

Call to follow ideals of Mujib

From Our Correspondent
NARAYANGANJ, Aug 3: Speakers at a seminar urged the people to follow the ideals of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman.
The seminar titled 'Contribution of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman in language movement' was held Saturday at the Narayanganj Ali Ahmed Library auditorium under auspices of Bangabandhu Sangakritic Jote, Narayanganj unit.
Advocate Abdur Razzak presided over the seminar while Justice KM Sobhan attended it as chief guest.
Mastafa Sarwar, MR Akhter Mukul, Rashed Mosharrar, MP, Alamgir Kumum and Kabari Sarwar were also took part in the discussion.

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Italy to spend \$ 4m for cyclone shelters

Italy will implement a multi-million dollar programme for post-cyclone rehabilitation in Banskhali of Chittagong district, reports BSS.
This was stated by the outgoing Italian Ambassador in Bangladesh, Dr Sandro Maria Siggia, when he called on the Acting President, Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed, at the President's Secretariat in Dhaka on Saturday.
The Ambassador said that Rome would execute an extensive programme for improvement of the health sector in Banskhali. He further said the Italian Red Cross would spend some four million dollars for the construction of multi-purpose cyclone shelters in the area.
Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed commended the role of Ambassador Sandro in expanding Italy-Bangladesh relation. Bangladesh signed a technical co-operation agreement with Italy, one of the seven leading industrialised nations of the world and member of the European Community, during the tenure of the outgoing

Ambassador. A cultural agreement is now ready for signature by the two countries.
The Acting President recalled that Italy had emerged as a major development partner of Bangladesh by opening up its markets to our garments in a big way. He hoped the trend of steady growth of bilateral trade would continue in mutual interest.

3 allegedly commit suicide in city

By Staff Correspondent
Two persons allegedly committed suicide and another person died of poisoning in the city, according to police reports on Saturday.
Police said Budhu Mia (45) hanged himself from a ceiling rod at his residence at 19, Hafizullah Road in Lalbagh on Saturday morning.
An Unnatural Death (UD) case was lodged with Lalbagh police and the body was taken to the Dhaka Medical College Hospital for post-mortem.
Another report said that one Yuonius Mia (18) committed suicide by banging himself from a ceiling fan late Friday night at a second floor shop at the Colombia Super Market at 11/28, Mohakhali Wireless Gate.
His body was taken to the DMCH morgue.
In another incident, Zohra Begum (30) died at the DMCH on Saturday morning. Her death certificate stated that the cause of her death was due to poisoning, police said. She was brought to DMCH on Friday, according to police, by one Hannan of 64, Bangla Motors in serious condition.

Training to prevent drug abuse opens

A four-day training course on "Capability building for prevention of drug abuse" was inaugurated by A. K. M. Mahbub Ul Haque, Director General, Department of Narcotics Control Saturday, says a press release.
The course is being participated by 20 officers of the Department of Narcotics Control.
The contents of the course contain drug trend, national legislation, drug identification and testing, risk assessment and selection, evidence and questioning, surveillance theory and money laundering, control delivery and intelligence technique.

Plea to move Indemnity Repeal Bill in JS

By Staff Correspondent
Fiftyfour intellectuals of the country in a statement on Saturday on behalf of the Sangsadhiya Ganatantra Parishad said if BNP moves the Indemnity Repeal Bill in the Jatiya Sangsad, it will fulfill the precondition for establishing rule of law and also help strengthen democracy.
They said Indemnity Act, which bars trial of the killers of Sheikh Mujibur Rahman proves that Bangladesh is lagging far behind in the civilized world. They said the bill poses a threat to moral values and rule of law.
They said there is not a single example in the world where the trial for killing is stopped through a law. They also stated that if trial for the killing of a leader can not be held then none can expect the trial of any killing.
The signatories of the statement include Poet Sufia Kamal, Justice KM Sobhan, Prof Zillur Rahman Siddiqui, Kabir Chowdhury, Shawkat Osman, Santash Gupta, Poet Shamsur Rahman, Gazilul Haque, Artist Hasem Khan, Prof Rangalal Sen, Dr Arifin Siddiqui, MR Akhter Mukul, and Iqbal Sobhan Chowdhury.



Prof Rehman Sobhan, a celebrated economist, delivering Abu Syed Chowdhury memorial speech on 'Parliamentary democracy and present politics' at the National Press Club on Saturday. Barrister Ishtiaq Ahmed and Advocate Shamsul Huq Chowdhury are also seen. — Star photo

'Common masses to have access to Open University'

Education Minister Prof Badruddoza Chowdhury said open university could only provide education and training to people in different fields at their doorsteps, reports BSS.
Inaugurating a national workshop on Bangladesh open university in Dhaka the Education Minister said the open university system would provide educational access to masses belonging to different age groups and social strata whereas the conventional system benefits small numbers, mostly belonging to certain age group (18-28) of which all are full time students, he said.
Jointly organised by the Ministry of Education and the Asian Development Bank the inaugural session of the workshop was also addressed by the State Minister for Education, Principal Md Yunus Khan, Education Secretary A N M Eusuf presided. Dr Ram Reddy, Vice President, the Commonwealth of Learning Vancouver, Canada was present. Technical support is being provided by Education Consultants India Limited (ECIL).
The Education Minister said the average level of education of the population is low. He said only 5.6 per cent of the population aged five and above in 1983-84 had a general qualification of secondary level and above and only 0.12 per cent had a qualification of degree level and above.
He said in a democratic country the government must be responsive to peoples' needs and demands. He said since the formal educational institutions are expensive, an alternative strategy which is also cost effective should be devised and developed to provide a large number of learners an access to education and spread it to remote rural areas.
He hoped that the workshop would come out with valuable suggestions to supplement the government efforts to improve the quality of life of the people through meaningful education.
Speaking on the occasion the State Minister for Education Principal Md Yunus Khan said as formal education system in the country which had grown enormously was unable to meet the demand, a massive expansion of the existing system was not possible due to our limited resources.

Bangladeshi engineer develops low-cost sub-base for rural roads

A low-cost sub-base for the country's rural roads has been developed by a Bangladeshi engineer, blending sand with soil, reports BSS.
This low technology was used on a trial basis for the sub-base of a road at Rajbari constructed under the Local Government Engineering Bureau (LGEB) during 1985-86.
Presenting the new method after various durability tests, Engineer Gholam Mohiuddin, innovator of the method, said Saturday at a seminar at the Institute of Engineers that the performance of this sand-soil sub-base under traffic was found to be satisfactory and nothing adverse had been reported against the method during the last five years.
Sub-base is a component of pavement structure which is the bottom-most and secondary load spreading layer. The cost effective design of any of the components maintaining requisite quality can lead to a substantial economy in the construction of the pavement structure. At present expensive sand is used as the sub-base in rural road construction.
Eng Mohiuddin said with the success of the first trial, a second trial was made in 1988-89 by using the same principle of sand-soil mix as sub-base and the road under traffic was found to be satisfactory.
Speaking about the advantages of the new method Eng Mohiuddin said due to presence of some clay binder in the in-situ soil, the sand-soil mix could be easily compacted to a stable sub-base then blended sand sub-base.
He said the sand-soil mix require less water for compaction and was easy to work with local labour and local technology without any high tech mix-design. It is a labour-intensive technology requiring more than double of that for blended sand sub-base creating opportunity for employment, he added.
Mohiuddin, a highway engineer, working with the Bangladesh Consultants Ltd said sand-soil mix in the proportion of 55:45 respectively gave the optimum result in terms of quality and design.
He said considering the technical and economic benefits sand-soil mix was used as capping layer in the pavement design of 32 km approach roads of Jamuna multipurpose bridge project and rehabilitation of east and west embankment of the project with 15 km road.
Speaking as the chief guest at the seminar, chief engineer of Roads and Highways Department M Ataur Rahman said the low-cost method developed by Mohiuddin should be continuously improved to build our own national specifications of construction materials. He said this was an eye-opener and our road-engineers here should move in this direction.
He pointed out that both India and China had their own specifications of construction materials and methods. He said in absence of our own specifications the foreign experts were befooling us.

What's on today . . .

- Seminar on VAT**
Bangladesh Development Council holds a seminar on the Value Added Tax (VAT) at the auditorium of Bangladesh Diabetic Association in the city today (Sunday) at 3 pm.
Chairman of the National Board of Revenue (NBR) Shah Abdul Hannan, President of Dhaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Mahbubur Rahman and President of the Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Syed Manzur Elahi will address the seminar. Council Chairman, Dr Hafiz G A Siddiqi will chair it.
- Workshop on small industries**
A four-day workshop on "Technic of marketing small industries' products" starts at Mirpur Section No 1 in the city today (Sunday) at 9 am.
National Association of Small and Cottage Industries of Bangladesh (NASCI) organised the workshop. Jute Minister MA Mannan Bhuiyan will open it.
- Ansars, VDPs training course**
The concluding session of training courses for the Village Defence Party leaders, Ansar-VDP Cooperative Association secretaries and members will be held today (Sunday) at 9.30 in the morning at the Shaipur Ansar Academy.
Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia is expected to attend the function as the chief guest. Director General of Ansar-VDP Major General Mahbubur Rahman PSC will also be present on the occasion.
- Reception to Toshio Saiki**
Bangladesh AOTS Alumni Society (BAAS) and AOTS Dhaka office jointly accord a reception to Toshio Saiki, Ambassador of Japan today (Sunday) at 7.30 pm at Sangri La Chinese Restaurant at 35, Kemal Ataturk Avenue, Banani in the city.
- Rotary Club installation**
The 9th installation ceremony of the Rotary Club of Dhaka West will be held at Sonargang Hotel today (Sunday) at 5 pm. Alfred K David, High Commissioner of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, will attend the function as the chief guest. Rotary District Governor Rtn Prof Jalal U Ahmed will be the special guest.
- NAP (Mozaffar) meeting**
A joint meeting of the members of presidium and secretariat of National Awami Party (NAP-Mozaffar) has been convened today (Sunday) at 6 pm at the party's central office at 31, Topkhana Road in the city.
Party's General Secretary, Sree Pankaj Bhattacharjee has requested all members to attend the meeting.
- Press conference on disaster**
Bangladesh Disaster Relief Fund holds a press conference at the National Press Club today (Sunday) at 5 pm. Convener of the organisation, Abdul Matin Khan has urged the newsmen to attend the conference.

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- Opening of cooperative society**
The inaugural ceremony of Pioneer Credit Cooperative Society will be held at the Hotel Purbani in the city tomorrow (Monday) at 10 am.
LORD and Cooperative Minister Abdus Salam Tahukdar will attend the function as the chief while State Minister for Information, Nurul Huda will be the special guest.
- Alliance Francaise film show.**
A show of 'Borsalino & Co' will take place at the Alliance Francaise tomorrow (Monday) at 8.30 pm. The French film with English subtitles is based on a sequel to the gangster tale of the Marseille gangsters Carbone and Spirito. (Starring Alain Delon and Daniel Ivernel). Ticket for a single is Taka 15 only. — Compiled by RA

Conspiracy against Wage Board to be resisted

Leaders of the three federations of newsmen Saturday reiterated they would resist any conspiracy against the Wage Board award, achieved in a long struggle, reports UNB.
Someone now wants to go back to the medieval age by turning this industry into a place of exploitation and deprivation, the leaders said at a rally in front of the Ittefaq house Saturday morning.
Jointly organised by the three federations and DUJ, the meeting was chaired by BFUJ President Reazuddin Ahmed.
It was addressed, among others, by DUJ General Secretary Ruhul Amin Gazi, Press Workers Federation President Mosharrar Hossain, Secretary General Bazlur Rahman Milon, Vice-President Fazel Imam and Employees Federation President Mir Muzammel Hossain.
"We aren't against solution of dispute through courts... we have won court verdict and will also fight against the owners if needed," a press release quoted the leaders as saying.
But the managements of some papers including Dainik Desh and the Bangladesh Observer have indulged in tyranny against journalists and workers, and they could not be refrained despite repeated appeal by concerned quarters, they said.
"We are fighting this autocracy, and our struggle cannot be stopped through conspiracy or musclepower," they said.

CUJ resents attitude of owners

CHITTAGONG, Aug 3: An extended meeting of the executive committee of Chittagong Union of Journalists (CUJ) today expressed strong resentment against negative attitude of the management of newspapers here in implementing the Wage Board Award, reports BSS.
The meeting held at the local press club with CUJ President Akhtarun Nabi in the chair said that the stalemate created in newspapers would be complicated further because of the intransigence policy of the management. It demanded implementation of the Wage Board Award immediately to ensure a congenial atmosphere for resumption of publication of newspapers of the port city.
Journalists and other employees have been on strike here since July 24 to press home their demand for implementation of the Fourth Wage Board Award.

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Foreign fishing trawler nabbed in Ctg

CHITTAGONG, Aug 3: A Frigate of the Bangladesh Navy, on a routine anti-smuggling and fishery protection patrol yesterday, apprehended a foreign fishing trawler from near the St Martin's Island, an ISPR press release said Saturday, reports BSS.
The 29-metre long trawler, registered in Bangkok, Thailand, was nabbed while engaged in catching fish while inside the territorial waters of Bangladesh without any lawful authority, the press release added.
UNB from Rangamati adds: Forest Department has recovered 400 cubic feet (cft) smuggled timbers worth about Tk two lakh in the district.
Divisional Forest Officer (DFO), Chittagong Hill Tracts South Division, in a recent raid recovered about 300 cft teak at Ghagra forest check and tolls station, which was being smuggled to Dhaka from Rangamati.
In another raid on the same day the Forest Department recovered about 100 cft of teak from M/S Anupam Saw Mills at Ghagra.
The timbers with no valid papers from Forest Department had been illegally extracted from the government reserved forest, Golam Habib, the DFO, told UNB.
Station Officer at Ghagra Forest check and tolls station Abdul Quader Chowdhury as-



Sponsored by Delta Life Insurance Company, an organisation 'Adhayan' has started 'Know More by Reading Books', competition in 70 schools in city. A total of about 12,000 students of Class V to Class IX are taking part in the contest. Seen in the picture is such a competition in a girls' school in city.

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Applications are invited for the post of a Project Chief based outside Dhaka. The project deals with processing agricultural product for both export and domestic use. Candidate should have general knowledge of administration, finance, production as well as storage. He should be in the age group of 40-45 years with 10-15 years experience. Persons having remuneration less than Tk. 12,000.00 need not apply.
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Sealed tenders are invited from bonafide businessmen, dealers and enlisted suppliers to Govt./Semi-Govt./Autonomous organizations etc. for supplying stationery and other miscellaneous articles for the office of the Bangladesh Veterinary Council. The tenders will be received in the office of the undersigned up to 11-30 p.m. of 12th August, 1991/27th of Sraban, 1398 with 2% earnest money of the quoted amount and will be opened on the same day at 12-00 p.m. The tenders may be present at the opening of the tenders if they like.
No tenders will be accepted without prescribed tender schedule which will be available on all working days up to 11th August, 1991 between 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the office of the undersigned on payment of Tk. 10/- (Taka ten) (Non-refundable).
The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any tender or all tenders and also to drop any item or to increase or decrease any quantity of the schedule without assigning any reason.
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Sealed tenders in Form T-2 are hereby invited from Power Development Board enlisted A, B, C & D Class contractors for the supply of the undermentioned goods.
1. Name of work and estimated cost: Supply of Guy Set for 11 KV and 0.4 KV lines of Bhola Electric Supply and different electric supplies under it, whose estimated cost is Tk 1,45,600/=.
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4. Last date & place of submitting tender: Tender can be submitted in the offices mentioned in (A) & (B) of para 3 (except Agrani Bank) and in the office of the undersigned up to 12:00 hours on 12-8-91 and the tenders will be opened on the same day at 12:30 hours by the Tender Committee.
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Serial No	Tender No and date	Short description of items	Cost of tender schedule	Last date of submitting Tender	Date of opening Tender
1.	DEW/SALE/377/91-92 Date 18-07-91	Useless/Rejected electrical goods	Tk 50/- per set (non-refundable)	26-08-91 12 Noon	26-08-91 2.30 P.M.
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Tender documents may be purchased
(A) from the office of Accounts Controller, Bangladesh Steel and Engineering Corporation, "BSEC Bhaban," 102, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Dhaka-1205 and
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