

Sgt Zahurul's death anniv observed

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Bangladesh Air Force (BAF) yesterday observed the 51st death anniversary of Shaheed Sergeant Zahurul Haque with due solemnity.

On this day in 1969, he was killed by the Pakistani Army after he was detained at Dhaka Cantonment in connection with the Agartala conspiracy case.

On the occasion, a milad mahfil was arranged at the central mosque of Bangladesh Air Force Base Zahurul Haque in Chattogram after Maghrib prayers, seeking divine blessing for the departed soul of the deceased and for the continued peace and prosperity of the country, said an ISPR press release.

Air Officer Commander of BAF Base Zahurul Haque, Air Vice Marshal ASM Fakrul Islam, senior officers, airmen and other members of the base attended the programme.



The intersection at Shahbagh is one of the busiest in Dhaka, and it never seems to run out of things that contribute to the chaos. This truck has remained abandoned near the police box for weeks now, blocking a lane. However, the vehicle's storage capacity is being put to use by vendors of nearby flower shops. The photo was taken on Thursday.

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Agents of change

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could establish more such schools, we would see a bigger social change," he said.

Abul Hasan Rubel, founder of Amader Pathshala, said they have a bigger plan centring the school, such as establishing a permanent campus and giving it a complete institutional structure.

"I urge people of different walks of life and institutions to become a part of our endeavour. I also request the government to donate us a piece of land to build the campus," he added.

Tofazzal Hossain, head teacher and one of the initiators of the school, said at the beginning, they thought the school would shut down soon due to financial crisis. "But we didn't have to because of help from some people."

"I would like to express my heartfelt thanks and gratitude to these people. I also thank the teachers and staff members who are working hard without thinking of better salary," he said.

Bangabandhu was a friend

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and courageous human being who valued democratic public reasoning deeply, Prof Haider said.

Replying to a question, he said Bangabandhu had no idea that his own people could kill him, but tragically that is what happened, adding that more research needs to be carried out to find the political masterminds who orchestrated the brutal killing of Sheikh Mujibur Rahman along with his family.

BEA President Abul Barakat said Bangabandhu had always been vocal against the repression of common people.

The economist further said had Sheikh Mujibur Rahman not been killed, the gap of discrimination between rich and poor would not reach to the massive scale that the country is experiencing at present.

Surveillance of Rohingya

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The minister further said barbed-wire fence is being set up around the camps as per instructions of the prime minister.

Army has already started erecting fences, he said, adding, "Our key objective is that they [Rohingyas] do not leave the camp..."

Earlier, the home minister attended the silver jubilee celebration of BCG as chief guest and handed over medals to officials and staff members of the force.

This year, 40 members of BCG were awarded Bangladesh Coast Guard Medal, President Coast Guard Medal, Bangladesh Coast Guard (Seba) Medal and President Coast Guard (Seba) Medal for their outstanding contributions.

Addressing the event, the minister said, "Bangladesh Coast Guard is a powerful force. It's working on preventing various offenses including smuggling and illegal fishing." The coast guard is also working on protecting the environment, he added.

Last year, BCG seized smuggled goods worth around Tk 2,052 crore and also recovered narcotics worth around Tk 161 crore, according to the force's bulletin.

Mostafa Kamal Uddin, senior secretary to the public security division of the Ministry of Home Affairs, attended the event as special guest.

The secretary said the ministry has taken various steps to modernise the force. "Its organisational structure has already been expanded. Various infrastructure, including modern training bases, have been built," he added.

In his welcome speech, BCG Director General Rear Admiral M Ashraf Haq said robbery incidents in Chittagong port have come down to zero due to the force's relentless efforts.

International agency ReCAAP (Regional Cooperation Agreement on Combating Piracy and Armed Robbery) has acknowledged the efforts in its report, he added.

DNCC launches crash

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Mohammadpur, Kamrangirchar, Hatirpool, Moghbazar, Manda, Dogair, Dania and Uttarkhan said they have been facing a higher level of mosquito invasion into their households.

The situation has deteriorated for the last couple of weeks as regular mosquito control drives were not sufficient in his area, said Anowarul Islam, a resident of Gendaria.

The "DIT plot pond" at Gendaria, which has been out of any cleaning activities for several years, has become a major breeding source of mosquito, he said.

Fatima Ulmee, a resident of Mirpur-12, said they have been suffering from mosquito menace since the beginning of winter.

"It is really tough to sit in a room without using any mosquito repellent or net," she said.

Meanwhile, an official of Dhaka South City Corporation (DSCC) said they are continuing their adulticide and larvicide-spraying work to control mosquito population.

He said they are visiting at least 15 houses in a ward per day, to identify Aedes mosquito breeding grounds and destroying those.

He said they are also holding meetings involving entomologists to get recommendations to control Aedes mosquito.

Ensuring

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She also underscored Bangladesh's contributions to the UN's peacekeeping operations as a major troop and police contributing country.

In post-conflict context, she said, it is critically important to address impunity, ensure accountability and break the cycles of conflicts and atrocities of the past.

In this regard, she emphasised the importance of preventing a sense of inequality, discrimination, exclusion and other root causes of violence and conflict in a society.

The debate was organised by Belgium as the president of the Security Council for the month of February.

Dog culling in St Martin's

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kills dogs whenever they find any, added the former secretary.

Mohammed Wahedul Alam, district livestock officer of Cox's Bazar told The Daily Star that this was a clear violation of Animal Welfare Act-2019.

"They cannot cull dogs, as the animals can be vaccinated," he said.

He said vaccination programme is usually led by health ministry.

Asked, Dr Mahbubur Rahman, civil surgeon of Cox's Bazar district told The Daily Star that the vaccination programmes are conducted in all districts in turns.

"As I recently joined here, I don't know what happened exactly," he said.

He, however, told this correspondent that he will look into the matter soon.

Meanwhile, People for Animal Welfare Foundation, a rights group, yesterday condemned the culling, terming it a "hellish act of murder".

"We fear that this will encourage other local government bodies to perform such cruelty, despite it being illegal. The best way to control the number of dogs is neutering," they said in a press release.

Sust career club marks 8th anniversary

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

A two-day programme celebrating the eighth anniversary of Shahjalal University of Science and Technology (Sust) Career Club ended on the campus yesterday.

Inaugurated on Friday morning, the event featured a rally, discussion and quiz competition.

Sky lanterns were also released in the evening, as part of the celebrations.

Nojibur Rahman, former principal secretary to the prime minister, was the keynote speaker at the programme.

The university's Vice Chancellor Prof Farid Uddin Ahmed attended the ceremony as chief guest.

The career club also awarded ten individuals for their performances in debate, sports, innovation, music, recitation, theatre, research and photography.

This year, the club also awarded the "Honour of Excellence" to five alumni of the university's first batch.

They were recognised for their excellence in public service, corporate career, education and research, entrepreneurship and community development.

During the festival, the club's annual magazine was also unveiled.

With the slogan -- Steps toward your dream -- the career club was founded on February 14, 2012.

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"I believe primary teachers are the ones who actually shape students. We [university teachers] just give students a finishing touch, but primary teachers actually play a major role in instilling the morale into students," he added.

Prof MM Akash said, "Educators must be qualified first, so that they can produce educated students; or else lesser-educated students will take the place of teachers in future."

"Therefore, fair appointment of teachers should be ensured, so that no nepotism can take place during appointment at educational institutions," added Akash.

Speaking as chief guest, Education Minister Dipu Moni said, "Achieving success will mean nothing, if one doesn't value humanity and ethnics."

In response to the observation of Prof MM Akash, the education minister said the government is recruiting teachers without nepotism, and ensuring proper training for teachers to provide quality education for students.

Khorshed Alam thanked all for the honour.

Ethics Club Bangladesh founder and President ME Chowdhury Shamim urged the education minister to observe "Ethics Day" across the country.

Good news for heart

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for treatment, said the deputy director.

The cath lab was launched at a programme organised by the cardiology department in assistance with Bangladesh Society of Cardiac Intervention and Bangladesh Cardiac Society, at the conference room of the department in the afternoon.

Speakers at the inaugural session said it will need more interventional cardiologists and a cardiac surgery unit to handle to the huge rush of heart patients.

Director of National Institute of Cardiovascular Diseases Prof Dr Mir Jamal Uddin; head of cardiology department at MMCH Prof MA Bari; Prof Dr AKM Fazlur Rahman; Prof Dr Abul Hossain Khan and principal of Mymensingh Medical College Prof Dr Chitta Ranjan Devnath spoke on the occasion, among others.

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Conference

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Mahabub-Ul-Haque Majumder, and its software engineering department head Prof Touhid Bhuiyan.

The two-day event includes keynote, plenary and technical sessions. A total of 281 papers from 20 countries will be presented at the event, said organisers.

The conference aims to catalyse research collaboration between relevant communities and disciplines that can work together to deepen the understanding and build a firm foundation for the emerging science of cyber security, they said.

The first international conference on cyber security was hosted by Karabuk University, Turkey in 2018.

National Digital Security Agency DG Rezaul Karim, in his speech, said the government formed the agency as cyber security prevention is one of its major concerns.

Six killed

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injured as a bus fell into a ditch beside Dhaka-Barishal highway in Diknagar bus stand area under Muksudpur upazila, said police.

The deceased were identified as Alim Mollah (65) and Rabiul Mollah (35).

The injured, wife of Alim, was taken to Bhanga Upazila Health Complex, said OC Ataur Rahman of Bhanga Highway Police Station.

The accident took place as driver of the bus lost his control over the steering, said the police officer.








Students of South Breeze School perform at a ceremony yesterday, where the institution pledged to carry out 100 good deeds throughout the year in honour of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman's birth centenary. Education Minister Dipu Moni attended the programme as chief guest.

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3rd Death Anniversary

The 3rd Death Anniversary of Mrs. Kohinoor Dastgir, w/o former Ambassador Major General Quazi Golam Dastgir, KAAO, psc, will be held after Asr on Sunday, February 16, at her Dhanmondi residence "Hasnahena". Relatives, friends and well-wishers are requested to please attend and join in prayer for her.
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**Request for Concept Note**
The Climate Bridge Fund (CBF) is a trust fund established by BRAC with support from Government of Germany through KfW. The CBF is an innovative direct climate finance mechanism, which will support any Local, National and International NGO registered in Bangladesh. The CBF invites Project Concept note from NGOs to increase the resilience of vulnerable people in urban areas who are either displaced or are at risk of being displaced due to the impacts of climate change. The fund primarily supports vulnerable communities in city corporation areas of Khulna, Barishal, Rajshahi and Municipality of Sathkira and Sirajganj. Each concept note should cover at least one aforesaid project area. Duration of the project may vary from 3 to 5 years and estimated budget should be limited within BDT 50 lakh to 3 crore.
For detailed instruction to apply, please visit our website: <http://www.brac.net/cbf>
All interested NGOs are requested to complete and submit the Project Concept Note in approved template and submit to: cbf.info@brac.net with subject: CBF/Call-NGO/2020/01. Requested Concept note must be submitted in English.
Deadline for submitting Concept Note: **Monday, 30 March 2020 at 23.59 pm BST.**

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