

Malka Perveen Banu no more

CITY DESK

Malka Perveen Banu -- one of the first female, Muslim singers of Radio Pakistan Dhaka -- passed away yesterday at the capital's United Hospital at the age of 91. Her namaz-e-janaza will be held today in Gulshan Azad Mosque after Zohr prayers. Later, she will be buried in her family's graveyard in Siddique Bazar area of Old Dhaka.

She left behind her sons, daughters-in-law, four grandchildren, two great grandchildren and a host of relatives and well-wishers to mourn her death. Relatives, friends, and well-wishers can pay their last respects today between 10am and 12 noon at House 10, Road 59, Gulshan 2.



Sylhet City Corporation Mayor Ariful Haque Choudhury observes development work of a road in Zindabazar area yesterday.

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Passport official

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was switched off.

AD Abzaul joined the Bogura office on February 9 this year. On March 12, ACC filed a case with its Rajshahi office against him for giving passport to an Indian national.

Mamunur Rashid Chowdhury, AD of ACC Dhaka and plaintiff of the case, said the case was filed on Thursday against Abzaul, six other passport officials and Indian citizen Hafez Ahmed.

According to the case statement, Abzaul, who was the then AD of Rajshahi passport office, and other accused provided a Bangladeshi passport to Hafez illegally by hiding and altering relevant documents for personal gain in 2017. After issuing the passport, they destroyed all documents.

Later, Hafez went to Saudi Arabia in 2018 and did not come back ever since. "We have information that there are cases filed against Hafez in India, but we are still unaware of the type of cases," said Mamunur.

Abdul Rashed, a passport seeker waiting on the office premises, said, "I came here to receive my passport, as it showed it's ready for delivery online, but I still couldn't get it."

Others echoed Abdul's experience. Mehedi Hasan of Bogura Sadar upazila said, "I have applied for an emergency passport almost one and half months ago. I came here to receive it today [yesterday], but couldn't get it, as I couldn't find anyone at the counter."

Mujib Borsho celebrations

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began on January 10, coinciding with Bangabandhu's homecoming in 1972 as the founder of the newly-born Bangladesh, after nine months of captivity in Pakistan.

Organisers said the global coronavirus pandemic forced them to scale down the inauguration fanfare, revising the schedule trying to keep most programmes indoors and discourage public gatherings.

The president and the prime minister would lay wreaths at Bangabandhu's mausoleum at Tungipara in Gopalganj this morning, and offer prayers, as per original schedule.

Under the original plan, the celebration was set to be opened on the National Parade Ground, with thousands of people in attendance.

A scheduled gathering of children at Tungipara and in primary schools across Bangladesh tomorrow were also scrapped due to the coronavirus cases.

Different socio-cultural and political organisations from grassroots to national levels, ministries and divisions have drawn up programmes to celebrate the birth

centenary opening.

Ruling Awami League has drawn up revised programmes including hoisting party flags atop all AL offices across the country including Bangabandhu Bhaban and AL's Bangabandhu Avenue central office at 6am today, followed by placing wreaths at his portrait.

Besides, a delegation of the party's central working committee will join AL President Sheikh Hasina at Bangabandhu's mausoleum at Tungipara.

Special prayers will be arranged at all religious institutions across the country, while orphans and destitute people will be distributed special meals.

Marking Mujib Borsho, Bangladesh Bank (BB) will issue regular currency notes and commemorative notes of Tk 200 tomorrow.

Besides, the BB will also issue Tk 100 denomination commemorative gold and silver coins and Tk 100 commemorative notes the same day.

The environment ministry will also plant around one crore of saplings across the country on the occasion.

TIB urges govt

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TIB said in a statement.

After independence, Bangabandhu expressed his concern and disappointment to a section of people for their indulgence in corruption, it said.

Alongside his government's call to boycott the corrupts socially, he called upon common people to stand against them.

Saying that Bangabandhu left behind effective strategies and guidelines against corruption, TIB Executive Director Iftekharuzzaman called upon the government, political leaders and other stakeholders to build a corruption-free and well-governed country imbued by the ideology of the Father of the Nation on the occasion of his birth centenary, to ensure transparency and accountability in financing and financial transactions in the country.

Vote for boat

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and violence," he said.

Residents who thronged the area seemed convinced by Rezaul's electoral pledges.

Abdus Shukkur, a resident of Pahartoli who runs a shop, told The Daily Star that like the past mayoral candidates, Rezaul also pledged to address longstanding problems including waterlogging and traffic congestion.

"The past mayors in their election campaigns had also pledged to address these problems, but we do not see any improvement," he said. "New mayoral candidates are also pledging to address these problems... let's see what the next mayor can do!"

Tauhid Chowdhury, another resident, said he felt "curious" to haer Rezaul cautioning prospective voters about coronavirus.

"Will washing our hands protect us from coronavirus infection when we stand in long queues with a huge number of voters at polling centres?" he told this correspondent.

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No candidate sitting idle

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and Pahartoli areas.

Jannatul has been conducting campaign every day, seeking vote from electorates pledging to take proper initiatives for development of the city.

"I would use taxpayers' money the right way," he said. "I would build a pollution-free modern city, if elected."

Abul Manjur, a mayoral candidate nominated by National Peoples Party, it contesting with the symbol "mango". His posters can be found in Muradpur, Bahaddarhat, Lalkhan Bazar, Wasa intersection and GEC intersection.

He is seeking votes with pledges of a clean and green city.

During a meeting between Chief Election Commissioner KM Nurul Huda and mayoral candidates on Saturday, Manjur expressed his apprehension of the polls being free and fair. He urged the CEC to set up a complaint centre in every polling centre, so that any candidate can lodge complaint and get remedy immediately over any irregularities during the polls.

Pvt banks to hold

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offices will also cut cakes, according to programme details.

All bank head offices and branches will capture photographs of their programmes and make three albums. One of those will be sent to the Bangabandhu Memorial Trust through the prime minister, one will be sent to BAB office and the third will be preserved at the respective banks' head offices, reads the programme details.

The banks will also preserve these t-shirts and placards, which will be provided by BAB, to use it at the grand rally scheduled to be held in November. BAB further asked banks to send a photograph of Mujib corner of the member banks' head office to BAB office separately. A documentary video will be made on Mujib corner, which will be showed to the prime minister.

According to sources, there are some 43 private banks in the country, operating through around 10,000 branches. The BAB is supposed to provide about 1.5 lakh t-shirts to the bank staff for the programme, sources added. Meanwhile, state banks of the country will celebrate the birth centenary of Bangabandhu today. According to sources, high officials of state banks will place floral wreaths at Bangabandhu's memorial, and offer prayers at their offices.

BNP complains

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attack aimed at creating panic among BNP activists and supporters, he said.

Assistant Returning Officer Monir Hossen Khan said they received the complaint and will take action after discussing other election officials.

Asked about police obstruction, Nizam Uddin, officer-in-charge of Bakalia Police Station, said, "We did not receive any such complaints, formally or informally. Also, there are restrictions for us to conduct any drive in plainclothes."

BNP CAMPAIGN

During a campaign at Uttar Kattoli, Shahadat Hossain promised to turn Chattogram into a tourist hub, if he is elected.

Shahadat began his campaign from Foy's Lake area, handing out leaflets containing promises of eradicating waterlogging, ensuring smooth transport for lower middle class and a healthy city.

"Kattoli has a unique sea beach and a lot of potential to be a perfect tourist destination," said Shahadat.

Shahadat also delivered speech in Colonel Hat, Olonkar Mor and Akbar Shah areas. Abdullah Al Noman, and Abu Sufian, senior vice president of BNP city unit, also joined the campaign.

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