar
A seminar on 'Water Supply and Sanitation in Dhaka City', organised by Dhaka WASA Diploma Engineers Association, will be held with LGRD and Cooperatives Minister Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan as chief guest. Venue: Hotel Sheraton. Time: 2.30pm.

Meeting
A meeting of the management committee of Bangladesh-China Friendship Association will be held with Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr Khandaker Mosharraf Hossain as chief guest. Venue: 18, Sonargaon Road. Time: 4.00pm.

Prize giving ceremony
Bangladesh Muktijoddha Sangsad Krira Chakra organises a prize giving ceremony for its coach and footballers with City Mayor Sadeque Hossain Khoka as chief guest. Venue: Muktijoddha Sangsad Bhaban. Time: 5.15pm.

Rotary Central
Weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Dhaka Central will be held. Venue: Centre for Developing Management, Dhanmondi. Time: 4.00pm.

Rotary North West
Weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Dhaka North West will be held. Venue: Gourmet Garden, Dhanmondi. Time: 4.00pm.

Discussion
Bangladesh Re-Rolling Mills Association will hold a discussion to overcome its various problems. Venue: Muktangan. Time: 10.00am.

CU building needs renovation

BSS, *Chittagong*

Physical structure of the arts faculty of Chittagong University is now on the verge of collapse due to utter neglect by the authorities concerned over the years.

In an exchange of views, the teachers and students said as many as 5,000 students in nine departments under the faculty have been attending their classes risking their lives.

Big cracks have developed in many parts of the ceilings and walls of the buildings, pointing to an imminent danger, they added.

Guardians were also present at the meeting.

Sources at engineering office quoted the guardians as saying that the structural design of the building is not suitable for a country like Bangladesh which experiences heavy rainfall every year.

The window panes of most rooms of the building are broken, with hooks of many doors are not functional. Teachers have to take classes keeping the doors open. This causes disturbances for the students.

During the rainy season, sufferings of the students of arts faculty know no bounds as water leaks through the roof and drench their classrooms.