

CUCSU leaders hold talks with VC

All-out help to maintain peace on campus assured

CHITTAGONG, Apr 20: A meeting of Chittagong University Central Students Union (CUCSU), held today with the Vice-Chancellor and President of CUCSU Prof Alamgir Muhammad Senajuddin in the

chair, extended whole-hearted cooperation to university administration in maintaining peace and discipline on the campus on the eve of re-opening of the university, a university press release said, reports BSS.

The meeting appealed to all concerned to cooperate with the university administration in maintaining law and order on the campus when it re-opens.

The University authority at a recent meeting decided to allow police on the campus in order to ensure peace and order there.

The university halls reopen tomorrow.

A section of teachers and students have been demanding removal of the Vice-Chancellor on various grounds including nepotism and favouritism in discharge of his responsibilities.

BSD's plea to nab Ershad cronies

The Convener of Bangladesh Samajtantrik Dal and leader of the Five-party Alliance Khalequzzaman Bhuiyan on Saturday expressed his satisfaction over the transfer of Ershad to the Dhaka Central Jail, reports BSS.

In a statement issued, the BSD Convener urged the administration to arrest the accomplices of Ershad, now in hiding with warrants.

Bhuiyan also urged the government to take due measures against those who were not repaying bank loans worth crores of Takas.

Sirajul Alam Khan off to USA

By Staff Correspondent

Sirajul Alam Khan, adviser of a weekly magazine 'Masha' left Dhaka Saturday for United States of America (USA) to participate a three-day seminar on Bengal studies conference, a press release said.

The Political Science Department of Wisconsin University of USA will hold the seminar on May 3, 4, and 5 on the occasion of 25th anniversary of Bengal studies conference.

Alam will present a paper on 'Bengali Nationalism: Contemporary Politics of Bangladesh' at the seminar.

Stolen car recovered: 4 arrested

Tejgaon police on Tuesday nabbed one Abdur Rahman from Tejgaon Industrial Area and recovered one stolen car Dhaka Gha 8879 from his possession.

Police upon his confession also arrested three of his accomplices Eshakul Islam, Md Saiful Haq and Md Ilias.

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Hasina flays Govt silence over diarrhoea

Awami League chief and Leader of the Opposition at the Jatiya Sangsad Sheikh Hasina on Saturday expressed her deep concern at and condemned what she said, the silence of the government over diarrhoea which broke out in an epidemic form in various parts of the country, reports BSS.

In a statement in Dhaka Sheikh Hasina said, the diarrhoea affected people of Barisal, Bhola, Barguna, Pirojpur, Jhalakathi, Patuakhali, Lakshampur, Chandpur and Jamalpur were passing their days in complete 'helpless condition'.

She said many people had already died of this disease. 'It is unfortunate but true that the government is not taking measures as were expected to protect the life of the affected people,' she alleged.

She said the people of these affected areas were passing their days amid hardship for want of food. There is also scarcity of pure drinking water there.

She demanded introduction of Food-for-Work at the affected areas and immediate supply of necessary food, medicine, pure drinking water and adequate medicare facilities.

She called upon the local leaders and workers of Awami League and its front organisa-

tions to render all-out services to the affected people in cooperation with other patriotic, progressive and democratic organisations.

Meanwhile, Awami League Organising Secretary Tofael Ahmed, MP on Saturday called upon the government to provide adequate jobs to the people of diarrhoea-affected areas of the country.

Ahmed demanded supply of adequate food, medicine and pure drinking water for the affected people.

Dakhil Exams begin today

The Dakhil Examinations, 1991 under Bangladesh Madrasah Education Board will begin throughout the country today, according to a board press release here on Saturday, reports BSS.

A total of 52,842 students including 6314 girls will sit for examinations in four different groups in 199 centres, the press release added.

Of these, 48,375 students including 6139 girls will appear in General Group while 2987 including 124 girls in Science Group, 1455 including 50 girls in Mujabbi Group and the rest 25 including one girl will appear in Hizful Quran Group.

Arms recovered, bus seized

3 BIT students among four arrested in Ctg

CHITTAGONG, Apr 20: Rauzan police here today arrested four persons including three students of Bangladesh Institute of Technology (BIT), along with some arms and ammunition, police said, reports BSS.

Police also seized a microbus of the BIT in which they were travelling in.

On suspicion, police searched the microbus at Kadalpur under Rauzan upazila while it was proceeding to-

wards BIT at Pahartali and found one SMG, one magazine with 14 rounds of SMG ammunition, 100 rifle ammunition-one, vacant magazine and one iron rod.

Police also arrested the driver of the microbus.

A case was filed with Rauzan police in this connection.



Hossein Nikzaban, an Iranian handicap, now in Dhaka, is on globe-trotting on a wheel-chair proclaiming: 'Nothing is Impossible' — Star photo

Globetrotter on a wheelchair in city

Hossain Nikzaban, an Iranian handicap is now in the capital on the third leg of his second phase of world tour on a wheelchair, reports BSS.

Nikzaban, a telephone operator in Tehran took up the venture in 1989 to 'show will power and resolve and also to prove that man can do any things.' In the first phase of the world tour, he had travelled 17,000 km Europe, going through 20 cities.

Born in 1957 and handicapped by polio at the age of 3, Nikzaban took up the second phase of the tour to Asia from January 7. This year he has already toured Pakistan and India.

Proud father of four sons, all normal, the courageous globetrotter's next destination is Burma. He plans to cover

25 Asian and Arab countries in the second phase. The American states will be covered in the third phase.

Nikzaban, who entered Bangladesh territory on April 15 through Hilly border while talking to newsmen at the Press Club, said the aim of the trip was to prove that like others handicaps can participate in all sorts of activities. It is also intended to establish solidarity and mutual con-tact with the handicapped persons of Iran and those of other countries.

Nikzaban claimed that he is the first Iranian handicap to take this venture. He said he hoped to complete the world tour by the end of 1993. He will begin his journey for Burma within next two to three days.



Fakir Alamgir and other members of the Rishiz Shilpi Gosthi holding a musical soiree near Shishu Park in city on the occasion of Pabela Baishakh.

Dateline Chittagong

2 more railway employees suspended for negligence

CHITTAGONG, Apr 20 : Two more railway employees were suspended Thursday for negligence of duty in connection with the train accident here on Tuesday last, railway sources said, reports BSS.

With these two so far four persons were suspended in this connection. The two suspended persons are Cabin Master Mohammed Badruddin and Guard of the Sylhet passenger train Mohammed Hussain. Locomaster Khatimullah and Assistant Locomaster of Sylhet passenger train were suspended immediately after the accident in which five passengers were killed and forty others injured.

Meanwhile, Mohammed Nazrul Islam, Officer-in-Charge of GRP, Chittagong filed a case with his station against the aforesaid four railway employees for direct involvement in the tragic accident which was apparently caused by violation of signals by the Sylhet passenger train which crashed into rear bogies of Chandpur-bound Sagarika 29-Up while leaving the railway station here at 8-15 am on Tuesday last.

Particulars of victims Particulars of all but one person, who were killed in a train accident in Chittagong on Tuesday last, were available with the railway authorities.

According to government railway police, the dead were all passengers of Chandpur-bound Sagarika 29-Up, the rear part of which was crashed by Sylhet passenger 104-Down while entering Chittagong railway station.

The dead are Mafizur Rahman Majumdar (32) son of Idris Meah Majumdar of Langolkot, Comilla, railway employee A B M Raisuddin (35) son of Abdul Jabbar of Kaorait Sripur, Gazipur, another railway employee Mohammed Said Meah (45) son of Afazuddin Molla of Matlab, Chandpur, Mosamat Baby Akhtar (22) wife of Mohammed Yusuf of Matlab, Chandpur, and another unidentified man, aged around 28.

Out of the 22 injured passengers admitted to Chittagong Medical College Hospital and Railway Hospital, eight were released till Wednesday.

Following are the persons being treated at hospitals till Wednesday: Abdul Aziz (25), Langalkot, Comilla; Mosharruf Hussain (24), Langalkot, Comilla; Mohammed Jamiruddin (35), Bangaka, Lakkipur; Mohammed Shah Alam, Fatikchhari, Chittagong; Mohammed Shahjahan (40), Hathazari, Chittagong; Abdul Mattin (18), Panchalaish, Chittagong; Mohammed Selim (18), Choddogram, Comilla; Shafikur Rahman (35), Choddogram, Comilla; Aminul Hoq (18), Shaharasti, Chandpur; Sayed Ali (25), Shaharasti, Chandpur; Abdur Rab (65), Shaharasti, Chandpur; Marzina (17), wife of Zakir Hussain, Faridganj, Chandpur; Liton (16), Faridganj, Chandpur; Hazera, wife of Abdul Malek, Laksham, Comilla; Ebadul Hoq (18), Matlab, Chandpur and Abdul

Motaleb (55), Sudaram, Noakhali. At least five persons were killed and 40 others injured in the accident.

Death condoled

Principal Mohammed Abu Taher and Alhaj Afsaruddin Chowdhury Amir and Secretary of Jamaat-e-Islami, Chittagong Metropolitan Unit, in a joint statement Friday expressed their deep condolence at the death and injury of several persons in a train accident near railway station in Chittagong on Tuesday last.

They prayed for the peace of departed souls and expressed sympathy to the injured. They also demanded appropriate treatment of the injured.

Blaming carelessness of a section of railway employees for the accident they demanded judicial inquiry into the accident and punishment for the irresponsible persons.

AL activist shot dead

Our Staff Correspondent from Chittagong adds : One Jahangir Alam (26) was shot dead by the unidentified miscreants at Haladia Union of Raojan upazila Tuesday night.

The victim was later identified as an activist of pro-Awami League Chhatra League (S-A) worker. Local unit of Awami League and its front organisations blamed National Democratic Party (NDP) for the killing.

A case was registered with Raojan police in this connection.

Plea to declare South Bengal as disaster zone

By Staff Correspondent

Four associations of South Bengal have called upon the government to declare six districts of the region as disaster zone area where diarrhoea had turned into epidemic form.

Bakerganj Prostabita Bibhago Samity, Brihattar Bakerganj Unnayan Samity, Brihattar Barisal Samajkalyan Samity and Dakhyin Bangla Juba Unnayan Parishad at a joint meeting in Dhaka recently made the call. Diarrhoeal diseases had broke out at Mathbaria, Patuakhali, Barguna, Galachipa, Pirojpur, Bakerganj, Barisa, Jhalakathi, Bhola and other areas of the southern region claiming several hundred lives and affecting at least 10 thousand others, in the recent days, the meeting said.

It also demanded immediate departure of medical teams and necessary medicines to the affected areas to save the lives of the diarrhoea-hit people of the region.

Chaired by Poet Mohammad Abdul Khaleq, the meeting was also addressed by Shah Mohammad Mattur Rahman, Prof Hirendranath Bishwas, Mahtabuddin Ahmed, Howlader Mahel Huq, Mohammad Akhter Uddin, M.A Salam, Abdul Mannan, Afzal Hossain, Md Delwar Hossain, M.A Mottalib and Shafiqul Kabir.

Book publication ceremony tomorrow

By Staff Correspondent

The publication ceremony of new edition of 'Swadhinata Sangrame Probasni Bangalee' (role of expatriate Bengalis in the war of independence) and 'Probasni Dristrite Bangladesh' (Bangladesh in the eyes of expatriates) by eminent writer and journalist Abdul Matin will be held tomorrow (Monday) at 4 pm at the National Museum auditorium.

Professor Kabir Chowdhury will preside over the function. Leader of the Opposition in the Parliament Sheikh Hasina will be the chief guest.

Poet Sufia Kamal, Dr. Nilima Ibrahim, Justice K. M. Sobhan, Professor Anisuzzaman and Professor Sarder Fazlul Karim will participate in the discussion.

Both the books were published by Radical Asia Publications.

Envoy to Hanoi presents credentials

Bangladesh Ambassador to Vietnam Mostafa Faruk Mohammad presented his credentials to Nguyen Huu Tho, Vice President of the Council of State of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam at Presidential palace in Hanoi, reports UNB.

Speaking on the occasion the Huu Tho warmly congratulated the people of Bangladesh for holding a fair and unfettered parliamentary elections successfully.

He asked the envoy to convey best wishes of the government and people of Vietnam to Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia.

NBR consultative body meet today

The 12th meeting of the Consultative Committee of the National Board of Revenue will be held today at the Federation of Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industries auditorium here, reports BSS.

Finance and Planning Minister Saifur Rahman will inaugurate the consultative committee meeting.

The day-long meeting to be divided into two sessions will discuss direct tax structure in the first session and the indirect tax in the second session.

IRRI-Boro procurement begins today

The countrywide IRRI-Boro procurement begins today (Sunday) with a target of procuring 500,000 tons of rice and paddy this season, official sources said, reports BSS.

The procurement price of IRRI-Boro paddy has been fixed at Taka 240 per maund including transport bonus as against Taka 220 last year. The IRRI-Boro rice will be bought at Taka 369.50 per maund as against Taka 338.40 last year.

The procurement drive aims at ensuring fair price to the growers and building up food reserve for the lean period.

Death anniversary

The 20th death anniversary of Shaheed Captain (Retd) Ahsan Ullah Chaudhury will be observed today (Sunday).

Ganges water talks Tuesday Dhaka, Delhi to talk Guarantee Clause

Bangladesh and India will begin in Dhaka talks on Tuesday on sharing of the Ganges water, officials said on Saturday, reports BSS.

Indian Secretary for Water Resources Dr M A Chitale will lead his country's delegation at the two-day official level meeting. Secretary for Irrigation, Water Development and Flood Control MA Malik will lead the home side.

The meeting is being in accordance with a decision taken during Indian Foreign Secretary Muchkund Dubey's visit to Dhaka late March.

One of the agenda of the meeting is learnt to be the revival of the 'Guarantee Clause' incorporated in the Water Sharing Agreement signed between the two countries in 1977.

The clause dropped in the subsequent agreement during the Ershad regime had provided more than 60 per cent flow of the Ganges for Bangladesh in lean period — January to April.

Bangladesh has been insisting on reaching a long term solution of the problem created by unilateral withdrawal of the Ganges water at Farakka without accord since the last sharing agreement expired in December 1988.

Equitable sharing of the Ganges water is one of the issues standing on the restoration of good neighbourly relation between the two coun-

tries. Other issues include transfer of Tinbigha corridor, determination of ownership of the south Talpatty island, solution of the Chakma refugee problems and demarcation of the land and maritime boundaries.

State Minister visits hilly areas of Tangail

The State Minister for Relief and Rehabilitation, Lutfor Rahman Khan, has exhorted the people to wholeheartedly cooperate in materialising the gigantic task undertaken by the BNP government to rebuild the country shattered by the erstwhile autocratic regime, reports BSS.

The State Minister was addressing a number of public gatherings in a day-long meet-the-mass tour of the hilly areas of Sakhtupur and Ghatatal upazilas in Tangail on Friday.

Khan said the BNP government under the dynamic leadership of Begum Khaleda Zia would sincerely work for the betterment of the lot of the people to fulfill their hopes and aspirations. He sought people's continued and unstinted support and cooperation for the realisation of this cherished objective.

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