UNESCO role lauded

By Staff Correspondent

The role of UNESCO in spreading education and protecting cultural heritage in the under developed countries around the globe was lauded at a discussion in the city Thursday.

The discussants at the meeting, organised to mark the 45th founding anniversary of UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation), also felt strongly that the budget for the UNESCO should be enhanced to help the organisation materialise all its programmes.

In this context, the speak! ers also viewed for global campaign on reducing arms-budget and spend more money on poverty alleviation.

Held at the Sonargaon Hotel, the discussion was arranged by the Bangladesh **UNESCO** National Commission. Chaired by the Education

Secretary Shafful Alam, the function was also addressed by the Education Minister Jamiruddin Sirear as chief guest, State Minister for Principal Education Mohammad Yunus Khan as special guest, noted scientist Sharfuddin, Editor of The Daily Star S M Ali, former Justice Abdur Rahman Chowdhury. Dhaka University teachers Dr Ershadul Bari and Professor Z Chowdhury, Additional Secretary of the Education Ministry Abdullah Haroon

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Pasha and the UNDP representative in Bangladesh Wolfgang Fischer.

BSS adds: Education Minister Jamiruddin Sircar yesterday expressed the hope that united efforts by all round the globe would help build a World of tomorrow as happy

witnessed two world wars and did not want to see any recurring of such man -made devas-

said people in Bangladesh were stepping forward along the path of peace, development and progress in a democratic condition. Our people aspired a supportive condition around the world to bolster their maiden march ahead, he

Strear praised the positive role being played by UNESCO in building international cooperation and understanding. In this context, he mentioned the UNESCO's contribution towards the advancement of education, science and technology and culture.

The Education Minister observed that UNESCO programmes had a positive impact in moral fortification and improving the intellect level leading us to human society having better understanding. He said the contribution of UNESCO towards education development in Bangladesh was mention-worthy.

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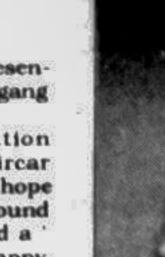
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Education Minister Jamiruddin Sircar addressing a discussion at Sonargaon Hotel yesterday on the occasion of the -Star photo founding anniversary of UNESCO.

1.16 lakh to get enrolled at Open University

Admission to formal academic session in the first Open University of the country will begin at the end of 1993 when 1,16,000 students will be enrolled in different cour-

In an exclusive interview with BSS special correspondent Gaztur Rahman, Vice-Chancellor of the university Prof Shamser Ali said in the meantime some life oriented educational programmes would be started by utilisting the existing distance education facilities in the country.

Prof Ali said works for development of physical facilities' including full-fledged audio and video studios at the old campus of the Islamic University at Gazipur was in progress and the development project of the university was expected to be completed in five years (1991-96). He said the project would

be completed at an estimated cost of about Taka 170 crore including Taka 42 crore in foreign exchange. Asian Development Bank (ADB) will provide 81 per cent of the project cost, he added.

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Biswas has expressed his deep

sorrow at the death of Madam

Sally Mugabe, wife of President

Robert G Mugabe of the

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January 27 at Partrenyatwa

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parliamentary delegation of

Finland led by Pertti Passio,

Chairman of Foreign Affairs

Committee held official talks

with Economic Relations

Division (ERD) Secretary,

Enam Ahmed Chowdhury, at

the latter's office here

Passio was also a Foreign

The talks were held in

Enam Ahmed Chowdhury

highlighted the salient features

of Bangladesh development

policies and strategies, in par-

ticular, under the present gov-

of Finish assistance and coop-

eration towards socio-eco-

nomic development of

Bangladesh. He hoped that it

will be further increased in

preciated Bangladesh's efforts

and policies undertaken by the

present government. The del-

egation assured that despite

global recession and resource

constraints Finland would fur-

ther strengthen its support

and assistance to Bangladesh

in its endeavour for socio-eco-

terest for Finish assistance in

population sector, education,

forest and environment and

poverty alleviation programme.

The delegation showed in-

nomic emancipation.

The finish delegation ap-

He appreciated the quality

Minister and MP belonging to

cordial and friendly, atmo-

Thursday, reports BSS.

Social Democratic Party.

sphere.

The visiting nine-member

Hospital in Harare.

Madam Mugabe died on

President Abdur Rahman

Prof Ali said Open Univer sity was a concept where there was no personal contact between teachers and students and the methodology of teaching was based on audiovisual materials and printed texts prepared by tcam of experts in the respective fields. He said the activities of the university would be conducted through Radio, Television and postal services.

Prof Ali said in the Open University various options were allowed for the students. There is no limitation of age. number of students and the time required for entry into a

He said the objectives of the University were to make available all sorts of education including mass education to the people as well as to acquaint the working people with the advancement of modern technologies through distance teaching method. He said the programmes of

the university would benefit mostly the drop outs from the formal educational institutions, the unemployed youths, the

Dateline

eighth national conference of

Bangladesh was inaugurated

here yesterday on the Rajshahi

University campus by the Vice-

Chancellor Prof Amanullah

scientists, including seven

from India, are attending the

The conference was

abruptly ended when some un-

ruly students passed through

the venue chanting various

slogans demanding the with-

drawal of cases against sixty

university students. The cases

are now pending in a Rajshahi

Chhatra Otkya Parishad was

held on the campus where

Ayub Ali Khan, president of

student faction of JSD, said

hartal was observed yesterday

in the university in support of

The student groups of

Women are more compas-

sionate, emotional and ra-

tional than the men and this

make them less prospective in

the world of politics, feels

leading United States feminist

Ms. Barbara J Good, reports

Women in the Political Pro-

cess" she said women are

discriminated against in the

political filed all over and

pleaded for legislative and

other measures to encourage

diplomat and now chairperson

of the International Affairs

Community and first Vice

President of the National

Women Party, said only five

women heads of government

spoke of the disappointing

aspect of women being in the

by the performance of women

in South Asia where women

adorned the highest office of

government in Bangladesh.

India , Sri Lanka and Pakistan.

In sharp contrast, she is

dismayed by the fact that

women never contested for

the highest office in her own

country United States, the ad-

vanced and democratic nation.

However, she is impressed

helm in different countries.

Ms Good, a former career

the women in public life.

Giving a talk here on "

Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal also

their demand.

Later a rally of Ganotantrik

More than one hundred

Ahmed, reports BSS.

three-day conference.

rural women, working people different trades and professions and health, family welfare and agricultural workers. He said the courses would be prepared based on the needs

of the society. Prof Ali said programmes of the university would also help increase people's awareness and participation in different national development activities.

He said the university will have formal courses where degrees, diplomas and certificates would be awarded. And in non-formal courses life-oriented programmes would be made in solving everyday problems of the people, he said.

The Vice-Chancellor said besides the main centre at Gazipur the Open University will have 10 regional and 81 study centres all over the country.

He said in the beginning. the academic programmes of the university would start with eight schools on education, management, humanities and language, health science, agriculture and rural development,

Rajshahi

pus led by Haroon Al Rashid

They also met the Vice-

Chancellor and demanded trial

and formation of all enquiry

committee for those who were

responsible for Wednesday's

incident. The Vice-Chancellor

told them that an enquiry

committee will be formed to-

day and proper action will be

taken against the persons re-

Oikya Parishad supporters also

damaged the Rajshahi

University Press Club and

some doors of Kazi Nazrul

Islam auditorium. Later Prof

Amanullah Ahmed told BSS

that he was unhappy over the

incident. However the confer-

ence sources said that the

other sessions will continue

despite disturbances created

the campus but the situation

Hardly three of 52 State

Governors in the United States

are women and only four of the

159 heads of mission in the

United States are female. Ms

Good laments. Pre-conceived

ideas in different quarters that

women lack the necessary

skills to govern high responsi-

bilities often acts as a deter-

rent to their shouldering big

labour like raising children

and managing home all over

the world and called for

changing the attitude through

is the threat to physical vio-

lence as sexual harassment is a

part of their life" Ms Good said

and laid emphasis on bringing

women with mainstream na-

tional and other activities gen-

Installation

ceremony

of Bangladesh Sangbad

Sangstha Employees Union

was held in Dhaka yesterday at

the office premises, reports

The installation ceremony

erally carried out by the men.

Biggest issue before them

Ms Good observed, women

task, she said.

women movement.

Tension was prevailing on

by a section of students.

was now under control.

Women more emotional,

rational than men'

The Ganatantrik Chhatra

sporisible for the incident.

University Unit.

Zoological Society confce

ends abruptly

RAJSHAHI, Jan 30: The held another rally on the cam-

Zoological Society of president JCD, Rajshahi

engineering and technology social sciences and women studies, and school of sciences. He said under the Open

University project 36,000

He said diploma would be given to 4,500 students in management, 1000 in nursing and 1000 in health and family

nel of television will have to be opened to telecast Open University programmes.

The University will have one Vice-Chancellor, three Pro-Vice-Chancellors, 11 Professors, 30 Directors, 21 Associate Professors, 18 Deputy Directors, one Chief Engineer. one Librarian, 66 Assistant Professors and 29 Lecturers.

the annual expenditure of the university would be around Taka 12 crore as against an income of Taka nine crore.

primary and secondary school teachers and 9,000 mass education teachers would be trained. Besides, 1000 students will be trained in each of disaster management and computer application courses.

Prof Ali said a second chan-

When completed, he said,



Justice Abu Sayeed Chowdhury's birth anniversary today

By Staff Correspondent

The 71st birth anniversary of late Justice Abu Sayeed Chowdhury will be observed today (Friday).

To mark the occasion, Abu Sayeed Chowdhury Memorial Committee have arranged the publication ceremony of a commemorative book titled "Smriti Satya Abu Sayeed Chowdhury" today at 116, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue at 3.30

A discussion will also be held in this connection which will be presided over by Justice Kemaluddin Hossain. Professor Harun-Ur-Rashid, Santosh Gupta, Poet Asad Chowdhury, Rashid Karim and Syed Ahmed Hossain will take

part in the discussion.

Solar power system launched

By Staff Correspondent

Solar power system was commercially launched in the country on Thursday by Rahim Afrooz Company.

Each solar panel costing are forced to take up domestic | Taka 29000 will provide 43 watts of electrical energy. Consumers can use the energy for the household use of a eight watt tubelight and a black and white television at the same time for about four hours a day.

> Consumers can even interphase two or more solar panels for greater power. The system con be used even if the sky remains cloudy continuously for four days. Rahim Afrooz has already

marketed the products to some Non-Government Organisations (NGOs) and to Power Development Board for lighting the warning bulbs on the power grids. It has also about 38 more orders mostly from different NGOs.

HERE and THERE

Jatiya Sramik League

The President of Bangladesh Jatiya Sramik League, SM Rumi and General Secretary, Majibur Rahman Bhulyan in a joint statement on Thursday condemned the armed attack on a workers rally at Tarabo Industrial Area on Wednesday.

They alleged that the attackers belonged to BNP and they also chanted slogans in the name of Home Minister during their attack on the

The leaders demanded immediate punishment to the miscreants.

Bangabandhu Ainjibi Parishad

general meeting of Bangabandhu Aintibi Parishad on Thursday formed a sevenmember committee to observe the Amar Ekushey.

The meeting presided over by the Convener of the Parishad Advocate Dewan Ziauddin demanded the annulment of Indemnity Ordinance. It also urged the government to realise the demands of Dhaka Lawyers'-

Muktijoddha Command

Muktijoddha Chhatra Command at a meeting on Thursday decided to take allout preparations to launch actions against Golam Azam and others who had collaborated with the Pakistani forces during the War of Liberation. The meeting presided over

by the Convenor of the Command Md Shahidul Islam Palash urged all to co-operate with the strike call in educa; tional institutions by Ganotantrik Chhatra Oikya.

DU Zia Parishad

A 25-member Convening Committee of Dhaka University Zia Parishad was formed Thursday at DUCSU building with Rafigul Islam Jaglu in the chair. The meeting elected Nakib

Md Nasrullah as Convenor. Other members of the committee are: AKM Shawkat Ali Khan, Shamsul Alam Liton, KM Shahiduzzaman, Zahirul Haque Shiplu, Faruq Ahmed, Kaisar Kamal and Shahnaz Anzum.

JAGPA

The President of Jatiya Ganotantrik Party (JAGPA). Shafiul Alam Prodhan in a statement on Thursday urged all to remain alert against any conspiracy concerning Jamuna Bridge.

Milam meets Saifur

The Ambassador of the United States of America in Bangladesh William B Milam called on Finance Minister M Saifur Rahman at the latter's Secretariat office here Thursday, reports BSS.

He stayed with the Finance Minister for some time and discussed matters of mutual interests.

3 held with stengun

By Staff Correspondent Detective Police on Wednesday night recovered a stengun with three rounds of ammunitions and arrested three persons in this connec-

Police on secret information first arrested Habibullah Hablu (32) from Razabazar under Tejgaon Thana. When asked about the stengun, Hablu said he lent it to his friend Talebur Rahman Taleb (28) of the same area. Police then arrested Taleb who said he also lent it to Abdul Matin of Mirpur Pirerbag.

Finally, police recovered the gun from the shop of Matin.

He also said the nation. would not accept the bridges without rail and gas lines. Society for

Professionals President and Secretary

General of the Society for Professionals Prof Mia Mohammad Abdul Kuddus and Dr Swakat Hassan Jibon on Thursday in a press release extended their support to the movement of bank employees and urged the government to accept their demands of incentive bonus, fringe benefits

and separate pay-scale. Jana Parishad

Bangladesh Jana Parishad held a rally on Wednesday at Gulistan Square protesting American threat to Libya.

Jana Parishad President Alhaj Mohammad Matnul Islam presided over the rally which was addressed, among others, by Abul Kashem Aynul Islam. Minhajul Islam, Abdul Majid, Habtbur Rahman, Mollah Kamai Uddin, and Mamtajul Islam. PATC

The certificate giving ceremony and convocation of 203 Class-I officers of 13 cadres was held at the Public Administration Training Centre (PATC) at Savar on

Thursday. Golam Kibria, a retired Accountant General was the chief guest at the function with PATC Rector Kazi Mohammad Monjur-e-Maula in the chair.

Islami Chhatra Samaj Islami Chhatra Samaj organised a seminar on Islamic **Economics and Organisation** Method on Thursday at its Fakirapool office.

Presided over by Sheikh Luqman Hossain the seminar was addressed, among others by Maulana Hafiz, Mohammad Zahid, FM Khalid Hossain. The speaker stressed the

need for enforcing balanced economic system laid down by Islam in order to resist poverty.



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