Dhaka Day by Day

Dhaka and its Delights



Dhaka has its faults. You could reel off a thousand and one of them, on the tips of your fingers, any given time. In fact, one of the favourite pastimes of the Dhakaite is reeling off Dhaka's faults. The water problem, or preferably the total lack of water, the sewerage problem, or again the lack of it, are among the more profound problems. The rickshaws are the common ones; the traffic jams are the eternal sore point.

Of course, while we are on about the problems, we refuse to dwell on the ones which really have us tearing our hair. We prefer to stick to the lighter side of the situation. But whichever side we face and no matter how often we face it, Dhaka has a charm, all its own. Take us away from this beloved city for a considerable period of time, and we wither away. Literally. We curse it, we swear at it, we reproach it, we condemn it, but we cannot live away from it; we grit our teeth at it, but smile indulgently, when others point out those harrowing little details. The sudden spurt of our generosity, has its valid reasons, we argue.

Where else do we have the luxury of the ferry walla' vending what we need, or he thinks we need, at our doorstep? In no uncertain terms? Many a Dhakaite, when visiting the civilized west has sighed a sigh of regret, as he has had to trudge long distances, to letch a box of matches and sorely missed his rickshaw. Or the little 'shop of everything' round the corner. Who wants to take a bus ride, waiting in an endless queue, just to buy a

kilogram of potatoes, or a packet of milk?

Life is somehow easier when there are rickshaws around. We are helpless without them. And starting from the little fish-man who is ready to sell you your fish at the doorstep, to the banana man, to the chicken walla, you name it, he is there, to be sorely missed, when we are not in the mood, to carry home those heavy grocery bags. Doorstep shopping somehow makes life that much easier, we all agree. Some will shake their heads and murmur, how spoilt we are in Dhaka, but that again is the distinct privilege of the Dhakatte. It compensates for the power cuts by the power development people. The policy the PWD seem to follow is, 'live and let live' or how else will the seller of the hand fan eke out his living? And at no point does one realize how dearly fond one is of Dhaka with all its hazards, than when that aircraft hovers over the city, and one returns home, after a long sojourn abroad

Thrown immediately into the mad, mad crowd, cursing, pushing, jostling, you realize that this was perhaps what you had missed all along. It is when you are away from home and you start to miss the rickshaws and the crows of the city, that you get the distinct impression, it is time for you to head home. For "the man with soul so dead, who never to himself hath said, this is my own, my native land", has never had the joy of coming home. And is to be pitied.



Lioness Club of Dhaka 315-A organised a tree plantation programme in the city last week.

National savings funded 24 pc of development in last fiscal

Social Welfare and Women Affairs Minister Tariqui Islam yesterday stressed the need for honest and sincere effort of officials in the smooth running of government machinery, re-

According to a PID handout, he was addressing the inaugural ceremony of newly constructed Naratl Zila Parishad Bhaban in Narail

porta BSS.

State Minister for Establishment · Md Nurul Huda spoke on the occasion.

The Social Welfare Minister said the government has taken different measures to improve the national savings and achieved good results. As a result, 24 per cent of the development of the last financial year had been utilized from the national savings and in the current financial year it would be raised up to 27 per cent, he

Referring to the law and order situation, Tariqui Islam said political leaders and workers, social organizations and government officials should mend themselves first and then they could change society.

Nurul Huda called upon the officials to discharge their service with devotion and patriotic zeal

The Social Welfare Minister later unveiled the plaque of the newly constructed Narail Zila Parishad Bhaban and offered munazat. State Minister for Establishment accompa-

nied the minister. Earlier the two ministers planted three saplings at the premises of the Circuit House. The state minister unveiled the plaque of the newly constructed Circuit House.

600 criminals held, 23 firearms recovered

The police arrested more than 600 alleged criminals and recovered 23 unauthorised firearms from different parts of the country during last 24 hours, ending this afternoon, reports BSS.

Hindu Parishad demands repeal of Vested Property Ordinance

Bangladesh National Hindu Parishad Monday demanded immediate repeal of the Vested Property Ordinance to help grow religious harmony in the country, reports UNB.

Saudi visa seekers advised to collect passports

Bangladeshi citizens who applied to the Saudi Embassy in Dhaka for visa on or before August 9 may now collect their passports from the embassy on any working day, said a press release yesterday, reports

Those who submitted documents for medical slip or attestation within August 9 have also been advised to collect their documents from the embassy counters during the delivery hours.

The concerned passport holders as well as recruiting agencies should collect passports and documents immediately as the delay may result in the expiry of the validity of visa, the press release said.

Distant edn B. Ed course begins Aug 14

The first tutorial class of Distant Education B. Ed course run by Bangladesh Open University will start in the respective regional centres on August 14 at 9 am, reports BSS.

The students have been requested to contact the coordinator of their respective cen-

BFPA to introduce film award

Bangladesh Film Producers Association (BFPA) has decided to introduce annual film award to encourage making creative and healthy films in the country with effect from 1991, reports BSS.

The president of the association Azizur Rahman Buli told a press conference that the association has taken the decision to help development of the film media and make its role more significant in the socio-cultural life of the nation. He said the move of the association is aimed at giving incentives to the people engaged in the industry since there is no such regular award giving in the country.

BTMC urged to improve quality of fabrics

By Staff Correspondent

The president of the Dhaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry (DCCI) M Yunus, Monday urged the Bangladesh Textile Mills Corporation (BTMC) to improve the quality of fabrics and make the prices competitive for working as a backward linkage to the garment industry.

The DCCI chief was exchanging views with the Chairman of BTMC, Syed Yousuf Hussain, at the conference room of the DCCI.

M Yunus assured the BTMC Chairman to extend all sorts of cooperation to develop the textile sector for the betterment of national economy.

The chairman of BTMC. Hussain said that the private sector and the public sector corporations should work together for the economic development. In this context, he sought suggestions for the development of the textile industries under BTMC and to solve the marketing problems.

The chairman also assured that the mills under BTMC for dying, printing and finishing are able to work as backward linkage industries of the garments sector.

Participating in the discussion ASM Quasem, Md Ali Ashraf, M H Rahman, Nazir Hossain, directors of the DCCI. Syed Toufique Ali, Habibur Rahman, Benazir Ahmed and N Khan, members of the DCCI expressed their views that in order to compete with the foreign suppliers of the raw materials of the garment sector, modern machinery should be installed in the BTMC units and administrative efficiency should be improved.

BKB fixes Tk 601 cr lending target for '92-'93

Bangladesh Krishi Bank (BKB) has fixed the target for lending at Tk 601 crore and recovery of loans at Tk 850 crore in the current fiscal year, reports UNB.

The targets were set in a two-day conference of divisional general managers and zonal managers of BKB which ended here yesterday.

Officials said the target was fixed in light of last year's performance. Last year, the target of lending was about Tk 550 crore and recovery Tk 750

A few important administrative and operational decisions were taken in the conference to ensure achievement of the targets, they said.

Besides, performance and problems in lending, recovery and deposit mobilisation in the previous fiscal year were reviewed in the meeting. Presided over by Dr ATM

Shamsul Huda, Managing Director of the bank, the conference was also attended by the general managers and the deputy general managers of the head office.

Dr Huda called on the bank officials and employees to discharge their duties sincerely keeping in mind the role of the bank in the national econ-



Tuesday Opening announcement Al-Quran Programme summary News in Bangla Recitation from the

Geeta 5-25 Cartoon film Sikkha Dikkha Ma o Shishur Shasthya Nazrul songs

8-00 News in Bangla Drama serial: Jolashoi Kato Dur 10-00 News in English

Parliament round up 10-35 Mini series: All the Rivers Run 11-45 Closing

Weather 💥

unchanged elsewhere over the country.

and 23.0 degree Celsius.

yesterday were:

Cities/Towns

Dhaka

Chittagong

Rajshahi

Dinajpur

Cox's Bazar

Khulna

Sylhet

Jessore

Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia and Prime Minister of Bahrain Khalifa Bin Salman Al Khalifa signing two agreements on August 8 in Manama during her visit to Bahrain. - PID photo

Tk 525 cr power station to be commissioned April next

CHITTAGONG, Aug 10: Taka 525 crore 210 mw thermal power station project now under construction at Pahartali, Raozan here would be commissioned in April 1993, reports

Planning Minister A M Zahiruddin Khan said this today while briefing the newsmen after visiting the project-site.

He said that 71 per cent construction work of the project had already been completed, while the remaining works would be completed before April next year. He said that 210 mw ther-

mal power station is being constructed with Chinese assistance. Chinese government is providing Taka 277 crore for the project, he added. Zahiruddin Khan pointed

out that Chittagong region would be highly benefitted when the thermal power station would be commissioned The sufferings of the people and the loss incurred by industrial sector in Chittagong because of frequent load shedding would come to an end

Stands 12th in

General Science

group

Tanveer Rana Mustafiz has

secured twelfth position in the

combined merit list in General

Science group in the SSC ex-

amination under Comilla Board

held this year, says a press re-

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English, General Science,

Elective Mathematics, General

Mathematics, Geography, Is-

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Mustafizur Rahman, General

Manager, Bangladesh Tele-vi-

sion and renowned vocalist

Rowshan Ara Mustafiz.

He has obtained 882 marks

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Moderate rain likely

By Staff Correspondent

Temporary light or moderate rain or thundershower is likely

to occur at many places over Khulna, Chittagong divisions, few

places over Dhaka division and at one or two places over

Rajshahi division during the next 24 hours commencing 6 am

Day temperature is likely to fall by one to two degree Celsius

over Chittagong and Khulna divisions and remain nearly

The Met office forecast, rainfall activities may increase within

The maximum and the minimum temperatures were

recorded at Rangamati yesterday (Monday) to be 34.6 degree

The sun sets today Tuesday at 6.35 pm and rises tomorrow

(Wednesday) at 5.33 am. The maximum and the minimum

temperature and humidity of some major cities and towns

25.1

24.8

25.0

25.4

25.08

Temperature

in degree

31.7

31.5

31.6

32.5

33.0

31.2

33.2

32.4

after the commissioning of the thermal power project.

The Planning Minister said the government was actively considering establishment of a second unit of thermal power station with the same capacity in Raozan area of Chittagong to ensure smooth power supply to the industries of the region. Khan said his ministry was

giving top priority to power and energy sectors to help accelerate economic progress of the country The Planning Minister,

called upon the engineers of power development to work with a sense of patriotism and honesty to decrease the system loss in the power sector. He added, the system loss and much higher in the power sector than in any other sector and this has been pointed out by donor countries and agen-

cies time and again.

The donors are reluctant to advance credit for power sector of the country because of higher system lose", he added. We have no other alternative but to lower the system

New CU museum building inaugurated

CHITTAGONG, Aug 10: The new building of Chittagong University museum was inaugurated today on the university campus at a simple ceremony held in this connection, reports BSS. Vice-Chancellor of the uni-

versity Prof R I Chowdhury inaugurated the museum build

Dr Serajul Huq, Professor Emeritus of Dhaka University, acting curator of the museum Shamsul Hussain, and supernumerary professor of History department Prof Abdul Karim addressed the function.

They said that a museum was an integral part of the university as it perfects the knowledge obtained from

loss to the minimum if we

want foreign aid for develop-

ment of this vital sector. Stressing the need for finding alternative source of power and energy, the Minister said efforts were made to explore, coal and husk for this purpose. Later Zahiruddin Khan vis-

ited the first gave of late President Ziaur Rahman at Zianagar and offered fatcha

JUCSU budget approved

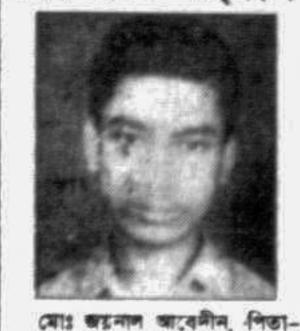
JU Correspondent A budget of Taka 3.5 lakh has been approved by the Jahangirnagar University authorities for its central students union JUCSU for the 1992-93

fiscal year. This was announced Monday at the first meeting of the newly elected JUCSU office bearers at the senate hall with Vice-Chancellor Prof Kazi Saleh Ahmed in the chair.

The highest allocation of Tk 67 thousand has been made for literary purposes, while sports sector gets second priority.

A total of Tk 35 thousand has been sanctioned for the installation programme of the ninth JUCSU office bearers scheduled to be held on August

নিখোজ সংবাদ



মোঃ আরব আলী শেখ, ৭/২, ধলপুর ধানা- ডেমরা, জেলা- ঢাকা গত ৩০/৭/৯২ ইং তারিখে কুলে যাওয়ার শবে হারাইয়া শিরাছে। সে শহীদ নবী উচ্চ বিদ্যালয়ের নবম ধেণীর ছাত্র। এ ব্যাপারে ডেমরা থানার জিঙি করা হইয়াছে। জিভি নং -৫৬০, তাং b-b-22 201

সন্ধানপ্ৰাৰ্থী মোঃ আরব আলী শেষ ৭/২, ধলপুর, ধানা- ডেমরা 8-217

W. Rahman Jute Mills Limited

52, Motijheel Commercial Area Dhaka-1000

Notice of Annual General meeting

Notice is hereby given that 9th Annual General Meeting of W. Rahman Jute Mills Limited, subsequent to transfer of ownership back to Bangladeshi Shareholders, will be held at Registered Office of the Company at 52, Motifheel C/A, Dhaka on Thursday, the 27th August, 1992 at 11-30 am to transact the following business. AGENDA:

- 1. To confirm Minutes of the 8th Annual General Meeting held on 31.7.1991.
- To consider and approve the audited accounts of the Company for the year ended 30th June, 1991 and to accept the Directors' Report thereon.

To elect Directors.

To appoint Auditors for next financial year 1991-92 and to fix their remuneration.

To transact any other business with the permission of the Chair.

By Order of The Board A.Jalil Sheikh

Acting Secretary

11th August, 1992.

Please note:

1. A member entitled to attend and vote at the above meeting may appoint a Proxy to attend and vote on his behalf. Such Proxy must be a member of the Company.

2. The Share transfer Books of the Company will remain closed from 24th August, 1992 to 27th August, 1992 (both days inclusive).

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Bakhrabad Gas Systems Limited (A subsidiary Company of Petrobangla)

ग्राप्त्रत व्यथठत्र ताथ कत्रन धवः निर्धातिक त्रमात्र विन शतिरशाथ कत्रन

Tender Notice

Cost of Tender Completion Description of work Estimated Cost documents (Non-Time refundable) Construction of 4 bar Gas line at Compa-120 11,08,609.00 600/= nygonj Bazar and its adjoining area from days Muradnagar Upazila (Comilla PH-14).

Eligibility

: a) Must be enlisted with BGSL for Categories 1.3/1.4 for the year 1990-

Contractor/contractors of on going projects will not be allowed to participate in this tender if they have not completed 75% of the on going work within the proportionate schedule time. Contractors who are currently engaged in construction of pipe line are advised to submit a clearance certificate from the concerned Regional Distribution Manager

Where schedule will be available

in this regard. Liaison office wing, BGSL, Demra, Dhaka. Accounts Section, Regional Dist. Deptt. BGSL, Head Office

Complex, Chapapur, Comilla. Accounts Section, Regional Dist. Deptt. BGSL, 14 Jamal Khan Road, Chittagong.

Accounts Deptt. Petrobangia, Petro Centre, 3 Kawran Bazar, Dhaka. BAPEX, HBFC Building 9th floor, Purana Paltan, Dhaka.

CNG Company, Steel House, 7th floor, Kawran Bazar, Dhaka. Accounts Deptt TGTDCL, II, Kawran Bazar, Dhaka.

Accounts Deptt. BGFCL. Court Road B. Baria. Accounts Deptt. TGTDCL. Barkotia, Ambarkhana, Sylhet. Accounts Deptt SGFL, Chiknagool, Horipur, Sylhet

09-08-92 to 29-08-92 (In all working day upto 1-00 PM.)

: Tender will be received upto 12.00 hrs on 30-08-92 at the places mentioned SI.No.03.

reason what-soever. BG-1180

schedule

Selling time of tender

Place, Date & time

of Tender Receiving

: Tender opened on 30-08-92 at 12-15 hrs.

BGSL reserves the right to accept any tender or to reject any or all tenders without assigning any

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Date & time of opening of tender

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