

'Acquire professional knowledge'

Hamid urges members of armed forces

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President Abdul Hamid yesterday urged members of the armed forces to put emphasis on acquiring technical and professional knowledge.

He made the remarks while delivering his speech at the national standard parade programme at the parade ground of Artillery Centre and School in Chattogram.

National standard were conferred on field regiment artillery 1, 2 and 3 and 38 Air Defense Regiment Artillery, reports UNB.

Hamid said technology is synonymous to modernisation. "In order to keep up with modern technology, all members [of the forces] from now on will have to put special emphasis on acquiring necessary technical and professional knowledge," he stressed.

"A modern, time-befitting and strong military is essential for any country," President Hamid observed, reports BSS. "Armed forces will have to contribute to the welfare of people and country," he said.

He further said members of Bangladesh Army have brightened the image of Bangladesh in the world through their dedication and professionalism in establishing world peace.

He added that the works for modernising, restructuring and expanding Bangladesh Army are on as per the "Defense Policy" framed by Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman in 1974.

The head of the state said the incumbent government led by Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina is working to implement the "Forces Goal-2030". Various steps have been taken to improve the artillery regiment as part

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A woman had to be at full stretch to get off a train yesterday as the compartments rest unevenly higher than the surface of the platform at Khulna Railway Station. On Saturday, a former Khulna University professor died after falling under a train when he was trying to get on it at the station.

PHOTO: DIPANKAR ROY

It was an accident waiting to happen

Gap between train, platform at Khulna Railway Station puts passengers at risk

DIPANKAR ROY, Khulna

With trains arriving and departing and people hopping on and off carriages, Khulna Railway Station is a busy junction.

Over a dozen trains stop at the station on a daily basis, used by hundreds of people. And many a time, they have to board in a hurry after arriving late at the station.

But the wagons rest unevenly higher than the surface of the platform, making it difficult for children and elderly passengers to board a train. As a result, passengers continue to be at risk.

On Saturday, Prof Md Mizanur Rahman Bhuiyan, a former Khulna University professor, died after falling under a train when he was trying to get on the moving "Betna Express" at the station.

The incident took place around 6:30am when the 66-year-old teacher lost his balance after stepping on the train and fell into the gap between the train and the

platform, said Foyzur Rahman, officer-in-charge of Khulna Railway Police Station.

The professor was a little late to arrive at the station, and as such, had to run after the Benapole-bound train before jumping on board, the police official added.

The station was "modernised" last year, and passengers started complaining about the problem immediately, said Sheikh Ashraf Uzzaman, secretary general of the Greater Khulna Development Sangram Coordination Committee.

Even before the inauguration of the new railway station, people have been demonstrating over the issue and have submitted memorandums to the authorities concerned in this regard, he added.

He said the coordination committee submitted a memorandum to the prime minister through the deputy commissioner on November 12, 2018.

Former station master Manik Chandra SEE PAGE 4 COL 4

Youth stabbed dead in broad daylight

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Cumilla

A youth was stabbed to death in Cumilla Sadar upazila's Chandpur village yesterday morning. The deceased was identified as Shariful Islam Jony (24) of the same village.

According to family members, a group of 10-12 people called Jony out of his house at Chandpur Bonoful Goli around 5am. After a few minutes, his family heard him screaming, so they rushed out and found him critically injured with a knife stuck in the chest.

Family members immediately took him to Cumilla Medical College Hospital. However, due to his critical condition, he was referred to Dhaka Medical College Hospital, but he died before they could reach.

After immediate action, police detained three people named Yeasin, Rajib and Hasan in this connection.

Mother of the victim Banna Akter told The Daily Star, "My son was killed by the gang of Hridoy Hossain, Sagor Mia, Md Rafiq, Sohel Mia and Sagor, all of whom are involved in drug peddling. There was a conflict between Jony and the gang as he was against their illegal activities."

Following the incident, agitated locals came out of their houses and started going after the alleged murderers' homes. However, the situation was brought under control after additional police were deployed in the area.

Abdullah Al Mamun, additional police super of Cumilla, said, "The situation is under control. Team members of different agencies including PBI have visited the spot."

Anwarul Haque, officer-in-charge of Kotwali Model Police Station, said, "We have arrested a suspect and detained two more. Upon discovering the motive behind the murder, we will start taking legal action."

SCC launches anti-mosquito drive

DWOHA CHOWDHURY, Sylhet

As a precaution to avert possible dengue outbreak, Sylhet City Corporation (SCC) started a special anti-mosquito drive yesterday.

SCC Chief Health Officer Dr Md Jahidul Islam said the drive will be conducted in two phases. "Under the first phase, to be implemented by the end of March, larvicide and adulticide will be sprayed in all 27 wards with a massive drive to clean canals and drains."

"Six workers will be spraying larvicide at each ward for six to seven days and, later, adulticide with fogging machine for three days. We have started the drive at ward-1 to 5," he said.

They will take 35 to 40 days to end the first phase covering all the wards, said the SCC official.

The month of April is scheduled for awareness campaign in all wards, said the chief health officer, adding that at that time they will make door-to-door and ward-to-ward visits.

He also said on completion of the first phase an entomologist will conduct a survey after collecting samples from all wards. The expert will observe whether there is any larva and submit a report by the end of April, said Dr Jahidul Islam. "Based on the report, we will conduct the second phase drive that will start in early May and continue till July," he said.

Bikram Kar Samrat, councillor of ward-2, said, "Last year, we were not able to spray the ward completely due to pesticide crisis. This year, we are hopeful as the SCC authorities have planned



A worker spraying pesticide as Sylhet City Corporation started an anti-mosquito drive yesterday. The photo was taken from Munshipara under ward-3.

PHOTO: SHEIKH NASIR

the anti-mosquito drive early and assured us of enough stock."

Echoing him, Dr Jahidul said, "Currently, we have 1,000 litres of larvicide and the same amount of adulticide and those have been tested quality wise. Another 2,000 litres each will arrive soon."

In addition, he said, "We have submit a requisition to the health ministry for another 5,000 litres of pesticide. We hope that the

ministry has enough stock." So, the drive will not stop due to pesticide crisis anyway, he added.

The official said, "This year, we started such drive early in a planned way and are hopeful that the city will not face dengue outbreak."

Last year, dengue fever turned into an epidemic in the capital and later spread to other districts across country, killing a large number of people, with little precautionary efforts by the authorities concerned against Aedes mosquito.

UN JOINT RESPONSE PLAN FOR ROHINGYAS Repatriation should get highest priority: speakers

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Rohingya repatriation should be the highest priority in the United Nations' Joint Response Plan (JRP) for support of Rohingya people, speakers said at a press conference yesterday.

Demanding an amendment of the JRP in this regard, they said the plan should be a live document, so that it can be updated anytime necessary.

They also demanded the JRP should include transparency and accountability in providing aid to the Rohingya and recognise Bangladesh government's contributions in supporting the forcefully displaced Myanmar nationals.

Cox's Bazar CSO-NGO Forum (CCNF), an alliance of 50 organisations, held the press conference at Jatiya Press Club in the capital yesterday.

Presenting a keynote paper on the occasion, Abu Morshed Chowdhury, a co-chair of CCNF, said the JRP has to be a live document, as there are many issues regarding the Rohingyas which will need to be included or corrected according to the situation.

"In the JRP, repatriation should be the number one priority and there should be a separate chapter on how it can be done," he said.

Bangladesh government has already invested a huge amount of money and resources to provide refuge and support to the Rohingyas community, which should be recognised in the JRP, he added.

Rezaul Karim Chowdhury, another co-chair of CCNF, said support activities for the Rohingyas have to be controlled directly from the Prime Minister's Office, and transparency and accountability should be maintained at all levels.

He also recommended inclusion of local communities and public representatives in Cox's Bazar -- where the Rohingya refugee camps are located -- to the aid distribution process.

Several leaders of CCNF, including Barkat Mullah Maruf, Nayeem Gawher Wahra and Mostafa Kamal Akhanda, also spoke at the event.

2 teens stabbed in Hatirjheel

One of them dies at DMCH

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Two teenagers were stabbed last night in the capital's Hatirjheel by unidentified miscreants.

Later, one of them succumbed to his injuries at Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH), said police.

The deceased was identified as Shipon (18), an employee of a motor mechanic shop.

His co-worker Manik (16) is undergoing treatment at DMCH with wounds in his right hand and chest.

The victims were out on a motorbike, and were standing near Begunbari around 8:15pm, when four to five youths arrived there and started stabbing them indiscriminately, said Abdul Khan, assistant sub-inspector of DMCH police outpost.

Locals rushed the two to a hospital in Moghbazar, said Shipon's sister Sumaiya Akhter. Their family then brought them to DMCH. She also said her brother's stomach bore marks of multiple stabs.

Shipon died at the hospital around 11:45pm, said Abdul Khan.

Police are suspecting that they might have been attacked due to previous enmity.

The body was kept at the Dhaka Medical College morgue until filing of the report at 12:30am.



Woori Bank yesterday signed an MoU with The Daily Star at The Daily Star Centre for its annual "Idea Fest" programme -- aimed at promoting creativity and leadership among students to develop them as future corporate and business leaders. The MoU was signed by Md Shamsul Arefin, head of human resources and administration of Woori Bank, and Tajdin Hassan, head of marketing at The Daily Star. Under this MoU, the top 100 participants from Idea Fest'19 will get a one-year free subscription of the newspaper.

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৯.	দরপত্র দাতার যোগ্যতা	: (১) দরপত্র তফসিলের সাথে ২০১৯-২০২০ অর্থ বছরের ট্রেড লাইসেন্স এর সত্যায়িত ফটোকপি, (২) ২০১৯-২০২০ কর বর্ষের আয়কর পরিশোধের সনদপত্র এর সত্যায়িত ফটোকপি, (৩) বিন সার্টিফিকেট (১৩ ডিজিট) এর সত্যায়িত ফটোকপি, (৪) আইএসও সার্টিফিকেট (৯০০১ : ২০১৫) এর সত্যায়িত ফটোকপি, (৫) ব্যাংক সলভেন্সি সার্টিফিকেট এর সত্যায়িত ফটোকপি, (৬) ব্যাংক সর্বনিম্ন এক কোটি টাকা আছে মর্মে ব্যাংক স্টেটমেন্ট (অরিজিনাল) (২৫ ফেব্রুয়ারি ২০২০ হতে ০৯ মার্চ ২০২০ তারিখ পর্যন্ত), (৭) সরকারি/আধাসরকারি/স্বায়ত্বশাসিত/কর্পোরেশন অফিসে আসবাবপত্র সরবরাহ সংক্রান্ত কাজের ৫(পাঁচ) বছরের অভিজ্ঞতার সনদপত্র এর সত্যায়িত ফটোকপি, (৮) সর্বনিম্ন এক কোটি টাকার আসবাবপত্র সরবরাহ কাজের কার্যাদেশের সত্যায়িত ফটোকপি, (৯) কার্যসম্পাদন সার্টিফিকেট এর সত্যায়িত ফটোকপি ও (১০) দরপত্র তফসিল ক্রয়ের মূল রশিদ দাখিল করতে হবে। বর্ষিত শর্তাবলী ছাড়াও দরপত্র সিডিউলে উল্লিখিত অন্যান্য শর্তাবলী একত্রে প্রযোজ্য হবে।
১০.	দরপত্র তফসিলের মূল্য	: ২০০০/- (দুই হাজার) টাকা (অফেরতযোগ্য)।
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১৩.	প্রি টেন্ডার মিটিং	: ০৫ মার্চ ২০২০ তারিখ, রোজ বৃহস্পতিবার, সকাল ১১.০০ ঘটিকায় অতিরিক্ত সচিব (এ.এস), বাংলাদেশ জাতীয় সংসদ সচিবালয়, ঢাকা এর অফিস কক্ষে অনুষ্ঠিত হবে।
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১৫.	দরপত্র তফসিল বিক্রয়ের তারিখ ও সময়	: ২৫ ফেব্রুয়ারি ২০২০ তারিখ সকাল ০৯-০০ ঘটিকা হতে ০৯ মার্চ ২০২০ তারিখ অপরাহ্ন ৫-০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত।
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