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Dhaka to explore manpower export prospects in ME

The government has offered to send a medical team to Kuwait, now emerging out of rubble left over by occupation and devastating war, reports UNB.

A spokesman for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs said on Wednesday "the offer is being considered and awaits confirmation" by the Kuwaiti authorities.

He described as "disparate" press reports that the government had failed to send a delegation to the Gulf countries in search of employment prospects for Bangladeshis in the war-ravaged countries.

Even well before the final ceasefire in the Gulf, he said, the government had been in close touch with Riyadh and other capitals for visit of a high-powered delegation.

"Indeed, a firm date was finalised through mutual consultations, but the proposed visit was postponed at the request of Saudi Arabia because of their heavy preoccupations," the spokesman said.

He informed that requests had also been made for separate official and non-official delegations, for which Dhaka is awaiting clearance from Riyadh and Kuwait.

The government, he said, is making sustained efforts to expatriate Bangladesh nationals who were displaced by the Gulf war and also to deal with their other problems.

Bangladesh was one of the first countries from Asia to re-visit its mission in Kuwait, he added.

Regarding the employment of Bangladeshis in reconstruction and rehabilitation works in the Gulf region, the official said the government and ambassadors in the region and in the capitals of other major countries were in close and constant touch with authorities concerned in this regard.

About the practical situation in the war-ravaged countries, he observed "it will not be weeks, but months before any degree of normalcy returns."



Returnees from Kuwait addressing a Press conference in Dhaka on Wednesday. —Star photo

**IOM assistance sought for flights to Kuwait
Plea to issue passports to 25,000 Bangladeshis**

Bangladeshis, who returned home from Kuwait in the wake of Iraqi action against its tiny northern neighbour, on Wednesday urged the government to make all-out efforts to send them back to Kuwait at the earliest, reports BSS.

The Kuwait Repatriated Bangladesh Association said that returnees from Kuwait must get top priority in the massive reconstruction work in the war-ravaged country and new people could be sent only after those returnees were absorbed there.

A. S. Tajul Hasan and Moazzuddin Ahmed, President and General Secretary respectively of the Association, and other office-bearers told a Press conference in Dhaka that unscrupulous manpower business men might try to exploit the situation for their selfish ends.

They demanded that the returnees be sent back to Kuwait under the aegis of the Ministry of Labour and Manpower and the Kuwaiti Embassy here. Other Bangladeshis must also be encouraged and assisted to go to Kuwait after the original returnees return to Kuwait, they said.

Hasan and Ahmed listed a number of demands that include issuance of passports to 25,000 Bangladeshis who returned from Kuwait but possessed no passports.

Most of the returnees were low-income group and as such efforts should be made to arrange their fare to Kuwait through the assistance of International Organisation of Migration (IOM) or other organisations, they said.

Other demands include return of money in exchange of dinars deposited in the Sonali Bank and facility to transfer ownership of the cars brought from Kuwait.

The association expressed satisfaction at the liberation of Kuwait and lauded the policy of Bangladesh government on the Gulf war. It also congratulated the Acting President for organising free and fair polls.

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Tender Notice No. KD-4/8/4613 dated 7-3-91 is hereby invited from Pre-qualified Electrical Contractors of Greater Dhaka Power Distribution Project Phase-III for Replacement and Shifting of 11 KV Switchgears from Ramna 11 KV Sub-station to New Biddut Bhavan, Dhaka. Detailed Tender documents schedule is obtainable at a cost of Tk. 500.00 (Taka Five hundred) only (Non-refundable) per set upto Banking hour of 3rd April, 1991 from the Office of the (a) Chief Engineer, Dhaka Electric Supply, Dhaka, (b) Project Director, G.D.P. D.P., D.E.S., Dhaka and (c) Manager, Pubali Bank Ltd., Gulshan Model Town Branch, Dhaka-1212.

Project Manager, Ewbank Preece Power Ltd., Gulshan, Dhaka.

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Punishment of Saddam demanded

Kuwait Liberation Struggle Society on Wednesday demanded exemplary punishment of President Saddam Hussein of Iraq for his atrocities during the Gulf war and for invading Kuwait, reports BSS.

Mohammad Salahuddin, Secretary General of the Society, in a statement said the Society would continue its movement till Saddam was not punished.

He appealed to the Muslim countries to bring Saddam to book and become vocal so that people of Iraq could establish government of their own choice.

Bangladesh Society of Economists formed

A new society of economists called the Bangladesh Society of Economists has been formed to facilitate free and non-partisan thinking in the study of economics, says a press release.

All interested researchers and teachers of economics at Graduate and Post Graduate level have been requested to contact Professor Mohammad Azimul Hossain over phone no 500329 Professor S.A.L. Reza over phone no 503324. Professor K. Mustahidur Rahman, phone no 404402 and Syed Abdul Hye over phone no 400185/162.

Other members of the convening committee are: Dr. Q. K. Ahmad (Convener); Prof. M. Mohtaz Uddin Ahmed; Dr. Salehuddin Ahmed; Professor A.H.M. Mahbubul Alam; Professor Ayubur Rahman Bhuyan; Dr. M. Asaduzzaman; Professor M. Azheruddin; Mr. Farouk Chowdhury; Syed Abdul Hye; Mr. Haroonur Rashid Khan; Professor K. Mustahidur Rahman; Professor S.A.L. Reza; Dr. Quazi Shahabuddin; and Professor Hafiz G.A. Siddiqi.

**Dateline Khulna
Delay in Mongla Port dredging work causes huge loss**

From Syed Isa

KHULNA, Mar 13: Unfortunate delay in starting the dredging work of the Mongla Port, the second of its kind, is causing huge loss in the government exchequer. Besides, the port itself is facing acute navigation problem for incoming foreign ships.

Although an agreement was signed for the project between Mongla Port Authority and the China Harbour Engineering Company in November last the works could not be started due to non arrival of a further joint declaration by both the parties. The joint declaration, it is learnt, could not be signed by the port authority due to non-availability of a clearance from the Ministry of Port, I.W.T.A and Shipping.

It is gathered that in absence of the joint declaration — two dredgers, one survey ship and other components required for the dredging work, imported by the Chinese company could not be cleared by the Chalna Customs and lying idle at the port area.

The China Harbour Engineering Company has at least claimed compensation of Taka 70 lakhs which may reach to an amount of Taka one crore every month if the project fails to start immediately.

JP rally

Khulna city unit of the Jatiya Party has arranged a rally and procession Tuesday demanding immediate release of former president Hussain Mohammad Ershad and withdrawal of warrants of arrest against former ministers and Jatiya Party leaders.

Carrying banners and placards the processionist paraded main road of the city chanting slogans demanding release of Ershad and others.

Local JP leaders including former Whip Mia Musa Hossain, Momin Uddin Ahmed, Kazi Aminul Haque Amin, Babar Ali, Shafiqul Hamid Chandon and Lokman Hossain addressed the rally.

Kachi Kanther Ashar

The secretaries of the 15 districts of Khulna divisional Kachi Kanther Ashar, in a joint statement Tuesday expressed their solidarity with the newly constituted 23 member central convening committee headed by Mr. Mizanur Rahman Shelly.

According to a press release, signed by Mr. Mamtaz Khan Dulu, Secretary of Khulna Division, the signatories to the statement are: secretaries of Bhoala, Patuakhali, Jhalakathi, Borguna, Barisal, Pirojpur, Bagherhat, Satkhira, Jessore, Narail, Jhenidah, Magura, Chuadanga, Meherpur and Kushtia.

**Dateline Chittagong
Uniform education system demanded**

CHITTAGONG, Mar 13: Chittagong District Branch of Bangladesh College-University Teachers' Association here Tuesday called for constitution of a commission to recommend examination system, management of examination centres and publication of examination results, reports BSS.

It also urged the government to take effective steps to ensure peace and order at the examination centers as it did, in the February 27 parliamentary election. All examinations including S. S. C. and H. S. C. should be held in peace and terror-free atmosphere, it said.

Addressing a press conference at Momin road Bangabandhu Bhavan here Branch President Prof. Shaful Alam called for co-operation of all concerned in holding examinations in peace and order, Dr. Momtazuddin Patwary and Prof. Mahbubul Haque joint secretaries of the branch were also present on the occasion.

Prof. Shaful Alam said, unless the examinations were made free from corruptions, unfair means and terrorism the nation can not expect to have honest and good citizens.

He demanded hundred per cent salary from the government for teachers of non-government educational institutions and upgrading of the profession of teachers and removal of anomalies in services of government and non-government teachers.

He also demanded introduction of a uniform system of education in the country.

15 hurt in clash

At least 15 students, including eight female students of Chittagong Government College, were injured Tuesday when a group of youths stormed and ransacked the pendals erected for holding annual sports of the college, college sources said.

The youths stormed the sports venue at the college ground when the college authority refused to suspend the sports programme in support of their demand protesting the killing of Firoz Mahmud, a final year student of Chittagong University and a former sports secretary of the College Student Union.

Following the incident the sports programme was suspended and the injured students were treated locally.

BCL (H-A) blamed for killing Firoz

Leaders of Bangladesh Islami Chhatra Shibir here Tuesday accused militant members of Bangladesh Chhatra League (H-A) of killing Chittagong University student Firoz Mahmud, reports BSS.

Addressing a protest rally just before the Namaz-e-Janaza of the victim at Laldighi Maidan Tuesday afternoon, Hamid Hussain Azad, President Dhaka Metropolitan Unit, Hamidur Rahman Azad President C.U. Unit and Mostafa Kamal Chowdhury, President Chittagong Metropolitan Unit alleged that terrorists of BCL killed the Shibir leader.

They also declared a three-day programme to protest the killing. The programme included students strike in all educational institutions on March 14 and prayer day on March 14 and 15.

BUET classes begin from May 11

By BUET Correspondent

The Academic Council of Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET) has decided to begin the classes of the fresh students of 1989-90 session from May 11.

An official announcement said, any student failing to attend the classes consecutively for two weeks extended upto May 24 without the consent of the authority would be considered to have lost his studentship.

The BUET authorities further added that the classes of all faculties of second and third year students of 1989-90 Session and of Third, Fourth and Fifth year (Architecture) students of 1988-89 session is scheduled to start from May 11.

Govt college lecturers meet Zillur

The leaders of Bangladesh Government College Lecturers' Association (BGLCLA) Wednesday called on Education Adviser Prof Zillur Rahman Siddiqui at the latter's office.

The leaders of BGLCLA apprised the Education Adviser of different problems being faced by the lecturers of the government colleges.

The Education Adviser gave patient hearing to them and informed that the matters concerning them are now under active consideration of the Ministry of Education.

Convener of the Association, Mr Kamal Ataur Rahman, Joint Convener, Mr Omar Faruq, members Mr Saleh Uddin and ABM Siddiqui Rahman, were present.

Nurul Haq Administrative Appeal Tribunal Chairman

Nurul Haq Bhuiyan, a retired judge of Supreme Court, was on Wednesday appointed Chairman of Administrative Appeal Tribunal, reports UNB.

He was appointed for one-year term, says an official handout.

Kamal Ataur Rahman, joint convener Omar Faruq, members Salehuddin and ABM Siddiqui Rahman, were present.

Seminar on Mashiur today

A Seminar on the life and work of Mashiur Rahman will be held today (Thursday) at 4 p.m. at the auditorium of the Jatiya Press Club, reports BSS.

Prof. A. M. Badruddoza Chowdhury, former Deputy Prime Minister and Vice-Chairman of BNP and Prof. Muhammad Muniruzzaman Mia, Vice-Chancellor of Dhaka University, among others, will take part in the discussion.

Principal Kashem's qul khwani tomorrow

Qul Khwani of Principal Abul Kashem will be held tomorrow (Friday) at 10, West End Street (near Ideal College), Central Road after Asr prayer, reports BSS.

Relatives, well wishers and friends have been requested to attend the qul khwani.

Discussion on Jasimuddin today

By Staff Correspondent

Kabi Jasimuddin Hall Students' Union will arrange a discussion at the Hall Auditorium on Thursday evening to commemorate the fifteenth death anniversary of poet Jasimuddin.

Palli Kabi Jasimuddin Padak-1991 will be distributed in the function.

Vice Chancellor of Dhaka University Prof Maniruzzaman Miah will attend the occasion as chief guest and Pro-Vice Chancellor Wakil Ahmed and widow of the poet Begum Jasimuddin will be special guests.

Cultural evening, Ikebana contest tomorrow

The 17th annual 'Bangladesh-Japan Cultural Evening' jointly sponsored by the Embassy of Japan and Asia Banka Kabun Doshai (ABKD) will be held at Bangladesh National Museum Auditorium tomorrow (Friday) from 4:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., says a press release.

Bangladeshi and Japanese nationals including school children will take part in this cultural show with a view to promoting mutual exchanges.

Professor Muniruzzaman Miah, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Dhaka will attend the function as the chief guest.

Prior to the cultural show Ikebana contest will be held at the temporary exhibition hall from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Parents' Day

Twenty-eighth Parents' Day of Dhaka Residential Model College will be held tomorrow (Friday) at 3-30 PM at the college campus, reports BSS.

The ex-teachers, ex-staffs and others have been invited to attend.

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No -1/90-91

Memo. No. 62 (LGEB) Nar 91/1 Date 25-11-90 BS 10-3-91

Sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No-2911 are hereby invited from the Pre-qualified (renewed) contractors/contracting firms of Local Government Engineering Bureau of all districts under the ADB aided Flood Rehabilitation Project for completion of the following works. Tender form and schedule along with detailed information, terms and conditions may be purchased by the bidder himself or by any individual duly authorised by him in writing upto 12-12-97 BS, 27-3-91 during office time from the offices of the Project Director, ADB aided Flood Rehabilitation Project, 4/5, Lalmatia, Block-B, Dhaka-1207, Local Government Engineering Bureau, Narayanganj and the undersigned on payment of prescribed charges (non-refundable). No tender document will be sold on the day fixed for opening tenders. Tenders will have to be dropped in the tender boxes kept at the above mentioned offices on 13-12-97 BS, 28-3-91 upto 1 p.m. and will be opened the same day at 1.30 p.m. in presence of tenderers (if any). Earnest money @ Tk. 2.50 (two and half per cent) of the quoted amount will have to be deposited through draft/pay-order drawn on any scheduled Bank in favour of the undersigned along with the tender. If the quoted price of any bidder is beyond 5% less than the estimated cost, tenders will have to be submitted alongwith 10% earnest money. Non-payment of earnest money as fixed herewith along with tender schedule will amount to outright rejection of the tender. The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason.

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