

Dhaka Day by Day

An offbeat paradise

by Fayza Haq

Asif Bahauddin who has had his recent solo exhibition at the Alliance Franchise is an offbeat artist with notions of his own.

Unlike what is seen in other exhibitions, none of the paintings has any names or numbers. 'I leave everything to the spectator's imagination,' the artist said.



Collection Petit Prince 1

hollow people, with their false hopes and empty smiles in the backdrop.

The delineation of the Bangladeshi poet has the subject's face in a distorted form. The 'baul' is shown with his traditional locks, flowing 'Kurta' and necklace of beads.

Yet another piece is marked 'Hello, Goodbye' and once again the piece is decorated with symbols of happiness and despair.

Sunsets and volcanoes in a legendary planet, with pulsating moons in the background and dancing figures in the forefront form the themes of another enigmatic creation.

'Einstein used only 10 per cent of his mind'

A four-day course on the "proven techniques" of practical application to improve the quality of life "the potential of your mind," ended here last week, reports BSS.

Thirty-six people, including students of different ages who attended the course spoke in one voice to share their experiences at a function on Sunday about the benefit of the course.

Pro. Mammed Qazi, who lives in London and came here to organise the course, said it shows how to express more of your human potentials.

The course, he said, helps reinforce the ability to think in a positive manner and gives one a better sense of awareness of "what is going around one."

It is said that Einstein used only 10 per cent of his mind while most of the

people use 3 to 4 per cent. Prof. Hammed says "there is no limit to what you can do because there is no limit to the power of your mind."

Former Adviser for Agriculture Azizul Haq gave away the awards and said it was a useful programme which could help people devote their attention to more creative works with greater confidence than before.

Magician Jewel Aich said a man can earn greater success if he has a vision backed by devotional practice and determination. Confidence can do a lot and what he learnt from the 4-day course is greater confidence.

Mrs Dilruba Ahmed, a middle-aged housewife, said she suffered from diabetes which went almost uncontrolled, but after attending the course she found the disease virtually controlled only because she "earned more confidence and courage."

Dr Ashraf said it was a very useful course that helped him to learn more about the mind. He along with his course-mates will devote himself to the spread of course, which was introduced for the

first time in Bangladesh.

Millions of people in 72 countries have used the Silva Method to improve the quality of every aspect of life - health - habits, relationship to become happier, more effective and successful human beings.

The course helps them to improve health, memory and concentration, energy and vitality, relief from insomnia, relief from tension, stress and migraine, intuition and learning capacity and relationship.

Work on harbour tug-boat begins

The work on bulging a harbour tug-boat for Bangladesh navy began in Narayanganj in Tuesday at the Dockyard and Engineering Works Limited of Bangladesh Steel and Engineering Corporation, reports BSS.

The 26.20 metre long and 8.03 metre wide double engine tug-boat would cost Taka six crore, according to an official handout.

While inaugurating the work Presidential Adviser for Industries, Jute and Textiles, A.K.M. Musa said this harbour tug-boat would play an important role in shifting the big ships of the Navy.

He Advised the concerned officials and employees of the dockyard to complete the work on schedule. The construction of the tug-boat according to an agreement, would be completed by the end of next December.

Mr. Musa said the building of this Tug-Boat would save a huge amount of foreign exchange.

Chief of Bangladesh Navy, rear Admiral Amir Ahmed Mostafa was the special guest at the function. Among others Chairman of Steel and Engineering Corporation, Ali Ahmed Khan also spoke.

PROGRAMME

Lions Clubs workshop Lions Clubs International District 315A, Bangladesh has arranged a workshop on "Eye Care and Rehabilitation" today (Saturday) at 9.15 am at the Jatiya Press Club auditorium, according to press release.

Alamgir M A Kabir, past District Governor and Presidential Adviser will inaugurate the workshop.

Candle lighting The Candle Lighting Ceremony of the Dhaka Business & Professional Work-en's Club will be held today (Saturday) at 6 pm at the club.

Poetry festival A two-day Fifth Jatiya Kabita Utshab (National Poetry Festival) will begin from February 1 at the TSC square on Dhaka University campus with the theme: "poetry for democracy," says a press release.

4,000 institutions for science edn underway

Education Adviser, Prof. Zilur Rahman Siddiqui laid emphasis on study of science and invention of improved technology for achieving cherished goal of socio-economic development of the country, an official handout said, reports BSS.

He said a programme for development of science education in 4,000 secondary institutions is being implemented at a cost of Taka 112 crore and two other programmes will be undertaken in the Fourth Five-Year Plan in its second phase under which college education will be given priority.

The Education Adviser was speaking as the chief guest at the inaugural ceremony of the 14th national science and technology week at Notre Dame College in Dhaka Thursday Presided over by Father J S Pishato, Principal, Notre Dame college. The function was also addressed by Mr S. M. Afazuddin, Joint Secretary, Science and technology division. A total of 300 students of ten institutions with 150 projects are taking part in the competition.

3-day photo show on Zia begins

The council for implementation of the ideals of late President Ziaur Rahman Thursday began a three-day exhibition of photographs and documents at Aparajeya Bangla of Dhaka University, reports BSS.

The exhibition, inaugurated by noted journalist Gias Kamal Chowdhury Thursday morning, will remain open every day between 9 A.M. and 3 P.M. Besides, the council organised a three-day discussion on "Zia's politics, liberation war and Zia," at TSC auditorium every afternoon from Thursday.

In his inaugural speech Gias Kamal Chowdhury said Zia's ideal was aimed at the welfare of people.

He said President Zia was trying to implement his ideals through hard works. He also said "Zia's ideals were devoted to uphold the sovereignty of Bangladesh and ensure the survival of the Bangladeshis."

Former Secy joins AL

Former Commerce Secretary and Member of the Planning Commission Mofizur Rahman Friday formally joined Bangladesh Awami League, reports BSS.

Also an ex-vice president of Jeddha-based Islamic Development Bank Mr. Rahman met Awami League chief Sheikh Hasina at Bangabandhu Bhaban.

Mr. Rahman, who is also the younger brother of prominent Awami League leader Khwaja Ahmed of Peni, expressed his hope and determination that the nation, under the leadership of Awami League, would march toward progress and prosperity.

He also expressed his total solidarity with and support to the 7-point programme of Awami League and said that under this realistic and pragmatic programme the party could achieve the socio-economic emancipation of the masses.

Mr. Rahman has not sought nomination for any political party for the coming polls.

The founder president of Bangladesh B. C. S. (Administration) Association till 1984 Mr. Mofizur Rahman pledged to work as an Awami League worker for establishing a true democratic government under parliamentary system.

German film show at Ctg

CHITTAGONG, Jan 18: Chittagong Film Society in cooperation with the German Cultural Centre began a four-day German film show-cum-discussion on expressionist film at the Alliance Franchise here today, reports BSS.

The opening ceremony was marked by a film show "Secret of a Soul."

Fire-fighting training in Chittagong

CHITTAGONG, Jan 18: A three-week training programme on fire fighting, rescue and first aid for garment officers began at the Agrabad Fire Station Tuesday, reports BSS.

The Deputy Director of Fire Services and Civil Defence, Chittagong division, Mr. M. Anwar Hussein, inaugurated the training programme at a function.

63 junior level officers drawn from different garment factories in Chittagong are participating the training. This training has been arranged in view of widespread fire incidents in Dhaka in recent times, Fire Service sources said.

90 symbols for parties, 50 for independent candidates

The Election Commission has increased the number of election symbols from 73 to 140 after amending clause 9 (1) of the 1972 election conducting rules, reports UNB.

Of these, 90 symbols have been kept reserved for the contesting candidates. Candidates who are nominees of political parties will be allocated the symbol reserved for their respective parties. All such candidates will have to submit proof of their party nominations to the returning officers.

The remaining 50 symbols will be distributed to independent candidates.

On expiry of the deadline of

withdrawal of candidature on January 21, the returning officers will distribute symbols to the contesting candidates.

The symbols reserved for 90 political parties are: 1. National Patriotic Party--Aeroplane, 2. Freedom Party--Axe, 3. Bangladesh Awami League--Boat, 4. Bangladesh Nazam is-

lam Party--Book, 5. Bangladesh Khelafat Andolon-- Banyan Tree, 6. Bangladesh Khelafat Party--Wall Clock, 7. Islamic Samajtantrik Dal Bangladesh--Green Coconut, 8. Jatiya Tarun Sangha-Fox Cap, 9. Bangladesh National Congress--Horse, 10. Bangladesh National Awami Party (Mozaffar)--Hut, 11. Bangladesh Jatiya People's Party--Kula, 12. Bangladesh Muslim League--Lantern, 13. Bangladesh Samajik Sangsad--Mango, 14. Jihad Party--Pitcher, 15. Bangladesh Nationalist Party--Sheaf of Paddy, 16. Communist Party of Bangladesh--



The Awami League chief Sheikh Hasina addressing a workers' meeting at Sutrapur in Dhaka city on Friday as a part of her election campaign.



BNP chairperson Khaleda Zia looking at a child patient in the newly-inaugurated Shaheed Zia Clinic at Yusuf Market in city on Friday

Zia's birth anniversary today

Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) will observe the 55th birth anniversary of its founding chairman late President Ziaur Rahman today (Saturday), reports UNB.

The day's programme includes milad mahfil and discussion meetings across the country. Central programme of the party includes visit to the mazar of the late leader at 10 am and discussion meeting and cultural function at 3 pm at the Shilpakala Academy.

Garment workers' Demand Day Feb 1

By Staff Correspondent Garment workers and employees will observe Demand Day on February 1 all over the country to press home their five-point demand.

The decision was taken at a special representatives' conference of the Garments Sramik Karmachari Oikya Parishad on Friday.

Mr. Mohor Ali presided over the special conference. Nurul Anwar, Abul Hossain, Kamrul Ahsan spoke among others.

Dhaka dwellers shiver

The week-long spell of cold is likely to start withdrawing after another day or two. Meteorological Department says.

Forecast made by Met Office Friday says the moderate cold wave of the week will continue for another 48 hours ending at 6 p. m. tomorrow (Sunday). The weather over Bangladesh is likely to remain mainly dry with partly cloudy sky. The night temperature is likely to remain unchanged till Sunday morning.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Little change. Outlook for another five days: Moderate cold wave may temporarily discontinue. The night temperature fell

Lofty words now galore: Khaleda

Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) chief Begum Khaleda Zia Friday asked the people to remain alert against false promises by those who had repeatedly deviated from their pledges during the democratic movement, report BSS.

As the parliamentary elections are nearing many will try to woo the people with their lofty words, she said adding the people had already lost their faith in them.

The BNP chief was addressing the people at the inaugural function of a free Friday clinic at the Nawab Yusuf Market Office of BNP. She formally opened the clinic, organised by the Doctors' Association of Bangladesh (DAB), BNP Senior Vice-President Dr. A.Q.M. Badruddoza Chowdhury, Secretary General Abus Salam Talukdar, local BNP leader Sadeque Hossain Khan and DAB leaders also spoke on the occasion.

Immediately after the independence of the country those who went to power ignored the wishes of the people and plundered the national wealth to fulfill their vested interest.

Begum Zia said during the period of misrule people died of starvation. Even mothers fed their children with starch as there was acute shortage of babyfood.

But on the contrary the BNP

government brought peace, progress and stability in the country to the great relief of the suffering people.

She said if elected to power, her government would revive the development process on the basis of 19-point programme of BNP for improving the lot of commonman.

Begum Zia said Shaheed President Ziaur Rahman had first initiated the 19-point programme of development to salvage the nation from the famine like condition and increase production in all sectors.

Cell for safety of Bangladeshis in Riyadh

The Bangladesh Mission in Riyadh, has started operating a cell round the clock to respond to queries from Bangladeshi nationals there and give them necessary guidance in view of the tense situation in the region.

A Ministry of Foreign Affairs source told the Daily Star on Thursday that Bangladeshis in Saudi Arabia had already been under safety and security measures taken by the Saudi Government. They are practising security precautions daily.

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Star, 17. Bangladesh Islamic Republican Party--Pineapple, 18. Jammat-e-Islami Bangladesh--Scale, 19. Jatiya Islamic Dal--Page, 20. Krishak Sramik Party--Bicycle, 21. United People's Party--Bullock Cart, 22. Bangladesh Islami Front--Candle, 23. Bangladesh Shanyasadi Dal (Marxist-Leninist)--Chair, 24. Jatiya Ganatantrik Party--Cow, 25. Jamate Ulema Islami Party--Date Tree, 26. Bangladesh People's League (Garibe Newaz)--Elephant, 27. Jatiyatabadi Ganatantrik Dal (Jagadd)--Fish, 28. Jatiya Mukti Dal (Jamudi)--Football, 29. Democratic League--Hubble Bubble, 30. Sifsa--Jackfruit, 31. Bangladesh United Communist League--Key, 32. Bangladesh Janaganatantrik Dal--Lamp, 33. Jatiya Biplobi Front--Kite, 34. Bangladesh Samajtantrik Dal (BSD-Khalequzzaman)--Lock, 35. Jatiya Party--Plough, 36. Pragatishil Ganatantrik Shakti (PRAGASH)--Spade, 37. Bangladesh Samajtantrik Dal (BSJ Mahbub)--Rickshaw, 38. Zaker Party--Rose, 39. Jatiya Janata Party & Ganatantrik Oikya Jote--Ladder, 40. Janashakti Party--Bus, 41. Bangladesh National Awami Party (NAP-Bhashani)--Stick, 42. Bangladesh Krishak Sramik Awami League (BKSAL)--Sickle, 43. Naya Ganatantrik Jatiya Party--Spectacles, 44. Bangladesh Islami Biplobi Parishad--Sword, 45. Bangladesh Republican Party--Table, 46. Jatiya Janata Party (Abul Khair)--Deer, 47. National Democratic Party--Tiger, 48. Sramik Krishak Samajbadi Dal--Umbrella, 49. Jatiya Oikya Front--Tubewell, 50. Jatiyatabadi Ganatantrik Chashi Dal (Jaghad)--Camel, 51. Jatiya Ganatantrik Dal (Jagad)--Wheel, 52. Bangladesh Jatiya League--Bucket, 53. Bangladesh Labour Party--Cup and Saucer, 54. Bangladesh Gana Azadi League (Samad)--Dheki, 55. Jatiya Palli Dal--Duck, 56. Jatiya Jukto Front--Inkpot and Pen, 57. Bangladesh Jatiya Tanti Dal--Charka, 58. Bangladesh Bekar Samaj (Hand)--59. Ganatantrik Party--Pigeon, 60. Janata Mukti Party--Rising Sun, 61. Workers Party of Bangladesh--Hammer, 62. Bangladesh Krishak Sramik Mukti Andolon--Cock, 63. Bangladesh National Hifdu Party--Butterfly, 64. Bangladesh Janata Dal--Ship, 65. Krishak Sramik Party (Azizul Huq Shajahan)--Power Tiller, 66. Pragatishil Jatiyatabadi Dal--Moon, 67. Oikya Prokriya--Lion, 68. Bangladesh Jana Parishad--Anchor, 69. Jatiya Biplobi Party--Peacock, 70. Bangladesh Adarsha Krishak Dal--Bunch of Bananas, 71. 7-Party Action Alliance--Papaia, 72. Bangladesh Khadem Party Zindabad--Apple, 73. Bangladesh Freedom League--Bow & Arrow, 74. Bangladesh National Awami Party (Sadeque Rahman)--Radio, 75. Bangladesh Sarbaha Party--Railway Engine, 76. National Awami Party (Nur Mohammad Kazi)--Television, 77. Islami Oikya Jote--Minaret, 78. Bangladesh Bekar Samaj--Pushcart, 79. Jatiya Sramajibi Party--Telephone, 80. Bangladesh Maratabadi Dal (Bamad)--Parrot, 81. Bangladesh Hindu League--Conch shell, 82. Ideal Party--Electric Fan, 83. Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal (JSD-Inu)--Torch, 84. Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal (JSD-Rob)--Lotus, 85. Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal (JSD-Shajahan Straj)--Hand Fan, 86. Muslim People's Party--Helicopter, 87. Samata Party--Oar, 88. Jatiya Janata Party (Ashraf)--Palki, 89. Bangladesh Inqilab Party--Truck, and 90. People's Democratic Party--Motor Car.

Symbols for independent candidates

The remaining 50 symbols which will be allocated to independent candidates are: 1. Almirah, 2. Jar, 3. Balloon, 4. Bamboo Basket, 5. Battery, 6. Bench, 7. Bell, 8. Betel Leaf, 9. Brick 10. Building, 11. Cage, 12. Camera, 13. Cauliflower, 14. Crocodile, 15. Pomegranate, 16. Ektara, 17. Electric Bulb, 18. Flask, 19. Pen, 20. Garland, 21. Fish Hook, 22. Jhumjhum, 23. Kamranga, 24. Kettle, 25. Cot, 26. Lobster, 27. Safety Matches, 28. Matalh, 29. Mike, 30. Horse, 31. Mug, 32. Radish, 33. Onion, 34. Orange, 35. Piri (low wooden seat), 36. Plate, 37. Ring, 38. Rocket, 39. Saw, 40. Sewing Machine, 41. Sil-Pata, 42. Spoon, 43. Suitcase, 44. Table Clock, 45. Tiffin Carrier, 46. Top, 47. Flower Tub, 48. Glass Tumbler, 49. Whistle, and 50. Wrist Watch.

The guidelines to be followed by the returning officers in allocating election symbols to independent candidates are: (A) Symbols will be allocated keeping to the candidates' priority as far as possible; (B) If there are more than one claimant for any particular symbol, opportunity will be given to the candidates to come to an understanding through mutual consultations; and (C) In case of failure to reach a mutual understanding, the returning officer will settle the matter, if necessary, through lottery.

CROSSWORD PUZZLER

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