

Dhaka Day by Day

The Magic of Story Telling

by Fayza Haq



Cathy in workshop for English teachers in USIS on December 1.

With only a few minor props and the occasional accompaniment of local musicians towards the end, Cathy Spagnoli held her audience spellbound at the American Centre. Cathy, who once held her listeners agog with her storytelling of 'Ramayana', in USA, for three hours, has 300 to 400 stories in her repertoire.

like sing alongs and chant alongs, apart from making them make action with their hands. I involve all ages with the sign language, where they help me with the story telling. Sometimes I use my visual props. I haven't used so much in this trip. Gestures, props and songs help but basically you have to have a good story.

'More research on science, technology a must for uplift'

Works Minister Rafiqul Islam Mia Wednesday stressed the need for more research on modern science and technology for the socio-economic development of the country, reports BSS.

Obituary
Krisheed Mosleuddin Ahmed former Member Director of the Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council (BARC), died of a massive heart attack yesterday, his family sources said. He was 65, reports UNB.

Milad mahfil

A milad mahfil was held at the official residence of Food Minister Shamsul Islam here yesterday evening in observance of the 11th death anniversary of his mother Basrunnesa, reports BSS.

Basrunnesa was the wife of late Al-Haj Osman Ghani of Vikrampur.



- Friday
Morning Session
8.00 Opening announcement
Al-Quran Programme summary
8.10 News in Bangla
8.15 Aor Dishary
8.40 Cartoon: Teenage Mutant
9.15 SAARC cricket match: India vs Pakistan
Evening Session
5.00 Closing of cricket match
5.10 News in Bangla
5.30 Cartoon: Return of the Dogjardian
6.00 Sports Programme: Football
7.05 Malancha
8.00 News in Bangla
8.30 Comedy series: Perfect
9.00 Dristikhone
10.00 News in English
10.25 Depta Chetana
10.50 Film: L.A. Law
11.30 Khabar/The News
11.50 Saturday's programme summary
11.55 Closing

Biswas, Khaleda greet Kolingba, Frank

President Abdur Rahman Biswas has felicitated Le General d'Armees Andre Kolingba, President of Central African Republic on its National Day, reports BSS.

In a message of felicitations to General Kolingba, President Biswas also expressed his best wishes for his good health, happiness and long life and the continued welfare and prosperity of the friendly people of the Central African Republic on its National Day.

Sheikh Moni's anniversary of birth today

By Staff Correspondent
The 52nd birth anniversary of Sheikh Fazul Haque Moni, the founder of Awami League's youth front Awami Jubo League, will be observed today (Friday).

Both the factions of Jubo League have chalked out elaborate programmes in observance of the day. The day's programmes include: placing wreaths at the grave of late Sheikh Moni, garlanding his portrait and holding of discussions.

The mainstream of Jubo League will hold a discussion meeting at the AL central office at Bangabandhu Avenue at 10 am. Central leaders of AL and Jubo League will address it.

Nurul Majid Humayun, President of his faction of Jubo League, will preside. Meanwhile, the Montu-led segment of Jubo League has organised its discussion meeting at the Dhaka District Sports Association (DDSA) auditorium at 3 pm.

Mostafa Mohsin Montu will chair the function which will also be addressed by Barrister Amirul Islam as the chief guest.

Dr Ariyaratne in city

Dr A T Ariyaratne, founder and President of Sarvodaya Shramadana Movement of Sri Lanka, arrived Bangladesh yesterday to commemorate 20th anniversary of International Voluntary Services Inc here, says a press release.

His works, embodied in the Sarvodaya Movement, serves as an example of potentials for each of us to be in the service of humanity.

Nitin Kunda hospitalised

Nitin Kunda, a national award recipient on painting, was admitted to Suhrawardy Hospital yesterday with a massive heart attack, family sources said, reports BSS.



Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal brought out a procession in the city yesterday demanding repeal of all black laws including the Anti-terrorism Act. — Star photo

Help develop mass health, Shamsul asks scientists

Minister for Industries Shamsul Alam Khan yesterday called upon the country's health scientists and physicians to put in their best efforts for the development of mass health, reports BSS.

He said the government has given due emphasis on health sector and necessary patronisation and assistances will be extended to conduct research works in this field.

The minister was addressing as the chief guest at a seminar on Spirulina, a microscopic plant having potentiality to combat various diseases, at Alliance Francaise here.

After four years of extensive research with the financial and technical assistance of French government, BCSIR has now initiated to produce the algae on commercial and semi-commercial basis.

Appreciating the initiative Islam said this would help a great extent to fulfil one of the country's basic needs where a large number of people are suffering from various diseases. The step would also generate hopes among the ailing people,

he opined. Addressing the function M Michel Pinaud, Charg d'Affaires of France in Bangladesh said the project is the successful outcome of the relations between Bangladesh and France.

He assured further cooperation of his government for the development of the project. Explaining the prospects of Spirulina, Prof Shah Mohammad Abu Zafar of Pharmacology Department of IJGMR said it is a wonderful gift of the nature as protective food which has enormous medicine value.

He said studies both at home and abroad have provided clear evidences that Spirulina can effectively combat hypertension, heart ailment, diabetes, arthritis, ulcer and anaemia. Taking of Spirulina also reduce blood pressure, cholesterol level in blood and beautifies the skin, make body slim and generate energy for work.

Zafar categorically mentioned that no evidence has yet been found that Spirulina causes any side effect.

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Weather

Weather to remain dry

By Staff Correspondent
Light rains may occur at a few places over the Chittagong division and the regions of Dinajpur, Rangpur, Bogra and Mymensingh, Met office forecast Thursday. Weather is likely to remain mainly dry with temporary partly cloudy sky elsewhere over the country during the next 24 hours commencing 6:00 am today (Friday).

Table with 3 columns: Cities/Towns, Temperature in Degree Celsius (Max, Min), Humidity in Percentage (9 am, 6 pm). Rows include Dhaka, Chittagong, Rajshahi, Khulna, Cox's Bazar, Sylhet, Dinajpur, Barisal.

Notice of RHD Inviting Tender

- 1. Tender Notice No: 12/Rd-III of 1992-93.
2. Name of work: Construction of Flexible pavement at part of 4th KM of Bhaberchar-Gazaria Road under Bhitkandi Road Sub-Division during 1992-93.
3. Estimated cost: Tk 3,18,300/-
4. Earnest money: Tk 6,366/-. In favour of EE (RHD), Dhaka Constn Road Division-III in Bank Draft from any scheduleK bank/Protirakhya Sanchay Patra/5-year Bangladesh Sanchay Patra & Bonus Sanchay Patra.
5. Time allowed: 30 (Thirty) days.
6. Eligibility of contractors: 'A' to 'E' Class.
7. Name of Offices of availability of tender documents: Office of the Executive Engineer(RHD), Dhaka Constn Road Division-I/III/IV/Preliminary Engineering Division, Dhaka Zone, Room No 422, Sarak Bhaban, Dhaka & Sub-Divisional Engineer (RHD), Bhitkandi/Mograpara/Road Sub-Division-III, Dhaka/Shibpur Road Sub-Division.
8. Name of Officers to receive & open of tender bids: Office of the Superintendent Engineer (RHD), Dhaka Road Circle, Dhaka and Executive Engineer (RHD), Dhaka Constn Road Division-III and Sub-Divisional Engineer (RHD), Bhitkandi/Mograpara/Road Sub-Division-III, Dhaka/Shibpur Road Sub-Division.
9. Last date of receipt of tenders: Up to 12-30 PM on 10.12.92.
10. Date & time for opening of bids: At 12-45 PM on 10.12.92 at the Office of the receiving officers.

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