

Metropolitan

**Commission on TV, Radio programmes fails to report**

Even 15 months after its formation, the Commission set up to review the programmes of Bangladesh Television and Radio Bangladesh has failed to submit its report.

The Commission headed by former Cabinet Secretary Mujiburul Haque set up during the Ershad regime was to have submitted its recommendations by April 30, 1990. That submission has failed to materialise as yet as the Commission has failed to draw any recommendations on the programmes of TV and Radio Bangladesh.

When the new BNP government came to power after the February 27 elections, all commissions for reviewing government activities, except this 9-member Commission under the Information Ministry, were dissolved.

According to official radio and television sources the Commission is still continuing its meetings at the expense of the government.

The sources said that after its coming to power the government had pledged that it would try to reorganise the national broadcasting media but no action has so far been taken in this regard.

**'Govt to take steps to improve art of photography'**

The present government will take necessary measures for the flourishing of the art of photography in the country, reports UNB.

This was stated by Principal Md Yunus Khan, State Minister for Education while inaugurating 13th Travelling Photographic exhibition at Shilpakala Academy here Saturday.

Organised by the Asian Cultural Centre for UNESCO (ACCU), the exhibition was jointly arranged by Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy and Bangladesh National Commission for UNESCO.

Chaired by Kamal Lohani, Director General of the Academy, the function was addressed, among others, by Abdus Selim, Secretary of Bangladesh UNESCO Commission and Mrinal Sarkar, President of the Bangladesh Photographic Federation.

Such exhibition would strengthen cultural ties among the participating nations, the state minister hoped.

Mrinal Sarkar called on the government to waive taxes on photographic materials considering these as educational items proposed by UNESCO. He also demanded a full fledged photographic institution in the country.

Termining our photographers as the pride of the nation, Kamal Lohani said their photos should reflect the struggling people.

A total of 109 prize-winning photographs on "People and Their Dwellings" from 22 countries of Asia and Pacific region were put on display.

Photos of four photographers of Bangladesh, who received ACCU award, were also put on display.

The winners are: Abdur Rashid Talukder (Idling at Day-Break), Mufti Munir (No Home-Only Water), Selim Newaz Bhutyan (With Love of Earth) and Abdur Rahim Dulal (Love Will See Us Through).

The week-long exhibition will remain open from 2 pm to 7 pm daily until June 14.

**NOTICE OF TENDER**

**MILITARY ENGINEER SERVICES**

- Applications are invited by CMES (Army) Dhaka Cantt for issuing tender documents for the following works by 15 June '91 and 31st Jaistha 98.
  - Internal services against project works under GE (Army) Project Dhaka, Savar, Jessore, Maint North, Maint South, Ghatail Mirpur, Rajendrapur, B O F Gazipur and AGE (Army) Momenshahi Cantt.
  - T C and D C works under GE (Army) Maint North, Maint South, Ghatail, Mirpur, Rajendrapur, Savar, Jessore, BOF Gazipur and AGE (Army) Momenshahi Cantt.
- Enlisted contractor of MES (Army) apply for the tender documents.

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**Tender Notice**

Tender No. S-230/91/1231/W Dated: 5/6/91

Sealed tenders through prescribed form available with the office of the AIG of Police (Telecom), Rajarbagh, Bangladesh, Dhaka, are invited from the agents approved by the Customs only for clearing of radio equipment, spare parts and accessories of Bangladesh Police Telecom Organisation, Rajarbagh, Dhaka from Zia International Airport, Dhaka, Customs office during fiscal year 1991-92.

Tenders schedule will be available with the office of the undersigned on cash payment of Tk. 100/- (One hundred) per set (non-refundable) from 12/6/91 to 29/6/91. No tender schedule will be sold on the day fixed for opening tenders.

Tenders must reach the office of the AIG of Police (Telecom) Rajarbagh, Bangladesh, Dhaka by 11 a.m. on 30/6/91. Tenders will be opened the same day at 11.30 a.m. in presence of tenderers if any. The undersigned reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders without assigning any reasons.

P R Barua  
AIG of Police (Telecom)  
Bangladesh, Dhaka

DFP(G)-6764-5/6  
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**BJMC Tender Notice**

**Artificial fibre pollutes environment, use natural fibre, Jute.**

Sealed Tenders are hereby invited by People's Jute Mills Ltd, Shahar Khalishpur, Khulna for (1) Supply of leather products, (2) Denting and painting works of vehicles. Date of opening of tender: 16-06-91 at 3 p.m. Tender schedule containing detailed description, terms and conditions etc may be obtained (except date of opening) from the offices of (1) Controller, (Accounts and Finance), BJMC, Adamjee Court, Motijheel, Dhaka, (2) General Manager, BJMC, Sattar Chamber, 99, Agrabad, Chittagong, (3) Deputy General Manager (Accounts and Finance), BJMC, Khulna Zone, Hafizuddin Road, Khalishpur, Khulna, (4) Deputy General Manager, (Accounts and Finance), People's Jute Mills Ltd, Shahar Khalishpur, Khulna, on payment of Tk 100/= for Serial No 1 and Tk 40 for Serial No-2 per set (non-refundable).

BJMC: 535  
DFP (BA) 4601-4/6  
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**Gazipur Municipality Re-Tender Notice No-11/1990-91**

Sealed Tenders in Bangladesh Form No 2911 for the undermentioned works are invited from the enlisted contractors of Gazipur Municipality. Tenderers will have to deposit 3% of the estimated cost in the form of Bank Draft/Pay Order drawn on any scheduled Bank as Earnest Money in favour of Chairman, Gazipur Municipality with tenders. Tenders will be received on 12-06-91 in the Tender Box kept at the Municipal office and be opened the same day at 1.30 P. M. in presence of tenderers (if any). Tender schedule may be purchased on cash payment (non-refundable) during office time from the Engineering Department of the Municipality up to 11-06-91.

The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any tender without assigning any reason. No tender schedule will be sold on the day of submitting tender. Necessary explanation will have to be submitted with tenders in case the amount quoted by tenderers is either 5% less or more than the estimated cost.

**List of work**

Sl No	Name of project	Estimated Cost	Amount of Earnest Money	Time Limit	Cost of Schedule
1	Brick-laying from Dhirasrom School to Dakkhin Khan Road (first part)	Tk 2,78,000/-	8,340/-	45 days	Tk 250/-
2	Brick-laying from Dhirasrom School to Dakkhin Khan Road (2nd part)	Tk 3,25,000/-	9,750/-	60 days	Tk 400/-
3	Construction work of RCC Pipe Culvert on Dhirasrom Tararul cross-roads	Tk 75,000/-	2,250/-	30 days	Tk 100/-

Md Akbar Hossain  
Member Secretary,  
Tender Committee & Assistant Engineer,  
Gazipur Municipality, Gazipur.

**More relief for cyclone survivors**

By Staff Correspondent

More organisations and individuals continued donations to the relief fund as well as carried out relief operations.

**Friendship Assoc**

President and Secretary General Dr Mirza A Sobhan and S A Sikder respectively on behalf of Bangladesh China People's Friendship Association donated relief materials amounting to about Taka 1,00,000.00 (Taka one lakh) and cash money of Taka 5000.00 (Taka five thousand) to the Prime Minister's Relief Fund on Thursday. The BCPFA also trying to donate more funds for the flood victims people of the country.

**Academy of science**

Bangladesh Academy of Sciences has recently constituted a Task Force comprising members of different Scientific disciplines of the National Committee of International Geosphere Biosphere programme to contribute Science and Technology inputs into coastal area and offshore islands disaster mitigation, management and rehabilitation programme. The Task Force will particularly focus on natural calamities and disasters that befall

coastal area and offshore islands and submit its report within a month.

**Burmese relief**

The Myanmar (Burmese) Ambassador in Bangladesh, U Soc Mynt, handed over 500 metric tons of rice to the zonal relief and rehabilitation coordinator, Mr Mokammel Huq, at a simple ceremony at the Port city Saturday morning.

Myanmar government has given the rice for distribution

as relief among the cyclone victims.

**DUJ**

A two-member relief team of Dhaka Union of Journalists headed by its Joint Secretary M A Aziz, today distributed a hue quantity of relief goods among the cyclone and tidal surge affected people of Patenga in Chittagong and Chakaria in Cox's Bazar.

Old and new clothes, dry food, aluminium utensils and

other household articles were among the relief materials.

DUJ executive committee member Shafiq Chowdhury was the other member of the relief team. Local social worker Dr Afsarul Amin and local journalists Nazir Ahmad, Kashem Mahmud and Hussein Deedar assisted the DUJ relief team in distributing the relief goods brought from Dhaka.

**Gonoshasthaya**

Savar Gonoshasthaya Kendra distributed text books among the SSC examinees in six upazilas of Cox's Bazar who were affected by April 29 cyclone and tidal surge. So far, 3269 SSC examinees of 67 high schools of that area received full set of text books from the Kendra. Eighteen hundred and seventy two old text books donated by the teachers and students of different schools of Dhaka city were also distributed among the affected students of Cox's Bazar.

The Kendra has been continuing relief work in the cyclone affected areas since May 2. Eight medical teams sent by Kendra are now engaged in relief activities there, says a press release.



Gonoshasthaya Kendro distributing text books among the SSC candidates affected by cyclone in Cox's Bazar.



Speaker of the Jatiya Sangsad Abdur Rahman Biswas speaking at a discussion meeting organised in observance of the death anniversary of Mahabul Haq at the National Press Club on Saturday.

**Plea to publish Mahabul Huq's recorded speeches**

The Speaker of the Jatiya Sangsad, Abdur Rahman Biswas, said the late parliamentarian and journalist Mahabul Huq would be remembered by the posterity as one of the best parliamentarians in the sub-continent, reports BSS.

He was speaking at a discussion held at the Jatiya Press Club auditorium in observance of the 17th death anniversary of Mahabul Huq.

BFWJ President Reazuddin Ahmed presided over the meeting.

Organised by Mahabul Huq Smriti Sangsad, the meeting was also addressed by Editor of the Daily News Day, A.B.M. Musa, Editor of Weekly Fasal, Ershad Majumdar, Director General of Shilpakala Academy, Kamal Lohani, President of Dhaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry Mahabur Rahman, Poet Belal Chowdhury, former General Secretary of BFWJ Syed Zafor and journalist Abdur Rahim.

The chief guest said Mahabul Huq would long be remembered in the sub-continent as a parliamentarian whose speeches in the then Pakistan National Assembly were marked by forceful arguments from the Opposition Bench on behalf of the people.

The Speaker described Huq as a successful personality in politics as well as in journalism and trade union and said, he had worked hard throughout his life and was successful in various fields.

Paying tributes to Mahabul Huq, A.B.M. Musa said by virtue of his talent and hard work Huq rose from a railway clerk to a member of the parliament and from the editor of a mofussal weekly to the editor of a national daily, Purbadesh.

Termining him as a remarkable personality in the newspaper management and a brilliant editor, Kamal Lohani said under his initiative the daily Purbadesh in 1971 had serialised interviews of eminent personalities under the headline "Ebar Purba Pakistan Key Bangladesh Bala Hok" (Purba Pakistan be now called Bangladesh).

BFWJ President Reazuddin Ahmed said Mahabul Huq had remarkable grasp on economics, politics, society and the country. He made significant contribution to the nation both as a parliamentarian and journalist.

Reazuddin suggested publication of the recorded speeches of Mahabul Huq, given in the then Pakistan National Assembly and said this would show him (Huq) as a greatest patriot.

**'Social stability can ensure economic uplift'**

The Mayor of Dhaka City, Mirza Abbas, said on Saturday that only social stability could ensure overall development of a society, reports BSS.

He said a nation cannot prosper without economic uplift.

Mirza Abbas, also the President of Jatiyatobadi Juba Dal, was addressing a discussion organised by Jatiyatobadi Hawkers Dal at a cityabadi to observe the 10th death anniversary of Shaheed President Ziaur Rahman.

The Mayor said the present government was pledge-bound to ensure fundamental rights of the people, economic development, and social justice.

Termining BNP as the organization nourished with the ideals of late President Zia,

**Tk 98.65 cr relief goods sanctioned**

The government has so far sanctioned 40,550 bundles of C.I. sheet, Taka nine crore 10 lakh as house building grant. Taka 75 lakh 50 thousand for transportation and other cost and 4,600 tonnes of wheat in test relief programme to rehabilitate the cyclone and tidal surge victims of coastal region, an official handout said on Saturday, reports BSS.

The district-wise break up of C.I. sheet is 12,000 bundles for Chittagong, 10,000 bundles for Cox's Bazar, 1,000 bundles for Laxmipur, 1,000 for Feni, 4,000 bundles for Noakhali, 1,500 bundles for Khagrachhari, 1,500 bundles for Bandarban, 1,500 bundles for Rangamat, 4,000 bundles for Bhojla, 1,500 bundles for Patuakhali, 800 bundles for Barguna, 750 bundles for Pirojpur and 500 bundles for Jhalakati.

The Ministry of Relief has already distributed 32,400 bundles of C.I. Sheet among the cyclone affected people of the coastal districts.

The district-wise break-up of house building grant is Taka three crore for Chittagong, Taka two crore for Cox's Bazar, Taka one crore for Noakhali, Taka 50 lakh for Feni, Taka 50 lakh for Laxmipur, Taka 50 lakh for Khagrachhari, Taka 50 lakh for Bandarban, Taka 50 lakh for Rangamat and Taka 60 lakh for the Barisal region.

For the test relief programme, the government has sanctioned 1,000 tonnes of

**CPB calls for parliamentary democracy**

The two-day extended meeting of the central Committee of Communist Party of Bangladesh (CPB) began in Dhaka on Saturday with Ahsan Ullah Chowdhury in the chair, reports BSS.

General Secretary of the party Saifuddin Ahmed Manik called upon the BNP government to establish parliamentary democracy in the country by amending the Constitution at the coming Jatiya Sangsad session.

He also demanded of the government to make radio and television autonomous bodies and repeal all black laws in accordance with the framework of joint declaration of the three alliances.

The CPB General Secretary also demanded proper relief operation in the cyclone and flood affected areas of the country.

He expressed concern at the terrorist activities in the educational arena and deterioration of law and order.

The meeting adopted a resolution condoling the death of those killed in the recent cyclone, tidal surge, tornado and flood. It also condoled the death of former Prime Minister of India Rajiv Gandhi.

**Urs**

The three-day annual "Urs" of Hazrat Shah Ali Bughdadi (R A) will begin at Mirpur Mazar Sharif on June 18, according to a press release, reports BSS.

**Shrimp exports to US face setback**

The country's shrimp export to the United States is facing a setback as a result of stiff inspection regulations imposed by US Food and Drugs Administration (USFDA) in the wake of the recent cyclone, officials said, reports UNB.

Sources at the Export Promotion Bureau (EPB) said the USFDA has stepped up a strict inspection regime following media reports that the cyclone and its accompanying tidal surges might have contaminated the shrimp beds in the coastal area.

The Washington Post — a leading US daily — reported in its May 10 issue that cholera had broken out in the cyclone affected areas and the epidemic was likely to contaminate frozen food.

The Post alleged that the government of Bangladesh was

refusing to acknowledge the outbreak of the epidemic for fear that it would affect its export, particularly of shrimp — its major foreign exchange earner.

EPB sources said USFDA has now been inspecting hundred per cent of the shrimp lots for the last three weeks. A significant portion of those was being rejected, they said.

The USFDA was reportedly rejecting the Bangladeshi shrimps if they found "Salmonella" — a commonplace bacteria which is usually found in frozen food items. Even US exports of frozen meat and chicken contain this bacteria, officials here said.

The government reacted sharply to the US action which came as a severe blow to the country's burgeoning export trade.

It has apprised the US authorities that the quality of frozen food including shrimp is "extremely good and free from any contamination", the sources said.

The World Health Organization (WHO) also reportedly certified that Bangladesh is a cholera-free zone.

In current fiscal (1990-91), country's shrimp export target is US dollar 150 million. About 40 per cent of the total shrimp exports goes to the United States.

Meanwhile, shrimp exporters here expressed fears that US importers might now press for payment after USFDA inspection. As per the existing terms, shrimp exporters get their bill immediately after the shipment.

**Rabat donates \$13,329 for Quran Tafsir Sangsad**

Saudi Ambassador to Bangladesh Abdul Latif Abdullah Al Maimanee handed over a cheque for \$13,329 US dollar to AJ Mahfarul Huq Chowdhury, President Darus Salam Janic Mosque and Islamic Complex of Badurtola, Comilla, reports UNB.

The amount is a donation from the Makkah-based Rabat Al-Alam Al-Islami for the institution a project of Bangladesh Quran Tafsir Sangsad, said a Saudi Embassy press release here today.

**Concern over decision to cut 10pc govt ad**

Sanaullah Nuri and AQM Zainul Abedin, President and Secretary General respectively of Bangladesh Council of Editors, Saturday expressed their deep concern over the decision of the government to curtail 10 per cent of its advertisement in newspapers in the name of austerity, reports BSS.

In a joint statement, they said curtailment of 10 per cent of the government advertisement would push the newspapers to a grave economic crisis. They, therefore, urged the Prime Minister and the Finance Minister to withdraw this directive.

**Indian sarees recovered**

By Staff Correspondent  
Mohammedpur police on Saturday night recovered 467 pieces of Indian sarees from Agargaon.

Mobile patrol police found the sarees in five abandoned bags in a van lying near 60, West Agargaon.

**Sales Purchase Tender & Employment News**

**WANTED**

- Syntax Printing & Finishing Mills Ltd. 9/G, Motijheel CA, Dhaka invites applications for the post of "General Manager". Candidate should be Textile Engineer with 15 years experience. Please apply with copies of certificate and testimonial to the Managing Director, within 20th June, '91.
- An International Non-Govt. Development Organisation invites application from qualified men/women for the post of "Director (Personnel)". Candidates must have at least 5 years Personnel Management experience and should be a Masters in Social Science / Public Administration / Psychology / MBA. Please apply with full bio-data and photograph mentioning expected salary to GPO Box No 226, Dhaka before 22nd June, 1991.
- Advertiser: GPO Box No 4222, Dhaka invites 2/3 years experienced stenotypist (Electric), Speed 80 and 40 WPM. Preference will be given to female candidates. Apply with full bio-data, recent passport-size photograph by June 13, 1991.

**TENDER**

- Transport Manager, Dhaka University, invites sealed tenders from bonafide repairing firms in their own pad for repairing of Jeep No Dhaka-Gha-5201, Microbus No Dhaka-Ja-1088 and Car No Dhaka-Gha-3356. Tender schedule may be obtained from the Transport Manager (Room No 129) and the Director (Planning and Development, Room No 316, Administrative building). Tenderers must drop their tenders in the tender boxes in the above addresses till 12:00 of 12th June, '91.
- Director, Sir Salimullah Medical College Mirford Hospital, Dhaka, requests to enlist the enlisted business firms of fiscal year 1990-91 for supply of MSR items on payment of Tk 250/- as renewal fee for fiscal year 1991-92 within 15.6.91. New interested business firms may enlist themselves on payment of Tk 500/- within 15.6.91. Forms will be available with the Hospital office.
- Public Relations Officer, Dhaka University, invites sealed quotations from bonafide off-set printing presses for printing wall calendars for the Academic year 1991-92. Particulars: (i) Quantity 30,000 (ii) Size: 20"x30" (iii) Colours-4 (iv) Local offset paper (v) Offset printing (vi) Delivery before July 10, 1991. Interested parties may submit their rates to the Public Relations Officer before June 20, 1991. Design may be seen at the above office.
- Manager, Pipeline Construction Department, Titas Gas Transmission & Distribution Co Ltd invites sealed bids for construction of gas flow line (8", 2000 PSIG) from well No 5 to Location 1 at Haliganj Gas Field under BGFLC. Bid documents will be available upto 17.6.91 from the following offices: (a) Accounts & Finance Deptt. of Titas Gas T&D Co Ltd (TGDTCL) (b) Bakrabad Gas Systems Ltd (BGSL) (c) Jalalabad Gas Transmission & Distribution System Ltd (JGTDLSL) (d) Bangladesh Gas Fields Co Ltd (BGFLC) (e) Sylhet Gas Field Co Ltd (SGFL) (f) Compressed Natural Gas Co Ltd (CNG) (g) Bangladesh Petroleum Exploration Co Ltd (BAPEX). Bids must be dropped in the tender boxes located in the Pipeline Construction Deptt. of the Company, 105, Kaz Nazrul Islam Avenue (4th floor) Kawanbarazar, Dhaka-1215 and BGSL, JGTDLSL, BAPEX, JGTDLSL, CNG & SGFL offices by 11:00 am on 18.6.91.

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