

Expansion of education best way to remove poverty: Huda

Information Minister Barister Nazmul Huda Thursday reiterated the government's firm resolve to reach the light to education to all, particularly the disadvantaged people for eradication of poverty, reports BSS.

The minister said the expansion of education was the best way of removing poverty and curbing population boom — the two problems barring national uplift.

He was addressing as chief guest the concluding session of the seminar-cum-workshop on "Educating the Disadvantaged Children" at the Bangladesh Academy for Planning and Development.

Presided over by Anwarul Haq Khan Majlis, Director, BANBEIS the function was also addressed by Prof Yeaz Uddin Ahmed, Chairman, Bangladesh Public Service Commission, Prof Ahmadullah Mia, Director of the Underprivileged Children Educational Programme (UCEP), Sven Olaf Storm, Chief Project Adviser, UCEP and Dr Wahidur Rahman, Programme Manager, UCEP.

The two-day programme organised by UCEP, was attended by 70 participants from various NGOs of the country.



State Minister for Social Welfare and women's Affairs Begum Sarwari Rahman at the concluding session of the three-day Regional Commonwealth Workshop on 'Protection of the rights of women and children' yesterday. Also in the picture — Chairman of the session, Syed Muazzem Ali (left), Director General at the Foreign Ministry, and M J Gaylard (right), Director of the Commonwealth Secretariat International Affairs Division. —Star photo

Directive to build embankments on sides of Muhuri river

Irrigation and Flood Control Minister M Majid ul Haq Thursday directed the officials of Water Development Board to construct strong embankments on both sides of the Muhuri river right from the Indian border, reports BSS.

The directives which were issued at the behest of Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia also asked the officials to construct embankments wherever necessary in the district of Feni to stop erosion of rivers, Water Development Board sources said.

The meeting held at the Ministry of Irrigation, Flood Control and Water Development was also attended by State Minister for Irrigation Mosharraf Hossain Shajahan and Mahbubul Alam Tara, Whip of the Jatiya Sangsad.

It held threadbare discussions on the erosion of the river Feni, particularly in its downstream at Suvapur bridge, Langolmoa and Charkhaldapur village. Excavation of pilot channel in the downstream of Feni regulator and stopping the erosion at Tongirpar and Silonia were also discussed in the meeting, the sources added.

Syed Rezaul Hayat, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Irrigation, M A Razzaq, Chairman, Water Development Board and other senior officials of the board attended the meeting.

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Workshop on protection of rights of women, children

'Equal participation of women absolute necessity for balanced uplift'

By Staff Correspondent

Equal participation of women is an 'absolute necessity' to ensure a balanced socio-economic growth and development of the country, State Minister for Social Welfare and Women's Affairs, Begum Sarwari Rahman, said on Thursday.

Speaking as the chief guest at the concluding session of the three-day Commonwealth South Asian regional workshop on the protection of the rights of women and children, she noted that in recent times a new consciousness that women and development go hand in hand has gained momentum around the world. "The notion that there can be no development without women is being imbedded into the conscience of mankind."

Organised by the Commonwealth Secretariat, London in collaboration with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Social Welfare and Women's Affairs, the workshop, the first of its kind, was participated by government and non-government delegates from India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and host Bangladesh. Held at the Sheraton Hotel, the concluding session of the workshop was chaired by Syed Muazzem Ali, Director General at the Foreign Ministry.

Saying that although there are constitutional provisions, laws and programmes protecting the rights of women and children, the State Minister remarked that "There is still room for complaisance as little of the provisions are being implemented amid much of exhibition."

This is where the importance of this workshop lies, she said. "I believe, you, the distinguished delegates must have thought over and deliberated about how best the noble policies and programmes already set by our governments could be implemented," she added.

While thanking the delegates for participating in the workshop and the Commonwealth Secretariat for organising it, Begum Rahman said: "I hope your recommendations will indeed prove fruitful for our nations."

Speaking on the occasion Bangladesh High Commissioner to India, Farook Sobhan, said that holding of this workshop enabled interaction between the South Asian Nations on a problem which has come into sharp focus in these countries.

He said that the conclusions arrived at the workshop will help give this problem the attention it deserves. He hoped that these problems would also attract the attention of the legislative authorities and urged the Commonwealth Secretariat to share the recommendations of this workshop with other member nations.

The Director of the International Affairs Division of the Commonwealth Secretariat, M J Gaylard, thanked the government for hosting the workshop which he termed as being "very successful."

Noting that this was the first time the human rights unit of the secretariate has been involved in such an activity in South Asia, he said he would inform other commonwealth government's about the outcome of this workshop.

Indian delegate Manju Shenapati, Gurashi from Pakistan and Dr Amarsekhara also spoke on the occasion.

Earlier, Syed Muazzem Ali in his concluding remarks noted that the problems of women and children and other social problems are particularly very important in the context of South Asia where a fifth of humanity lives in abject poverty and without the basic necessities of life.

"Unless these social problems are solved it will not only create tension in our societies but will also impede our economic development," he said.

Ali pointed out that the Bangladesh government attaches high importance towards solving the problems being faced by women and children. He said the presence of the Foreign Minister at the opening session and that of the State Minister at the concluding session of the workshop underlines that importance.

As social problems have international dimensions, he said, thus, it requires regional and international cooperation in addition to the various domestic measures to solve the problems.

While thanking the Commonwealth Secretariat for organising the workshop, he hoped that the government agencies as well as the non-government organisations can play complementary roles in the common endeavour to protect the rights of women and children.

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ence are not only to our peoples and to our age but our commitment must also be to those as yet unborn.

Environment Development Linkage

As environment and development are two sides of the same coin, it requires to go together and therefore development needs of the poor must be met in order to achieve a healthier environment. After all sustainable development can not be achieved while two thirds of humanity live in poverty. In a resource system with rampant poverty, as in Bangladesh as well as in many other countries, development becomes essential for environmental protection both globally and locally. Saving the earth means of course, first of all saving the human beings presently on the earth. We should point out that there is enough in the earth for everybody's need but there is not enough for everybody's greed. Therefore the alleviation of poverty in the poor countries, and the containment of environmental unfriendly consumption in the richer countries should essentially be an absolute emergency worldwide. A sustainable development as a whole can only be approached on the basis of resource reallocation and a change of life style of the rich.

Bangladesh Scenario

A major challenge facing Bangladesh is to meet basic human needs while sustaining the very limited resource base upon which these needs depend. The problems of population growth and consequent pressure on natural resource are the existing realities in Bangladesh. At the same time, environmental degradation in the region has increased the intensities or major natural calamities like floods and cyclones. Bangladesh has suffered repeatedly from these calamities.

In the coming years if the prediction of scientists come true, Bangladesh will be experiencing more frequent flooding, increasing soil erosion, unusual droughts, and inundations of vast coastal area as a consequence of global warming due to much talked about 'green house effect.' In Bangladesh, one metre sea-level rise will inundate about 5,608 million acres of land, which is about 15.8% of the total area. So, we have priorities to address in National, Regional and Global perspectives at the same time.

Within the national boundary, population control and poverty alleviation are the priority issues. On the regional

environmental problems, we attach priority to the proper management of the shared water and other natural resources and cooperation in regional water management and Globally, we attach priority to development needs and the global warming and climate change issues. Bangladesh delegation to UNCED are expected to highlight these issues.

Expectation from UNCED

We expect that UNCED will be a turning point in global co-operation towards sustainable development, as environmental degradation has reached a stage where immediate global intervention is necessary to arrest and reverse this trend.

We expect that new additional resources, both in terms of concessional finance and access to environmentally sound technology, on affordable non-commercial terms, would be channelled to countries like Bangladesh in overcoming environmental problems, and in combating regional and global environmental degradation.

As Bangladesh will have hardly contributed to the overall process of global environmental degradation, but is apprehended to be one of the worst sufferers of such eventualities, it legitimately expects that the principle of "Polluters should Pay" will be established and the affected countries like Bangladesh, should be compensated in terms of higher global assistance for improvement of their capabilities to face the calamities caused by these changes.

Bangladesh is firmly committed to a process of environmentally safe, sound and sustainable development. It therefore expects that a new partnership in progress will emerge out of the UNCED which will give due emphasis to priorities of developing countries like Bangladesh in their effort to build a happy, prosperous and sustainable future for the present and the future generations.

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দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি

নিম্নলিখিত কাজগুলি সম্পন্ন করবার জন্য বাংলাদেশ, তার ও টেলিফোন বোর্ডের (পরিচালক, ইমারত নির্মাণ) তালিকাভুক্ত সি/ডি শ্রেণীর ঠিকাদারদের নিকট হইতে সীলমোহরকৃত দরপত্র আহবান করা যাইতেছে। টেন্ডার সিডিউল ও কাজের শর্তাবলী অফিস চলাকালীন সময়ের মধ্যে আশামি ০৭-০৬-৯২ ইং/২৪-০২-৯৯ বাং তারিখ পর্যন্ত নিম্নলিখিতকর্তার কার্যালয়ে প্রয়োজনীয় সন্দপত্র প্রদান বাপেক্ষে নিম্নবর্ণিত টাকার (অক্ষেরতযোগ্য) বিনিময়ে পাওয়া যাইবে। দরপত্র আশামি ০৮-০৬-৯২ইং/২৫-০২-৯৯বাং তারিখে বেলা ১২.০০ ঘটিকার সময় দরপত্রাদাওয়ার সমুখে (যদি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকেন) খোলা হইবে। দরপত্র গ্রহণের দিন কোন সিডিউল বিক্রয় করা হইবে না।

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Death anniversary of Mahbubul Hoq today

The eighteenth death anniversary of Mahbubul Hoq, former Editor of the Daily Purabadesh, Managing Editor of the Observer Group of Publications, a parliamentarian and a veteran labour leader, will be observed in a befitting manner in Dhaka and Feni, says a press release.

A milad mahfil will be held at his residence at Plot 2/14, Block A, Mohammadpur, today (Friday) after Asr prayers.

What's on today . . .

Computer Society meeting

A General meeting of the Bangladesh Computer Society will be held today (Friday) at 3-00 pm at the ICMA Auditorium, Nilkhet, in the city. All the members of the society have been requested to attend the meeting.

Free Friday Clinic

The first anniversary of Free Friday Clinic of the Free Birds International Club will be observed at the premises of National Oil Mills at Gandaria today (Friday) at 10-00 am.

Home Minister Abdul Matin Chowdhury and State Minister for Youths and Sports Sadek Hossain will be the chief guest and special guest at the function.

Juba Union

A cultural sub-committee meeting of the Conference Preparatory Committee of Bangladesh Juba Union will be held at its central office today (Friday) at 5-00 pm.

Prajanma '92

The Fifth Interact District Conference Prajanma '92 of R I District-3280 will be held today (Friday), at Flesh Pots Restaurant (Hotel Metropolitan Building, 1st Floor.)

Rtn. Jalal U Ahmed, District Governor of Rotary International District-3280 will attend as Chief Guest on this occasion.

Radio Shilpi Sangsad

Radio Nattayakar-Nattya Shilpi Sangsad will hold a condolence meeting and milad mahfil at the demise of actor M A Samad and actress Dalia Rahman today (Friday) after Asr prayer at 64/1 Siddheswari Road office.

Gano Azadi League

The Dhaka city workers' convention of Bangladesh Gano Azadi League will be held today (Friday) at 4 pm at Engineers' Institute. The president of the party, Alhaj Abdu Samad Advocate will chair the function while Pankaj Bhattacharya, Nurul Islam Nahid, Naim Jahangir, Afzal Hossain and Dilip Barua will be guest speakers.

Classical Music Programme

A three-day classical music and song programme will begin from today (Friday) at the Bangladesh Shipakala Academy. Deputy leader of the Parliament, A Q M Badruddoza Chowdhury will inaugurate the programme at 7 pm.

Notre Dame Alumni Get-together

A get-together of the Alumni of Notre Dame will be held today (Friday) at 5-30 pm at the college.

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কাজের নাম ও অবস্থান	প্রাক্কলিত মূল্য	বায়নার টাকা	সময় বরাদ্দ
১৯৯১-৯২ইং আর্থিক বৎসরে মৌঃ বাজার সড়ক বিভাগধীন সিলেট-তেলিগাপাড়া সড়কের ৬১তম কিমিঃ (অংশ) সড়কের উত্তর পাশে স্ট্যান্ড কুন্সিং, সাব-বেইন্স, ম্যাকডাম ও সিলকোট দ্বারা প্রস্তুতকরণ কাজ।	টাকা ৯,৩৬,২৪০/-	টাকা ৯৮,৯২৫/-	৩৫ (পঁচাত্তর) দিন

বিশেষ সন্দপত্র: যে সমস্ত ঠিকাদার তফসীলে বর্ণিত দরের চেয়ে ৫% এর অধিক নিম্নহারে দর উদ্ধৃত করিবেন তাহাদের দরপত্রের সাথে বায়নার টাকাসহ জামানত প্রাক্কলিত মূল্যের (দুই শতাংশ) এর সমপরিমাণ বিশেষ জামানত হিসাবে নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী (সওজ), সড়ক বিভাগ, মৌঃ বাজারের অনুকূলে তফসিলভুক্ত বিডি/টি, সি/প্রতিরক্ষা সঙ্কল্পের জমা দিতে হইবে। অন্যথায় দরপত্র সরাসরি বাতিল বলিয়া গণ্য করা হইবে। স্থায়ী জামানতকর্তৃপক্ষকে এই বিশেষ জামানত দিতে হইবে। যে সমস্ত তফসিল দরের চেয়ে ১৫% (পঁচাত্তর পনের) এর অধিক নিম্ন হারে দর উদ্ধৃত করিবেন তাহাদের দরপত্র সরাসরি বাতিল করা হইবে।

দরপত্রের তফসিল, বিনির্দেশ, শর্তাবলী, বিশেষ শর্তাবলীসমূহ নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী (সওজ), সড়ক বিভাগ, মৌঃ বাজার/ সিলেট/ সুনাগঞ্জ/ কুমিল্লা/প্রারম্ভিক চট্টগ্রাম/পরিচরনা ও কার্যক্রম বিভাগ (পি.ডি) টাকা/উপ-বিভাগীয় প্রকৌশলী (সওজ), সড়ক উপ-বিভাগ-১/২/৩/১ম লাইন কারখানা উপ-বিভাগ, মৌঃ বাজার ও (সওজ) হবিগঞ্জ এর কার্যালয়সমূহে ০৯-০৬-৯২ইং/২৬-০২-৯৯বাং পর্যন্ত দেখিতে এবং ক্রয় করিতে পারা যাইবে। দরপত্রসমূহ অতিরিক্ত প্রধান প্রকৌশলী (সওজ), চট্টগ্রাম অঞ্চল, চট্টগ্রাম প্রকৌশলী (সওজ), সড়ক সার্কেল, সিলেট/ তত্ত্বাবধায়ক প্রকৌশলী (সওজ), প্রকল্প নিয়ন্ত্রণ সার্কেল, ঢাকা — নিম্নলিখিতকর্তার অফিসসমূহে ১০-০৬-৯২ইং/২৭-০২-৯৯বাং বেলা ১২.৩০ গৃহীত হইবে এবং এদিন বেলা- ১২.৪৫ মিনিটে খোলা হইবে।

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