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Tk 146 cr forestry uplift project undertaken

CHITTAGONG, Sept 11: The government has undertaken the Third Forestry Development Project at a cost of Taka 146 crore in Chittagong and Cox's Bazar for next fiscal year, reports BSS.

This was disclosed by State Minister for Environment and Forest Abdullah Al Noman at a meeting of the Forest officials held in PDB rest house Tuesday.

The project as a part of Taka 194 crore will provide job opportunities for more than 1,000 officials and workers in Chittagong zone alone.

The minister was apprised that in the Third Forestry Development Project, Chittagong zone alone has the proposal for raising of forest on 60 thousand acres of land, construction of 653 sheds and residential accommodation and procurement of 250 equipment and transport for the department.

The minister reviewed the progress of the Second Forestry Development Project, which concludes this year with total raising of forest on

38,789 acres including 5,640 acres during the current fiscal. He was also apprised that total expenditure for the second project rose to Taka 39.7 crore including an expenditure of Taka 8.59 crore in the fiscal 1990-91.

Noman called upon the officials to put in their concerted efforts to gear up forestry development activities in the third afforestation project for achieving the target.

Conservator of forest, Chittagong zone Nurul Islam Hawlader, Deputy Forest Officer Mohammad Saifi, and Conservator of Forest and Director, Bangladesh Forest College SA Baten were among other present in the meeting.

Cooperation for holding exam sought

One hundred and five candidates of Masters degree final examination of 1988 of the Chittagong University Tuesday called upon all students organisations and the administration to extend their co-operation in holding the examination beginning on September 14

smoothly and peacefully.

In a joint statement the examinees demanded of the government to ensure security of candidates during the examination.

They said, the date of the examination was shifted seven times in the past and the students lost their valuable time.

If the examination was postponed again for any conspiracy by any quarter then the examinees would be compelled to take resort to some extreme means to stop that, they warned.

Tariq Karim made envoy to Iran

The government has decided to appoint Ahmad Tariq Karim as Bangladesh Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Iran, said a Foreign Office press release Wednesday, reports UNB.

Karim is at present Minister and Deputy Chief of Mission in Bangladesh Embassy in Beijing.



Chief Election Commissioner Justice Mohammad Abdur Rouf visiting a polling centre during by-elections on Wednesday. — Star photo

'Changes in USSR in no way end of communism'

Speakers at a seminar in Dhaka on Wednesday on 'Recent Developments in Soviet Union and Current International Scenario' gave varying interpretations on Soviet situation and future of socialism but agreed that the developments provide an opportunity for both leftists and their opponents for self-inspection, reports BSS.

They viewed the global scene vis-a-vis the developments in the Soviet Union from divergent positions as some felt Soviet development in no way marked an end to communism while some said the debacle signalled the need for change in fundamentals in Marxism and Leninism.

Organised by 'Centre for Research on Politics', the seminar was addressed among others by BSD and Five-party leader Khalequzzaman Bhuiyan, CPB leader Mujahidul Islam Selim, Janamukti Party leader Mahmudur Rahman Manna, columnist Farhad Mazhar and Dhaka University teachers Dr. Mohtul Islam, Dr MM Akash and Shahiduzzaman.

Ferdous Hossain, centre's Director, presided.

Selim said those who felt that the debacle for communism in the Soviet

Union marked an end for communism were living in a fools paradise. 'The outcome of a battlefield in no way determines the overall outcome of a war' he said and added that international communist movement would weather all storm and emerge stronger in the long run.

The CPB leader said emergence of socialism was inevitable regardless of its conception by Marx, Engels or Lenin because class conflicts in the society makes it indispensable and this would remain so in the future. However, he said, nothing is dogmatic and theoretical interpretation of socialism could always be innovated as Marx and Lenin themselves spoke of such invigoration.

But Ganamukti Party leader Manna said he personally

liked Mikhail Gorbachev, who could correctly diagnose the diseases but could not solve them. He differed with Selim that socialism failed only in the Soviet Union and said its debacle in most of the socialist countries underlined the fact that fundamentals of the socialist system need to be changed.

Manna said some system is necessary for the interest of the toiling masses but this might not necessarily be Marxism or Leninism because this experiment has failed in Soviet Union itself.

Khalequzzaman Bhuiyan said what recently happened in the Soviet Union was at the behest of the United States and both Gorbachev and Yeltsin contributed to the staging of this 'counter revolution'.

He eulogised Stalin for practical implementation of Marxism and Leninism but criticised Khrushchev for distorting Marxism and Leninism in the name of their improvement.

Bhuiyan said the Soviet development is unfortunate for the leftists but this would help strengthen international leftist movement since many a lesson could be learnt from this.

Professor Mohtul Islam said one reason for the debacle for communism in the Soviet Union is that Marx had pleaded for dictatorship of the proletariat but dictatorship of communist party but the later happened in the Soviet Union.

Token strike in newspapers today

Bangladesh Sangbadpatri Press Sramik and Karmachari Federation has called a four-hour token strike from 10 am to 2 pm in all newspaper and news agencies today (Thursday) in protest against the attack on the workers and employees of Inqilab recently, reports BSS.

According to a Federation press release Wednesday, a rally will be held in front of the Inqilab office at 11 am in this connection.

'Strong political will needed to mitigate extent of disasters'

Speakers at a seminar on 'Disaster Mitigation Measures' Wednesday stressed the need for strong political will of the population and the government to mitigate the extent and consequences of disasters that frequently ravage Bangladesh, reports BSS.

Organized jointly by Institution of Engineers, Bangladesh (IEB) and South Asian Disaster Management Centre (SADMC) the day-long seminar was addressed, among others, by Dr. Anwar Hossain, President, IEB, Md. Ruhul Matin, Dr. J. R. Choudhury, and Dr. Alimullah Mian.

Terry L. Jeggel, Programme Coordinator, Asian Disaster Preparedness Centre (ADPC)

of Asian Institute of Technology (AIT) delivered the key note speech on the occasion.

The speakers said increased awareness of the impending disaster was not enough. There must be well-protected structures in the disaster-prone areas to give shelters in times of disasters.

Terry L. Jeggel called for appropriate analysis and identification of the nature of hazards. He emphasized the need for availability of information on the previous disasters.

Participation of the people professionally in the disaster management programmes is also imperative, he asserted.

Weather

Day temperature may rise

By Staff Correspondent

Met office on Wednesday forecast rain or thunder shower is likely to occur at many places over Rajshahi Division and at few places over Dhaka Division and one or two places over Chittagong and Khulna Divisions during the 24 hours commencing at 6pm Wednesday.

Day temperature may rise one to three degree Celsius over the country.

It will change a little during the subsequent next two days. But rainfall activities may increase at the end of another five days.

Rainfall recorded in different parts of the country on Wednesday were at Sylhet—32mm, Rangamati—21mm, Bogra—19mm, Rangpur—35mm and Khulna—8mm.

Sun sets at Dhaka on Thursday at 6:08 am and sun rise Friday at 5:44 am.

Temperature and humidity recorded at major cities and towns of the country on Wednesday were:

Cities/towns	Max	Min	9 am	6 pm
Dhaka	31.7	25.0	82	77
Chittagong	32.1	25.0	81	81
Khulna	32.8	24.8	86	86
Rajshahi	32.0	25.5	88	78
Faridpur	32.6	24.8	85	78
Comilla	30.6	24.5	85	90
Cox's Bazar	31.5	24.5	78	86
Bogra	32.5	25.6	91	97
Barisal	31.6	24.6	86	82
Sylhet	32.7	24.0	85	85
Mymensingh	32.3	22.5	88	81

The highest temperature was at Sylhet and the lowest at Mymensingh.

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5-Party

Five Party alliance on Wednesday condemned attack and injury of BCL (N-5) leader at Bogra by Awami League and Chhatra Motry leader at Jhenaidah by JCD workers.

A meeting of the alliance presided over by convener Hiral Biswas adopted the resolution that AL and BNP should prove themselves terrorism-free if they want to eradicate terrorism from the country.

The meeting was addressed by among others Khalequzzaman Bhuiyan, APM Mahbubul Haq, Hassanul Huq Inu, Nirmal Sen, Nayim Jahangir and Mainuddin Khan Baidal.

The alliance demanded immediate measures to save the flood affected people.

Ganatantrik Biplobi Jote

Ganatantrik Biplobi Jote on Wednesday expressed concern over the untoward incident at Kotlipara of Gopalganj in which two villages were plundered by the neighbouring villagers following a killing. Jote demanded government's statement on the incident.

Jatiya Party

Jatiya Party senior Vice-Chairman Moudud Ahmed on Wednesday cast his vote at Guleshan Model High School Centre. Later he visited several polling centres of the city's two constituency and urged the people to maintain peace during voting.

Samajtantrik Sramik Front

Samajtantrik Sramik Jote on Wednesday urged the people to participate in the referendum enthusiastically and vote 'yes' at the referendum.

In a statement by President Abdullah Sarker and General Secretary Abdur Razzak said that the referendum will give democracy a institutional shape.

Heart transplanted

Damaged heart of Miss Mahfuza Khan, a first year BSC student of Ishurdi College, has been transplanted recently by the help of Rotary Club of Dhaka Buriganga.

Daughter of Ahaikh Noor Ahmed of Char Shaahpur Upazila under Ishurdi district, Mahfuza is now leading a normal life.

It was the part of Rotary's programme to serve the distressed people.

Transplant of another heart patient will be done soon, said a press release.

BSD

Bangladesh Samajtantrik Dal on Wednesday expressed concern over the deteriorating flood situation of the country.

In a press release by Khalequzzaman Bhuiyan urged the government to help the farmers of the flood affected areas by sanctioning interest free loan.

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A vested quarter trying to close varsity: JUCSU

The leaders of Jahangirnagar University Central Students Union Wednesday alleged that a certain vested quarter was trying to close the university by creating terrorism on the campus and sought the Prime Minister intervention in this regard, reports BSS.

The JUCSU leaders, addressing a press conference, held at the office of the Jahangirnagar University Journalists Association (JUJA), complained that the attackers of May 19 incident with the help of a teacher and a doctor of the university in collaboration with a political party leaders were trying to close the university through various terrorist activities. They however, did not reveal the names of the university teacher and doctor.

The student leaders alleged that the terrorists were blasting cocktails and firing gunshots in the residential halls of the university and also threatening to kill the VP of Salam

Barkat Hall and GS of Mosharrar Hossain Hall.

They also replied various questions of the journalists.

The press conference was addressed, among others, by JUCSU VP Moniruzzaman Monir and GS Rashedul Hassan Masum.

Employees of Observer, Chitrali meet Nurul Huda

A delegation of the journalists, press workers and general employees of The Bangladesh Observer and the weekly Chitrali Wednesday met the State Minister for Information Mohammad Nurul Huda at his Minio Road residence, reports BSS.

They discussed matters relating to the current problems of the two papers.

The State Minister, who was earlier given the responsibility of looking into the matter in The Bangladesh Observer and Chitrali by Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia, assured the delegation of necessary steps to resolve the crises in the papers.

The delegation was led by the President and the General Secretary respectively of the Dhaka Union of Journalists Zahurul Haq and Ruhul Amin Gazi.

Banglacrast executive body declared valid

The fifth Assistant Judge of Dhaka, in a judgement, declared valid the Executive Committee of Bangladesh handicrafts manufacturers and exporters association (Banglacrast) with Anisur Razzak as its President, a Banglacrast press release said in Dhaka Saturday.

The court also declared valid the committee of Banglacrast, formed at the requisition meeting of its members with SU Haidar as the President.

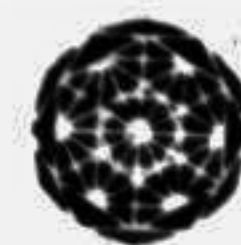
Narrating the case in brief, the press release said a large number of members of the Banglacrast, in a requisition meeting in November 1988, expressed no-confidence to the executive committee of the organisation led by Razzak, election board and all concerned sub-committees, protesting against corruption, autocracy and irregularities of Razzak.

The requisition meeting also formed a nine-member adhoc committee with SU Haidar and Najma Ara Abed as the President and Vice-President respectively to run the activities of the association.

The press release further said, Haidar went to court as Razzak refused to hand over the charge to the adhoc committee.

According to the press release, Anisur Razzak 'expelled' eight leading members of the association who attended the requisition meeting to cling to power. As a result, the organisation of the handicraft exporters had become a cripple one.

The court delivered the judgement after the prosecution went to it for justice, the press release added.



BCIC International Tender Notice

General Manager, NGFF Ltd, Fenchuganj, Sylhet invites sealed quotation for supply of following stores on C and F (C) Chittagong basis. Tender documents may be purchased at the following rate each (Non-refundable) from (1) BCIC, 30-31, Dilkusha, Dhaka (2) BCIC Branch Office, 6, Agrabad, Chittagong (3) NGFF Ltd, Fenchuganj, Sylhet on all working days. Tenders will be received up to 1100 hrs. on the date mentioned against each and will be opened immediately thereafter in public. No Tender documents will be sold on opening day.

S1. No.	Tender No	Description of stores	Price of documents	Date of opening
1.	NGFF/P-205/MMD/378	Different type of Bearings	Tk.100/- (Taka one hundred) only.	21.10.91
2.	NGFF/P-206/EIPD/379	'Do'	Tk. 100/- (Taka one hundred) only.	21.10.91

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Notice of RHD Inviting Tender

1. Tender Notice No : 4/EE/P&S (Civil) of 1991-92.
2. Name of Work : Extension and modification of C.A.O Office with sanitation, water supply and electrification at the premises of Executive Engineer, RHD, of Workshop Division under Executive Engineer, RHD, Procurement and Storage Civil Division, Dhaka.
3. Estimated Cost : Tk. 3,67,852/-
4. Earnest Money : Tk. 7,357/-
5. Time Allowed : 50 (Fifty) days from the date of issue of work order.
6. Eligibility of Contractors : Enlisted contractors of Category 'A' to 'C' general under RHD, category 'D' general under S.E. RHD, Procurement and Storage Mechl. Circle, Dhaka and category 'E' general under E.E. RHD, Procurement and Storage Civil Division, Dhaka.
7. Name of offices of availability of tender documents : Executive Engineer, RHD, Procurement and Storage Civil Division, Dhaka/Executive Engineer, RHD, Procurement Mechl. Divn., Dhaka/Executive Engineer, RHD, Procurement and Storage Mechl. Division, Tejgaon, Dhaka, Executive Engineer, RHD, Procurement and Storage Mechl. Division, Chittagong and Executive Engineer, RHD, Workshop Division, Tejgaon, Dhaka.
8. Name of Officers to received tender : 1) Superintending Engineer, RHD, Procurement and Storage Mechl. Circle, Dhaka.
2) Executive Engineer, RHD, Procurement and Storage Civil Division, Dhaka.
3) Executive Engineer, RHD, Workshop Division, Tejgaon, Dhaka.
9. Last date of receipt of tender : 25-09-91 at 12-00 Noon
10. Date and time of opening of tender : 25-09-91 at 12-30 P.M.
11. Head of Account of Expenditure : "168" R. B. F.

Md. Nabinoor Islam Khan

Executive Engineer, RHD,
Procurement & Storage Civil Division,
Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka.

NOTICE OF RHD INVITING TENDER

(2ND CALL)

1. Tender Notice No : 5/EE/RHD/P&S(Civil) of 1991-92.
2. Name of work : Re-Construction of cyclone damage boundary wall of Sagorica Stackyard at Fauzderhat, Chittagong under Executive Engineer, RHD, Procurement and Storage Civil Division, Dhaka, during the year 1991-92.
3. Name of offices of availability of Tender documents : Executive Engineer, RHD, Procurement and Storage Civil Division, Dhaka/Executive Engineer, RHD, Procurement and Storage Mechl. Division, Tejgaon, Dhaka/Executive Engineer, RHD, Procurement Mechl. Division, Dhaka/Executive Engineer, RHD, Procurement and Storage Mechl. Division, Chittagong.
4. Name of officers to receive Tenders : 1) Superintending Engineer, RHD, Procurement and Storage Mechl. Circles, Dhaka.
2) Executive Engineer, RHD, Procurement and Storage Civil Division, Block 'B', Room No-306, Dhaka.
3) Executive Engineer, RHD, Procurement and Storage Mechl. Division, Chittagong.
5. Last date of receipt of tender : 24-9-91 (8-6-1398 Bengali) at 12-00 Noon.
6. Date and time of opening of Tender : 24-9-91 (8-6-1398 Bengali) at 12-30 P.M.
7. Head of Account of Expenditure : "168" R.B.F.
8. Group list of work :

Group No	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Time allowed	Eligibility of contractor
I	Tk. 4,79,314/-	9,586/00	60 (Sixty) days	Enlisted contractors of Category 'A' to 'C' General under RHD Category 'D' General under Superintending Engineer, RHD, Procurement and Storage Mechl. Circle, Dhaka and Category 'E' General under Executive Engineer, RHD, Procurement and Storage Civil Division, Dhaka.
II	Tk. 2,85,184/-	5,704/00	60 (Sixty) days	

MD. NABINOOR ISLAM KHAN

Executive Engineer, RHD,
Procurement and Storage Civil Division,
Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka.

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Obituary

Ali Imdad Khan, former member of Bangladesh Public Service Commission, died at a city hospital Wednesday morning, family sources said. He was 77, reports BSS.

Khan left behind his wife, a number of relatives, well wishers and friends to mourn his death.

His Namaz-e-Janaza will be held at Dhanmondi Mosque after Zohr prayer and he will be buried at Azimpur Graveyard.

SMH Abul Bashar, a former Chairman of RAJUK died of a massive heart attack Tuesday night in Tangail. He was 56.

He left behind his wife, a son, a daughter and a number of relatives and well-wishers to mourn his death.

His namaz-e-janaza was held at Baitul Mukarram Mosque Wednesday after Asr prayer and he was buried at Banani Graveyard.

The Gul khwani of Abul Bashar will be held on Friday after Asr prayer at 77/1 Tejuntipara, Farmgate.

Jahanara Begum, wife of

Alhaj Abdul Hamid of Gandaria, died Monday night at Holly Family Hospital. She was 65.

Her Gul Khwani will be held at her residence today (Thursday).