

Dhaka Day by Day

A Research Institute With Steady Ethos

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A profile on a research institute is rarely an attractive subject for the print media. In spite of the lack-lustre nature of the theme which partly explains a generally lukewarm readership, the greater blame for this sort of reaction can perhaps be laid at the door of an inappropriate approach which sometimes tends to become pedantic. The situation may probably turn out a little better with more simple treatment of the topic.

With that belief which is not without a tinge of diffidence, a Research Institute with its objectives and achievements is here introduced. The Research Institute in question is the Bangladesh Institute of Law and International Affairs. It is a sort of "think tank" devoted mainly, among other things, to the promotion of studies and research in Law and International Affairs.

Placed in a beautiful locale with tranquil environs, the Institute was established in June, 1972 under the pioneering initiative of

Dr. FKMA Munim, former Chief Justice of Bangladesh Supreme Court who is its present Chairman. The Institute has been operating as a forum for providing scholars and experts to relate to each other and to facilitate the formulation of common policies in important areas of law and international affairs in an interdependent world order. It has among its patrons and members eminent personalities including judges, lawyers, jurists, academics.

The mainstay of its finance rests on grants made by the Ministry of Law & Justice and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Though the available funds put some financial constraints on any projected expansion of the activities of the Institute, the limitation has not been allowed to affect the quality dimensions of its manifold on-going activities. The donor agencies, such as The Asia Foundation, the Ford Foundation and the USAID play a useful role by offering specific project grants. Organisations such as the American Cultural Centre, the British Council and other foreign missions donate books, journals, periodicals, etc. which go a long way in enriching the Institute's library. The research grants given by the donor agen-

cies help to undertake original research in specific areas by the Institute's qualified staff researchers.

The Institute has a list of research publications which are indubitably impressive. A full recital of the same is here avoided, lest it may read like a bookseller's catalogue. But it can be stated with certitude that any one endowed with intellectual curiosity will find the list of publications most edifying as they cover a broad spectrum of current burning issues. The Institute's other publications include (a) a biennial journal featuring articles on international law and international affairs, (b) Bangladesh Supreme Court Report which is a quarterly publication bringing out the decisions of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court and (c) a monthly magazine focussing on areas of current interest.

The Institute also undertook certain important projects on areas noted below:

(a) Project on delay in Court and

Court administration funded by the Asia Foundation. (b) Project on documentation on SAARC also funded by The Asia Foundation with the co-operation of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. (c) Project on Bench Guide Book for use by trial judges on Civil Procedure. (d) Project on Gender differentials for Industrial Women Workers in Bangladesh. (e) Project on International Relations.

A very important part of the Institute's project activities related to the Judicial Officers' Training Programme initiated in 1985, with the co-operation of the Ministry of Law and Justice and funds provided by The Asia Foundation. Under this programme a good number of judicial officers of the ranks of Subordinate Judges and Assistant Judges have received training so far.

Research organisations of a nation represent an aspect of its international heart throb, so to say. To make it cover a long mileage in its run, there should be greater active interest on the part of all dedicated to the goal of extending the frontiers of knowledge.

Call to observe Fazlul Huq's birthday at state level

Leaders of Sher-e-Bangla Jatiya Smriti Sangsad have urged for state level observance of the birth and death anniversaries of Sher-e-Bangla AK Fazlul Huq, reports UNB.

In a joint statement Tuesday President of the Sangsad veteran political leader Ataur Rahman Khan and President of the Sher-e-Bangla National Research Centre Mohammad Nasiruddin said the late leader was a frontline architect for the creation of Bangladesh.

Terming Sher-e-Bangla AK Fazlul Huq as a guardian of the common man they observed that he based his political career upon the concept of Bangali nationalism and welfare of the general mass, says a press release.

They said the late leader played a pioneering role in spreading education in the country and helped in the establishment of several academic institutions including Dhaka University.

Rehabilitate Khulna fire victims: AL

By Staff Correspondent

Awami League President Sheikh Hasina and Acting General Secretary Amir Hossain Amu in a joint statement Tuesday expressed deep shocks and sympathy for the victims of Monday's fire in Khulna in which properties were damaged and a number of people sustained burn injuries.

The AL leaders were also surprised over looting of goods during the fire in presence of police. They demanded rehabilitation of the affected people and punishment to the persons responsible.

5-party alliance condemns killing of student leader

By Staff Correspondent

The Five-Party Alliance on Tuesday condemned the recent killing in Narail of student leader Chayan Malik alleged by the armed cadres of the Jatyatabadi Chhatra Dal.

In a statement condemning the killing the Five-Party leaders pointed out that all sections of people were being held hostage in the hands of such terrorists. Noting the panic which has spread among the people because of the failure of the Government and the authorities to stop such terrorism, the leaders demanded immediate investigations into the killing and punishment for those involved in it.

They also expressed their heart-felt condolences for the bereaved family and urged all to build up resistance against such acts of terrorism.

TV artiste killed in road mishap

Renowned film and television artiste Sheikh Abul Kashem was killed in a road accident near Chairmanbari road crossing in Dhaka Tuesday. He was 48, reports UNB.

Kashem, who was the Dance Director of Bangladesh Television, left behind his wife, four sons, two daughters and a host of students, relatives and admirers.

His namaj-e-janaza was held at Bangladesh Television Bhaban premises. He was buried at Banani graveyard.

Obituary

By Staff Correspondent

Iqbalunnessa, wife of late Alhaj Naim Khan Chowdhury of MS Fabric Halls, New Market, Dhaka died on Tuesday at her residence at 45/1, Al Amin Road (Green Road).

Alhaj Chowdhury hailed from Ahia Villa of Sylhet. She was laid to rest at Mohammadpur graveyard. Iqbalunnessa left behind her only daughter Nazibunnessa Chowdhury alias Rina Chowdhury and other relatives to mourn her death.

Her kulkhwani will be held at her residence on Friday (Oct. 26) after Asr prayer.

All relatives, friends and well wishers have been requested to attend it.

Wednesday

5.00 Opening announcement
Al Quran
Programme Summary
5.15 Reading from the Geeta
5.20 News in Bangla
5.30 Tarunna
6.00 Sports programme
6.30 Educational programme
7.05 Programme of new artists
8.00 News in Bangla
8.30 Dance
9.00 Film: MacGyver
10.00 News in English
10.30 Dristhikon
11.30 Khabar/The News
11.40 Closing

Buddhist monks end seclusion

Prabarana Purnima, marking the end of three-month seclusion of Buddhist monks inside the monastery, was celebrated Tuesday with traditional enthusiasm and solemn devotion, reports BSS.

Nearly one million Buddhists of the country celebrated the purnima in the hundreds of Buddhist monasteries in Chittagong, Rangamati, Ramgarh, Bandarban, Cox's Bazar, Comilla, Noakhali, Patuakhali and other Buddhist populated regions of the country.

The purnima was celebrated in the capital city in three monasteries, International Buddhist Monastery at Merul Badda, Dharmarajika Buddhist Monastery at Kamalapur and Shakyamuni Buddha Bihar at Mirpur.

The day was heralded with hoisting of the national and religious flags atop the monasteries, chanting of verses of the holy Buddhist scriptures, breaking of fast, Buddha Puja, Madhu Puja, Pindadana, Shilgrahan, mass prayer, discussion, symposium and cultural functions.



Buddhist community offering candle-light prayer on the occasion of Prabarana Purnima at Kamalapur Buddhist Monastery on Tuesday.

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BUET VC, Deans meet Home Minister

Home Minister Abdul Matin Chowdhury Tuesday expressed government firm determination to take severe action to root out terrorism and violence from educational institutions, reports BSS.

He called upon the people to give their full support and cooperation to the government in this regard.

The Minister was holding a meeting with the BUET Vice Chancellor, Deans, Syndicate Members and high officials of the Home Ministry and the police at the Secretariat.

The meeting held detailed discussion on the latest situation of BUET campus and various measures to prevent violence there.

The Minister stressed the need for restoration and maintenance of congenial academic atmosphere in all educational institutions. He categorically said, the present democratic government would not hesitate to take stern measures against terrorists irrespective of their political affiliation.

Describing terrorism on the campus as a serious crime, he exhorted all quarters to come forward to eliminate it and

keep the interest of the country uppermost.

The Vice-Chancellor and the teachers of BUET took part in the discussion and assured their full cooperation to the government in this regard.

Italy keen to modernise Bangladesh police force

Italian Ambassador to Bangladesh Claudio Pacifico, called on Home Minister, Abdul Matin Chowdhury, at his office in Dhaka Tuesday, reports BSS.

They discussed matters of mutual interest including economic cooperation, joint ventures, exchange of experience and delegates between the two countries.

Claudio showed keen interest on modernising of Bangladesh police force. Matin and Claudio hoped that the existing friendly relations between the two countries would be further strengthened in the years to come.

Weather

Day temperature may rise

Light rain or drizzle is likely at one or two places over Chittagong division and the regions of Rangpur and Dinajpur during the next 24 hours till 6 pm Tuesday, reports UNB.

Met office says, weather may remain mainly dry elsewhere across the country.

Day temperature during the period may rise by 1.2 degree Celsius.

Tuesday's maximum temperature in Dhaka was 30.5 degree Celsius and the minimum 21.6 degrees. Bogra experienced the highest temperature 33.9 degree Celsius while Sirimangal the lowest 17.7 degrees.

Percentage of humidity was 70 in the morning and 71 in the evening.

Sun sets today (Wednesday) at 5:26 pm and rises tomorrow (Thursday) at 6:00 am.

VACANCY

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- Age limit: 18-30 years.
- Application should state name, father's/ husband's name, permanent address, nationality, district, educational qualification, experience etc.
- Applications should submit their full description (in Bengali) with attested copies of relevant papers to GPO Box No. 2312, Dhaka on or before 4-11-91.
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What's on today....

ASB discussion

A discussion under the auspices of the Asiatic Society of Bangladesh (ASB) will be held today (Wednesday) at 4.30 pm in the seminar room of the Society at 5, Old Secretariat Road in the city.

Abu Md. Delwar Hossain of the History Department of Dhaka University will give a talk on 'Bangladesh-Pakistan Relationship: 1971-1981'.

Dr AM Sharafuddin, President of the ASB, will preside over the function.

Tanti Oikya Parishad

Sarbodalya Tanti Oikya Parishad has called a press conference at the conference room of the National Press Club today (Wednesday) at 4 pm to describe various problems of the country's weavers.

Engineers' meeting

The 20th meeting of the Engineers Service Structure and Welfare Committee will be held today (Wednesday) at the Institution of Engineers, Bangladesh (IEB).

All members of the committee have been requested to attend the meeting.

Rotary Club of Buriganga

The regular meeting of the Rotary Club of Dhaka Buriganga will be held today (Wednesday) at 5.30 pm at Sonargaon Hotel.

The guest speakers for this week are: Zeenat Barkatullah, Geetara Saliya Chowdhury and Sabrina Rahman.

Rotary Club of Dhaka mid-town

The 683rd regular weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Dhaka mid-town will be held today (Wednesday) at 5.30 pm at the Dhaka Sheraton Hotel.

AOTS Alumni Society

Bangladesh AOTS Alumni Society (BAAS) and (AOTS) Dhaka Office will jointly hold a seminar on 'environmental pollution control' today (Wednesday) at 4.30 pm at Surma Room of Sonargaon hotel in the city.

M Maniruzzaman Chowdhury, Chairman of BSCIC, will attend the seminar as the chief guest.

H Fujita First Secretary of the Embassy of Japan in Dhaka, will attend the function as the special guest.

Oli, British envoy talk Jamuna Bridge project

The British High Commissioner in Bangladesh, C. F. Imray, Tuesday called on the Communication Minister Col (Retd) Oli Ahmed at Bangladesh Secretariat, reports BSS.

They discussed in detail the road communication system of Bangladesh.

The minister explained to him the importance of the proposed Jamuna Multi-purpose Bridge in our national economy. In this regard Col Oli mentioned that the operation of road and railway ferries remained suspended across the Jamuna for several months during the dry season.

The construction of Dhal-eswary-one and Dhales-wary-two bridges on Dhaka-Mawa road with the British ODA assistance also came up for discussion.

Executive Director of Jamuna Multi-purpose Bridge authorities A Z M Shamsul Alam was present at the meeting.

Soeharto, Walesa greet Biswas

President Lech Walesa of Poland and President Soeharto of Indonesia have felicitated Abdur Rahman Biswas on his election as President of Bangladesh, reports UNB.

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