

# 197 candidates in 8 Dhaka city seats

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A total of 197 candidates have filed their nomination papers from eight constituencies of the Dhaka city till last date of the submission of nomination papers Sunday.

Awami League chief Sheikh Hasina and BNP chairperson Khaleda Zia will contest from two seats each from the Dhaka city. Sheikh Hasina is contesting from Kotwali Sutrapur and Ramna-Tejgaon constituencies, while in Kotwali Sutrapur, BNP has nominated Sadeque Hossen Khoka. Major (retired) Mannan of BNP will contest against Sheikh Hasina from Ramna-Tejgaon constituency. In this constituency, JSD leader A. S. M. Abdur Rob has also filed his nomination.

BNP chairperson Khaleda Zia will contest from Dhanmondi-Mohammadpur and Gulshan-Banani constituencies. Begum Sajeda Chowdhury, General Secretary of Awami League will contest against Khaleda Zia from Mohammadpur-Dhanmondi constituency, while Habibur Rahman will contest for Awami League from

Gulshan-Banani constituency. Dr Kamal Hossain of Awami League will contest against the BNP candidate S. A. Mohsin or Haroon Mollah from Mirpur constituency. In this constituency, the BNP has not decided its nomination.

Jamaat leader Abbas Ali Khan will contest from Motijheel area where it is expected that he will have to face a triangular fight with the Awami League candidate Mozaffar Hossen Poltu and the BNP candidate Mirja Abbas.

CPB leader Saifuddin Ahmed Manik will contest from Demra, while the BNP leader Mir Sawkat Ali will contest from Lalbagh constituency.

On Sunday a total of 130 candidates submitted their nomination papers. Many of them came with bus-truck processions to submit their nomination papers.

The returning officer said that three intending candidates turned up after the expiry of time for nomination filing. They were refused.



Angry students of City College set important documents of the police outpost ablaze near the Science Laboratory in Dhaka on Monday (Story on clash between students and police on Page 1)

## Moscow to buy 15,000 tons of raw jute

An agreement was signed Sunday for the sale of 15,000 metric tons of raw jute to the Soviet Union, reports BSS.

Bangladesh is expected to earn Taka about 27 crore in foreign exchange from the sale of the jute, which will be exported by January-February, this year.

Mr Bazlur Rahman, Director, Export of the Jute Corporation and the Visiting Representative of Soviet Legprom Export Mr D M Talish, signed the agreement for their respective governments.

## ROCA executives

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A new convening committee of Rangpur Old Cadets Association (ROCA) was formed with Dr Firoz Mahmud Iqbal as convenor and Dr Abdullah el Mushawir and Mujibul Haque as joint convenors.

The other members of the committee are Farid Alam, Shahed Ali, Maminul Islam, Anisur Rahman, Manzurul Haque Sohel, Humayun Faruk, Zakir Hossain, Shaheerur Rahman, Emroze and Arif. The committee was formed in a general meeting of the association held at the Dhaka University T.S.C. on Thursday.

## Japanese envoy calls on Anisuzzaman

The Japanese Ambassador in Bangladesh Mr. Takio Iguchi Monday called on the Agriculture and Land Advisor A.M. Anisuzzaman in his secretariat office, reports BSS.

They discussed matters of mutual interest with particular emphasis on the on-going Japanese aided projects in Bangladesh.

They hoped that the friendly relation between the two countries would be further strengthened in future.



A procession of Bangladesh Free Trade Union activists in Dhaka city on Monday after biennial conference of the organisation. They chanted slogans urging the caretaker government to meet workers' demands

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## Express Mail Service with Denmark

Express Mail Service between Bangladesh and Denmark will be introduced with effect from Tuesday (today), a postal Press release said Monday, reports BSS. In Bangladesh, the service is available in metropolitan area of Dhaka and municipality areas of Chittagong, Khulna, Rajshahi, Sylhet and Jessore.

## Training course on GIS begins

A 8-day long training course on Geographic Information Systems (GIS) began on Saturday at Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET) jointly organised by BUET computer centre and the university of Melbourne, Australia, reports UNB.

Prof. M. H. Khan, Vice-Chancellor, BUET, inaugurated the course at the seminar room of the university.

## Iajuddin visits FDC

Presidential Adviser for Culture and Food Iajuddin Ahmed Sunday paid a surprise visit to Bangladesh Film Development Corporation (BFDC).

He inspected different sections including the studio floor that is near completion at a cost of Tk 3 crore.

Speaking to the officers and film makers, Prof Iajuddin urged them to make films on people and life to uphold the culture and heritage of the country.

## Dr Kamal demands trial of Ershad

Awami League leader Dr Kamal Hossain, contesting the Feb 27 parliamentary elections from Dhaka-11 constituency, began his election campaign through a public meeting at Mirpur on Sunday, reports UNB.

Dr Kamal in his speech paid tribute to the memories of 7 martyrs who were killed during final phase of the anti-Ershad movement.

He said the supreme sacrifice of the martyrs would be meaningful only if the victory of democratic movement could be consolidated through a free and fair election.

The Awami League leader said the national economy has been ruined during the past eight years through plundering of national resources by the corrupt regime of ousted president Ershad.

## JSD (Inu) leader joins AL

Mr. Nasim Khan Taimur, President, JSD (Inu) of Dhaka metropolis, has joined Bangladesh Awami League expressing his firm faith in the leadership of Awami League chief Sheikh Hasina, reports BSS.

In a statement, Mr. Taimur said Awami League is capable of overcoming the present political crisis confronting the nation and piloting its transition towards democracy.

## Theatre festival begins today

A six-day theatre festival organised by Bangladesh Centre of the International Theatre Institute (ITI) on the occasion of the international seminar begins in Dhaka today at the Mahila Samity auditorium, reports BSS.

Ms. Pamela Payne, Advisory Editor of Australian Drama Studies, will formally declare the festival open.

The plays to be performed in the festival are, Amina Sundari by Dhaka Padatik, Akhono Kiritodah by Theatre, Nankar Pala by Aranyak, Hat Hadai by Dhaka Theatre and Galileo by Nagorik. Abdul Qudus Bayati and Abdul Jabbar Bayati's palagan will also be included in the festival which is being sponsored by Nestle and Reliance Insurance.

The international seminar on theatre journals in Asia: co-operation through communication will be held here from January 17 to 19.

## PROGRAMME

The regular weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Dhaka will be held today (Tuesday) at 5 p.m. at Dhaka Sheraton Hotel.

## Cancer Society meet

A meeting of the executive committee of Bangladesh Cancer Society will be held on January 16 at 11 a.m. at the Radiotherapy Department of Dhaka Medical College Hospital.

Executive committee members have been requested to attend the meeting, says a press release.

## Cultural council

Bangladesh Cultural Council has urged upon all to observe February 27 as "Peace Day" to create a congenial atmosphere for the people to exercise their franchise in the parliamentary polls, reports UNB.

In a joint press release issued Sunday, President of the Council Moniruddin Moni and General Secretary Ali Ashraf Akhand proposed to the caretaker government to chalk out elaborate programmes to mark the day.

The leaders of the Council also called upon all patriotic individuals to evaluate the significance of the day.

## Discussion serial

Radio Bangladesh will broadcast a week-long discussion serial of All-Party Students Unity (APSU) from January 18, reports BSS.

According to a press release, the Dhaka centre of the Radio will broadcast the 30-minute discussion each day at 10 a.m.

The serial titled Tomakey Abhivadan Hey Bangladesh will be produced by Transcription Service of the Radio Bangladesh.

## BCPS confce

The first International Scientific Conference of Bangladesh College of Physicians and Surgeons (BCPS) will be held in Dhaka from January 22.

One hundred and forty four papers are expected to be presented in four plenary and scientific sessions.

About four hundred physicians and surgeons from home and abroad are expected to participate in the 3-day conference.

# 13000 convicts to be released

The government decided to release different categories of convicts with immediate effect under certain conditions, a Press note said in Dhaka Sunday night, reports BSS.

Out of the total 13 thousand convicts in different jails of the country, 3,683 including 750 in the Dhaka Central Jail will be benefited by this amnesty and special concession for the immediate release, the Press Note issued by the Home Ministry said.

The remaining 9,317 convicts will be released in phases on different dates in eight years, the Press Note added.

The Press Note said (text): Several rounds of talks with the prisoners and high level review meetings were held to tackle the situation arising out of the recent demands of the prisoners in Dhaka and differ-

ent other jails in the country. Their first and main demand was that all of them should be released as the country has been freed from the clutches of autocracy. The government had rejected it as the demand was unreasonable and this had been informed to all quarters in a Press Note on January 11.

Later, the government after considering their demands decided to release immediately different categories of convicts under certain conditions, and they will be released on different dates after fulfilling the conditions. Under this amnesty and special concessions, out of total 13,000 convicts in jails all over the country, 3,683 including 750 convicts in Dhaka Central Jail will have the opportunity of getting immediate release.

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## 'Resist hoodlums to save garment industries'

The garment factory owners of the city have sought cooperation from all to resist the hoodlums disrupting production in many factories for the last two weeks, reports BSS.

They were speaking in a meeting organised by the Garments Welfare Committee Zone-1, at Sonargaon Hotel in the city Saturday evening.

The committee, affiliated with the Bangladesh Garments Manufacturers and Exporters Association (BGMEA), was formed with the owners of factories located at Malibagh, Maghbazar, Santibagh, Rampura and adjoining areas, to coordinate measures to check the outsiders who want to create trouble.

If this sector, employing lakhs of workers, mostly women, faced a closure, serious socio-economic upheaval will grip the country. At the same time the nation will lose

a huge quantum of foreign currency, they cautioned.

Presided over by BGMEA Chairman Mosharrar Hossain, the meeting was addressed, among others, by Messrs Golam Kuddus, Convenor of Zone-1 Committee, Shaiful Islam, Quazi Muniruzzaman, Shakur Chowdhury, Shahadat Hossain and Romel.

Mr. Mosharrar Hossain said, it had been proved that the trouble being created in the garments industries by some miscreants is not a labour unrest, rather it is a well-engineered conspiracy to destroy the country's economy. It is the duty of the concerned government agencies to unearth the elements and bring them to book. The workers and the owners want their security, he said.

He called upon the garment owners of the city to form similar committees.

## SAARC mission to monitor polls

A SAARC non-governmental observer mission will visit Bangladesh to observe the parliamentary elections of February 27, reports BSS.

The delegation consisting of 30 eminent persons, from four SAARC countries of Nepal, Sri Lanka, India and Pakistan will visit Bangladesh from February 20 to March 2.

The delegation will assemble in Dhaka and then divide into 14 groups to visit the different districts in the country. It expects to cover 60 to 70 constituencies during its visit to Bangladesh and will issue an interim assessment and a final report.

Studies based in Sri Lanka. ICES also sent a study group on March 1990 to review the electoral system in Pakistan.

Dr Neelan Tiruchelvam, Director of the International Centre for Ethnic Studies, called on the Advisor on Foreign Affairs Fakhruddin Ahmed in Dhaka Saturday and briefed him on the proposed observer mission.

Dr Tiruchelvam also called on Begum Khaleda Zia, chief of the Bangladesh Nationalist Party and the 7-Party Alliance, Sheikh Hasina, chief of the Awami League and the 8-Party Alliance, and Mr Haider Akbar Khan Rano, Member Politburo of the Workers Party of Bangladesh and leader of the 5-Party Alliance.

Dr Tiruchelvam also met with Dr Kamal Hossain, Dr Zilur Rahman Siddiqi, Mr K G Mustafa, and Justice K M Subhan.

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