

# Plea to cancel promotions

By Staff Correspondent

Engineer Md Ruhul Matin, Member-Secretary of Engineers Service Structure and Welfare Committee (ESSWC) has called upon the government to cancel the recent promotions in key positions of public services.

He gave a call to the engineering community to organise movement against these anomalies and urged other cadres and various professional groups to come forward to resist such moves.

## C'wealth Secy Gen greets Shahabuddin

Commonwealth Secretary General Emeka Anyaoku has sent a message of felicitation to Acting President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed on holding of peaceful, free and fair elections in Bangladesh, reports UNB.

In the message, the Commonwealth Secretary General said: "Now that the General Election is over, I am writing to express my warm congratulations to you and your government for the exemplary way in which the people of Bangladesh have been able to exercise their vote in free and fair elections."

The skillful management of such a process of transition, in an atmosphere of peace and good order, has been universally acclaimed.

Your duties, I know, are not yet entirely over, but, as the time for the formal transfer of power approaches, there are many, in Bangladesh and throughout the Commonwealth, who will wish to salute this singular service which you have so ably rendered to your country.

## World Children official arrives

Rev. D. S. K. Smit, member of the executive Board of World Children, the Netherlands, arrived in Dhaka Sunday on a week long visit to Bangladesh, reports BSS.

Mr. Smit will visit several projects in the field of health and Child Welfare sponsored by the World Children.

He will also discuss with the local leaders the possibilities of expansion of World Children's activities in Bangladesh.

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## 7,713 foreign money orders received in Feb

Bangladesh Post Office received a total number of 7,713 foreign money order in pounds, dollars and other foreign currencies sent by Bangladeshi national living abroad during the month of February, reports BSS.

Exchange value of these money orders is equivalent to taka 10,88,21,990.69 only, an official handout said.

## Office of the Deputy Police Commissioner (Supply) Dhaka Metropolitan Police Dhaka.

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Workers holding a rally in front of National Press Club on Tuesday demanding running of hotels and restaurants during the holy month of Ramzan. —Star photo

## Looted rifles recovered in Rangunia

CHITTAGONG, Mar 19 : Rangunia police recovered two looted rifles from a remote spot of Nischintapur under Rangunia upazila here this afternoon, district police said, reports BSS.

The rifles were looted from two security guards of Ichamati forest at Ranirhat this morning by a group of miscreants. The guards were overpowered and injured by the miscreants.

On receipt of the information Rangunia police went into action and recovered the rifles from a paddy field. No one was arrested in this connection.

## BCPFA council March 27

A meeting of the National Council of Bangladesh-China People's Friendship will be held on March 27 at 5-00 p.m. at the Office of the Association at 18, Purana Paltan, Dhaka to consider the Show Cause notice dated February 25 issued by the District Court, Dhaka and fixation of date of the biennial General Meeting and Election. The meeting will be followed by a Iftar Party.

## Kuwait to take back Bangladeshi workers

Bangladesh Ambassador to Kuwait K.M. Shehabuddin called on Emir Sheikh Jaber Al-Ahmed Al-Sabah on Monday, reports UNB.

Foreign office sources said in Dhaka on Tuesday Shehabuddin, who returned to Kuwait City Sunday to resume function of Bangladesh mission there, also called on Kuwaiti Prime Minister Crown Prince Saad Al-Abdullah Al-Salem Al-Sabah today.

The Bangladesh envoy delivered a message from Acting President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed to the Prime Minister of the Emirate, just freed from Iraqi occupation.

In the message, Justice Shahabuddin expressed deep satisfaction over the liberation of Kuwait from 7 months of occupation and expressed the hope that the fraternal relation between the two muslim countries would further be strengthened in days to come.

The Crown Prince has assured the Bangladesh envoy of taking back in due course all Bangladeshi nationals evacuated from Kuwait following the Gulf, the sources said.

About 60,000 Bangladeshis, working in Kuwait, were repatriated in the wake of the Gulf crisis.

Dhaka suspended its mission in Kuwait City mid-September last year after the August 2 Iraqi aggression in the oil-rich Gulf state.

Bangladesh is the first non-Arab muslim country to revive its embassy in free Kuwait.

## Khaleda condoles death of JCD leader

BNP Chairperson Begum Khaleda Zia Monday night expressed her deep sorrow at the death of Reza Ali Khokan, a leader of the Gomilla district Juyyabandi Ghatra Dal, reports BSS.

Khokan was killed in a road accident, a party press release said.

Begum Khaleda Zia prayed for the peace of the departed soul and expressed her sympathy with the members of the bereaved family.

BNP central leader Barrister Rafiqul Islam Mian, MP also expressed his sympathy with the members of the bereaved family.

## Gulf News donates Tk 4 lakh

A leading English language daily in the United Arab Emirates the "Gulf News", donated Tk 4,02,544 for the welfare of the Bangladeshi expatriates who were forced to leave the Gulf region following the Iraqi occupation of Kuwait, reports UNB.

A cheque for the amount has been sent to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs through Bangladesh Consul General in Dubai.

## BIBM workshop concludes

A 3-day long workshop on 'Rehabilitation of Sick Industries' conducted by the Bangladesh Institute of Bank Management (BIBM) concluded here on Tuesday, reports UNB.

It was aimed at identifying the symptoms and causes of sickness of industrial projects and suggesting measures for prevention and rehabilitation of those projects.

Twenty one participants from different banks attended the workshop, says a press release.

ABM Mahbubul Amin Khan, Director, BIBM, presided over the concluding function of the workshop and gave away the certificates to the participants. Bandana Saha and Md Bakar, Faculty members, BIBM coordinated the workshop.

## DU Syndicate members visit Wills Flower

By Staff Correspondent

Four university professors and members of Syndicate and Senate on Monday visited the Wills Little Flower School and assured the authorities of possible help for the uplift of the school, says a press release.

The teachers are: Professor Anwarullah Chaudhury, President, Dhaka University Teachers Association, Professor Bazur Rahman Khondoker, Treasurer of the Association, Professor Fayez Ahmed, Syndicate-Senate member and Professor Monirul Haq.

## Dhaka hails resumption of Saudi-Iran ties

Bangladesh Tuesday welcomed the decision of Saudi Arabia and Iran to resume diplomatic ties, reports BSS.

"We warmly welcome the rapprochement between the two Muslim countries and their decision to establish diplomatic relations," a Foreign Office spokesman said.

The spokesman described the decision as an important development in the post-Gulf war to restore peace and stability in the Gulf region.

Diplomatic ties between the two countries were snapped in 1987 after the disturbance in Makkah during Haj in which a large number of people, including Iranians were killed.

## Obituary

Begum Habibunessa, sister of Post Jamiuddin, died on Saturday at a city clinic. She was 82.

She was laid to rest at Alipur graveyard of Faridpur town. Her 'gul khwan' was held at Begunbari WAPDA Staff Quarters where one of her sons resides.

She was a pious and generous lady. She left behind three sons, three daughters, many grand children and a host of relatives to mourn her death.

# Carnage in Hill Tracts deplored

CHITTAGONG, Mar 19: Mr. Goutam Dewan, Chairman Rangamati Hill District Local Government Parishad today called upon the tribal people to remain alert against the insurgents and said that the government would continue developing the Hill Tracts areas despite terrorism by armed insurgents, reports BSS.

Addressing a rally of tribals and non-tribals at Chotoharina Bazar under Barkal upazila of Rangamati district Mr. Dewan reminded the people that the so-called Janasanghati Samity, misled the tribal people with false pledges of bringing about peace and progress in tribal areas, but in fact it did nothing but killed scores of innocent people including tribals during the past 16 years.

Presided over by Santosh Kumar Chakma, Chairman, Barkal Upazila the rally was also addressed by Col. Ahsan Nazmul Amin, Rangamati Regional Commander, Mr. Aftabuddin Ahmed, Deputy Commissioner of Rangamati, Mr. Moni Swapan Dewan, Chairman Rangamati Upazila, Mr. Nazimuddin Ahmed, President Bangladesh Nationalist Party, Rangamati Unit and Advocate Gayananda Bikash Chakma.

Mr. Goutam said, Bangladesh government constituted Local Government Parishads in hill districts to ensure total development, peace, education and prosperity of the tribal people. He expressed his optimism that the local governments would be able to solve all problems faced by the tribal people.

Earlier, they visited the affected families of Bhusanchara and distributed Taka 15 thousand in cash, milk powder, dry food and twenty pieces of lungi and sarees among the victims.

Tribal insurgents killed six people and set on fire 11 dwelling houses at Bhusanchara early Saturday last.

## 39 held at Chittagong

CHITTAGONG, Mar 19: Chittagong Metropolitan Police (CMP) rounded up 39 floating prostitutes, pimps and other miscreants in surprise raids conducted in different areas of the city a CMP press release said, reports BSS.

Eleven prostitutes were lifted from Court Hill, Jubilee, K.C. Dey Road and Stadium Areas with four of their pimps during the raids. Twentyfour miscreants were arrested on various charges.

Cases were filed against them under different sections.

## Explosives recovered in Rangamati

CHITTAGONG, Mar 19 : Bangladesh security forces today recovered some explosives with time device and a grenade from just one hundred yards off the venue of a public meeting held at Chotoharinabazar under Barkal upazila of Rangamati hill district, an official source said here, reports BSS.

The meeting of tribals and non-tribals was addressed by Rangamati Local Government Parishad Chairman Mr. Goutam Dewan and some officials and local leaders.

Security forces promptly defused the explosives which were suspected to be planted by insurgents.

## Loadshedding in Dhaka, Chittagong

Because of tripling of a 210 M.W. generating unit of the Ghorasal Power Station, supply of power during evening peak hours Monday caused loadshedding in Dhaka, Chittagong and some other areas, reports BSS.

Power Development Board sources said Tuesday night that repair of the unit was taken immediately with the supervision of the Soviet experts. The sources said repair work was completed at 7-30 pm on Tuesday.

The sources said some loadshedding had to be resorted during the peak hours on March 17 due to the closure of a number of generating units at the Ashuganj Power Station as sufficient gas was not available to run the plants.

## Greeting

Acting President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed has felicitated Zine El Abidine Ben Ali, President of the Republic of Tunisia, on the occasion of its Independence Day, reports BSS.

In a message of felicitation the Acting President hoped that the fraternal relations that so happily exist between the two countries would be further developed and strengthened in the years ahead to the mutual benefit of the peoples of two countries.

He wished good health, happiness and long life of Mr. Abidine



Rotary District governor Rt. Mustafizur Rahman giving away the Rotary 90-91 Award to Qamrul Islam Chowdhury of the daily Sangbad (Journalism) at a simple ceremony recently. Two other persons who received the award are Nasiruddin Yousuf (literature) and Ahmed Ullah Mollah (Teaching).

## Dateline Chittagong

# Security in CHT tightened

From Our Correspondent

CHITTAGONG, Mar 19 : Security has been tightened in Chittagong Hill Tracts to counter the possible attacks by the outlawed Shantibahini, official sources said.

The authority stepped up efforts for keeping the security forces alert following the first major attack by the Shantibahini after a relative lull for over three months with the change of the government. The attack left six non-tribals killed while some houses were set ablaze at Bhusanchara village of Rangamati district on the midnight following last Friday.

A reliable source said a few groups of Shantibahini had recently entered the three hill districts to launch insurgent activities in the rugged but scenic region.

Meanwhile, a plan is underway to raise the strength of VDP (Village Defence Party) to ensure safety to the non-tribals who are living at the cluster villages under strict security.

They are supplied with rations by the government that cost around Taka 22 crore annually. Informal sources believe that if around 15000 VDP could be recruited to provide security to those nontribals, an amount of Taka 12 crore could easily be saved annually.

### 16 arrested on various charges

BSS adds: Kotwali and Panchalaish police arrested 16 persons on various charges from different areas of the city during past 48 hours ending six p.m. Monday.

Kotwali police arrested two persons from near Cinema Palace at Andarkilla on charge of trafficking women to Pakistan. One Rezia Begum of Lohagara was rescued and four Pakistani passports were recovered from their possession.

Kotwali police in surprise raids rounded up 12 sets from different wine shops of the city. Panchalaish police arrested two persons while they were allegedly trying to hijack one

person from a video shop at Atura Depot on Sunday evening. A country-made gun was also recovered from them. Separate cases were filed against the arrested persons.

### Relief distributed

A team of Rangamati Local Government Parishad Monday distributed relief materials including clothes, medicine and dry food among the people affected in the gruesome raid by the tribal insurgents at Bhusanchara of Barkal under Rangamati Hill District on Saturday.

Meanwhile, M.S. Zahir, General Secretary Bangladesh Nationalist Party, Rangamati district unit, A.S.M. Shahidullah, Ameer of Jamaat-e-Islami of the district unit, and Sheikh Lutfur Rahman, Commander, Muktiyoddah Sangsad, Rangamati Command, in separate statements condemned the cowardly actions by the tribal insurgents in which six non-locals, including three women, were killed.

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