

Dhaka Day by Day

Time and Tide

by Parveen Anam

We, or rather, a certain generation was brought up on the adage that 'time and tide wait for no man.' Somewhere along the line however, the average Bengali has managed to convince himself, with great enthusiasm, to ignore the 'no man' bit, time will certainly wait for him. There are no two ways, about it. Time hardly has any option. The tide bit has never bothered him, time is there to be dispensed with at his whim. Invite us for dinner at 8 o'clock and we will happily turn up at 10.30, with hardly a thought about the inconvenience caused to the hostess, the other more punctual guests, the food getting cold, etc etc. The general attitude seems to be — we are doing everybody a BIG favour, by merely turning up. The fact that the invitation was issued days ago and accepted, has nothing to do with it.

his own time the concerned individual was wasting. The fact remains that he is also wasting other people's time. Nothing can be more exasperating than waiting for the person who was supposed to show up about three hours ago. But there are some who will tell you, looking down their noses at the likes of you, that it is 'fashionable' to be late. Oh no! You got left out somewhere in the mad rat race, you panic. But years of strict training and upbringing forbid you to become 'fashionable'.

Moreover, if you have somehow managed to convince your conscience that you are certainly going to be seven and a half minutes late at the very next party, meeting, or whatever, you make sure to have a list of excuses, about half a mile long for your host or hostess. Unfortunately or fortunately, most of the time, you catch even the hostess off guard if you ring the bell on the dot. She is probably only just going to get dressed! So you sit there, counting the minutes, more likely the hours, while she powders away her nose. You wonder where you went wrong. One thing is sure at the end of the day. Nobody is ever there to appreciate your punctuality. The poor 'darwan' bearer, peon or 'aya' not included, of course. Somebody has to show you the way in, remember?

Again, make an appointment for 3 o'clock sharp, and there is no show till about 4.30 when the Bengali will turn up, with some feeble excuse or the other, of a flat tire, if he feels any excuse is necessary at all that is. Preferably, he will say nothing and again the attitude of a great big favour done. Wonder were we went wrong? Why this enormous chip on our shoulders? Have we never heard of 'punctuality of the kings' and so on and so forth? Being tardy would perhaps not be so bad if it was only



Nirmul Committee collects 73,000 signatures

By Staff Correspondent

Ekattorer Ghatak Dalal Nirmul Committee has collected 73,000 signatures in last 15 days in support of the demand to implement the Gana Adalat verdict on Jamaat Chief Golam Azam.

This was revealed at a meeting of the committee's city unit held at its Tophkhana office yesterday.

Chaired by Sadek Ahmed Khan, the meeting thanked the ward branches of the committee for collection of signatures and urged them to strengthen the mass signature collection drive in the city areas.

Like other components of the committee, the Nirmul Committee launched the signature collection drive on May 23 last.

The meeting decided to start a three day campaign from tomorrow (Monday) at the Sadarghat Launch Terminal, Kamalapur Railway Station and the bus terminals at Sayedabad, Motakhali and Gabtoli in favour of the June 21 dawn to dusk countrywide hartal.

The city unit of the committee will organise wayside rallies and distribute leaflets at every haats (markets) of the sacrificial animals in the city with a call to make the June 21 hartal a success.

The June 21 hartal was called by the Coordination Committee demanding execution of the Gana Adalat verdict on Golam Azam.

A public court on March 26 tried Golam Azam for war offences and pronounced that he was punishable by death sentence.

BTV Sunday

- 5.00 Opening announcement
- Al-Quran
- 5.10 Programme summary
- 5.20 News in Bangla
- 5.30 Recitation from the Bible
- 5.30 Maake Ntye
- 6.00 Rock Sports
- 6.30 Sports programme: Cricket
- 7.05 Tagore Songs
- 8.00 News in Bangla
- 8.30 Probaha
- 9.00 Drama Series: Oshin
- 10.00 News in English
- 10.30 Sanglap
- 11.30 Khabar/The News
- 11.40 Monday's programme
- 11.45 Closing

BBC World Service Television Sunday

- 00.00 hrs World News
- 01.00 Question Time
- 01.25 World News Week
- 02.00 World News
- 02.05 The Dream Machine
- 03.00 World News
- 03.25 Mastermind
- 04.00 World News
- 04.05 TBA
- 05.00 Question Time
- 06.00 World News
- 06.15 40 Minutes
- 07.00 World News
- 07.25 A Question of Sport
- 08.00 World News
- 08.25 World News Week
- 09.00 TBA
- 09.55 Arena — Argentinean Journey
- 11.00 World News
- 11.25 Network East
- 12.00 World News
- 12.25 A Question of Sport
- 13.00 World News
- 13.25 World News Week
- 14.00 World News
- 14.20 Crime Ltd
- 15.00 World News
- 15.15 40 Minutes
- 16.00 The Body in Question
- 17.00 World News
- 17.05 Everyman
- 18.00 World News
- 18.25 World News Week
- 19.00 TBA
- 20.00 World News
- 20.15 40 Minutes
- 21.00 TBA
- 22.00 World News
- 22.15 Heart of the Matter
- 23.00 The Dream Machine

(Please deduct 2 hours from above timings for Bangladesh Standard Time)

STAR TV Sunday

- 00:00 hrs Asian Top 20 Video Countdown
- 02:00 Rockumentary : David Bowie
- 02:30 Just Say Julie
- 03:00 Music Videos — VJ Danny McGill
- 05:00 Tears for Fears : The Hits
- 06:00 Earth to MTV
- 06:30 Beat of Saturday Night Live
- 07:00 Yo! MTV Raps
- 08:00 120 Minutes
- 10:00 Headbanger's Ball
- 12:00 Unplugged : Crosby, Stills & Nash
- 12:30 MTV Sports
- 13:00 Music Videos
- 15:00 Music Videos — VJ Danny McGill
- 17:00 Tears for Fears : The Hits
- 18:00 Asian Top 20 Video Countdown
- 20:00 MTV Mon Amour
- 21:00 MTV Weekend Special : Eric Clapton — 4 Faces
- 22:00 Earth to MTV
- 22:30 Unplugged : Crosby, Stills & Nash
- 23:00 Yo! MTV Raps

STAR Plus Sunday

- 00:00 hrs Crime Story
- 01:00 Movie: For Us the Living
- 02:30 Big City Metro
- 03:00 Eye on Asia
- 03:30 Nature in Its Place
- 04:00 World Sky-diving Championship
- 04:30 Asian Horizons
- 05:30 Fame Fortune & Romance
- 06:00 Lifestyles of the Rich & Famous
- 07:00 Hansel & Gretel
- 07:15 Enchanted House
- 07:30 Kingdom Adventure
- 08:00 Kidpix
- 09:00 Cartoon Classics
- 09:30 Dr Pad Show
- 10:00 Attitudes
- 11:00 Joan Rivers
- 12:00 Lifestyles of the Rich & Famous
- 13:00 Selly Jessy Raphael
- 14:00 Charlie Chaplin Special : Gold Ruah
- 15:30 Opera : Carmen
- 18:30 Eye on Asia
- 19:30 This Week on Star Plus
- 19:45 The Wonder Years
- 20:00 Crime Story
- 20:50 Hollywood Stars
- 21:00 Movie : Too Hot to Handle
- 22:30 Asian Horizons
- 23:30 This Week on STAR Plus

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Jamaat protests atrocities in Hill Tracts

CHITTAGONG, June 6: Chittagong unit of Jamaat-e-Islami condemned the repeated killings of non-tribals by outlawed Shantibahini and urged the government to take necessary steps against the terrorist activities, reports UNB.

Protesting the atrocities in Hill Tracts, the city unit of Jamaat organised a rally at Andarkilla square on Monday.

The rally was presided over by Moulana Abu Taher, city president and addressed, among others, by Shamsul Islam, Liaquat Akter Siddique and M A Taher.

The speakers blamed the government for failing to take any action to stop the atrocities of the so-called Shantibahini.

Jamaat also demanded compensation for the victims and urged the government to raise the issue in the international forum without further delay.

Suu Kyi thanks Mahila Parishad leaders for demanding her release

Pro-democracy leader of Myanmar Aung San Suu Kyi has expressed her gratitude to the leaders of Bangladesh Mahila Parishad for their active role in demanding her release.

In a letter to the leaders of the parishad, Suu Kyi said "I would like to thank all those who have shown solidarity with and compassion for the people of Burma in their troubles."

The letter, written on May 16, was posted to the Parishad leaders by Suu Kyi's husband Michael Aris from the USA on May 25.

In the letter from her 56, University Avenue Residence in Yangon, the detained pro-democracy leader said "it would be difficult to overstate the importance of the work of organisations dedicated to humanitarian causes. There is much going on in the world today that is most disgusting; but from the morass of social, political and racial conflicts the endeavours of those labouring to alleviate suffering emerge as a beacon of sanity and hope."

Businessman shot dead in Ctg

CHITTAGONG, June 6: A businessman was killed during exchange of gunshots between two groups clashing for the possession of a cattle market at Bibirhat under Panchalaish upazila Saturday morning.

Riding on a motor cycle, the victim Majbuddawlah, 50, was passing through the area. During the cross-fires he sustained bullet injuries and died on the spot.

No arrest was made in this connection.

Entrepreneurs urged to play role for rapid industrialisation

CHITTAGONG, June 6: M Shamsul Islam Khan, Minister for Industries Saturday called upon entrepreneurs to put in greater efforts for rapid industrialisation of the country, reports BSS.

He said, present government introduced a suitable industrial policy, which was praised by many countries, to create congenial atmosphere in industry sector.

He was addressing a meeting of members of Chittagong Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCCI) at the conference room of the chamber. Ali Ahmed, President of CCCI presided over the meeting. Senior officials of concerned departments were present on the occasion.

Speaking on the occasion, the Industries Minister said that Ershad's government was absolutely responsible for abnormal situation prevailing now in power sector.

He said, abnormal situation in power sector was created due to taking of no step by Ershad government for overhauling of the establishment.

Islam said, present government had taken initiatives to allow private sector to import generators for capacity production in industrial units.

The government had also taken initiatives to develop leather industry, shrimp culture and salt industries, he said. He assured the meeting of his sincere cooperation to remove bottlenecks in the process of industrialisation. He sought all cooperation from them in this connection.



Shakila Zafar sings at a fund-raising function of Inner Wheels Club of Metropolitan Dhaka at Dhaka Club Friday.

French envoy presents dictionary to Biswas

Ambassador of France in Bangladesh Serge Degallax Saturday presented a French-Bangla dictionary to President Abdur Rahman Biswas at a simple ceremony at Bangabhaban, reports BSS.

Charity music show

Inner Wheel Club of Metropolitan Dhaka held a charity music show Friday night to raise funds for ailing children, reports UNB.

Popular singer Shakila Zafar sang for two hours at the attractive function at Dhaka Club. President of the Club Inu Shamsuddin said the funds will be used to support child patients at Dhaka Pangu Hospital.

Weather

Dry spell likely

By Staff Correspondent

Rain or thundershower accompanied by temporary gusty wind is likely at one or two places over the region of Chittagong and Sylhet during the next 36 hours commencing 6 pm Sunday.

Meteorological office forecasts weather may however remain mainly dry elsewhere over the country.

Day temperature is likely to remain nearly unchanged during the period over the country.

The sun sets today (Sunday) at 6:45 pm in Dhaka and rises tomorrow (Monday) at 5:11 am.

Temperature and humidity recorded at important cities and towns on Saturday were:

Towns/Cities	Temperature in degree Celsius		Humidity in percentage	
	Max	Min	9 am	6 pm
Dhaka	35.0	26.7	75	62
Chittagong	33.8	27.6	79	67
Rajshahi	39.1	27.0	74	48
Khulna	36.5	26.0	74	-
Barisal	34.2	26.2	86	64
Cox's Bazar	33.2	26.2	74	71
Sylhet	34.5	26.0	78	62
Bogra	35.8	26.8	78	61

What's on today . . .

At Aparajeo Bangla
Samajtantrik Chhatra Front will organise today (Sunday) a gathering at the Aparajeo Bangla at Dhaka University at 10 and will submit a memorandum at the Education Ministry as part of its demand day programme across the country.

At DUCSU Bhaban
Democratic Student Centre will hold a press conference at the DUCSU Bhaban of Dhaka University today (Sunday) at 10 am.

At WAPDA auditorium
A discussion on 'Life of Shahid President Ziaur Rahman' will be held today (Sunday) at 4 pm.

Speaker Shaikh Razzak Ali will attend the function as chief guest while Justice TI Khan will preside.

At Biswa Sahitya Kendro
Khelaghar will hold a literary function at 4:30 pm today (Sunday) in memory of noted film maker Satyajit Ray. Actor Golam Mostafa poet Belal Chowdhury, writer Selina Hossain, film maker Badal Rahman, TV Producer Ali Imam and Dr Kazi Tamanna will be present at the function as guests.

At Willes Little Flower School
The annual prize distribution '1992 of Willes Little Flower School will be held today (Sunday) at 9 am. State Minister for Education Principal Md Yunus Khan will attend the function as chief guest.

At Shiddeshwari Degree College
The freshers' reception of the Shiddeshwari Degree College will be held today (Sunday) at 11 am.

Deputy Leader of the House AQM Badruddoza Chowdhury will attend the function as chief guest while State Minister for Education Principal Md Yunus Khan and State Minister for Textile Maj (retd) Abdul Mannan will be present as special guests.

At Hotel Purbani
The IBA Alumni Association will hold a seminar on "What can Bangladesh learn from Korea with respect to economic development" today (Sunday) at 5:30 pm.

Planning Minister Zahruddin Khan will attend the seminar as chief guest.

At Sheraton Hotel
The regular weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Metropolitan Dhaka will be held today (Sunday) at 5:30 pm.

Rtn PP M Mosharraf Hossain will be the guest speaker and he will deliver a speech on "Leadership in Rotary."

At Shilpakala Academy
On the concluding session of the three-day classical music programme today (Sunday) at 7 pm at the Shilpakala Academy, Sunil Kumar Mandal, Manas Kumar Das, Ishrat Jahan, Rabul Hossain and Alaka Das will render "Kheyal," Samir Kumar Das will present a sitar recital session, Raghnath Das will play on violence while Madan Gopal Das will present 'tabla-lahara.'

In classical dance Sukla Sarker will perform the 'Bharatnatyam' while Anup Kumar Das and Lovely Kuraishi will present 'tarana' and 'katthak' respectively.

At USIS auditorium
The 299 regular weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Dhanmondi will be held today (Sunday) at 5:30 pm.

This will be a joint meeting with Rotaract Club of Dhanmondi Lake View in observance of the World Environment Day 1992. Dr Ali Asgar, Professor of BUET will speak on "Save the earth for tomorrow" as guest speaker.

At Goethe Institute
Filmshow for members of the GCC Film Club and DW Listeners Club will be held today (Sunday) at 6 pm.

At Titumir College
Consumers Association of Bangladesh (CAB) will organise today (Sunday) a tree plantation programme and hold a discussion in connection with the World Environment Day at the Government Titumir College at Mohakhali at 10 am.

State Minister for Environment Goyeshwar Roy will attend the function as chief guest.

At Press Club auditorium
A two-day seminar on "Cultural aggression on Bangladesh" will begin today (Sunday) at 5 pm. Veteran film maker Abdul Jabbar Khan will open the seminar, organised by Swadesh Sangskriti Sangsad.

On the opening day Energy Minister Dr Khandaker Mosharraf Hossain will attend as chief guest while Noted playwright Asker Ibne Shaikh will be present as special guest.

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Tender Notice

No. NSC/F-2-396/P&D/176/1389 Dated: 4/6/92

Tender Notice for Supply Laying, Fitting and Fixing of Tiles for International Standard Swim-ming and Diving Pool, at Mirpur, Dhaka.

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- a) Association Agreement with the experienced Foreign Supplier/Contractor the payment will be made in Bangladesh currency.
- b) Documentary evidence certifying past experience of Foreign supplier/contractor in satisfactory completion of similar works for at least 1 (one) International Standard Swimming Pool.
- c) Satisfactory completion certificate of at least 1 (one) civil work amounting to minimum Tk. 50,00,000.00 (Taka fifty lac) only in a single Tender executed by the Local Contractor/Agent during last 10 (ten) years.

2. Earnest money amounting to Tk. 2,00,000.00 (Taka two lac) only must be submitted along with the Tender in the form of Bank Draft/Pay Order from any Scheduled Bank of Bangladesh in favour of National Sports Council without which the tender shall be rejected.

3. Tender Document may be purchased from 10th June, 1992 to 20th July, 1992 from Accounts Section of National Sports Council during office hours on cash payment of Tk. 500.00 (Taka five hundred) only (Non-refundable). No tender papers will be sold after 20th July, 1992.

4. Tenders will be received at the office of the undersigned up to 12:00 Noon on 21st July, 1992 and shall be opened at 12:30 PM on the same day at the same place in presence of the Tenderers who may like to attend the tender opening.

5. The Tenderers must visit the site and get acquainted with the conditions of the site, the scope of works and the available space before tendering.

6. National Sports Council reserves the right to accept any tender in full or in part or reject any or all the Tenders including the lowest one without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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