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Doubt over peaceful polls expressed

Bangladesh Young Lawyers Association Thursday expressed doubts over holding the February 27 Parliamentary elections in a peaceful manner, reports

Referring to a recent survey of the association, the young lawyers feared violence pointing that recovery of illegal arms by the law enforcing agency was unsatisfactory.

They were speaking at a discussion meeting held in front of the Jatiya Press Club this afternoon which was presided over by Association Convenor Advocate Mohammed Abul Kalam Azad.

Speaking at the meeting, young lawyers including MR Mahbub, AKM Daudur Rahman Miah, AKM Saiful Islam Tarck. Mustafa Kamal Chowdhury, SM

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वारमा এकारंक्षी चारहाकिक श्रद्ध स्थात 'देव विका'त লে খোজ করুল। রেবা প্রকাশনী

১১৯/২ সেগুন বাগিচা ঢাকা

and Salina Sultan Shelly, declared all out support to the caretaker government for holding the polls in a peaceful

To resist armed holiganism, the speakers suggested inclusion of Upazila Parishad members for peacekeeping activities saying that the UP members as locals were aware of the miscreants.

Fazlul Huq, AKM Rafigul Islam

They urged the Election Commission to give them official permission to form observation teams to oversee the Feb 27 polls.

10 garment workers hurt

DMCH Correspondent

Ten garments workers were injured when they were trying to leave the garments building as a short circuit occurred in the electric line at 5 p.m on Friday.

Workers tried to escape by jumping from the MBM garments building when short circuit was detected.

Five of the injured workers were admitted to Dhaka Medical College Hospital. They were Parul (15), Baby

(27), Khodeja (35), Asia (22), and Jahanara (22). Five others were released

after giving first aid.

Pay scale for teachers demanded

By Staff Correspondent

The Central Executive Committee of the Bangladesh Primary Teachers Association (BPTA) in a meeting held on Friday at its Mirpur office,

called upon the teachers to discharge their duties with utmost sincerity in the ensuing parliamentary polls.

Presided over by the President of the Association, Prof. Abul Kalam Azad, the meeting in a resolution demanded pay scale for the assistant head teachers.

in another resolution, the meeting expressed its firm determination to make compulsory primary education a

Hasina off to North Bengal

Awami League chief and 8-party leader Sheikh Hasina will make a five-day election tour of North Bengal from Friday. according to Party press release in Dhaka Thursday night, reports BSS.

During her tour to the North Bengal, Sheikh Hastna will address public meetings at Nagarbari, Bera, Shahjadpur, Ullahpara and Straiganj Friday.

She will address public meetings at Bagbatia, Kazipur, Dhangara, Sherpur, Bogra, Gabtali and Sariakandi on February.

Sheikh Hasina will address public meetings at Gobindaganj, Palashbari, Pirganj, Mithapukur, Rangpur, Pirgacha, Paglapir, Taraganj, Sycdpur, Ranirbandar, Dashmail and Dinajpur on February 10.

On February 11, Sheikh Hasina will address public meetings at Nilphamari, Domar, Dimla, Jaldhaka and Kishsoreganj.

On the last leg of her election tour the Awami League chief will address public meeting at Joypurhat on February

Soroptimist club to promote womenfolk

Soroptimist International President Mrs. Thelma De Leeuw visited Bangladesh on a five-day tour recently.

Soroptimist Club of Dhaka was first chartered in 1983 in Bangladesh. This is a professional womens club and works for various volunteer projects in the country for the upbuilding of the society.

Soroptimist International supports the work of International and non-governmental organisations whose programmes are directed to the promotion of human rights and status of women says a press release.

BCS (Ansar) Assoc formed

Bangladesh Civil Service (Ansar) Association was formally formed at its general meeting Friday and A 17member Executive Committee was elected for a one year term, an association press release said, reports BSS.

Messrs Ghulam Kibria, A K M Khademul Islam and Mohammad Fakhrul Islam have been elected President, Sceretary General and Treasurer respectively of the association, the press release added.



Members of Apex Club brought out a procession in city on Friday, demanding halt to the Gulf war and stopping smoking habits. -Star photo

Khulna Dateline

Arrest of Ershad's associates demanded

APSU to gherao DC office tomorrow

Our Staff Correspondent

KIIULNA, Fcb 8: A meeting of All-Party Students Unity (APSU) was held on Wednesday at Jatiya Chhatra League of fice premises with Shamim Reza Khan in the chair.

The speakers at the meeting reiterated their call to arrest the associates of Ershad and the armed hoodlums as per the central programme. They will bring out lathi (bamboo) procession and gherao the Deputy Commissioner's office on February 10.

Among others, the meeting was addressed by Khondakar Humayun Kabir, Zamal Uddin Bachchu, Ismail Hossain, Golam Mostafa, Sarwar Ahmed, Kazal Maruf Hossain and Momin Khan.

Jamaat favours Islamic rule

Jamaat-e-Islami nomince for Khulna-3 constituency Maulana AKM Yousuf said some political parties are trying to mislead the people which will bring untold miseries to the people in the near future.

Moulana Yusuf said this in a

Moheshwarpasha in the city. Aboysen Gupta organised by He said Jamaat-e-Islami will enforce Islamic Labour law and introduce a plan to solve the employment problems if voted to power.

He called upon all to cast their vote in favour of their

symbol-'scale'. Among others, the meeting was addressed by M Moniruzzaman. Shaikh Kamrul Islam

Islami Jote

and Khurshid Alam Bulu.

Another public meeting in support of Islami Oikya Jotc nominee for Khulna-4 constituency Alhaz Maulana Shakhawat Hossain was held on Thursday at Khalsha madrasha ground under Terokhada upazila in the dis-Maulana Shakhawat said if

Islami Olkya Jote is voted to power security of the life and prosperity of the people will

be ensured Presided over by Sohrab Uddin the meeting was addressed by Maulana Arif Billah and others.

A meeting to condole the

was held on Thursday at its auditorium with the association President Sheikh Md Ali in the chair. The discussion was partici-

Khulna District Bar Association

pated among others by M Abdul Halim, Sheikh Abdul Waheb. Abdul Karim, Sheikh Ruhul Amin Babu, Monoranjan Das and AFM Mahsin.

Directive to promote image of Biman

BSS adds: Mr Rafigl Islam, Adviser in-charge of the Ministrics of Civil Aviation, Tourism and Shipping directed the concerned authority to improve the passenger facilities at Jessore Airport terminal in order to promote the image of Bangladesh Biman services at home and abroad.

He was exchanging views with the senior officials of civil aviation authority and Bangladesh Biman offices of

Jessore on the problem and prospects of Bangladesh Biman services at Jessore Airport on

public meeting on Thursday at death of a eminent lawyer Babu Thursday morning.

Ctg city roads in deplorable condition

From Our Staff Correspondent

the official said.

estimated this year, for road

CHITTAGONG, Jan 31: Most of the roads in the port city of Chittagong are in deplorable condition due to negligence.

According to Chittagong City Corporation source, the hamper in development activities here can be attributed to fund crisis. Meanwhile, the city corpo-

ration authority has initiated repairing and maintenance works on some roads which are reportedly continuing at snail's pace. Those roads include CDA

Avenue, port connecting road, the road from Fire brigade office at Agrabad to Alanker cinema hall and Baizid Bostami road.

Work orders were issued against the maintenance of few other roads in the city. Those are K.B. Aman Ali Road, Halishahar road, Chawkbazar Road, Amin jute Mill road, Jakir Hossain road and the road in front of Govt. Girl's School. An official said, fund shortage caused uncertainty toinitiate the work. Taka nine erore have been

the authority concerned for maintenance and development of the city roads could lead to

slow-go process followed by

renewed movement here. The local people went into agitation at different times for proper maintenance of the existing roads here and construction of new ones to cope with booming traffic but little

matter. A total of 1,450 roads are existing in this 60sq mile city with carpeting over 226 km, bricksoling over 192 km and 197 km remained still kutcha.

attention had been paid to the

Chittagong city was upgraded into a metropolitan city several years before with a commitment for its development programme but no new road was constructed during the period.

The roads of the Chittagong city being age-old every year fall into dilapidation frequently in the absence of timely maintenance barring some cases of case.

patch-repair in a few roads repairing and its maintenance, only

Moreover, the repairing works were often completed According to analysts, the with a manual method instead of mechanical way as the con cerned department lacked any 'Asphalt plant'. It was one of the major causes behind the pitiable condition of the city roads here.

Use of sub-standard quality Bitumin in maintenance work, WASA pipeline leakage and onslaught of water from street hydrants caused to the frequent damage of city roads to a great extent.

Cigarettes recovered

BSS adds: Kotwali police recovered 505 mini cartons of contraband cigarettes worth Taka two lakh from a lane of Reazuddin Bazar here on Feb 7. Acting on secret informa-

tion, police searched a busket of fowls and found the cigarettes concealed in it. One person was arrested in

this connection. Kotwali police registered a

30,000 children go blind a year

Presidential Adviser Alamgir M. A. Kabir said in Dhaka Friday that poverty and superstition widely prevalent in the society were definitely the underlying reasons of widespread blindness in the country, reports BSS.

He said about thirty thousand children became blind every year in the country due to diseases of cornea. He said malnutrition, diarrhoea and vitamin "A" deficiency had also been identified as major causes of blindness among people.

The Advise who is incharge of the Ministries of Social Welfare, Women Affairs, Youth and Sports was addressing the inaugural session of a special seminar on "posthumous eye donation movement in Bangladesh: current scenario and future" jointly sponsored by Shandhani National Eye Donation Society and Pepsi-Cola at the Diabetic Association auditorium.

Parjatan Officers Association Action committee

By Staff Correspondent

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Inquiry

A 15 member action committee of Bangladesh Parjatan Corporation officers Association was elected recently. M Havat Ali Khan was elected President, Iqbal Mallik, General Secretary and Makbul Hossain Talukder, Treasurer, says a press release.

Kabir said the curative treatment alone would not solve blindness, rather, a large supply of corneas must be made available and this could only be achieved through launching a massive posthumous eye donation campaign.

Lauding the role of Shandhani in promoting posthumous eye donation campaign, the Adviser called upon people to come forward and cooperate with Shandhani in its noble and humanitarian task of promoting eye donation.

Presided over by Prof Mozaffar Ahmed, the function was addressed by Prof M. A. Rashid, Prof ASM Azharul Islam and representatives of different branches of Shandhani.

Osmany's death anniversary February 16

The seventh death anniversary of General MAC Osmany will be observed on February 16 in a belitting manner, re-

Jatiya Janata Party has chalked out an claborate daylong programme to observe the death anniversary of the Commander-in-Chief of the Liberation War, General Os-

The party will place wreath at the portrait of General Osmany in the morning and hoisting of party and national flags at half mast on the occasion. The party will also held a rally at Gulistan Square at 4 p

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