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Newly appointed US Ambassador Patricia A Butenis places wreaths at the portrait of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman at Bangabandhu Bhaban at Dhanmondi and at late president Ziaur Rahman's grave (top right) at Chandrima Udyan in the city yesterday.



## Australia to consider setting up visa office in Ctg

UNB, Dhaka

Australia will consider setting up a visa office in Chittagong.

Australian High Commissioner Douglas Foskett stated this when he made a courtesy call on Chittagong Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCCI) President Saifuzzaman Chowdhury at his office, said a press release yesterday.

The high commissioner assured the CCCI president that henceforth,

more visas would be granted to the students seeking higher education in Australia.

He also urged the Bangladeshi professionals to avail themselves of the opportunity provided by the new Australian immigration law, which has been simplified recently.

Welcoming the Australian High Commissioner at his office, CCCI President Saifuzzaman Chowdhury said Australia is an important partner in Bangladesh's economic

development.

He praised Australia for allowing duty- and quota-free access of Bangladeshi products like knit and woven garments, agricultural products, leather goods, light engineering, ceramics and melamine, and jute goods.

The CCCI president also sought cooperation of the high commissioner in increasing Bangladesh's exports to Australia.

## DU exams postponed

UNB, Dhaka

All examinations of Dhaka University under course system scheduled for today and tomorrow have been postponed due to unavoidable reasons.

Fresh dates for the exams will be announced soon.

Other parts of the examination schedule will remain unchanged, said a university release.

## Robbers stab night guard to death

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Chittagong

A night guard of a school was stabbed to death by a gang of robbers at Sarkerhat in Hathazari early yesterday.

Robbers stabbed Mohammad Selim, a night guard of Bhabanipur Govt. Primary School, when he along with local people tried to capture them, police said.

The gang of robbers first stormed into Hotel Shapla at Chittagong University (CU) Gate No-2 at around 3.00am and then raided nearby Alaol Store. They looted valuables worth Tk 20,000 and took shel-

ter at the school.

The gang again entered a shop nearby to commit a robbery but returned back to the school as some people, including the night guard, recognised them.

They tried to capture the gang members who stabbed Selim, leaving him dead on the spot.

Police recovered the body from the school compound and sent it to Chittagong Medical College Hospital (CMCH) for autopsy.

A case was filed with the Hathazari Police Station in this connection.

