Dhaka Day by Day

Miranda's Tempest

by Rahat Fahmida

She stepped out of the lift and walked towards a table in the lounge of a local hotel. Miranda from The Tempest! But not the Shakespeare's play. Carmen Miranda is a dynamic development worker who is part of the tempest and debate that a big group of the international community is going through contradicting the work, plans and programmes of the World Bank and IMF. In this regard she happened to attend the International People's Forum 1991, recently held in Bangkok, which was held simultaneously with the World Bank and IMF meeting taking place at the other end of the city. This International Forum is a coali-

tion where 200 people participated from all over the world, discussing the problems of rapid industrialisa tion and imposed They models. stressed, "Life is not quantity, but quality." Hence, rapid industrialisation does not mean better quality of life for the people.

Ms. Miranda is with The Panos Institute in London and is the director of South Asia regional programme. She is working where amongst other development they create political awareness of the

need for 'green' development is growing. This enthusiastic worker believes and is trying to convey it to the people that now people must be given the opportunity to choose forms of development that do not waste, exploit or destroy the environment.

wouldn't be there'.

She was on her way to London from Bangkok, when she stopped over Dhaka for a few days. Talking to The Daily Star regarding her experience at this particular forum she said, disasters are always news. Few readers can escape from the clash of their impact. Before the growth of the world economy and the universalization of news, knowledge of disasters was more circumscribed. Now we are besieged with a catalogue of catastrophes, large and small: earthquakes in Armenia; famine in the Sahel; floods in Bangladesh; hurricanes in southern England; ferry sinking at Zeebrugge and in the Philippines; fighting in Afghanistan and the flight of millions of refugees; rail, road and air crashed - the list is endless. The impacts of these events are variable in volume, time and space. Some cause a little loss of life; others kill millions. Some are momentary; others spread out over years. Some are located within a few hundred square metres; others cover several countries. "No part of the world, no period, no population, indeed no person is

exempt from disasters, but until the improvement of communications enlarged our daily knowledge of world events we were unaware of the full impact of the unexpected upon populations. Our experience of disasters was more personal and more localized, less statistical and less demographic", she said.

As a participant of the International Forum 1991 she also said, it is evident and has been for years that, despite the fact that mortality is seen as one of the major demographic impacts of disasters and as an integral part of many definitions, it is very difficult to find reliable estimates of the magnitude of particular disasters

before the modern period. Possibly the epidemics of infectious disease such as plague, typhus, cholera, smallpox and influenza. Periodic outbursts of such diseases have exacted a fearful toll of human life, had a profound effect on the course of human history and at times threa tened the viability of whole societies. The sheer magnitude of mortality from epidemic disasters is staggering to behold and makes mortality from most other forms of disaster seem trivial by

Carmen Miranda: 'If the job isn't exciting !

Disasters have always tended to be socially selective and a great crisis had the effect of weeding out many of the most vulnerable in a population, in both an economic and a physioogical sense.

The upper and middle classes have been less affected by mortality crises partly because their mobility allowed them ample opportunity to move out of affected areas at the first sign of disaster and partly because they were cushioned against such events by virtue of greater personal resources and better living condi-

What Ms. Miranda is trying to find is - "Why is there no awareness about sustainable development?"

At the end of the conversation with Carmen Miranda it was amazing to know that she is originally from Goa, India. Initially she went over to England for her studies in 1966 and later married and stayed on. She has an interesting professional experience, working in places like Africa, Angola, Algeria and Kenya. Her eyes lit up as she concluded with a bright smile saying, "I have always taken challenges. I am not a careerist. If the job is not exciting I wouldn't be there. As a result it broadens my perspectives."

National betel-leaf policy demanded

By Staff Correspondent Mujahidul Islam Selim, S M A

The Betel-leaf Growers Association on Wednesday held a rally in front of National Press Club in support of their 15-point charter of demands. The demands include national betel-leaf policy, formation of betelnut board, insurance for the growers, launching of taka 20 crore special project for the welfare of the growers and enhancement of loan facilities.

NAP General Secretary Pankaj Bhattachaya was the chief guest at the rally presided over by Association Convenor Harisadhan Dev Barman. The rally was addressed among others by Prof Abdul Hafiz MP, CPB leader

Islamic Development Bank reports UNB.

Wednesday the visit mainly aims at further increasing the Bank's assistance to Bangladesh.

IDB provides assistance to various sectors, including upazila health complex, feeder vessels building, power plants and fertilizer factories.

During the visit, Dr Ali is expected to call on President Abdur Rahman Biswas and Prime Minister Begum Khaleda

He will also meet Finance

IDB President due Saturday

(IDB) President Dr Ahmad Mohamad Ali arrives here Saturday on a three-day visit,

Officials here said

Minister M Saifur Rahman, Irrigation Minister Majed-ul Haq and Education Minister Zamiruddin Sircar.

Rupantarita Prakritik Gas Company Limited (A Subsidiary Company of Petrobangla)

BSEC Bhaban (8th floor)

Sabur, Rakhal Majumder,

Nimai Mandal, and Sheikh

to lack of policy on betel-leaf,

the country was losing huge

foreign currencies from this

sector having a wide market in

been confronted with multifar-

ious problems in producing be-

tion of cyclone-hit growers of

the coastal belt, establishment

of a betel-leaf research centre,

taking steps to facilitate ex-

ports ensuring fair prices.

Moreover the growers have

They demanded rehabilita-

Middle East.

tel-leaf, they said.

The speakers said that due

102, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue Kawran Bazar C/A, Dhaka-1225

Tender Notice

Sealed tenders are invited by Rupantarita Prakritik Gas Company Limited from bonafide suppliers /manufacturers /importers for purchase of the undermentioned goods:

\$1 No.	Tender No. and date	Description of goods	Date of opening tender	Price of tender
1.	RP-01/01	Photocopy Machine	16-11-91	Tk 100/= (One hundred)
	dt 22-10-91		at 12-10 hrs	only
2.	RP-01/02	Computer (PC)	17-11-91	Tk 300/= (Three hundred)
	dt 22-10-91		at 12-10 hrs	only
3.	RP-01/03	Ammonia Printing	18-11-91	Tk 100/= (One hundred)
	dt 22-10-91	Machine	at 12-10 hrs	only
4.	RP-01/04	Fax Machine	19-11-91	Tk 100/= (One hundred)
	dt 22-10-91		at 12-10 hrs	only
5.	RP-01/05	Book Binding and Paper	20-11-91	Tk 50/= (Fifty)
	dt 22-10-91	Cutting Machine	at 12-10 hrs	only
6.	RP-01/06	Stationery goods	21-11-91	Tk 100/= (One hundred)
	dt 22-10-91		at 12-10 hrs	only .
7.	RP-01/07	Printing	23-11-91	Tk 100/= (One hundred)
	dt 22-10-91		at 12-10 hrs	only
8.	RP-01/08	Steel Rack	24-11-91	Tk 50/= (Fifty) only
	dt 22-10-91		at 12-10 hrs	

Tender schedule can be purchased at the price mentioned against each tender in cash (nonrefundable) from Accounts Department of this office during office hours from 31-10-91. No tender will be sold on the date of submitting tender.

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JUCSU blasts Hasina's statement on DU incident

Jahangirnagar University Central Students Union (JUCSU) VP Moniruzzaman Monir and GS Rashedul Hasan Masum, in a joint statement on Wednesday criticised Awami League Chief and Leader of the opposition in Parliament Sheikh Hasina for her "provoking" statement that last Sunday's incident in the Dhaka University campus was an outburst of the conflict between the two factions of Chhatra Dal.

They said Sheikh Hasina's statement "only proves her and her party's past politics of falsehood.

Gram-Police union withdraws programme

Bangladesh Gram-Police Karmachari Union has decided to withdraw their programme to hold a rally today (Thursday), reports UNB.

The decision to this effect was announced following a meeting between the Deputy Minister for LGRD and Cooperatives Abdul Hye and the Union leaders at the Secretariat Wednesday.

President of the Union A H M Rafed and other office-bearers of the union were present in the meeting, said a PID handout.

It was decided in the meeting that appropriate decisions on the six-point charter of demands of the Union would be taken after further consultations among the parties con-

BUET exams from Nov 9

All suspended examinations of Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET) will be held from November 9, reports UNB.

Part a examinations of the BUET has been rescheduled in view of the present situation in the campus, said a pres re-

The decision was taken at an emergency meeting o deans of different faculties and departmental heads at the Vice Chancellor's office.

The press release said all examinations scheduled for October 22 will now be held on November 9.

531 illegal power lines snapped

Five hundred 31 illegal power lines were severed from October 20 to 22 at Manikgani Savar, Nayarhat and Keraniganj, reports BSS.

Besides, Taka 9310 was realised as fines from some illegal power users and four persons at Manikganj were sent to jail hajat.

A PDB press release said, R K Das, Magistrate 1st Court (DESA), Executive Engineer Postogola and other senior officer of PDB took part in the drives. Huge quantities of electric wires and heaters were setzed and 250 cases were instituted during the drives.

Body recovered From Our SSMCH

Correspondent

Police on Tuesday night recovered the body of an unidentified young lady (22) from beside the Dhaka-Maoa

The body was found floating in a ditch at a place called Vhaoar Vita at Keraniganj. She was wearing a silk sari and part of the sari was wrapped around her neck.

The post-mortem report said the lady was strangulated to death. No further details could be known.

at 6-05 am.



resignation of Home Minister. Star photo

New health policy on anvil

One AIDS patient, 7 HIV carriers detected

The intensity of attack and number of death by diarrhoeal diseases in the northern districts of the country are com ing down, Health and Family Welfare Minister Chowdhury Kamal Ibne Yusuf said in Dhaka Wednesday, reports BSS.

"The government has launched its biggest ever health operation to contain the hazardous health situation in the northern districts caused by the post-flood condition", he told the Bangladesh Overseas Correspondent's Association (OCAB) at a briefing-session.

Taka 31 crore would be

needed to repair the Kar-

naphuli bridge damaged in the

devastating cyclone of April 29

this year, Communications

Minister Col (Retd) Oli Ahmed

informed the Jatiya Sangsad

Sardar Shakhawat Hossain Bo-

kul (BNP-Narsingdi) the Minis-

ter said the repair works of

the bridge would start, subject

to the completion of agree-

ment with the Netherlands

government and appointment

Rafsanjani, has hoped that the

relation between Bangladesh

and Iran would expand further

felicitation to President Abdur

Rahman Biswas on his as-

sumption of the highest office

of Bangladesh. The message

was handed over by the

Ambassador of Iran in

Bangladesh Mohammad Ganji

Doost to the President at

cussed with the President

The Ambassador also dis-

Bangabhaban on Wednesday.

He said this in a message of

in future, reports BSS.

of the contractor.

Replying to a question from

Wednesday, reports BSS.

The Health Minister said so far 2,237 persons died of diarrhoea in the northern and some other districts since September 1, this year while the number of people attacked by the disease during the same period stood at 1,63,691.

He said the construction

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pected to be completed in a

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an amount of Taka 135.58

crore had been spent for the

construction of the bridge in-

cluding a foreign exchange

Netherlands team was ex-

pected to be submitted by

December this year.

He said the report of the

They also discussed techni-

Reciprocating the senti-

cal training and research col-

ment President Biswas said

that the existing relations with

the brotherly people of Iran

Rafsanjani for the felicitation

message and hoped that the

economic and bilateral cooper-

ation between the two coun-

tries would continue in future.

By Staff Correspondent

Saudi Arabian Civil Defence

arrived in Dhaka Wednesday on

a goodwill visit to Bangladesh.

Bangladesh Fire Service and

Civil Desence received the

team at the airport. The team

A five-member team of

The Director General of

He thanked President

laboration with Bangladesh.

would further strengthen.

component of Taka 58 crore.

Answering to a supplemen-

period of nine to 12 months.

He said Taka 2,777 crore had been earmarked for development of the health sector during the period of which 4.5 per cent for population control and 2.8 per cent for health care would be spent out of a total 7.3 per cent of the budget meant for health and population control.

Tk 31 cr needed to repair

Karnaphuli bridge

Iran keen to recruit

skilled Bangladeshis

President of Islamic skilled man-power from

Republic of Iran Akbar Hashmi Bangladesh.

The minister said the government was receiving good response from World Bank and donor nations for assistance in the health sector since democratic government had now been installed in the country.

He said that a new health policy for securing a better health and family welfare condition was on the anvil.

He told a questioner that the government would not allow marketing of harmful drugs in the country and said it would encourage foreign investment here and operation of the multi-national companies for production of beneficial drugs.

Yusuf told another questioner so far only one AIDS patient and seven carriers of HIV were detected in the country.

One arrested for defrauding bank

By Staff Correspondent

One person was arrested Tuesday when he tried to draw money from Al-Baraka Bank against forged cheques he deposited earlier.

Motifheel police said two cheques of the Public Health Engineering (PHE) department for Taka 68,237 and Taka 8,75,712 bearing false signatures were deposited in a new account opened with the principal branch of Al-Baraka Bank in Motifheel on October 10. The account was opened in the name of one Fazlul Huq.

The cheques were subsequently cleared by the Bangladesh Bank and the money was sent to the personal account. The account holder withdrew Taka 50,000 from the bank on Monday last against the cheques, police

When he tried to withdraw Taka 14 lakh from the account Tuesday the bank officials became suspicious. They immediately contacted the Bangladesh Bank officials who could not find any irregularities with the said cheeks. After bank officials contacted the PHE department the forgery was unearthed.

Al-Baraka filed a general dairy (GD) with Motifheel thana. Police arrested the account holder Fazlul Hug from the bank premises.

Police said that following interrogations it was found that the account was opened under a false name and the real name of the arrested person was Haider Ali (30), who hails from Kishoreganj.

Further investigations are continuing.

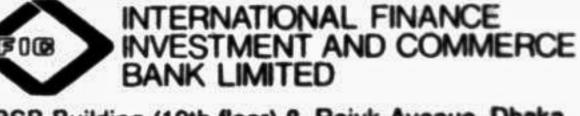
শ্রি ডাঃ আশরাফীর ফ্রি লেকচার আত্ম-উন্নয়নে আশরাফী পদ্ধতি বজনসহ অপিনাকে সাদর আমন্ত্রণ প্রখ্যাত নেচারকিউর ফিজিলীয়ান ও টিভি উপস্থাপক ডাঃ ছিন্দিকুর

রহমান আশরাকীর ফ্রি লেকচারে।তিনি মেডিটেশন, প্রাণায়াম, যোগঞ্জিয়া, Relaxation-এর বিৰখ্যাত পৰতি, Nature Cure Therapeutics, সাত্তিক বাদাপতি, Positive Thought Culture नद त्नर-यन निरद्धार्थं नाना व्यक्ति नयवता गर्छ ज्ञानास्त्र वास-উন্নয়নের এক অব্যর্থ প্রশিক্ষণ অনুশীদনী কোর্স। সূত্র অফুরন্ত দৈহিক মানসিক ও আঞ্জিক শক্তির উন্মোচন বিকাশ, নিয়ন্ত্রণ এবং আপনার আকার্যখিত সাফল্যজনক জীবনের জন্য এ এক অপূর্ব কার্যকর পছতি। ধুমণান বা মদ্যাশক্তি ত্যাগ,ছাগের নেশামুক্তি,উড রক্ত চাপ, হৃদরোগ, গ্রাহ্মমা, ভারাবেটিস, স্নায়ুশক্তি দুর্বপতা, পেটের শীড়া, অনিদ্রা, নানাপ্রকার ভয়েসটিং ডিসিজ ও মানসিক রোগসহ ফোবিয়া, সাইকোসিস ভিশ্ৰেসন, বাদ্যে অনিহা/ অভিব্লিক্ত ভোজনাকা আ, তজন কমিয়ে বা প্ৰয়োজনীয় ভজন বাড়িয়ে চমংকার ক্লি ফিশার তৈরি সহ কঠিন রোগ নিরামর ও প্রতিরোধে এই কোর্স ক্রিনিক্যালী পরিপূর্ণ কার্যকর, অব্যর্থ। দেহকে, মনকে রোগমুক্ত ও শক্তিশালী করে অসীম ক্ষমতাধর হতে এই কোর্স আঁপনার জন্য এক

ছাত্র ছাত্রীদের সৃতি, মেধা, চিন্তা, ইচ্ছা ও কর্মশক্তি বিকাশ এবং ব্যবসা, শিল-কারখানা পরিচালনা, প্রশাসনিক ৩ যে কোন শেশাগত দক্ষতা বৃদ্ধির উপর পূর্ণ করুত্ব দিয়েই কোর্নটি রূপীত-পরিচালিত। অভিস্তীয় (ESP) ক্ষতা বৃদ্ধি ও তৃতীয় নয়ন(Third Eye)উন্মোচনে Self-Improvement-এর এই কোর্স আন্ত-নিবেদিত। ফ্রি-দেকচারে ডাঃ আশরাকী আপনাকে **অভি সহজ্ব সরল ভাষা**য় কোর্সের বিস্তারিত পরিচিতি ও বিজ্ঞান ভিন্তিক ব্যাখ্যা দান করবেন। ফ্রি লেকচাত্রে আসন সীমিত। আসন সংরক্ষণ এবং লেকচাত্রের সময় ও তারিখ এর জন্য যোগাযোগ করুন

🍑 আশরাফীস নেচারকিউর ক্লিনিক

প্রি ১০, নিউ সার্কুলার রোড, মালিবাগ, ঢাকা। ফোলঃ ৮৩৪০১৩



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Notice of Fourteenth Annual General Meeting Attention of the shareholders is

drawn to the Notice of the 14th Annual General Meeting appearing in the daily newspapers on October 20, 1991 from which Item No. 5 of the Agenda be treated as deleted.

> By order of the Board for and on behalf of IFIC Bank Ltd. A.H. Anwar Hussain

will visit the Mirpur Fire Secretary. Service Office today and witness a fire drill.

An international freight forwarding and packing company having joint venture operations with several overseas associates are looking for suitable candidates to fill up the following positions.

CAREER OPPORTUNITY

EXECUTIVE (IMPORTS)-1 (ONE) 2. EXECUTIVE (EXPORTS)-1. (ONE)

Candidates for the above positions should be between 30-35 years with 4-5 years experience in Custom clearance & Forwarding. Experience of handling of personal effects of expatriates will be an added qualification. The candidates should be familiar with rules and regulations of the Customs and Import & Export procedures. These are supervisory positions and will be totally responsible for the operations of the companys business relating to Imports/Clearing (for Sl. 1) and Exports/Forwarding (for Sl. 2).

SALES EXECUTIVES-2 (TWO)

Candidates should be aged between mid 20 to early 30 with at least 3-4 years experience in the Sales discipline, preferably with any service oriented company with a proven record of achievment.

CUSTOMER SERVICE ASSISTANTS-2 (TWO)

The Candidates should be between 25-30 years of age with at least 2-3 years experience in Sales/ Customer service discipline.

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The candidate should be preferably between 35-40 years of age with at least 6-7 years experience and a sound knowledge of all types of job relating to Airconditioning & Refrigeration viz : Installation, repair, maintenance etc. Knowledge of making out small project estimates is essential. This is a supervisory position where the incumbent will head the Engineering Section of the company.

Educational Qualification: For St. Nos 1 to 3 minimum Bachelors Degree. For St. No. 4 minimum H.S.C. for Sl. No: 5 Minimum Diploma/Trade Certificate in the related field.

For all positions ability to communicate in English is essential as job involves constant liaison with the expatriate community.

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Saudi Civil matters of bilateral interest, particularly increasing trade Defence team and commerce, jute and tea export and about taking more arrives

5.00 Opening announcement Al Quran Programme summary

Thursday

5.15 Reading from the Geeta 5.20 News in Bangla Jana Ajana 6.00 Cartoon: Captain Planet and the Planeteers Jiboner Alo

Antaranga News in Bangla Drama of the week 10.00 News in English

10.25 Parliament roundup

The Night

11.30 Khabar/ The News 11.40 Friday's programme 11.45 Closing

Mini series: Tender is

Weather

Moderate rain likely

By Staff Correspondent

Light to moderate rain or thunder shower is likely at many places over Chittagong, Khulna and Dhaka divisions and a few other places in Rajshahi division during the next 36 hours commencing 6 pm Wednesday, Met office forecast. Day temperature is likely to remain nearly unchanged over

the country. A low lies over east central bay and adjoining north east bay

may become more visible. Temperature and humidity recorded in important cities and towns on Wednesday were:

Cities/Towns Temperature in degree Celsius Humidity in percentage 6 pm 28.5 Dhaka Chittagong 23.2 23.3 Khulna Rajshahi 23.0 23.0 Tangail 77 Sylhet 22.0 21.4 Rangpur Khepupara 23.5 77 Mymensingh 30.7 20.7 23.4 Cox's Bazar 26.0

Sunset in Dhaka on Thursday at 5-20 pm and sunrise Friday