

**Hiroshima varsity team meets DU VC**

**DU CORRESPONDENT**

A five-member team of Hiroshima University, Japan led by its Dean Prof Kimio Saito called on Dhaka University (DU) Vice-Chancellor Prof SMA Faiz yesterday at VC office.

The other members of the team are Prof Hideo Ikeda, Dr Takuya Baba, Masako Kotake and Yuji Hirano.



Noted singer Tapan Mahmud speaks at a press conference at the National Press Club in the city yesterday on the 17th Tegore Song Festival beginning tomorrow. Bangladesh Rabindra Sangeet Shilpi Sangstha organised the press conference.

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**Nat'l flag rally against militancy tomorrow**

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**

Baby of Kamojibi Nari.

A national flag rally will be held at the Central Shaheed Minar in the capital tomorrow afternoon with a fresh call for unity against the Islamist militancy, communalism and fundamentalism.

Under the banner of Bikkhubdha Deshbashi, members of civil society and leaders of human rights will gather at 3:00pm and make a vow to save the country from the grip of religious militancy and build a prosperous nation.

Flag rally will begin with national anthem and paying homage to the heroes of the War of Liberation, leaders of Bikkhubdha Deshbashi said at a press conference at the Reporters Unity auditorium in the city yesterday.

Columnist Kamal Lohani will read the keynote paper at the rally with Bangladesh Mahila Parishad Chairperson and women's rights leader Hena Das in the chair, said Rokeya Rafiq

Different human rights organisations, including Ain o Salish Kendra (ASK), Step Towards Development, Bangladesh Mahila Parishad, Nijera Kari, Kamojibi Nari, Law Review, Bandhu Sabha of Prothom Alo, Udichi, Baushi, Nagarik Udyog, Jubo Nagarik Adhikar Jote, Tarun Nagarik Udyog and Joydhani will take part in the programme.

Intellectuals, professionals, teachers, students, cultural activists and workers from all over the country will take part in the flag rally where the next programme will be announced.

A flag procession will march through different city roads from the Central Shaheed Minar, said Motahar Akhanda of ASK.

Bikkhubdha Deshbashi is organising flag procession since December 14 protesting the religious militancy.

**Spice trader murdered in city**

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**

Police recovered the body of a businessman at Gulshan in the city on Monday night.

Gulshan police recovered the body of Abu Sayed Hossain, 45, from Banani Road- 4 and sent it to Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH) morgue for autopsy.

Sayed, a wholesaler of spices at Moulavibazar in the old city, had been missing since Monday evening when he went to Mohakhali to bring his nephew's pathological reports, police said.

Family members suspect that he might have been killed by the muggers as his costly cellphone set is lost.

Though mark of injuries was observed, DMC morgue sources, however, could not ascertain the cause of his death yet.

Victim's family members said they came to know about the incident while watching the TV news. Later, they identified him at the DMC morgue.

**DU exams postponed**

**UNB, Dhaka**

All the examinations of Dhaka University, scheduled to be held today, have been postponed due to unavoidable circumstances.

Fresh dates for the postponed examinations will be announced in time, says a press release.

Today's seminar and film display of History Department, marking the Independence Day, have also been postponed.