Dhaka Day by Day

Not Even Any Leaves on the Branches

by Fayza Haq

Phoebe Fraser

Phoebe Fraser, with her wide head-band bobbed blonde hair, faded jeans, pale blue jogging-top and heart shaped ear-rings, could easily have been an older version of Alice from "Altee in Wonderland.

Phoebe had come with the CARE Australia relief goods from Sydney, and had gone to Chittagong and Cox's Bazar to ensure the distribution of the high protein biscuits and other es-

She has been to Bangladesh before, in '89, when she came on an orientation programme. "I think Bangladesh is a wonderful country. When you go to some places and have a nice feeling it is because the people are warm and hospitable. The Bangladeshis are moreover

striving to improve themselves. The widespread disaster is sad. But the strength and perseverance of the people heartening at the same time.

The 25 year-old volunteer worker has spent six months in Thaithree land. months in Camboand has been on short missions to Laos and Vietnam. "My experience and enjoyment in South East Asia has been intense because people here are wonderful - kind generous, patient and tolerant."

Phoebe first heard about the disaster in Bangladesh on the short wave radio in Cambodia. The enormity of the eyclone

struck her when she saw scenes of it on the TV in "Hinch's" programme on "Channel 7" in Melbourne and, read about it in the newspapers

"I didn't see any people at first but only dead animals. What greeted me was general devastation. It got worse and worse till nothing existed. What struck me was that there were not even any leaves left on the broken branches of the trees," Phoebe recounted.

"Later on I met a lot of people, all of whom had lost their homes, family members, houses, and animals. There were some people I came across who had lost their entire village. Everyone we met had lost someone or something. A lot of these people struck me as being almost in a state of deep sorrow and resignation. There was also the concern for the future. They were worried as how to rebuild their lives. People came up and spoke to me, while the CARE staff translated it for me. I've never seen such a sad sight as this before." she narrated.

The certificate awarding

ceremony of ABKD (Asia Bunka

Kaikan' Dosokai) Ikebana

School for 31st and 32nd ju-

nior batches was held on

Chittagong!

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Circular, 1991.

369-S) are eligible to apply.

General Manager) of the Bank.

considered afterwards regarding this.

Certificate-giving ceremony

Manufacturers &

Exporters

Allotment of quota under category-

369-S, 1991-92

(Performance in free and local garments)

separately for allotment of quota in performance free and

locally produced garments for the export of category 369-S

(shop towels) to USA under 1991-92 quota year.

Application forms may be collected from information

centres of Export Promotion Bureau, Dhaka and

2. Applications will be received on 1-06-91 upto 4 P.M.

by Export Promotion Bureau, Dhaka and Chittagong.

Quota may be allotted subject to the following terms

Only cotton shop towel producing units (category-

Shop towel "manufacturers-exporters" who had

exported shop towels to USA between 28-10-89 and

No manufacturers can apply for Performance and free

quota at the same time. But they can apply for quota

For allotment under local garments quota, export

letter of credit must be submitted with applications.

The use of local cloth must be mentioned in the letter

of credit and copy of back to back letter of credit

should be submitted with applications. The letter of

credit will have to be attested by AGM (Assistant

If any applicant submits letter of credit mentioning

the use of local clothes but fails to submit the copy

of internal back to back letter of credit to the Export

Promotion Bureau (EPB) within 30 (thirty) days of

obtaining quotas for local clothes, otherwise allotted

quotas will automatically be treated as cancelled. No

further contact may be made or appeal can be

Share of free quota in imported textiles will be

distributed proportionlately on the basis of applications

All incomplete applications or applications submitted

after the stipulated period will be treated as cancelled.

Legal action will be taken against applicants furnishing

false informations under quota Management Allotment

Export Promotion Bureau

122-124, Motijheel C/A

Dhaka-1000

to manufacture towels with locally produced cloth.

28-10-90 are eligible to apply for performance quota.

Applications in prescribed form are hereby invited

What about taking precaution against future devastation - As an Overseas Programme Offi cer was she here to discuss it? "There could be multipurpose cyclone shelters which could be built in the future as precaution against devastation. At the moment I am concentrating on the adequate distribution of the emergency relief. Once that is eased we can see what can be done in the long term," she replied

"My job here was to follow through the distribution of 60 tons of high protein biscuits. apart from 10 tons of blankets and 10 tons of medicines, which had been flown over by a chartered plane from Sydney to Dhaka. It went in 23 trucks to Chittagong where CARE has two warehouses," Phoebe continued.

> What made her work for CARE rather than go in for a steady, ambitious career? " had studied Politics and Economics at the Mel bourne University I did a lot of devel opment Politics and have always been interested in developing countries," she said the Australian public are a caring one and their response to the needs of the peo ple of Bangladesh has been warm Not many people can leave their country and come as I have done and personally help out, but they have made their donations. This shows they care," Phoebe

CARE Australia does some fund

raising in Australia to help development programmes in health and agriculture in places like Sudan, Papua New Guinea, in the Yunnan province in the People's Republic of China, Mozambique, Angola and Cambodia, she informed

"I know of misallocation of aid. But every single thing sent from Australia arrived in the warehouses. The management was professional and efficient. We have our own staff to distribute the aid with effectiveness," she insisted.

Phoebe, who is the youngest in her family has two brothers and a sister. She lives outside Melbourne and says that hers is a closely knit family, like many others in Australia. Phoebe, who is a shy and taciturn person when it comes to discussing her private life, admits to liking the opera and theatre.

How does she feel about being the daughter of a famous politician? "He is not a famous man for me. He is simply my dad." Phoebe replies with a smile.

Blood donation

Thursday, says a Press release. Teachers, students and Kazuhiro Tajika, Cultural employees of Dhaka College Secretary of the Embassy of Saturday donated 103 bags of Japan of Bangladesh was the blood at a function held at the chief guest of the function college auditorium under the auspices of Dhaka College Attention: Shop Towel Rover Scouts, reports BSS.

The blood donation, organised in cooperation with Bangladesh Red Crescent Society was inaugurated by the Principal of the College, Nazir Uddin Ahmed.



Mokammel Haque, Nizamuddin Ahmed

Bhola Samity executives

Mokammel Haque and Nizamuddin Ahmed were elected President and General Secretary respectively of the Bhola Samity at a general meeting held on Friday, says a Press release.

The largely attended general meeting of the Bhola Samity was held at WAPDA auditorium, Motijheel C/A.

A 79-member executive committee was also elected in the same meeting. The general meeting was presided over by out going President of the samity Nurul Islam Talukdar.



Sunday

5-00	Opening and recita-
-	tion from Al-Quran.
5-15	Recitation from the
	Bible
5-20	News in Bangla
5-30	Hashi Khushi : Chil-
	dren's Programme
5-55	Cartoon Film : Abbat
	and Coxtella

6-20 Sports Programme 7-05 Tagore Songs News in Bangla 8-00 Probaha: Current af-8-30 Drama Series : Oshin

9-00 News in English 10-00 Shilpo-O-Shahitto 10-30 Literary Feature 11-30 - Khabar/The News 11-45 Close Down

Chhatra Moitry council session begins

A 2-day central council session of Bangladesh Chhatra Moitry began at the Teachers-Students Centre (TSC) of Dhaka University Saturday, reports UNB.

The fourth council was inaugurated by eminent intellectual Dr Khan Sarower Murshid and presided over by Zahirud din Swapon, President of Ch hatra Moitry.

The council leaders and activists of the organisation brought out a colourful procession in the campus on the oc-

Arrest of Milon's killers demanded

By Staff Correspondent

Ganatantrik Chhatra Kendro held a rally on Dhaka University Campus Saturday demanding arrest of the killers of Dr Shamsul Alam Khan Milon and realisation of the ten-point demand of the students community.

Acting President of the organisation Raju Ahmed spoke at the rally. He urged the concerned authorities to arrest and try the terrorists involved in the killing of Dr Milon. He also suggested formation of a new democratic student alliance excluding Jativatabadi Chhatra Dal and Chhatra League (S-A).

JN College students to conduct land use survey at Ishurdi

By Staff Correspondent

The final year students of the Geography Department of Jagannath College will leave for Ishurdi tomorrow (Monday) to conduct a land use survey as part of their academic course.

The Chairman of the department. Wakef Hossain Chowdhury will lead the team comprising 83 students including 25 females.

During their week-long visit, they will encourage the people for mass education and family planning.

Rajiv's killing condemned

The Bangladesh Government College Lecturers' Association has severely condemned the brutal killing of former Indian Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi, reports BSS.

In a statement in Dhaka, it expressed deep sympathy for the members of the bereaved family

Meanwhile a meeting of the Jagannath University College Unit of the Association held a meeting recently and elected Nazneen Begum and Abdur Rahman as President and General Secretary respectively of the unit.

The meeting was ad dressed, among others, by Dr Habibur Rahman Principal, Vice-Principal Ashraf Ali Khan and Chairman of the Mathematics Department Selina Bahar Zaman. They wished the lecturers' association well.

Dr Mozammel made DG of Secondary Edn

Dr M Mozammel Huq has joined recently as the Director-General of Secondary and High Education Directorate. says official sources.

He completed his education with distinction. He took his B A (Hons) and M Sc degree in mathematics. He obtained his Ph D Degree in pure Mathematics in the area of Argodic Theory in 1967 from Sasex University of England. He is the only specialist in Modern Mathematics in Bangladesh. Dr Huq is one of the best

teacher, of mathematics.

EPZ extends Tk 50 lakh bank loan to each affected unit

The Bangladesh Export Processing Zone (BEPZ) authority approved a decision for extending bank loan upto a maximum of Taka 50 lakh to each affected industrial unit within the cyclone-hit Chittagong Export Processing Zone (CEPZ), reports UNB.

The credit will be extended for a period of six months to help tide over the immediate difficulties.

The BEPZ board of governors met on Saturday at the International Conference Centre (ICC) in Dhaka with Acting President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed in the chair.

The meeting reviewed measures required to help the affected industrial units of the CEPZ to become operational at the earliest and also discussed steps to protect them from possible tidal surge in the fu-

Reconstruction of the pro-

tective embankment along the CEPZ had already started which the Acting President ordered to be immediately rebuilt after the April 29 disaster, it was disclosed in the

It was further informed that local insurance companies had been advised to promptly settle insurance claims by the af fected industrial units. The process of settlement of such claims had already begun, they

The board of governors was also told that electricity, gas, water, internal telecommunication facilities and telex service in the CEPZ has been restored within a week of the severe cyclone and tidal surge which caused disruptions in all these sectors. Special arrangement is in

the offing for prompt international telephone calls from the CEPZ through booking. Restoration of Dhaka- Chittagong direct dialling is likely to become operational by June 30

Meanwhile, seventeen of the affected industrial units of the Chittagong EPZ have resumed production, out of which fourteen are foreign owned and three joint ventures. The rest of the affected units are likely to go into production by early next month.

Earlier, the government sanctioned Taka two crore for immediate repair and rehabil itation of the Chittagong EPZ.

The meeting was attended among others, by Finance and Planning Minister Saifur Rahman, Industries Minister Shamsul Islam Khan, Shipping Minister M. K. Anwar, State Minister for Energy and Mineral Resources, Khandaker Musharraf Hussain, Governor Bangladesh Bank S. B. Chowdhury, relevant secretaries and concerned officials.

Satkhira found suitable for salt production

Southwestern district of Satkhira has been found economically feasible for salt production, opening up prospect of attaining self-sufficiency in salt, reports UNB.

Experts at Bangladesh Small and Cottage Industries Corporation (BSCIC) said bright prospect for salt production has been found in a recent experiments in the dis-

Two demonstration plots. each measuring one acre, in Shyamnagar upazila produced 110 maunds of salt in only two months (March-April)

According to the experts. quality of soil has been found "quite suitable" for salt farming and an acre would produce not less than 200 maunds in a sea-

They quoted field surveyors as saying that at least 20,000 acres would be found for salt production in five upazilas of Satkhira, which could yield

At least ten students were

injured, seven vehicles dam-

aged and road communication

at 13 places snapped at

Dhaka-Mymensingh Road fol-

lowing a clash between two ri-

val student groups near the

Tongi Government College on

Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal re-

portedly tried to resist a

protest meeting of Bangladesh

Chhatra League against the clo-

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closed down the college sine

die following a constitutional

tangle over holding election of

the students union, and ha-

rassment to the teachers by

Plea to maintain

peace on campus

By Staff Correspondent

Khanam, President and Gen-

eral Secretary respectively of

Bangladesh Mahila Parishad.

have expressed concern at the

tense situation prevailing on

In a statement on Saturday.

they appealed to the students

community, leaders of the stu-

dent organisations and univer-

sity administration to take all

the university campus.

Poet Sufia Kamal and Ayesha

Earlier, the authority had

The clash ensued when

Saturday, reports BSS.

10 students injured as

JCD, BCL groups clash

nearly two lakh tons annually. Salt is now produced in coastal areas of Cox's Bazar and

Chittagong on about 35,000 acres with production potential of seven lakh tons of salt a The country's annual con-

sumption, both for human and industrial, is about seven lakh But, according to produc-

tion trend over the previous ten years, average annual production stands at about 4.5 lakh tons because of yield loss almost every alternate year due to natural calamity, leaving import as the only substitute for bridging the production-demand gap.

BSCIC experts observed that commercial production in Satkhira would make up the shortfall saving about Tk 50 crore in foreign exchange, spent every year for import.

some students, the college

cocktails were exploded and

two groups of the students

used daggers, ram dao, chain

and belt and other lethal

weapons, according to eye-

However, the local

Jativatabadi Chhatra Dal on

Earlier the Principal of the

administration brought the

Saturday filed a case with

college also filed a case with

regard to the prevailing situa-

Concert in aid

of cyclone

victims

Counterbore Fraternity will or

ganise a charity concert at

Shishu Academy at 4-30 p m

on May 27 in aid of cyclone

Renaissance, K-O Z and Little

River Band will participate in

Video Connection, Rainak

Video, Rose Valley Video, Film

Fair, Rainbow and Kintuki.

the programme.

Three musical bands

Tickets will be available at

victims, says a Press release.

A social organisation

situation under control.

Tongi police.

tion of the college.

During the clash, several

authority sources said.

Moreover, they said, the

country will need an additional two lakh tons of salt within the next ten years and an alternative production pocket has to be found out as acreage cannot be expanded in Cox's Bazar and Chittagong belt. BSCIC said farmers in

Satkhira are getting interested in salt production after the success of experiments. According to the corporation. salt farming is much more cost effective than shrimp and

Commercial salt production will also solve the acute unemployment problem which now exists in Satkhira district, accommodating at least 20,000 workforce for a six month pe: riod each year, BSCIC added.

Dr Alamgir's statement slated

Engineers Service Structure and Welfare Committee(ESSWC) congratulated the decision of government making Dr. Mohtuddin Khan Alamgir an OSD, says a Press

In a statement Dr. Engr. Md. Anwar Hossain and Engr. Md. Ruhul Matin Chairman and Member Secretary of ESSWC respectively said that the statement given by Dr. Engr. Alamgir was disregardful to the democratic govt. Instant action taken by government could save the nation from probable misery, they added.

Education Week function from June 2

A two-day function will be held at the national level in observance of the Education Week, 1991 at Shilpakala Academy from June 2, reports

Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia will inaugurate the function at the Academy. The programme will in-

clude a seminar on 'education and democracy", an open discussion on education and a cultural competition. Later prizes will be distributed among the

On the occasion award for best teacher, best educationist and best educational institution will be distributed.

One killed in road mishap

By Staff Correspondent Nur Alam Akhand (28) was

killed as a truck knocked him down and ran ever him at Tejgaon Taltala Bridge in the city on Saturday morning, police

Nur Alam died on the spot. His dead body was sent to the Dhaka Medical College Hospital for post mortem. A case has been filed with

Teigaon Thana in this connec-

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RE-TENDER NOTICE

No. P&D/L. P-1(213))/ 90-91/D-2887(2)

Dated: 22/5/91

Sealed tenders are hereby invited from the bonafide suppliers for supply of small tools for machine shop at an estimated cost of Tk. 47,190/=.

Intending tenderers shall have to obtain permission for purchasing tender papers etc. on application to the undersigned. Application must accompany G.I.R. Certificate, Trade Licence and Certificate of experience about works/supplies etc. from reputed organisations. Tender papers and other terms & conditions will be available from the office of the undersigned on payment of Tk. 50.00 (non-refundable) to the Sonali Bank, B.U.E.T Branch, Dhaka. Each tender must accompany a Bank Draft or Pay Order from Nationalised Bank amounting to 5% of the quoted amout as earnest money deposited in favour of the Comptroller of this University without which no tender will be considered. Tenders must be put into the Tender Box kept for this purpose in this office upto 2-30 P.M. of 4.6.91 and will be opened on the same day at 2-45 P.M. before the tenderers present.

The University Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders or one or more items of any tender without assigning any reasons whatsoever. No tender papers will be sold on the opening day of the tender.

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Deputy Director Planning & Development

Weather Moderate rain likely

Light to moderate rain or shower with a few moderately heavy fall accompanied by gusty wind or nor' wester squall likely to occur at many places over Chittagong and Rajshahi divisions and a few places over Dhaka and Khulna divisions till Monday morning, Meteorological Department reports. The highest temperature recorded on Saturday at Jessore and

sets today (Sunday) at 6.39pm and rises tomorrow (Monday) at 5.12 am.

Cities/ Towns Temperature in Celsius Humidity(%) 33.2 Dhaka Tangail Sylhet na 80 72 Srimongal 22.8 Chittagong 22.5 Cox's Bazar Rajshahi 23.8 29.2 Dinajpur

By Staff Correspondent

Satkhira was 35.6 degree Celsius. The day temperature till Monday may remain nearly unchanged. Met office forecasts. Outlook for subsequent two days: Little change Extended outlook for another five days: No marked change. The sun

Temperature and humidity of some cities and towns of the country on Saturday were:

74 88 77 24.4 Bogra 73 26.6 Khulna 25.3 33.3 Barisal 35.6 24.1 Jessore

necessary steps to bring back congenial atmosphere on the