

Tk 4.09 cr for new hosiery estate

The government has sanctioned Taka 4 crore 9 lakh for the construction of a hosiery estate at Panchabati near Narayanganj for the overall development of hosiery industry during the current fiscal year, reports BSS.

According to Bangladesh Hosiery Association sources, the new hosiery estate would be set up on 58.52 acres under the supervision of Bangladesh Small and Cottage Industries Corporation (BSCIC).

Seven hundred fifty large and small size units with latest modern technical know-how will be set up in the state. BSCIC has floated a tender call on April 6 for earth filling work on the hosiery estate site.

The earth filling work will start at the end of April and is expected to be completed by June next.

After the construction of new hosiery belt, the present hosiery factories at Nayamat in the town of Narayanganj would be shifted there.

This will also help the town

people to get rid of the air and environmental pollution, the source said.

When contacted, Alhaj Abdur Rashed, Chairman of Bangladesh Hosiery Association, told BSS that the decision of the present government to set up a new hosiery estate would go a long way in boosting the standard of production as well as export in foreign countries.

He said Hosiery Association has exported hosiery goods worth about Taka 209 crore 24 lakh during the last seven months, from July '90 to January '91.

He urged the government to give priority to this sector of national economy to earn more foreign exchange.

Shahabuddin gives 2 buses for CU, JU

Acting President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed has decided to give two buses each to the Chittagong University and the Jahangirnagar University for transportation purpose of their students, reports BSS.

The expenses in this regard will be met from the Welfare Fund of the President.

Earlier, the Central Students Unions of the Chittagong University and the Jahangirnagar University approached the Acting President for donating some buses to their universities for easing the transport problem of their students.

'Financial sector reforms' workshop concludes

A workshop on 'financial sector reforms' organised by the Bangladesh Institute of Bank Management (BIBM) concluded in Dhaka on Wednesday, reports UNB.

Ninety-nine officers from Bangladesh Bank, commercial banks and other financial institutions attended the workshop, a press release said.

The workshop, third of its series to be conducted this year, emphasised on development of expertise in classification of loans and timely submission of correct returns to the Bangladesh Bank.

ABM Mahbubul Amin Khan, Director, Bangladesh Institute of Bank Management, presided over the concluding session of the workshop and distributed certificates to the participants.



Hawkers lying on the Farmgate road in protest against their eviction from footpaths on Wednesday. — Star photo

Non-chrome treatment of cooling water at UFFL suggested

Sitalakhya still being polluted by severe fertilizer effluents

The river Sitalakhya near Narsingdi is being polluted by the effluents disposed by Ghorashal Urea Fertilizer Factory Limited, according to a recent report made by the Environmental Engineering Department of Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET).

Ghorashal Urea Fertilizer Factory Limited (UFFL) is one of the biggest of its kind stretched over a total of 166 acres of land of which 43 acres are for factory, 122 acres for residential area and one acre for road space including stormwater and industrial wastes disposal system. This bulk portion of plant area covers enormous industrial and domestic wastes including sil-

tation of some severely active organic wastes, due to heavy surface water discharges.

The UFFL has production capacity of 1137 metric tons of urea and 660 metric tons of ammonia per day. This metric tons of ammonia per day. This huge amount of urea fertilizer manufactured from natural gas (Titas gas), water (stream including mud) and aluminium hydro-oxide sludge from clarifier unit of water treatment plant combinedly produces highly objectionable wastes which might be attributed as the pollutants of the Sitalakhya. These effluents, while disposed to the river, obviously become a source of bacterial pollution and hazardous not only to the aquatic and marine lives but also to the factory itself using huge amount of river waters.

If the contamination by ammonia is above the limit, the problem of silica slippage from Anion Tower is faced by water treatment plant in producing polished water for high pressure boilers.

More over, due to the venting of toxic gases at the time of plant abnormality, air pollution may take place and because of wind direction this air pollution affects the cooling water system of the factory adversely.

In fact, there is no pollution control measures at the grass-root level for the alleviation of organic action relating to the water discharged by the Sitalakhya. And due to this on three occasions, UFFL suffered complete shut down causing colossal production loss because of river water pollution.

The pollution problems of UFFL were independently studied by UNDP TEC and BUET recently.

To avert the alarming situation of pollution they suggested to introduce the most modern technology of non-chrome treatment of cooling water in place of traditional chrome treatment and switching over of GV process for the recovery of carbon dioxide to any other non-arsenic process. But, unfortunately, due to financial constraints none of these suggestions could yet be realised.

SSC exams from May 2, HSC from June 30

All examinations under the four Secondary and Higher Secondary Education Boards and Madrasa Education Boards will begin immediately after the Eid-ul-Fitr, an official handout said, in Dhaka.

According to the programme, Dakhil examinations will begin from April 21, SSC examinations from May 2, Aleem, Fazil and Kameel examinations from May 30 and HSC examinations will begin from June 30.

Meanwhile, the handout said, the high power committee comprising parliament members and representatives from the ministry, university, education and madrasa boards to stop adopting unfair means in examination had already identified some causes behind the trend to adopt unfair means. The committee will submit full recommendations to the government soon.

The committee decided to form a 20-member 'centre committee' at district and upazila level to take necessary measures to halt adoption of unfair means by the students.

Besides, vigilance teams will be formed at district and upazila level to monitor the examinations. In addition, Education Boards and Education Ministry will also send their special vigilance teams during the examination hours at different centres.

The committee decided to take stern measures for any lapses of any person related to examination activities and if necessary examination centres would be cancelled if the respective authorities fail to conduct the examination properly.

The Education Ministry sought full cooperation from the patriotic people for holding examinations under a fair atmosphere.

Dhaka-Beijing ties to grow further

The visiting Chinese Vice-Minister for Foreign Economic Relations and Trade Wang Wen Dong called on Foreign Minister ASM Mustafizur Rahman at his Sangsad Bhaban Chamber on Wednesday, reports UNB.

The Chinese leader who described the present relations between the two countries "very cordial and friendly", hoped the Joint Economic Commission (JEC) now meeting in Dhaka will contribute to further bilateral cooperation.

Dong is leading a 12-member delegation here in connection with the 6th JEC meeting which began on Monday.

Focussing on close bilateral cooperation, the meeting referred to various Chinese aided projects in Bangladesh. It especially mentioned the "Bangladesh-China Friendship Bridge" constructed on the Buriganga and Shambhuganj Bridge which is nearing completion.

Mustafiz explained his government policy of seeking closer cooperation and friendship with China, the meeting sources said.

He expressed optimism that China would make efforts in reducing trade imbalance.

Mustafiz invited his Chinese counterpart Qian Qichan to visit Bangladesh.

Bangladesh ambassador to China Faruq Sobhan and Chinese Ambassador here Chen Songlu were present during the meeting.

Intellectuals' plea to shift Ershad to Central Jail

A group of intellectuals on Wednesday requested Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia for shifting deposed President Ershad to Dhaka Central Jail, reports UNB.

In a joint statement, they recalled that before parliamentary election, Begum Zia, who now looks after Home Ministry, had demanded of the Acting President to send Ershad from Gulshan Sub-jail to the Central Jail.

They expressed their surprise why Ershad, charged with corruption and abuse of power, had not yet been confined to the Central Jail, particularly when Prime Minister Begum Zia herself holds the Ministry of Home Affairs.

The intellectuals urged the Prime Minister to fulfil her pre-election commitment, otherwise, they observed, she would identify herself as "a betrayer".

Signatories to the statement are: Prof Ataur Rahman, Prof Fazlur Rahman, Dr Khorsheed Anwar, Dr Tofazzal Hossain, Prof Sajedur Rahman, Dr Mia Rafiqul Hossain, Eng Zulfikar Haider Chowdhury, Eng AKM Majibul Haq, Prof Habibur Rahman, Agriculturist Ahmad Hossain, Agriculturist Dr Anwar Ali, Dr Abdul Khaleque, Dr Alauddin Al Baki, Prof Amnur Rahman, Adv Strajul Islam and Dr Atzuz Rahman.

The meeting was held under the auspices of Chittagong Chamber of Commerce and Industry at its conference hall with the Chamber President Amir Khashru Mahmud Chowdhury presiding.

Among others, it was addressed by Messrs. M. Ibrahim Chowdhury, Ahmad Said, Abdul Hai, Nazmul Huq Chowdhury, Akbar Ali and A.M. Zahir Uddin Khan.

The speakers said A.K. Khan had significant contributions in industrialisation of this region during his tenure as Minister of Industries and power from 1958 to 1962. A.K. Khan had contributed towards economic development by setting up over half a dozen industries in Chittagong region, they recalled.

They also recalled with gratitude that a large number of educational institutions and students received direct financial assistance from A.K. Khan besides his innumerable donations for socio-cultural institutions.

Khan's contribution in organising liberation war in this area would be remembered by all for all time, they said.

The meeting called for naming a hall of Chittagong University after the name of A.K. Khan. It prayed for the eternal peace of the departed soul.

Dateline Chittagong

Six sentenced for murder

CHITTAGONG, Apr 10: Additional Sessions Judge Chittagong MA Hannan Tuesday sentenced six persons to seven years rigorous imprisonment each for murdering one Abul Kalam of Dabua under Rauzan Upazila in Chittagong on April 12, 1982, reports BSS.

According to prosecution story Abul Kalam, son of Abul Basher was injured by Shamsul Huda, Mafizur Rahman, Mahbulul Alam, Badsha Meah, Azizul Hoq and Shamsul Alam of Dabua over a trifle matter at Annadar hat after kidnapping the victim from Jagannath Ghat. Police later recovered him in an unconscious condition and took him to a local doctor who declared him dead.

The learned judge examined 12 witnesses including two from defence side and delivered the verdict.

A.K. Khan's death condoled

Speakers at a condolence meeting in Dhaka Wednesday paid tributes to late industrialist and Minister A.K. Khan for his remarkable contributions towards socio-economic and political development of this region of the country.

The meeting was held un-

Bid to snatch Tk 1.10 lakh: One stabbed

A businessman was stabbed and seriously injured while resisting snatchers trying to take away his bag with Tk 1.10 lakhs in it at Banani on Wednesday, reports UNB.

The snatchers numbering three, in a car blocked the car of Habibur Rahman, proprietor of Habib Fruit at Kamal Ataturk Avenue, Banani at 11 am, police said.

They stabbed him when he raised hue and cry and tried to resist them in snatching away his bag.

Habibur Rahman was going to a nearby branch of Uttara Bank to deposit the amount.

He was admitted to Holy Family Hospital in serious condition.

Police later recovered the car (Dhaka-GHA) in which the miscreants were moving, from the house of famous ENT specialist Dr Abdullah Haroon at House No-9 Road No-127, Gulshan.

Dr Haroon's son Imon (20) was allegedly involved in the snatching attempt, police said, adding but none was arrested yet.

A case was lodged with Gulshan Thana in this connection.

Steps to free 6 dists from diarrhoea urged

Dakshin Bangla Unnayan Parishad has expressed great concern over the spread of diarrhoea in epidemic form in six southern districts of the country, reports BSS.

The Executive Committee of the Unnayan Parishad at an emergency meeting held in Dhaka Tuesday demanded immediate effective preventive measures to free the six districts — Barisal, Patuakhali, Pirojpur, Bhola, Borgania and Jhalakati — from diarrhoea.

The meeting of the parishad was presided over by its President Amanullah.

Appreciating Health Minister Chowdhury Kamal Ipne Yougaf's visit to the diarrhoea affected districts the meeting called for permanent effective measures by the government to prevent the outbreak of the disease in the southern region.

The Unnayan Parishad urged the government to send more doctors, nurses and necessary medical supplies to the affected areas and set up hospitals for the diarrhoea patients.

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Sealed Tenders in PDB Form No. T-1 are hereby invited from PDB Enlisted Civil Contractors for the Development work of Boundary Wall for the Construction of Project Stores at the adjacent Plot to Tongi 33/11 KV Sub-station No.2, under Extension Division-IV, G.D.P.D.P., D.E.S., Dhaka. Detailed Tender documents/schedule to be obtainable at a cost of Tk. 150.00 (Taka One hundred fifty) only per set (Non-refundable) through Bank draft during Banking hour upto 4th May, 1991 from the Office of the Chief Engineer, Dhaka Electric Supply, Project Director, Greater Dhaka Power Distribution Project, Dhaka Electric Supply, and Manager, Pubali Bank Limited, Gulshan Model Town Branch, Dhaka-1212 with prior permission from the under-signed.

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