

Metropolitan

Voluntary donations to the cause of distressed millions

By Staff Correspondent

DUTA The Dhaka University Teachers Association (DUTA) Monday decided to send a relief team to the affected areas of Chittagong.

Medicine Club Medicine Club of Sir Saitmullah Medical College so far distributed medicine worth Taka 18,000 in the affected areas of Swandip, Hatiya and Bhola till Sunday.

Besides, biscuits other dry food was also distributed among the survivors. The 12-member relief team led by the Club President Fazul Bari after its visit to the areas said 40 per cent of the cyclone survivors were suffering from diarrhoeal disease.

ADLAB Association for Development of Local Agencies in Bangladesh sent a medical team at the affected areas soon after the cyclone battered the coastal belt of the country. The medical team distributed among the affected people medicine, old garment and dry food worth Taka 50 lakh.

Hardware Merchants Assoc Bangladesh Hardware and Machinery Merchants' Association urged the ministries concerned to launch programme to salvage valuable goods from Chittagong airport.

Feni Samity Feni Samity in Dhaka donated cash of Taka 64,000 for the affected educational institutions. The samity distributed relief materials including clothes worth about Taka two lakh.

Dewan Pak Darbar Sharif Dewan Pak Darbar Sharif called upon all its devotees to engage themselves for the cause of the cyclone survivors.

Jamaat A three-member relief committee of Jamaat-e-Islami led by party's parliamentary body chief Advocate Sheikh Ansar Ali started for Chittagong and Cox's Bazar Monday to help the cyclone survivors.

Jamaat's Organising Secretary Principal Shah Muhammad Kuddus, MP, also left Dhaka for conducting party's relief activities at the cyclone battered region of Bhola on the day.

CPB Communist Party of Bangladesh (CPB) sent its relief items through the Air Regiment of Bangladesh Army, Monday. The items include bread, chira, cloth, medicine.

Muslim League Bangladesh Muslim League (Ayenuddin) in a statement Monday demanded immediate withdrawal of additional 10 per cent tax on fertilizer at a moment when the southern part of the country had experienced the worst cyclone of the century.

CARE CARE has begun distribution of emergency food, water and building shelter in Bhola, Hatiya and Banskhali upazila of Cox's Bazar. Till Monday, CARE spent US \$250,000 to provide emergency aid packages to the most vulnerable victims.

Green Delta Officials and employees of Green Delta Insurance Company Ltd. donated their one day's salary to the Prime Minister's Relief Fund. Deputy Managing Director A. R. Bhuiyan handed over the cheque to Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia.

BCI Bangladesh Chamber of Industries (BCI) President M.A. Subid Ali in a statement Monday made a fervent call to the people specially the industrialists to come forward to help the cyclone-hit people with all their mite.

Ansar and VDP All the officials along with 600 battalion of Ansar, 650 voluntary Ansar commanders, 1200 union leaders and 5000 village leaders of Bangladesh Ansar and Village Defence Party (VDP) were now engaged in distributing relief goods in the cyclone-affected areas.

Bangla Academy Bangla Academy held a solo musical soiree of noted singer Sabina Yasmin at the Academy premises Monday afternoon. During the programme, members of National Cadet Corps collected donations from the audience.

Perdous Rahman will sing at the academy premises today (Tuesday) on the second day of the Academy's one day programme by noted.

Bangladesh Railway Bangladesh Railway has taken up extensive programme for the affected areas. As part of its month-long programme the BR will send a relief team at Chittagong today (Tuesday). The team will work at ten affected areas of the division will distribute relief goods and medicine.

Railway Districts Scouts, Railway Security Forces and different associations of the Railway staff and their dependents collected the relief materials.

The BR also sent till Saturday 8,000 tons of rice and wheat by nine special trains to the affected areas.

Fire Service Families of officers and employees of Fire Service and Civil Defence Department donated Monday huge amount of old clothings for cyclone-hit victims.

Fire Service has already distributed 2.50 lakh gallons water to the victims of disaster areas under Chittagong, Bhola and Cox's Bazar districts.

Kamalkali Kamalkali, a juvenile organisation, is now sending 1,000 pieces of chapati and 500 pieces of old cloths alongwith utensils to the affected areas through the relief centre of the Ministry of Relief.

Medical Assoc Bangladesh Medical Association sent a relief team with foods and medicines and will send more teams to the cyclone affected areas.

Islamic Samajkalyan Sangstha has already distributed 500 pieces of old cloths in the affected areas.

Chander Hat Chander Hat, a national juvenile organisation, has opened a relief centre here and asked its members to collect cloths and foods for the distressed people of the affected areas.

Concerned Women for Family Planning bought food and cloths at the cost of their one day's salary and sent those to the people of Chittagong.

ADAB ADAB, a coordinating body of NGOs, sent relief materials and medicines worth Taka about 50,000 to the coastal areas for distribution among the people there.

Juba Sangram The Central Juba Sangram Parishad will undertake their relief operation in Banskhali.

Kutubdia, Maripura, Hatiya and Sandwip very soon.

Mouvi Bazar Samity Mouvi Bazar Zila Samity has opened a relief fund and asked its members and benevolent people to donate for the distressed brethren in southern Bangladesh.

Surovi Surovi, a philanthropic organisation, collected a good amount of cloth and other materials and those would be sent to the affected areas shortly.

Paribar Parikalpana Bangladesh Paribar Parikalpana Samity reached Chittagong Monday with a truck-load of foods and other relief materials.

Public Relations Association Bangladesh Public Relations Association (BPRA) has decided to donate Tk 10 thousand to the Prime Minister's Relief Fund to help the cyclone affected people.

The decision was taken in a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Association held on May 4 at its office at 60, Purana Paltan. The meeting prayed for the salvation of the departed souls and expressed deep sorrow and sympathy to the bereaved families.

Triune and Prime Art Press The Management and Staff of Triune (Pte) Ltd. and its sister concern Prime Art Press have decided to contribute their one day's salary to the Prime Minister's Relief Fund for the cyclone affected people of the country. Besides, to motivate people for their generous help and assistance, Triune has released a multi-colour poster for open display.

BCCI All the employees of Bank of Credit and Commerce International (Overseas) Limited held a munaajat on Monday for the salvation of the departed souls of the recent cyclone.

In a meeting they have decided to donate one day's salary to the Prime Minister's Relief Fund.

Rajbari District Administration Rajbari District Administration decided to contribute relief materials worth of Tk

60,000 to the Prime Minister's Relief Fund for the cyclone hit people of the coastal region.

Arrangements were also made at the DC's office to receive relief materials donated by the local people.

Meanwhile employees of the Municipal Corporation have decided to donate their one-day salary to the PM's Relief Fund.

The district Unit of Red Crescent Society also began to collect relief goods.

IFIC In view of the recent devastating cyclone and tidal surge an emergent meeting of the Board of Directors of IFIC Bank Ltd. was held on Sunday at the Head Office of the Bank.

In the meeting, the Board decided to donate Tk. 30,000 lac to Prime Minister's Relief Fund as a relief to the unfortunate people affected by the catastrophic disaster.

City Bank The employees of the City

Bank Limited on Saturday donated one day's salary to Prime Minister's Relief Fund.

The employees and the Management of the Bank also condoled the deaths of the cyclone victim.

Pen-Pals Club International Pen-Pals Club has sent two teams with relief materials including medicines to the cyclone affected areas of Chittagong and Cox's Bazar districts.

The Club has formed a 15-member relief committee with Mahbubuddin Chowdhury, President of the club as Convenor. The committee will organise emergency relief programme for cyclone battered areas.

Cash money and water cans were handed over to local voluntary organisation - Maitree Samaj Kalyan Sangstha, said a Club press release.

BRAC Bangladesh Rural Advancement Committee (BRAC) has undertaken an extensive relief

Tk 1.5 cr Swiss relief due today

By Staff Correspondent

One Boeing 707 plane with 36 tons of high-protein biscuits donated by the Swiss Development Cooperation, Embassy of Switzerland, Dhaka worth Tk 1.5 crore is due to arrive at Zia International Airport today (Tuesday) at 8.00 am in the morning.

Earlier, Swiss Development Cooperation has sent medical supplies worth Tk 20 lakhs and 1200 tents along with a team of 3 doctors for the cyclone affected people in Chittagong and Cox's Bazar. Enfants du Monde (EDM) a Swiss NGO is assisting the Government of Bangladesh in distributing the relief materials.

Meanwhile, trucks with locally purchased food containing puffed rice (chira), molasses (gur), biscuits and water containers have left for Chittagong and Cox's Bazar in the night of May 4.

The delivery is worth Taka 12 lakhs and was organised by the office of the Swiss Development Cooperation and will be distributed by the government.

Already in the night of May 2, five trucks with locally purchased medicines and accom-

panied by 3 doctors of the ICDDR,B left for Chittagong and Cox's Bazar.

Norwegian assistance BSS adds: The Norwegian government has decided to donate 2.6 million Norwegian kroner (about Taka 15.3 million) as emergency relief to the cyclone affected people of Bangladesh, a Norwegian Embassy Press release said in Dhaka.

The Norwegian Embassy has already given 500,000 Norwegian kroner to the Prime Minister's Relief Fund, CARE Bangladesh and Concern Bangladesh. Further assistance is being considered by Norway, the Press release added.

Meanwhile, King Harald V and Prime Minister Mrs Gro Harlem Brundtland of Norway in separate messages to the Acting President Mr Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed and Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia expressed their deep condolences to the people of Bangladesh for the immense tragedy that have befallen the country in recent cyclone.

Adamjee mills urged to donate one day's salary

Adamjee Jute Mill workers have placed before the management a 12-point proposal, including contribution of one day's wages of all staff for cyclone victims, for immediate implementation, reports UNB.

The proposals were adopted at a massive rally of 20,000 workers organised jointly by the Adamjee Jute Mills Sramik Union (CPBA) and all other forums in the mills on Sunday.

The rally proposed the management should on "checkup" basis cut one day's salary of all workers, employees and officers of

the mills in aid of the cyclone-affected people and pay Tk 2,000 each to the mill workers from the calamity areas from today.

Rehan Uddin Rehan, President of the CPBA, presided over the meeting which also proposed to the government for paying the mill's all staff two months' salary as disaster relief and one month's salary in advance to workers from the affected areas.

The rally also demanded immediate replacement of the Executive Director of the mill with a competent one.

The meeting further de-

manded immediate announcement of pay and wages commission.

In the proposal, the workers urged the authorities to provide jute and necessary machinery parts in order to boost production in the mill.

They also appealed to the authorities for exempting the gas rents of the workers and pay back the bills since 1982.

The meeting was also addressed by Reaz Uddin (Renu), Abdul Malek, Shariat Ullah, Goham Kabir, Kazi Shaifur Rahman, Latif Munshi, Shafulah, Ali Azam and Salmullah.

Dateline Chittagong

Tk 115 cr loss in deep sea fishing sector

From Nurul Alam

CHITTAGONG, May 6 : Appalling human tragedies apart, the worst cyclone crippled the country's deep fishing sector making it almost inoperative at least for the next three months.

According to a preliminary estimate made by Bangladesh Marine Fisheries' Association the economic loss sustained by this sector may be about Taka 115 crore in addition to the loss of lives of eight crew members. They were reportedly trapped in the fishing vessels during cyclone. Bodies of two of them were recovered while the fate of rest six are still unknown, an Association source said.

BMFA informed that out of 46 fishing vessels owned by 18 private fishing companies, six had sunk in the Karnaphuli

river, twenty six others aground and 14 vessels were badly damaged.

The loss was estimated at about Taka 40 (forty) crore.

A fishing company official said, all the six sunken fishing vessels must have to be replaced as those could not be put into operation. The rest ones could be used after a thorough repair.

The Association sources added that it might take about three months' time to go for fishing in the deep sea after proper replacement and repair of the fishing vessels. By this time, the deep sea fishing sector may incur economic loss of Taka 25 crore per month, Association members said.

The Association members apprehend that the volume of fish export may face a sharp

decline this fiscal year as the trawling in the deep sea to catch fish has come to a halt after the catastrophic cyclone. The deep sea fishing sector fetches huge foreign exchange every year.

Meanwhile, over one thousand country made fishing boats are reported still missing in the Bay of Bengal. The fate of fishermen numbering about two thousands could not be detected.

Witnesses said the near and dear ones of those ill-fated fishermen were frantically looking for them at different coastal points with a heavy heart. They might be lost during cyclone which left the shores and seawater littered with carcasses and bodies of cattleheads in addition to devastation.

programme in the cyclone-hit areas, according to a press release.

A high-powered observation team led by FH Abed visited the worst affected areas from May 2-4.

Lions District 315-B

Lions District 315-B Bangladesh Monday sent one truck load a relief materials to Chittagong headed by Zone Chairman La. Md. Shafulah for distribution to the cyclone affected people of Anowara and adjoining areas.

Bangladesh-China Friendship Assoc

The President and the Secretary General of Bangladesh-China People's Friendship Association, Dr Mirza A Sobhan and SA Sikder respectively called upon all members of the Association to extend material help and support to the Government and Non-Government efforts to help the distressed people in the cyclone affected areas.

Karnaphuli Insurance

The Employees of Karnaphuli Insurance Company Limited have contributed their one day's salary to the relief operation of the cyclone hit areas.

A team led by Nizamuddin Ahmed, Chairman of Karnaphuli Insurance have already started for cyclone battered areas of Bhola for distributing money clothes, food and medicines. Three units on behalf of the company will work under the direction of Alhaj Habibur Rahman, Nurul Islam and Nurunnabi.

Janata Insurance

The officers and employees of Janata Insurance Co. Ltd. decided to contribute one day's salary to the Prime Minister's Relief Fund.

Bangladesh consulate in Jeddah

The officials of the Consulate of Bangladesh in Jeddah have donated an amount of Tk 27,000 to Prime Minister's relief fund.

This was conveyed by a message received in Dhaka on Monday.

BARC

The officers of Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council (BARC) have decided to donate their one day's salary to the Prime Minister's Relief Fund to help the people affected by the devastating cyclone, a BARC-press release said on Monday.

The decision was taken at an emergency meeting of the Executive Committee of BARC Officer's Welfare Association.

In a separate General Meeting the Association has also decided to donate their entire amount of money allocated for sports and cultural function to the Relief Fund. The Association already started collection of clothes and other materials for the cyclone affected people.

Donation to PM's fund tax-free

The government has decided to exempt income tax for the money donated to Prime Minister's Relief Fund for cyclone victims. According to officials, the announcement for the exemption was made at a high level meeting Saturday night, reports UNB.

Exams postponed

The examinations of Alim-Fazil and Kamil under Bangladesh Madrasah Education Board scheduled to be held on May 31, have been postponed on account of recent cyclone and tidal surge, a board press release said Monday, reports BSS.

Fresh date and time will be announced later on, the press release added.

Srinivasan calls on Biswas

Indian High Commissioner K Srinivasan called on Speaker Abdur Rahman Biswas in the Sangsad Bhavan Monday morning, reports BSS.

The envoy stayed with the Speaker for about half an hour and discussed the situation arising out of the devastating cyclone and tidal surge in Bangladesh.

They also exchanged views on parliamentary and other issues of common interest.

Chehlum

Chehlum of Mohammad Ali Khan, father of Tapan Khan, Staff Reporter of The New Nation will be held today (Tuesday) at his home village Barai under Kasha upazila of Brahmanbaria district.

Latif Khan, a retired official of Health Directorate died from a heart attack at Suhrawardy Hospital on March 29.

All relatives, friends and admirers have requested to attend the chehlum and milad mahfil and pray for the salvation of the departed soul.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED



BRAC is seeking volunteers to work in the cyclone affected areas for one to three months. Minimum educational qualification required is HSC. Age 25-30. Tk1000 will be provided as monthly subsistence allowance.

Candidates should be present for an interview along with a passport size photograph and resume on Friday 10 May 1991 between 10am to 4pm at BRAC Disaster Management Cell, 18 Shaheed Saifuddin Road (Kazir Deori) Chittagong.



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SCHEDULE

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Bangladesh Rice Research Institute

Joydebpur, Gazipur.

Tender and Re-Tender Notice

No-78 (1990-91)

Sealed tenders are hereby invited for the following works from current year's enlisted contractors of the Power Development Board and from Ist class electrical contractors having practical experience of installation of 11/.04 KV Sub-station (switch gear P F I Transformer) in government and semi-government organisations and for installation work of serial No. 1 from contractors experienced in manufacturing and installation of air-cooler, cooling-storage and cooling equipment. Only those working as A, B, C class supervisors in firms are eligible to purchase tender schedule.

Table with 4 columns: Sl. No., Description of work, Earnest Money, Cost of Tender, Time limit. Contains 5 items related to air-cooler and power house installation.

Tender documents may be obtained during office time from BRRl-Accounts Department, Joydebpur, Gazipur and concerned Regional Office upto 11-05-91. Tenders will be received on 12-05-91 upto 12 Noon by the office of Executive Engineer, Agriculture Research Council (BARC) Farmgate, Dhaka and the concerned Regional Office and be opened on the same day at 12-15 pm in presence of tenderers (if any). Contractors must obtain prior permission from the Superintending Engineer, BRRl and Authorised Officer of the concerned Regional Office producing certificates of the original copies of the following documents before purchasing tender schedule and must submit the photo copies of the said documents along with tenders.

- 1. Renewed books of contracting firms or papers concerning enlistment. 2. Certificate of similar single work order and satisfactory completion of work amounting Tk.20.00 lakh for serial No. 2 and 5, Tk. 5.00 lakh and Tk.10.00 lakh respectively for serial numbers 1 and 3 and Tk. 4.00 lakh for serial number 4 must be produced with tenders. 3. Bank certificate in favour of financial solvency. 4. Renewed Trade Licence and current year Income Tax Certificate.

Terms and Conditions

- 1. Double Earnest Money will have to be deposited by tenderers submitting tenders 5% less than the estimated cost. An analysis of item-wise work-rate must be submitted. 2. Analysis of work-rate must include full explanation and be consistent with the existing market rate. Otherwise, tenders will be treated as cancelled. 3. Work-rate must be mentioned in numbers and in words. 4. In case of supply of Air-cooler, original purchase receipt of goods already supplied and completed work should be produced as a proof of experience. 5. Earnest Money will have to be deposited in the form of Bank Draft/Call Deposit/Pay Order drawn on any scheduled Bank in favour of Director General, BRRl, Gazipur. 6. The authority reserves exclusive right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason.

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