

Farewell reception

A farewell reception to the outgoing higher secondary students of Rampura Ekramunnessa College was held in the city on reports BSS. The reception ceremony, presided over by Principal of the college, Akem Ali, was also addressed by Prof. Shaiful Azam Selim, Prof. Nurunnabi Mridha and Mansur Ali Khan, a member of the Governing Body of the college. The function was followed by a musical soiree.

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Postal ballot facility in bye-elections

The voters of the 11 Jatiya Sangsad constituencies, where bye-elections are scheduled to be held on September 11, may cast their votes by postal ballot provided that they are eligible to cast votes by postal ballot under law, a press release of the Election Commission said Thursday, reports BSS. The government employees, who normally reside outside their own constituencies or those who have been detained in prison or other legal custody at any place of the country, may cast their votes by postal ballot if their names are included in the voters list. Such facility will also be applicable to the wives of the

Trial of killers of student leader demanded

By Staff Correspondent
Ganatantrik Chhatra Kendro and Bangladesh Socialist Party have demanded punishment to the killers of Ruhul Amin Faruk, a central committee member of Ganatantrik Chhatra Kendro. Ganatantrik Chhatra Kendro organised a mourning procession and rally in Dhaka on Tuesday to protest against the killing of Faruk. Faruk was killed by miscreant at Muladi under Barisal district on August 1.

High-powered divisional bodies for industrial uplift

RAJSHAHI, Aug 22 : High-powered divisional industrial development committees headed by the Industries Minister for each division have recently been formed to take quick decisions for rapid industrialisation of the country, reports BSS. Similar committees headed by Industries Secretary at divisional level have also been formed under the directive of Prime Minister Begum Khaleida Zia for examination of cases of sick industries and recommending their rehabilitation. This was stated here Wednesday by the Industries Secretary Shaiful Alam while addressing a discussion on separate industrial policy for cottage industries in the country organised by National Association of Small and Cottage Industries of Bangladesh (NASCI) here at BSCIC conference room. Presided over by Mustaqe Ahmed, President NASCI, Rajshahi, the function was addressed among others by BSCIC Chairman Md. Moniruzzaman Chowdhury and Alamgir, a private entrepreneur. Shaiful Alam said the policy of the government was a balanced industrial development through realistic programme which, he added, was reflected in the new industrial policy. Due to economic indiscipli-



Artistes rendering chorus at a reunion of Bangladesh MBA Association at Chittagong Club recently.

Tk 1200 minimum wage for a garment worker demanded

National Garments Workers Federation NGWF Thursday placed an 8-point demand including a new salary structure in order to save the industry from chaos and instability, reports UNB. The 11 Jatiya Sangsad constituencies, where bye-elections will be held on September 11, are 19 Rangpur-1, 20 Rangpur-2, 23 Rangpur-5, 24 Rangpur-6, 42 Bogra-7, 118 Bhola-2, 184 Dhaka-5, 188 Dhaka-9, 217 Madaripur-1, 218 Madaripur-2 and 286 Chittagong-8. The Additional Divisional Commissioner -1 of Dhaka Division has been appointed Returning Officer for constituency nos. 184 Dhaka-5 and 188 Dhaka-9, while the Deputy Commissioners concerned will act as returning officers for the remaining nine constituencies. NGWF executive member Shabana Rahman announced the demands at a press conference at its central office here Thursday afternoon. President of the federation Majibur Rahman and General Secretary Amirul Haq were also present. Demanding a minimum wage of Tk 1200 she said, a new pay structure for the garment workers was imperative in view of the government's new pay scale announced Tuesday last. Country's 722 garments industries earn the highest foreign exchange but regrettably, the NGWF executive member said, the workers of the industry are the lowest paid. A garment worker's minimum salary is about Tk 300', she said. Government constituted a new wage board in early 1991 but its activities are limited, the federation leaders said. The lowest wage under 1984 wage board has not been implemented in most of the factories. Workers are now frustrated and possibility of any unstable situation arising out of this dissatisfaction in near future can not be ruled out, they cautioned. NGWF's 8-point demand include: banning women labour after 8 pm introduction and implementation of gratuity, provident fund and life insurance, arrangement for housing and transport, right to free trade union under ILO convention and implementation of industrial ordinance 1969 and labour law of 1965.



Police operating elevator at the Secretariat Thursday as the government employees went on strike demanding pay rise and fixation of office timings from 7 am to 2 pm. -Star photo

Dateline Khulna

Certificate cases filed against 55 projects

KHULNA, Aug. 22: Certificate cases have been filed against 55 industrial projects set up with the financial assistance of Bangladesh Shipha Bank (BSB) to realise outstanding loans of Taka 26,26,24,000 in Khulna division, reports UNB. Official sources said that out of the 55 industrial units under greater Khulna, greater Jessore and greater Barisal districts, 27 are sick units and have not been in operation. The sick units included, rice mills, jute mills, textile mills, ice factories, food and food products, foundry and cinema hall. An amount of Taka 12,42,30,000 BSB loan has been lying unrealised with 16 industrial units under greater Khulna district. In greater Barisal district, a total of Taka 1,08,60,000 has been lying unrealised from 5 projects. The source said that 167 projects in 13 districts under Khulna division have been established with financial assistance of BSB and out of these units 25 per cent are sick. The total amount of outstanding loans against these projects is about Taka 150 crore, the source added. **3 hurt in clash** Three people were injured in a clash between two rival groups Tuesday mid-night near Boyra CSD godown here, police said. The clash ensued when Jatiya Party men allegedly hurled cocktails and bombs on a truck procession of BNP led by Tara Kazi. Later, tension mounted in the area resulting in chase and counter chase and armed attacks between two rival groups. Police, on information, rushed to the spot and brought the situation under control. The injured were rushed to the hospital.

HERE and THERE

Documentary film on parliament polls
The inaugural show of 'Durer Gatra', a documentary film on Parliament Elections, 1991 was held at the German Cultural Centre on Wednesday. Barrister Amirul Islam presided over the discussion on the occasion of the show. Professor Serajul Islam Chowdhury, Suranjit Sengupta, Faiz Ahmed, Dr Golam Rahman, Barrister Signa Huda, Shahriar Kabir and Morshedul Islam participated in the discussion. The film was produced by Bangladesh Human Rights Coordination Council and directed by young short film worker and a student of Dhaka University Zaker Hossain Raju.

Sangbad unit of the DUJ
The daily Sangbad unit of the Dhaka Union of Journalists (DUJ) on Thursday observed three-hour token strike to re-affirm its 11-point demand.

Muslim League
Muslim League leader Muhammad Ayenuddin on Thursday expressed satisfaction over the reinstatement of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev. In a statement he said that returning to power by foiling the conspiracy of socialist hard-liners was truly a victory of democratic forces. He felicitated the Soviet people for the victory.

Reception to Islamic thinker
Yahiya Abul Azim Moabber, a social worker and Islamic thinker from Saudi Arabia, was accorded a reception on Thursday at Demicolasis Tutorial Complex at Khilkhet of the city. Principal of the institution B K Chowdhury presided over the function which was addressed, among others, by A K Matur Rab, Firoza Begum, Jahannara Amin, Marjuna Begum and Fatema Shirin Akter. A discussion on 'Islamic Education in the National Life and its Importance' was also held on this occasion. Moabber was now on a week-long visit in Bangladesh. Compiled by ABZ

Nezam-e-Islam Party
Maulana Abdul Latif, Assistant General Secretary, Bangladesh Nezam-e-Islam Party has congratulated Mikhail Gorbachev for his reinstatement as President of the Soviet Union defeating hard-liners. Maulana Latif also congratulated Boris Yeltsin for his firm determination to foil the conspiracy hatched by the hard-liners.

B Chowdhury visits city exam centres
Minister for Education and Cultural Affairs Prof A Q M Badruddoza Chowdhury on Thursday visited some examination centres in the city to see the atmosphere prevailing there, reports BSS. The Minister talked to the teachers on duty and the examinees, an official handout said. Prof Chowdhury found the HSC examination was being held in a peaceful atmosphere in these centres and expressed his satisfaction over the situation in and around the centres. The Deputy Commissioner of Dhaka district was also with the Minister during the visit, a press release of the District Information Office said.

'Marine vessels unable to run due to oil price hike'
Various marine vessel associations Thursday said that they were no more able to run their business because of increased prices of fuel oil, reports BSS. Addressing a joint press conference in the city, the representatives of six associations said that they had operated their vessels so far with loss considering the difficulties of the people. 'But we are now on the brink of economic bankruptcy due to price hike on fuel oil,' they said. The associations are Bangladesh Inland Water Transport (Passenger Carriers) Organisation, Bangladesh Cargo Vessel Owners' Association, Coaster Owners' Association of Bangladesh and Bangladesh Jute and Jute Goods Water Transport Association.

Rabeta to finance 5000 orphans

The representative of Jeddah based Rabeta Al-Alam Al-Islami, Dr Abdul Mannan, Thursday called on State Minister for Religious Affairs, Prof M A Mannan at his office in Dhaka, reports BSS. During the meeting, they discussed matters of mutual interest with special regard to financing orphanages in Bangladesh. Dr Mannan showed deep interest in establishing a Rabeta Complex in Dhaka to help accelerate the activities of the organisation in Bangladesh. The Rabeta representative assured the State Minister that a substantial fund would be provided to build and reconstruct mosques in the country. Rabeta is, at present, financing Taka 10 lakh per month for 1000 orphans in Bangladesh. It has also agreed to finance 5000 orphans in the tidal bore affected areas, an official source said. Dr Mannan came to Bangladesh on August 19 and leaves here today for Saudi Arabia.

Hearing of petitions of Rab, Jafar Imam continues
The hearing of the bail petitions of former Leader of the Opposition in parliament A S M Abdur Rob and former Jute Minister Lt Col. (Rtd) Jafar Imam continued Thursday before a Division Bench of the High Court division, reports BSS. The Bench comprised Justice Anwarul Haq Chowdhury and Justice Muhammad Abdul Mannan. The hearing of the bail petitions will resume on August 26. Sirajul Haq appeared on behalf of A S M Abdur Rob and M Nurullah appeared on behalf of Lt Col (Rtd) Jafar Imam while Alhaj M Shamsul Alam, Deputy Attorney General, appeared for the state.

Obituary
Alhaj Khandaker Rakibuddin Ahmed, a senior retired government official and a philanthropist, died of brain haemorrhage at his Dhanmondi residence here Thursday afternoon. He was 73, reports BSS. Son of Peck Hazrat Khandaker Kabiruddin Ahmed of Dashedpara, Comilla, late Rakibuddin was the Deputy Secretary and a Director of Forest Development Corporation. Khandaker Rakibuddin was the elder brother of Khandaker Mostaque Ahmed, former President and was well-known for his philanthropic works both in Dhaka and in his village. He used to conduct a free home clinic at the National Press Club for a long time. The Namaz-e-Janaza of the deceased will be held at the Eidgah Masjid of Dhanmondi this morning. He will be laid to rest in his family graveyard at Dashedpara, Daudkandi, Comilla. Khandaker Rakibuddin left behind his wife, one son, four daughters, grandchildren and a number of admirers to mourn his death.

Bangladeshi graduates' assoc formed

An association of Bangladeshi graduates from the International Institute for Education Planning (IIEP), Paris, was formed at a meeting of the graduates held in Dhaka on August 15, reports BSS. Minister for Education Prof A Q M Badruddoza Chowdhury and Secretary, Ministry of Education, A N M Yusuf were present in the meeting. Dr B C Sanyal senior staff member of IIEP also attended. A 16-member executive committee was formed with Md Anwar Hossain as president and Kabiruddin Ahmed Majumdar as member-secretary. The association aims at strengthening the practice of education planning and management in Bangladesh and establishing a close cooperation among the members and with the Institute for achieving proper recognition of the IIEP training in Bangladesh.

Death condoled
A condolence meeting at the death of Abul Mansur Sirajul Haq, a Principal Scientific Officer of Bangladesh Atomic Energy Commission, was held at the Atomic Energy Research Establishment, Savar Monday. A M Sirajul Haq died on July 22 at the Diabetic Hospital, reports BSS. Presided over by Dr M Serajul Islam, Director General, the meeting was attended, among others, by Dr F R Al-Siddique, Vice-President of the Bangladesh Atomic Energy Scientists' Association (BAESA) and Director Institute of Nuclear Science and Technology.

JU students hailed for maintaining peace on campus

By JU Correspondent
The installation ceremony of the newly-elected office-bearers of the Jahangirnagar University Central Students Union (JUCSU) was held at the open dais of the university Thursday evening. Jatiya Sangsad Speaker, Abdur Rahman Biswas attended the function as the chief guest. Chaired by the JU Vice-Chancellor, Prof Kazi Saleh Ahmed, the function was also addressed by Neamatullah Sabu, MP, JUCSU Vice-President Moniruzzaman Monir and Treasurer Dr Enamul Haque. Abdur Rahman Biswas praised the JU students for maintaining a congenial academic atmosphere and good relations among themselves. The outsiders were used to create disturbances on the educational campuses, he said and urged upon the students not to allow the outsiders to enter the campus for the sake of a peaceful academic atmosphere. The Speaker told the audience that an auditorium for the university would be built. He also donated Taka 25,000 for the welfare activities of the institution. The Speaker called upon all concerned to cast affirmative votes in the September 15 referendum. The Vice-Chancellor of the university urged the students to maintain peace on the campus. The installation ceremony was followed by a cultural function.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Public Works Directorate, Dhaka
Memo No. 5059 Date: 15-8-91 (30-4-98 BS)
Notice Inviting Tender
1. Sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No-2911 are invited from 1st class contractors firm enlisted with Public Works Directorate for public works electrical/mechanical jobs having valid A, B, C class contractor's and supervisor's licence issued by Bangladesh Electrical Licensing Board for the undermentioned work. Tenders will be received by Executive Engineer, Public Works E/M Division-1, 2, 3, Public Works Eden Building Division, Public Works, Department-Narayanganj, Narsingdi, Munshiganj, Gazipur, Dhaka up to 12-00 noon on 3-9-91 and opened the same day at 12:30 minutes in presence (if any) of the tenderers. No tender will be sold on the date of opening tender. Last date of purchasing tender is 2-9-91.
2. Name of work : Re-installation of HT switch gear of 800 KVA Power Sub-station of BIRDEM Project at Shabhagh, Dhaka.
3. Time limit for completion of work : 60 (sixty) days.
4. Allotted Cost : Quoted amount.
5. Earnest money at the rate of 2% (two per cent) should be deposited with the tender in the form of Bank Draft/ PO/SDR from any scheduled bank in Bangladesh in favour of Executive Engineer, Public Works E/M Division-3, Dhaka.
6. Tender form, schedule of items, specification, terms and conditions etc. can be seen and purchased on cash payment of usual price (non-refundable) from the office of Executive Engineer, Public Works E/M Division-1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8; Public Works Eden Building Division ; Public Works Department, Narayanganj, Narsingdi, Munshiganj, Manikganj, Gazipur and all Executive Engineers' offices of Public Works Directorate in Dhaka city, during office hours up to the last date of purchasing tender. The contractor himself or his representative (carrying attested letter by the contractor) producing necessary papers with Registration book.
7. The tender is invited subject to approval of estimate, in case of any difference in item rate the tender receiving authority will not be held responsible. Tender will be accepted on the basis of approved estimated rate specification.
8. The undersigned reserves the right to accept or reject the lowest or any tender without assigning any reason.
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