Dhaka Day by Day

Newspaper Readers with a Difference!

by Sadaf Noori



A common scenario that strikes one going around Dhaka city is a number of people of different strata looking at the wall, peering very enthusiastically outside the office of a daily newspaper, or behind the shed of a bus stop, in front of a 'Mohalla Club'. These are actually daily newspapers pasted on the wall or partex board just for the benefit of pedestrians. This serves both as a sort of publicity of different newspapers and publication groups and a catering of information free of charge for the public.

However, such queues of well dressed as well as shabby dressed and exhausted people are not a scene at a railway station or post office. We can't classify those mob into any particular community or class rather they are a mixture of different people from aristocratic to rickshawpuller, who, while going through the road, wait for a while and gaze at the wall for some particular interest. Some take a look before undertaking a specific job, some of the people stop suddenly impressed by the dazzling advertisement of coming movie. On the other hand, some of them are much more interested to get to know something about sports or stray clashes and others try to dig out more specific causes of political unrest.

This specific publicity system of

newspapers is not something new, rather the system is as old as the newspapers are in Bangladesh.

When 'Azad' or 'Observer' started coming out at the end of the British rule, they held this policy to hang their newspapers on the walls at different busy places of the city just to ensure their publicity leading to their longer circulation as well as greater popularity.

Since then, newly emerged newspapers have followed the footprint of the pioneers. Though all these devices are rather gimmicky and their sole purpose is to get publicity, this has not contributed in any significant manner to an increasing reading habit of people.

A cunning device no doubt, this subtle newspaper advertising may have some rare avid readers. But serious newspaper readers, more often than not, harbour a contemptuous attitude towards those stand-in-attention readers blocking footpaths.

There is, of course, an element of double advertising practice. The clubs, libraries or similar other organisations who let the hoarding or boards to be used (free of charge, no doubt) for the dailies do not forget to advertise their own names. The interests are thus mutually served.

DUJ demands publication of probe body report

Shahjahan Mia and Altaf Mahmud, President and General Secretary of Dhaka Union of Journalists (DUJ) yesterday demanded publication of the report of the one-member enquiry commission formed to probe into the June 21 incident of police assault on journalists at the Press Club, reports BSS.

In a press statement, they said the commission, as per term of reference, had submitted its report to the government by end July. But the government, they said, was mysteriously procrastinating the publication of the report.

The DUJ leaders said the journalists could not sit as idle spectators and demanded publication of the report by September 20.

Bangla-Myanmar solidarity body

By Staff Correspondent

The newly formed Bangladesh-Myanmar Ganasanghati Parishad (Solidarity Council) will submit a memorandum to the Myanmar Embassy in Dhaka next Friday, said a press release Sunday.

Prior to submitting memorandum the Parishad will hold a meeting at the Taher Auditorium of JSD office.

The Parishad was formed Saturday at a meeting at the Taher Auditorium with Aynjibi Samannya Parisad President Shamsul Huq as Convenor and Dr Mostaq Hossain as Member-Secretary.

The meeting was attended by Dr Kamal Hossain, Hasanul Hug Inu, Nirmal Sen, Shafful Alam, Mainuddin Khan Badal, Abdur Rouf, Akhtar Sohban Masroor, Saiful Islam and Mokhlesur Rahman.

The meeting expressed solidarity with the democratic campaigners of Myanmar and demanded immediate release of Aung Sun Suu Kyt.

office at 5pm.

problem and its solution."

Seminar Hall, 98, Malibagh (DIT Road).

Preservation of ecological balance underscored

Paintings on environmental awareness by some eminent artists of the country were presented to President Abdur Rahman Biswas at a function at Bangabhaban yesterday, reports BSS.

Former Vice Chancellor of Dhaka University, Prof Abdul Mannan, and an environmental activist Abul Kalam Azad handed over the works to the president.

Talking to the activists present on the occasion, the president said that the environmental balance of this beautiful earth could be protected by taking due care of the na-

He stressed the need for massive awareness among the people about necessity of preservation of the ecological

He called upon the teaching community to provide adequate knowledge to the students about the consequences of environmental pollution.

President Biswas said, majority people of the country are living in rural areas and they have to be given proper ideas to preserve the nature.

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electricity, agricultural devel-

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ral people was the main aim of

the government as the bulk of

The government attaches

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sector and so the government

had made the highest alloca-

tion in this sector in the bud-

get of the current fiscal year.

he added

He said that the socio-eco-

ment programmes in details.

He underscored the need for planting more trees to help check the environmental haz-

He also appreciated the steps taken by several organisations to bring awareness among the people about the protection of environmental balance by displaying art works and posters on different occa-

Earlier, a 12-member delegation of the Bangladesh 'Ainjibi Sahokari Samity' led by its President AKM Mahbubul Alam and General Secretary Md Nur Miah called on President Abdur Rahman Biswas at Bangabhaban yesterday morn-

The delegation members appealed to the President to consider the recommendations of the bar council and law reforms committee regarding enactment of Lawyers Assistance Council Act.

The President assured them of looking into the mat-

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DCCI team calls on Mannan

A delegation of Dhaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry led by its President Mahbubur Rahman yesterday met State Minister for Textile Abdul Mannan and discussed the overall development of different industries, reports BSS

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From Mama, Mami

Happy Birthday

& Anita



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BNP believes politics of deeds, not words: Anwar

Commerce Minister MK Anwar said here Saturday the present democratically elected government led by Begum Khaleda Zia was determined to carry forward the development-oriented politics of late President Ziaur Rahman for the all-out socio-economic development of the people, reports BSS.

Addressing a public meeting at the premises of Raghunathpur Madrasa here as the chief guest, he said the present government believes in the politics of deeds not of

The Commerce Minister said that the present government wants to maintain an honest, expert, transparent and dynamic administration for the welfare of the people. The government will fulfil in phases all the commitment given to the people, he added.

Anwar mentioned various steps taken by the government for eradicating poverty and il-

What's on today

Bulbul Lalitakala Academy

and milad mahfil on the occasion of Eid-e-Miladunnabi, today

(Sunday) at its Waizghat centre at 5pm, State Minister for

Press confee by garment workers

press conference today (Sunday) at its 31/F Topkhana road

Rotary Club of Dhanmondi

Rotary Club of Dhaka West

The regular weekly meeting of Rotary Club of Dhaka West

Prof M Shahjahan, Vice Chancellor of Bangladesh

University of Engineering & Technology (BUET), will be

present as guest speaker. He will speak on "Ganges water

Rapport training course

management training course on 'Office Management' will be inaugurated by M Mosharraf Hossain, Managing Director, Rapport Bangladesh Ltd today (Sunday) at 5:30 pm at Rapport

Discussion meet on Ruhul Quddus

principal secretary Ruhul Quddus, the Muktijodha Ruhul

Quddus Pratham Mrittu Barshiki Palon Committee will hold a

discussion meeting tomorrow (Monday) at the National

Samad Azad, Peer Habibur Rahman, former Finance Minister

M Saiduzzaman, former Planning Minister Air Vice Marshal

(retd) A K Khandaker, former Army Chief Major General

(retd) K M Shafiullah and Secretary of the committee

Muhammad Sirajuddin, among others, will take part in the

discussion which will be presided over by Professor Kabir

Deputy Leader of the Opposition in Parliament Abdus

On the occasion of the first death anniversary of former

Sponsored by Rapport Bangladesh Limited, a three-week

. and tomorrow

will be held today (Sunday) at Sonargaon Hotel at 5:30 pm.

will be held at Gulshan Club today (Sunday) at 5-30 pm.

The regular weekly meeting of Rotary Club of Dhanmondi

The National Garments Workers Federation will hold a

Religious Affairs M A Mannan will be the chief guesta

Bulbul Lalitakala Academy will hold a discussion meeting

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मण्या अला (क्वाशालमा)

Ghatak Dalal Nirmul Committee brought out a procession in the city yesterday demanding -Star photo ban on Jamaat-Shibir politics.

Biswas asks students to help combat terrorism

President Abdur Rahman Biswas has called upon the students to create congenial environment for education by eradicating terrorism from the educational institutions, reports BSS.

President was talking to a 35-member delegation of the government Brojomohon University College of Barisal, comprising of teachers, students and former students, led by its Principal Mohammad Hanif who called on him at Bangabhaban yesterday afternoon.

They also discussed the centenary celebration of the BM College.

The delegation includes among others VP of the college union, Zafar Imam, GS Abdur Rahman Azim, President of Student League Barisal District Unit Md Zakir Hussain and GS Saifullah Panir, District Secretary of Islami Chhatra Shibir Md Abdur Rab, leader of the Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal Qam-

Front leader Saidur Rahman and ex-student advocate Khan Altaf Hussain and DUCSU AGS Najimuddin Alam. The delegation expressed (Sunday). their happiness and gratitude to President Biswas and Prime

Minister Begum Khaleda Zia for materialising longstanding demand of the Barisal division. They invited the President on behalf of all the students organisations to attend as chief Institute. guest at the centenary celebration of the college, later part of

discussed.

President Biswas expressed his happiness that all students, irrespective of political opinions have united themselves to regain the lost glory of this old and traditional educational institution of Barisal and maintain peace in

the academic life. He hoped that the creation of Barisal division will inspire the people to work unitedly for the development of the Industrial Research (BCSIR). area as well as the country.

Choudhury.

Museum auditorium at 5pm.

Moderate rain likely

By Staff Correspondent

Moderate rain or shower may occur at many places over Khulna, Chittagong and Dhaka divisions and at a few places over Rajshahi division during the next 24 hours commencing 6 am today (Sunday).

The Met office forecast day temperature is likely to remain nearly unchanged all over the country. The country yesterday (Saturday) experienced rainfall at

most of the places. Chief amount of rainfall recorded in different places from 6am to 6pm were: Tangail 64mm, Teknaf 6 mm, Maijde

Court 60mm, Dhaka 43mm, Cox's Bazar 33mm, Rangpur 31mm and other places below 30mm. The maximum temperature of 30.3 degree Celsius was reported from Bogra and the minimum of 22.5 degree was

reported from Sylhet yesterday. The sun sets today Sunday at 6.04pm and rises tomorrow Monday at 5.44am.

The maximum and the minimum temperature and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday Temperature in degree Humidity in Cities/Towns

Celsius percentage 6pm 24.2 28.0 Dhaka 28.8 23.6 Chittagong 87 Rajshahi 29.9 26.0 90 23.8 28.4 Khulna 93 24.4 29.5 Dinajpur 93 92 29.5 22.5 Sylhet 85 98 27.5 24.0 Cox's Bazar 98 23.6 28.0 Bartsal



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rul Hassan, leader of student union Gazi Shahid, Chhatra 'Pry teachers' problems to be solved'

The leaders of Bangladesh Government Primary School Teacher's Association yesterday called on State Minister for Education Principal MD Eunus Khan at his office in Dhaka, reports BSS.

They discussed matters relating to establishment of a Trustee Board for the primary school teachers and regularisation of pay and benefit of the teachers whose services have been transfered to revenue heads from development heads recently.

The State Minister gave patient hearing to the problems of the teachers and assured

them to solve their problems by phases. He also called upon the primary school teachers to put in their best efforts for making mass education and compulsory primary education programmes successful.

The meeting was attended by President of the Association Suruzzaman, Secretary-General Abdul Awal Talukdar, Senior Vice-President Mahfuzul Hoq Bhuiyan, Vice-Presidents Shaffullah, Alauddin, Ashraf Ali, Azizul Hoq Mansuri, Assistant Secretary Daliluddin Khan and Social Welfare Secretary Khaltlur Rahman.

Indian team due today

By Staff Correspondent A four-member delegation from the Indian Council of Scientific and Industrial Research will arrives in Dhaka today

The team is likely to sign an agreement on bilateral cooperation in the field of science and technology. It will be led by PV Sane, Director of the National Botanical Research

The Indian team is visiting following pursuance of Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia's recent visit to India during which cooperation in the field of science and technology between the two countries was

During its six-day stay till September 19, the delegation will hold talks with a Bangladesh team of scientists led by Chairman of the Bangladesh Council of Scientific and



Sunday Opening announcement Al-Quran

5:00 Programme summary News in Bangla Recitation from the Bible 5:25 Sports programme Tagore songs 8:00 News in Bangla

8:30 9:00 Drama series: Oshin News in English 10:00 10:30 Chhayachanda 11:30 Khabar/The news 11:40 Monday's programme sum-11:45 Closing

Weather