

Dhaka Day by Day

Meaningful Miniatures

by Fayza Haq



A water colour by Samarjit Roy Chowdhury

The second Miniature Art Exhibition, held at the Alliance Francaise, was full of colours, varied styles and numerous themes.

Qayyum Chowdhury's water colour composition, 4 inchx6 inch, was a delightful creation of a tree, with its hollow and numerous branches.

Samarjit Roy Chowdhury's 'Untitled', a water colour creation, 3"x4", had a woman dreaming, with a flower in hand.

Nasreen Begum's still life in water colour was 4 inchx5 inch, and revealed leaves arranged in a vase in an unusual manner.

Kanak Chandra's 'Muro Dance', an oil on wood, 3 inch by 4 inch, depicted tribal girls in blue, green and dark hues.

Khalid Mahmood Mithu's 'Nature and Butterfly', an oil on paper work, 4"x5", was a semi-abstract creation.

'Nature' by Jamal Ahmed, a water colour,

4"x6", in shades of blue, depicted men in a boat. The manner in which the artist had put layers upon layers of colour brought in the countryside of Bangladesh with an impact.

'Composition' in oil on paper, 4"x6", by Ifthikharuddin Ahmed, included rickshaws and rickshawpullers.

The untitled mixed media, 5"x5", by Mahmudul Haque was an abstraction which included squares and spheres in purple, blue and green.

The green, blue and black composition in oil on canvas, 5"x5", by Mohammad Eunus, was a fascinating creation in abstraction.

Bulbon Osman's mixed media, 4"x5", was an interesting abstract creation, with splashes of red and blue and intersecting lines of red, green, and blue.

'In Expectation', a mixed media, 3"x4" by Abdus Shakoor Shah appeared a strange bejewelled web of pinks, reds, blues and green.

The exhibition had brought together an interesting variety of talents and offered the buyer something to decorate their homes at a reasonable price.

Computer science to be introduced in secondary level

State Minister for Establishment Md Nurul Huda yesterday said that it had become essential to computerise government offices for storing and quick dissemination of information and also to checking the manipulation of facts and figures, reports BSS.

He was addressing the officials now participating in a two-week computer training course on word processing and spread sheet techniques at the conference room of the ministry yesterday.

Huda said the government had decided to introduce computer science. As a subject at the secondary level of education.

12 officials including Secretaries and Joint Secretaries are taking part in the course. Public administration computer centre of this ministry arranged the course.

Presided over by the Additional Secretary of the Establishment Ministry S M Akram, the inaugural function was addressed by the Establishment Secretary Md Hasinur Rahman, Rector of Public Administration Training Centre (PATC) Kazi Mouhammad Manjur-e-Mowla and Secretary of the Election Commission Secretariat A Z M Shamsul Alam were present.

The State Minister said that the government officials should know how to operate the computer so that they could collect and verify the information without wasting of time.

Price hike of newsprint protested

By DU Correspondent

The Ganatantrik Chhatra Oikya (GCO) will stage demonstration in all the educational institutions across the country today protesting the price hike of newsprint.

The GCO will bring out a procession on the Dhaka University campus and hold a rally at the feet at the Aparajeo Bangla.

Meanwhile the JSD (Inu) backed Chhatra League (B-K) President Ruhul Quddus Babu and General Secretary Abdullahi Qualam yesterday in a joint statement condemned the government for the repeated price hike of newsprint.

The BCL (B-K) leaders urged all to make today's demonstration a success.

BDR seizes contrabands worth Tk 2 lakh

RAJSHAHI, Oct 17: BDR personnel of 20 Rifle Battalion on a surprise raid at 16 down Mohananda mail train seized Indian contrabands worth Tk 2 lakh yesterday, reports BSS.

The seized goods included 664 pieces of Indian sarce and 200 kgs of sugar.



Table with 2 columns: Time and Program Name. Includes items like Opening announcement, News in Bangla, Sports programme, etc.



Jatiya Chhatra Dal held a rally ahead of its council in the city yesterday. — Star photo

By-polls prove govt neutrality: Huda

Information Minister Barister Nazmul Huda said here yesterday that the two recently concluded by-elections had proved that the government had not influenced the administration and that the elections were held free and fair.

'The BNP government believes in free, fair and neutral election and not in rigging... and the two by-elections have demonstrated the government's sincerity in holding neutral and impartial election, free from any influence,' Huda said in an interview with BSS at his office.

The Minister thanked the leader of the Opposition in Parliament Sheikh Hasina for admitting the fact that election were held free and fair.

Huda said 'the holding of free and fair elections has also manifested BNP government's commitment to democracy and sincerity to give it an institutional shape under the leadership of Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia.'

The Information Minister said the elections had proved that though the Prime Minister and ministers had campaigned in favour of the ruling party candidates, they had kept administration free from any influence.

Huda turned down the opposition's pre-election allegation that the government was influencing the administration and said participation in the

election campaign on behalf of the party candidate and influencing the administration were two different things.

Huda said the BNP government was a political government with its own programmes and policies and there was nothing wrong if its leaders participated in the election campaign.

The Information Minister said though the BNP candidates could not return in the by-elections, the elections results had showed that the popularity of BNP had increased.

Analysing the election results, Huda said the popularity of BNP had increased in the constituencies owned by the Awami League nominees.

He pointed out that in Mymensingh-3 by-election the BNP candidate Nazmul Huda had bagged 31,303 votes as against 18,127 he got in the 1991 general elections. In Rajbari-1 by-election the BNP candidate M A Khaled got 36,096 votes as against 30,489 votes he bagged in the 1991 election.

Huda said the election results had demonstrated that the people's confidence on the BNP and its policies and programmes had increased.

He said the results had turned down Awami League President Sheikh Hasina's contention that the people had given no confidence on BNP.

Resignation of DU Social Welfare Institute Director demanded

By DU Correspondent

The students of the Institute of Social Welfare and Research of Dhaka University have announced to lock the office of its Director today in demand of his resignation. The demands also include the shifting of the Institute from its present location to the main campus.

Meanwhile, the general students of the Institute brought out a procession and held a protest rally at the Institute premises at about 11 am yesterday.

The rally addressed by the student representatives Mosharraf Hossain, Wazed Kamal and Samsul Alam Liton condemned the silent role of the university authorities in this respect.

The students also urged all to make today's programmes a success.

The students also announced to start boycotting the classes from October 25 if the university authorities failed to meet the demands.

Protest rally held

Bharatiya Dal Protirodh Committee will publish another list of 'Indian agents' on October 16, the Victory Day, reports UNB.

The announcement came from a protest rally it staged yesterday at the Dainik Bangla crossing against the Indian 'Operation Push Back', in which BSF is pushing Bengali-speaking Muslims into Bangladesh.

The committee, spearheading a militant campaign against the Ghatik Dal Nirmul Committee, also announced a number of other programmes, including observance of National Revolution and Solidarity Day on November 7, mass contact November 8-30 and exchange of views with 'patriotic' intellectuals December 9-15.

Addressing the meeting, Bangladesh National Democratic Party Chairman Anwar Zahid blasted the BNP government for its 'utter failure' in tackling the issues threatening national sovereignty and independence.

Saudi donation for Madrasha

The Government of Saudi Arabia has donated Taka 2,33,918 to Kalakachus Islami Fazil Madrasha, Burichang, Comilla for its development, reports BSS.

Ali Ahmad Abdul Wahab, Charge d'Affaires, Saudi embassy, handed over the cheque for the amount to the Principal

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Preparations for SAARC summit on in full-swing

A colour 'SAARC fountain' is being erected in front to Sonargaon Hotel as part of elaborate preparations for hosting the seventh summit of South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation, reports UNB.

The preparations are now going on in full-swing with some 49 days left for staging the annual conference of the heads of state or government of the 7-nation forum, due here December 12-14.

A high official at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs said yesterday about 60 per cent of the arrangements for holding the moot had already been completed.

A preparatory committee headed by former Foreign Secretary Farooq Ahmed Chowdhury has been working vigorously to accomplish the tasks well in time.

Maid servant commits suicide in city

By DMCH Correspondent

A maid servant reportedly committed suicide at a residence at Uttara in the city at about 2.30 pm Saturday.

The victim identified as Manju, 16, killed herself by hanging.

On an information police went to the residence of her master Mohammed Moazzem Hossain and recovered the body. Later the body was sent to the Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH) morgue for autopsy.

A case was filed with Uttara thana in this connection.

Youths urged to uphold spirit of patriotism

President Abdur Rahman Biswas has called upon the youths to uphold the spirit of patriotism for consolidating democracy in the country, reports BSS.

He was talking to a 20-member delegation of Komol Smriti Parishad, led by its President Kazi Rafiqul Islam, when they called on him at Bangabhaban yesterday morning.

The President paid tribute to the memory of Shaheed President Ziaur Rahman, and advised the youths to take lessons from his life and contributions for the welfare of the people.

He underscored the need for organising the youth community with the sense of Bangladeshi nationalism and urged them to promote and project the country's cultural heritage.

Among others, M H Kabir, Vice President and Tajul Islam Taj General Secretary of the

Anniversary of Rahmatullah's death today

The 10th death anniversary of Md Rahmatullah Mia, a former member of erstwhile East Pakistan Provincial Assembly, will be observed today (Monday), reports BSS.

Quran-khwan, milad mahfil and destitute feeding have been arranged on the occasion at Parbatipur.

Milad mahfil will also be held at the residence of his fourth son Abdul Jalil, Income Tax Commissioner, at 7/1, Nauratan Colony, Shantinagar after Asr prayers.

organisation were present.

The President exchanged views with a 5-member delegation of the democracy development and research centre of Asia, led by its leader Md Moshfequr Rahman Shabuj at Bangabhaban.

President Biswas underscored the need for creating public awareness about the rights of the people to build up a democratic and peaceful society.

The President appreciated their efforts for giving democracy an institutional shape and called upon them to work sincerely.

The President said all irrespective of political opinions should work for the development and prosperity of the nation.

Call to build BNP as disciplined party

CHITTAGONG, Oct 17: Forest and Environment, Fisheries and Livestock Minister Abdullah Al-Noman today gave a clarion call to the party workers to build Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) as a disciplined rock-solid party, reports BSS.

He said, patriotism can best be manifested through following the party manifesto.

The Minister was speaking as the chief guest at a condolence meeting in memory of one Juba Dal leader organised by BNP and its front organisations.

Chittagong City BNP Chief Advocate Badrul Anwar presided over the meeting while Chittagong City Mayor Mir Mohammad Nasruddin, and Sirajul Islam, MP, among others, spoke on the occasion.

Weather

Thundershower likely

By Staff Correspondent

Light rain or thundershower is likely to occur over the regions of Barisal, Patuakhali, Chittagong and Sylhet and weather remains mainly dry with partly cloudy sky elsewhere over the country during the next 24 hours commencing 6 am today (Sunday).

The Met office forecasts, day temperature is likely to rise by one to two degree Celsius over the country.

The Met office also said that the south-west monsoon has withdrawn from Bangladesh.

The maximum temperature of 33.6 degree Celsius was reported from Sathkira yesterday (Saturday) and the minimum of 20.6 degree was reported from Dinajpur.

The sun sets today (Sunday) at 5.29 pm and rises tomorrow Monday at 5.58 am.

The maximum and the minimum temperature and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were:

Table with 4 columns: Cities/Towns, temperature in degree Celsius (Max, Min), Humidity in percentage (9 am, 6 pm). Lists cities like Dhaka, Chittagong, Rajshahi, Khulna, etc.

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