

Metropolitan

Media can play vital role in curbing crimes: DU VC

Dhaka University Vice Chancellor Prof M Maniruzzaman said Friday the mass media had an important role to play in curbing crimes in the society, reports BSS.

"Letters in print have an hypnotizing effect on people's mind this power will have to be utilised for the benefit of the society", he said. The Vice Chancellor was participating in a discussing session of the seminar on "Crime and mass media" in city Friday evening.

Organised by the Association for Correction and Social Reclamation, the seminar was presided over by its President Alamgir M A Kabir.

Prof Q A I M Nooruddin of the Department of Mass Communication and Journalism of Dhaka University presented a paper on "Crime and mass media" while former Inspector General of Police A R Khondakar delivered a lecture on "Crime and public opinion" in the seminar held at a city hotel.

Attorney General Aminul Huq, Inspector General of Police M Enamul Huq, former President of Supreme Court Bar Association Dr Rafiqur Rahman, BFUJ President and Editor of the Daily Telegraph Reazuddin Ahmed and Professor of the Department of Mass Communication and Journalism of DU Dr Sakawat Ali Khan also took part in the discussion.

Prof Maniruzzaman regretted that newspapers now a days are full of news on "frustration, crime, violence etc." "Goodnews" that can inspire the people gets less prominence in the newspaper pages, he added.

The Vice Chancellor was also critical of the role of electronic media-television saying the impact of excessive screening of crime film is negative. He called for research on this issue.

Termining the mass media as "very powerful," the Attorney General said, "It can lift a nation but at times can cause harm to it."

Aminul Huq said newspaper sometimes glorified crime, created panic and even interfered with the system of justice.

If the press was more responsive, the nation would be immensely benefited, he said. Prof Nooruddin said considerable concern had been expressed over the repeated portrayal of crime and criminal activities by the mass media.

A R Khondakar said the radio, television and newspapers had a role to play in prevention and detection of crime and in lending a sense of direction to the criminal justice system.

The former IGP, in his paper, also said, "our mass media has to play a constructive role to that effect to keep the police agile and active, the court prompt and responsive and the public cooperative and help fostering an organised neighbourliness to prevent disorderly behaviour of the citizens."

What's on today....

DU Geology seminar

The second seminar of the Delta Study Centre of the Department of Geology, Dhaka University, will be held today (Saturday) at 11 am at the Geology Department. Professor Alie Austgaard of the University of Bergen, Norway will present the keynote paper.

CAB seminar

Consumers Association of Bangladesh (CAB) will hold a seminar on The drug policy and the rights of buyers' at the VIP auditorium of the National Press Club at 3.30 pm today (Saturday).

Health and Family Welfare Minister Chowdhury Kamal Ibne Yusuf will be the chief guest while Deputy Leader of the Parliament Prof AQM Badruddoza Chowdhury will be the main speaker at the seminar.

Mahila Parishad programme

Bangladesh Mahila Parishad, a women's right organisation, will arrange a programme today (Saturday) on the occasion of their 22nd founding anniversary at 4 pm at the auditorium of Business and Professional Women's Club, 1 Bally Road.

Professor Zillur Rahman Siddiqui will be the chief guest at the programme.

Uttara Rotary Club meeting

The 61st regular weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Uttara will be held today (Saturday) at 5 pm at the Chilling Chinese Restaurant, Uttara.

Dance programme

Indian Dancer Sujata Mishra will perform at the National Museum Auditorium today (Saturday) at 7 pm. The High Commission of India will arrange the dance programme.

BTMC Tender Notice

Sealed tenders are invited by the Chief Engineer, BTMC, Bastra Bhaban, 7-9, Kawran Bazar C/A, Dhaka from BTMC enlisted A-4 and above category contractors for construction of post (Ghumi) house at the main gate of Transit Depot of BTMC at Chittagong and repair of old and new godowns. The estimated cost of the work is Tk 2,39,208.00 only.

Earnest Money Tk 6,000/- must be deposited with tender in the form of Bank Draft/PO/ DD from any scheduled bank in Bangladesh in favour of BTMC.

Tender schedule can be purchased at Tk 400/- only (non-refundable) from Chief Accountant, BTMC, Bastra Bhaban, 7-9, Kawran Bazar C/A, Dhaka or Accountant-in-charge, BTMC Shipping Office, 79, Agrabad C/A, Chittagong up to 29-4-92. Tenders will be received at the offices of both Chief Engineer, BTMC and General Manager, BTMC Shipping Office, 79, Agrabad C/A, Chittagong up to 11-00 am on 30-4-92 and will be opened at both the places on the same day at 11-30 am in presence (if any) of the contractors.

The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason.

BTMC-16
DFP (BA) 3013-11/4
G-415

Notice Inviting Tenders

Sealed tender in Bangladesh Form No. 2911 is hereby invited from the enlisted 1st class prequalified Bldg. contractors of PWD Deptt, 1st class Bldg. Contractors of PWD Deptt. for the undermentioned work and will be received by the undersigned as well as by the Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Jessore/Kushtia/Faridpur/ Magura/Chuadanga/Meherpur/Rajbari/Narial up to 12-00 Noon of 26-4-92 and will be opened on the same date at 12-15 PM in presence of the intending tenderers (who may like to remain present). The tender form and schedule of items of works will be sold up to 25-4-92 from the office of the undersigned as well as Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Jessore/Faridpur/ Kushtia/Magura/ Chuadanga/Meherpur/Rajbari/Narial. No tender form will be sold after 25-4-92.

Name of works	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Time allowed
Construction of 44 Nos. newly-created Dist. headquarters one at Jhenidah, SH :Constn. of remaining work of Dist. Judge Court at Jhenidah (North-East portion) Group No. 1 (one).	Tk. 43,28,428/-	Tk. 86,570/-	

All other information will be obtained from the office of the undersigned during office hours.

Executive Engineer
PWD Division, Jhenidah,
DFP (G) 5426-12/4
G-416 Phone No. 293

Notice of RHD Inviting Tender

Tenders are hereby invited in Bangladesh Form No. 2911 in sealed cover.
1. Tender Notice Nos : 27, 28, 29 & 30/JRD of 1991-92.
2. Name of works:

Tender Notice No.	Name of Works	Estimated Cost	Earnest money	Time allowed	Eligibility of contractors
27/JRD of 1991-92	Construction of Bituminous (flexible) pavement at 5th (Part) K. M. of Digpaith-Sarishabari Road under Jamalpur Road Division during the year 1991-92.	Tk. 7,00,023/=	14,000/=	30 (thirty) days from the date of issue of Work Order	"A" to "C" class general category contractors of RHD, "D" Class general category contractors of Mymensingh Road Circle, Mymensingh
28/JRD of 1991-92	Bituminous Seal coat in/c. Pot-holes repairing work at 1st (Part), 2nd (Part), 3rd (Part) & 4th (Part) K. M. of Digpaith-Sarishabari Road under Jamalpur Road Division during the year 1991-92.	Tk. 4,88,897/=	9,778/=	25 (twenty) five days from the date of issue of Work Order.	-Do-
29/JRD of 1991-92	Bituminous Seal coat in/c. Pot-holes repairing work at 1st (Part) & 2nd (Part) K.M. of Sherpur-Sreebordi Road under Jamalpur Road Divn. during the year 1991-92	Tk. 4,11,072/-	8,221/00	20 (twenty) days from the date of issue of Work Order	-Do- & 'E' class contractors of Jamalpur Road Division
30/JRD of 1991-92	Construction of Brick pavement at 2nd (Part) K. M. of Sherpur-Longpara Mamdatari Road under Jamalpur Road Divn. during the year 1991-92.	Tk. 4,27,424/=	8,548/=	20 (twenty) days from the date of issue of Work Order	-Do-

3. Name of Offices availability of tender documents : Office of the undersigned & the Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Divn., Mymensingh/Tangail/Kishoregoni/ Preliminary Engineering Divn. Dhaka/Dhaka Road Construction Divn, III, Dhaka/Planning & Programming Divn, Dhaka/Sub-Divisional Engineer, RHD, Road Sub-Divn. I/II/1st Line workshop Sub-Divn. Jamalpur/Sherpur under Jamalpur Road Division, Jamalpur.

4. Name of Offices to receive tender bids : (i) For Tender Notice No. 27/JRD of 1991-92: Office of the Addl. Chief Engineer, RHD, Dhaka Zone, Dhaka/Superintending Engineer, RHD, Mymensingh Road Circle, Mymensingh/Project Control Circle, Dhaka/Planning & Design Circle, Dhaka/Dhaka Road Circle, Dhaka/Sub-Divisional Engineer, RHD, Road Sub-Divn., Sherpur under Jamalpur Road Division, Jamalpur & by the undersigned. (ii) For tender Notice Nos. 28/29 & 30 JRD of 1991-92 : Office of the Superintending Engineer, RHD, Mymensingh Road Circle, Mymensingh & Sub-Divisional Engineer, RHD, Road Sub-Divn, Sherpur under Jamalpur Road Division, Jamalpur & by the undersigned.

5. Last date of selling of tender documents : On 20.4.92 during office hours.

6. Last date of receipt : Up to 12-30 P.M. of 21.4.92.

7. Date and time of opening of bids : At 12-45 P.M. of 21.4.92.

Md. Lutfur Rahman
Executive Engineer, RHD
Jamalpur Road Division, Jamalpur.
DFP (G) 5331-11/4
G-409



Bangladesh Samajtantrik Dal (BSD-Khaleque) brought out a procession in the city Friday demanding execution of the 'People's Court' verdict against Golam Azam. — Star photo

No conflict between Islam and family planning: Pak team

By S Y Bakht

The leader of a visiting Pakistani population control delegation Thursday affirmed that there was no contradiction between Islam and family planning.

In an exclusive interview with The Daily Star Mahbub Ahmed, Secretary, Ministry of Population Welfare, government of Pakistan expressed the hope that the population growth rate of Pakistan, with a current estimated population of 117 million, can be reduced to 2.5 per cent from the present rate of 3.1 per cent by the year 2000 as targeted by the government of Prime Minister Mohammad Nawaz Sharif.

The 8-member delegation in Dhaka on a week-long study tour of the family planning programmes in Bangladesh and to exchange ideas with local experts.

Ahmed noted that the population programme in Pakistan was turned around in a 'bold initiative' of Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif, about 17 months ago, with realisation that if the problem is not faced 'boldly' now it would be difficult to bring about economic and social improvement of the people to the desired extent.

"After a period of over two decades, Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif has come out openly for family planning in

Pakistan," he said, adding "it is his government's priority area and more funds are being provided for the programme."

The Pakistani Prime Minister also gave directives to all federal ministries, provincial governments and the defence forces to integrate family planning programmes in all their health outlets and to provide support for the programme.

The Pakistani civil servant pointed out that the commitment of the Pakistan government for family planning was reflected in the annual budget which allocated 78 per cent of the total expenditure of Rs 90 crore for the programme.

He said steps have already been taken to make family planning services and facilities widely available, especially to the rural areas which has a population of about 80 million.

Noting that in the middle of 1991 population services were available to only five per cent of the rural and 54 per cent of the urban population, Ahmed said that the target is to reach the services to 70 per cent of the rural and 100 per cent of the urban population by the year 1998.

The target also includes increasing the contraceptive prevalence rate to at least 29.5 per cent from the current low rate of only 12 per cent.

Asked specific questions on

the attitudes of the orthodox religious schools towards population control programmes, Ahmed insisted that there was no conflict between Islam and family planning and went on to add: "In fact Islam enjoins welfare and care for one's family."

However, he admitted that initially, as in other Muslim countries, there was 'some' opposition to family planning from the Ulema's "But there is no opposition to it anymore," he said.

He pointed out that all Muslim countries with huge population like Bangladesh, Pakistan, Indonesia, Egypt, Morocco, Tunisia and Yemen have strong population control programmes. "I have been to Iran recently and they also have a strong family planning programme now," he said.

Replying to a question he cited a weak family planning programme and a sharp lowering of the death rate especially due to a highly successful extended programme on immunization as the two main reasons for Pakistan's galloping population rate in the last few decades.

Asked if there was any constraints being faced in the family planning programme, he said "If there is a will there are no constraints because the government is strongly behind it with political as well as financial support."

HERE and THERE

Oikya Parishad

An extended meeting of the Bangladesh Hindu Bouddha Christian Oikya Parishad was held at its office at Farmgate Friday with Major Gen(Rtd) CR Dutta in the chair.

The meeting discussed the preparations of the Parishad's triennial conference to be held on April 23 at the Engineers Institution in the city.

Cyril Sikder, Barrister Sudhir Das, Dr Ajoy Roy, Dr Nim Bhowmik, Anil Nath, Kajal Debnath, Adv Subrata Chowdhury, Manindra Nath Dey, Adv Satecyndra Nath Bhakta and Basudev Dhar participated in the meeting.

Islamic Revolutionary Movement

Moulana Shamsul Haq Zehadi of the Bangladesh Islamic Revolutionary Movement has urged the 120 Muslim countries of the world to come forward to take actions against USA for putting embargo on Libya.

to disobey the embargo to create normalcy in Libya and announced that it would hand over a memorandum regarding the Libyan issue at the American embassy in Dhaka.

Ain Upadesta Kendra

Ain Upadesta Kendra, a social welfare organisation related with law, demanded Friday that April 17 should be observed as the 'Mujibnagar Day' officially.

On this day in 1971 Mujibnagar was named the first Capital of Bangladesh. In observance of the Mujibnagar Day, the Kendra Board of Directors in a meeting said history of Mujibnagar was unknown to the new generation because of the activities of anti-liberation forces after the death of Mujib in 1975.

The meeting presided over by Advocate AFM Rezaur Rahman Rumel, addressed by Adv Quamrul Islam, Adv Ajitkumar Majumdar, Adv Atikul Islam and others stressed on the role of media to highlight the significance of the day.

Enact laws by Apr 26 - try killers 1: BSD

Executive Correspondent
Bangladesh Samajtantrik Dal (BSD-Khaleq) demanded Friday that the government should take necessary steps to enact laws in the Parliament by April 26 to try the killers and collaborators of 1971.

Addressing a rally in the city Friday, the party leaders warned the government the people would rise again as they did in 1971 and 1990 to compel the authorities implement the verdict pronounced by the 'Gana Adalat' that tried Golam Azam for war crimes.

The metropolitan branch of the party organised the rally which was addressed by Abdur Razzak, Mostafa Faruk, Belal Choudhury and Rajekuzzaman Ratan.

Saidee demands release of Azam

Staff Correspondent
Jamaat-e-Islami leader Delwar Hossain Saidee demanded Friday that the government free Golam Azam within a month. Otherwise, a mass movement would be forged to compel the government release Azam, he warned.

Addressing a public meeting at the north gate of Baitul Mokarram, Saidee accused a particular political party of unleashing anarchism in the country by raising controversial issue.

Ittehadul Ummah, Bangladesh of which Saidee is a founder President organised the meeting after jumma prayer. Chaired by the Khatib of Azampur graveyard mosque Maolana Abdullah, the meeting was also addressed by the NDP Chairman Anwar Jahid, Freedom Party Chairman Col (Retd) Faruk and its Vice-Chairman Major (Retd) Bazul Huda, Ittehadul Ummah President Kamaluddin Zafar, its central leader Maolana Abul Halam Azad, Syed Mazharul Haq Haidar of Farura Sharif, Dainik Millat Editor Chowdhury Mohammad Faruk, Principal of Teknaf Rangakhali Madrasa Maolana Lutfur Rahman, former Secretary Noor Mohammad Akhand, ex-chairman of the formerly Dhaka Improvement Trust and Maolana Golam Hakkani, a peer of Arabari.

Former DU Law Deptt chairman dead

Former Chairman of the Department of Law of Dhaka and Rajshahi University Prof Z I Chowdhury died of heart attack in Dhaka Thursday night. He was 58, reports UNB.

His namaj-e-janaza was held at the dargah of Hazrat Shahjalal (R) in Sylhet after Magreb prayer today (Friday). He was buried at the mazar premises.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Office of the Transport Commissioner
Government Transports Directorate
Secretariat Link Road, Dhaka
Sale Notice
The undersigned invites sealed tenders on as it is where it is basis for 27 cars, 8 jeeps, 5 microbuses, 2 minibuses and 2 motor cycles—total 47 vehicles of different makes & models, declared unserviceable, of central Transports Pool, 6 different types machines of Government Vehicles Workshop and 2 unserviceable engines of Govt. Water Transport under the Ministry of Establishment.

Tenders will be received at the office chamber of Director, Govt. Road Transport, Secretariat Link Road, Dhaka latest by 29-4-92 (16-199 BS) Wednesday at 12-00 Noon. Intending tenderers can drop their tenders in the Tender Box kept at the office room any day between 08-00 hours and 14-30 hours except Friday and govt. holiday from the next day of issuing the notice. Schedule containing terms & conditions for sale of unserviceable vehicles, machine & engines can be obtained by issuing Pay Order of Taka 400/= (four hundred) only (non-refundable) for 47 vehicles, 6 machines & 2 engines from any nationalised bank in Bangladesh in favour of Transport Commission, Government Transports Directorate, Dhaka and depositing the same at the office of the Director, Government Road Transport. No tender will be acceptable without the purchase of schedule.
DFP(G)5414-12/4 Major (Retd) Altafur Rahman
G-416 Transport Commissioner

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Office of the Sub-Divisional Engineer
Public Health Engineering
Sub-Division, Gaibandha
Re-Auction Quotation Notice (2nd Call)
... সকল কাজে নলকুপের পানি ব্যবহার ককন ...
... পরিবারের সকলের স্বাস্থ্যকত পায়খানা ব্যবহার নিশ্চিত করন ...
... ব্যক্তিগত স্বাস্থ্য পরিষ্কার সচেতন হউন ...
1. It is hereby notified for general information that quotation in sealed cover are invited for auction sale of Fulchari upazila office-cum-godown house under Public Health Engineering, Gaibandha sub-division, due to nver erosion. Quotations will be received at the office of the undersigned as well as at Public Health Engineering, Rangpur and Bogra Divisional offices under Public Health Engineering, Rangpur Circle up to 12-00 Noon on 20-04-92 and opened on the same day at 12-15 hours in presence (if any) of the quotationers.
2. Terms & Conditions of Auction Quotation Notice can be seen and purchased on payment of Taka 25/- (twenty five) only (non-refundable) from the office of the undersigned as well as Public Health Engineering, Rangpur and Bogra Divisional offices during office hours up to 19-04-92.
3. Taka 10,000/= (ten thousand) only as earnest money must be deposited with the quotation through BD/CSDR in favour of the undersigned. Otherwise quotation will be treated as cancelled.
4. Participants in the auction quotation on 1st call who have their earnest money deposited with this office can participate in the re-auction quotation without the earnest money.
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