Tk 6.5 cr British grant for aquaculture support

Britain will grant six crore 48 lakh taka to improve the aquaculture support in Bangladesh, in the areas of fish disease, nutrition and pond dynamics. The grant will fund a three-year project linking the Institute of Agriculture of the University of Stirling in Scotland and the Fisheries Faculty of the Bangladesh Agricultural University at Mymensingh (BAU).

The project will improve the BAU's research capabilities, provide upgraded facilities and include the exchange of experts between the two organisations.

A resident British Technical Cooperation Officer and the Dean of the Faculty at Mymensingh will jointly manage the project.

Tk 3.52 cr for construction of road in Maulavibazar

Local Government Engineering Department sanctioned Taka 3.52 crore for the construction of 22.5 growth centre connection road (GCCR) in Maulavíbazar, reports UNB.

The project has been taken up with the financial assistance from Islamic Development Bank during the current fiscal

According to official sources, of the total amount, Taka 66.70 lakh has been sanctioned for Rajnagar-Fatehpur road, Taka 57.38 lakh for Sampashi- Bhairabganj road, Taka 91.60 lakh for Sarkerbazar-Gurari bazar road, Taka 45.61 lakh for Sreemangal-Sindurkhan road, Taka 46.50 lakh for Kamalganj- Adampur road and Taka 44.24 lakh for Helalpur Jagatshi road.

It is expected that the construction work will be completed within next June.

Tk 3.71 cr land development tax unrealised in Noakhali

At least Taka 3.71 crore remained unrealised as land development tax in six thanas of Noakhali district upto the last December, reports UNB.

A total of only Taka 35.91 lakh had been realised out of the total amount Taka 4.07 crore during the period.

Some government offices and shops are not paying the land development tax regularly, it is learnt.

Another message adds: Mushroom growth of unlicensed medicine shops in six thanas of the district has been posing a threat to public health.

There are almost 400 unlicensed medicine shops in Sadar, Begumganj, Chatkhil, Companiganj, Hatiya and Senbagh thana where date expired and sub-standard medicines are being sold with impunity.

Local leaders have urged the authorities to look into the matter and take necessary action without further delay.

Pak trade gap widens sharply

KARACHI (Pakistan), Feb 18: Pakistan's trade deficit widened sharply to a provisional 291 million dollar in January, up from 108 million dollar in December and compared with 308 million dollar in January 1992, the Federal Burcau of Statistics said, says Reuter.

Exports fell 21 per cent to a provisional 555 million dollar from 702 million dollar in December and compared with 495 million dollar in January 1992. Main export items that fell sharply included rice, cot ton yarn, fish and fish preparations, bedwear, petroleum products and readymade gar-

Imports rose 4.4 per cent to a provisional 846 million dollar, from 810 million dollar in December and 803 million in January 1992.

Main import items that showed increases included fer tilizers, chemicals and palm

Fishermen in Narail facing manifold problems

NARAIL, Feb 18: Thousands of fishermen in the vast haor areas of the district have been facing manifold problems in running their age-old profession, reports UNB.

Lack of fund, scarcity of fishing materials like nets, boats, ropes, price hike of other inputs and exploitation of fishermen by the non-professionals are the main reasons for deteriorating condition of the fishermen.

At least 15,000 fishermen of Lohagara, Kalia and Sadar thanas of the district earn their livelihood by catching fish in the rivers, haors, beels, canals and ponds. Pisciculture in the district has been affeeted due to drying up of the waterbodies.

The fishermen are unable to buy boat, net and other necessary inputs due to fund shortage. They are often forced to borrow money from money lenders at a very high interest rate. Some fishermen alleged that they did not get bank loan for purchasing their appliances

due to complicated procedure. On the other hand, the nonprofessional sishermen have made monopoly over the fishing professionals causing concern among them.

It is alleged that the genuine fishermen are usually not getting the lease of the beels or talmahals due to maneuvering of the influential non-fishermen people. Some ijaradars in collusion with the local

M. Bahman & Co. Ud.

Business Advisory Services Centre (BASC) organised a two-day catalogue exhibition in

association with foreign and local trading and indenting houses at Shilpa Bank Bhaban

sent government, Islam said

active involvement of the peo-

ple in such a programme like

mass education, self employ-

ment, building up cottage in-

dustry was necessary to help

the country achieve economic

to cooperate with government

to fight against poverty throu-

gh implementation of country-

wide ongoing development

Engineering Department has

constructed the 105-feet long

bridge which would improve

the communication facilities of

about one lakh people of this

Shafat Ahmed Chowdhury, Chairman of the Green Delta Insurance Co Ltd, addressing the

7th Annual Conference of Zonal and Branch Incharges. Managing Director N A

the minister and discussed

matters of mutual interests,

was aware of an acute unem-

ployment problem in

Bangladesh and informed him

of the employment opportunity

The minister thanked the

Ambassador for his feelings

and sought cooperation from

his government in this regard.

He told the minister that he

says a handout.

in his country.

Chowdhury and Deputy Managing Director A R Bhuiya are also seen in the picture.

The Local Government

He called upon the people

prosperity.

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7 THANNUAL CONFERANCE.

from February 17 to 18. 19 companies took part in the exhibition.

Food Minister says

Strong infrastructure key

to development

MUNSHINGHAJ, Feb 18:

Food Minister M Shamsul

Islam said here Wednesday

that a strong infrastructure

was a pre-condition to the de-

velopment of the country, re-

cation net work was one of the

important parts of the devel-

opment process initiated by

the present government, he

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gural function of newly con-

structed bridge on Tangibari-

Hashail Road at Shidhesary

grammes initiated by the pre-

Pointing out different pro-

The Minister was address-

Development of communi-

ports BSS.

vested groups are giving sub-

lease to the fake fishermen. The genuine fishermen can not catch fish even after get ting lease in most cases. The non-professionals are catching fish by force and even they snatch away the nets and fish ing materials of the profes-

The fishermen alleged that the law enforcing agencies remained silent even after lodging complaints with them.

The funds allocated to the fishermen's co-operative society are also given to the nonprofessionals in many cases, it was alleged. As a result the existence of the genuine fishermen is at a stake. Some of them have already left their profession.

IMF expected to

recommend

Slovak crown's

devaluation

iting International Monetary

Fund (IMF) delegation is ex-

pected to recommend a deval-

uation of the new Slovak

crown, an IMF official said, re-

"We're considering all sorts

of measures which we'll rec-

ommend this week," said the

official, who spoke on condi-

set yet for a devaluation and it

is too early to comment on the

meetings between the seven-

member delegation and gov-

ernment and banking officials.

Protectionist

attitude of US

to make GATT

talks difficult'

Atlantic negotiations over a

deadlocked world trade pact

will become more difficult be-

cause of the "protectionists at-

titude" of the United States

Foreign Minister Roland

Dumas said Wednesday, re-

cated by the protectionist atti-

tude that the United States

seems to be adopting," said

"The situation is compli-

ports AP.

Dumas.

PARIS, Feb 18: Trans-

He said no time has been

ports Reuter.

tion of anonymity.

BRATISLAVA, Feb 18: A vis-



Dr Abdulaziz Othman Altwaijri, Director General, ISESCO, an organ of the OIC, visited ICTVTR Tuesday. Prof Dr A M Patwari, D G ICTVTR and heads of different departments are seen with him.

Shipping Intelligence

CHITTAGONG PORT

Berth position and performance of vessels as on 18.02.93

Berth No	Name of Vessels	Cargo	L Port	Local Agent	Date of Arrival	Leaving
J/1	Samudra Rant	Repair	Col	SSL	20/2	20/2
J/2	Komsomolets	2 2 2 3 8	NOS - 172			
	Rossii GI	Pena	Sunbeam		25/2	20/2
J/3	Sun Speed	GI	Hang	MBL.	16/2	20/2
J/4	Tiger Hope	GI .	Hong.	Prog	16/2	21/2
J/5	Sidi Bishr	Sugar	Pena	MMI	25/1	22/2
J/6	Trans America	Heplir	BKK	BOAL	08/1	22/2
J/8	J Stater	Urea	S Hat	Seacom	05/2	22/2
J/9	Horn	Gl	Busan	Prog	13/2	25/2
J/10	Endurance		1.5			
TANKS.	Sea	Repair	Agaba	EOSL	25/1	25/2
J/12	Al Salma	Cement/GI	Pena	ASLL	09/2	25/2
J/13	Vector	R Seed	Rouen	Royal	10/2	19/2
HPB/1	NGS Ranger	Cont	Sing	BDShip	16/2	20/2
CCI	Sea Rhapsody	C Clink	Vish	UMAL	10/2	19/2
GSJ	Vinta	Wheat (G)	-	Aqua	R/A	N580
TSP	Freedom	MARKETUA CHIBERTY			No.	
	Venture	R Phos	Aqua ·	SSST	13/2	20/2
RM/5	Sandgate	HSD	Sing	MSPL	15/2	19/2
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DDJ/2	Banglar Asha	Repair	SEE	BSC	R/A	22/2

VESSELS DUE AT OUTER ANCHORAGE

Name of Vessels	Date of Arrival	Last Port Call	Local '	Cargo	Loading Port
Al Tabith	18/93	SW	Bright	Cement	Cva
Hartford	18/93		SRL	R/L	That
Asian Express	19/93	Cal	B Bev	GI	
Yom Bun Jin	19/93	Bank	Bright	Cement	5 580 583
Alam Sempurna	19/93	C Town	OTL	W Poles	343
Saigon-1	19/93	Tuti	OSTC	Cement	Cig
Shenton	19/93	Sing	Omni	Cont	Sing
Marine Three	19/93	Tuti	BML	Cement	
Andreas-V State of Tripura	19/93 20/93	Long Mad	Khansons SSL	Cement	2011 (SE)
Mukachevo	20/93	12 + 0	USTC	Cement	**
Olga-1	20/93	1926	USTC	For Bun	keriig -
Knud Jespersen	20/93	Sing	CT	Cont	Strag
Fong Yun	20/93	Sing	BDShip	Cont	Sing
Banglar Kiron	20/93	Mong	HSC `	CIL.	Qaba
Arktis Breeze	20/93	Sing	BSL	Copra	:TE
Optima	21/93	Sing	RSL	Cont	Sing
Continent	21/93	Mong	Cal	P Mat	Sura
Banglar Shobha	21/93	\$ Hat	BSC	GI	*
Xiang He	21/93	Long	Chartered	Cement	*
Banglar Robi	22/93	Sing	BSC	·Cont	· ·
Gold Future	22/93	7.7	AML	CIL	Mapu
Safina-e-Ismail-2	22/93	# 2	ASLL	GI/GL	Karachi
Safina-e-Najam	22/93	Kara	ASIL	GI/GL	Serti Com Se
Stonewall Jackson	n 26/93	Na galance	Kama	GI	New York
Qing He Cheng	23/93	S Hai	BDShtp	GI	The second secon
Blue Ocean	25/93	Kara	BOM	GI	Yangon
Chandidas	23/93		SSL	GI/GL	UK Cont
Ingenuity	23/93	Sing	RSL	Cont	Sing
Vibhaa Asha	24/93	Time to the second	SSL	GI/GL	Ports
Andrian Gonchan	ov 24/93	500	CT	Cont	Sing
Fong Shin	25/93	Sing	BDShip	Cont	Sing
Mytischi	25/93	*	USTC	Cement	
Orsha	25/93	19	USTC	Cement	
Geeu	25/93	2	EBPL	GI	TE
NGS Express	25/93	Mong	BDShip	Cont	Stng
Samudra Raj	25/93	(CZ)	SSL	GI	
Kota Buana	25/93	SMG	CTS	Cont	Sing

VESSELS AT KUTUBDIA Name of Vessels Last Port Local Cargo

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That Bine	C Clink	Akba	UMAL	15/2			
Meng Horng	Cont	Sing	BDShip	16/2			
	VESSELS N	OT READY					
Arti	GTSP (P)	Ind	H&SL.	16/1			
Tarbela	Cement	Sing	BSC	11/2			
Alam Tenang	Cement	Sing	H&H	15/2			
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VESSELS AWAITING EMPLOYMENT/INSTRUCTION

	ESSELS NO	OT ENT	ERING	SS Decreases communications
Meringa	Scraping	Viza	UMAL	1/1
Arhon	GTSP (P)	Sing	H&SL	24/12
Trans Asia	(3)	Sing	ROAL.	1/2
Diaporos	Wheat (G)	N Ort	Адыя	06/02
Al Tajwar	Wheat (G)	¥	Асран	R/A
Sea Progress	Cement	Pada	AMI.	15/2
The above v	vere the Thu	rsday's s	hipping posit	ion and

performance of vessels of Chittagong Port as per berthing sheet of CPA supplied by HRC Group, Dhaka.

Exchange Rates

The following are the Commercial Banks' BC selling and TT (C). OD transfer buying rates for some selected foreign currencies effective on February 19 and 20. (Figures in Taka)

Currency	Selling B. C.	T. T. (C)	Buying OD Transfers
US Dollar	39.1326	38,9087	38,6339
Pound Sterling	56.5489	56.2414	55.862
DM	14.1068	23.9615	23.7923
FF.	7.1053	7.0608	10 3501
S Riyal	91.4095	91 9744	21 1241
D Guilders S Kroner	5.2675	5.2304	5,1534
Singapore Dollar	23.8395	23,7031	23,5357
UAE Dirham	10.6911	10.8295	10.5348
Kuwait Dinar	127.2592	126.5311	125.6374
Indian Rupee (AMU)	1.4922	1.4835	1,4781
Pak Rupee (AMU)	1.4860	1.4793	1,4719

Dhaka Stock Prices

At the close of trading on February 18, 1993

Deteriorating figures

Figures turned out quite poor at Dhaka Stock Exchange floor on Thursday. Fewer stocks took part in transactions giving rather a dull view of trading. Both the turnovers fell.

Turnover, in volume, suffered a loss of 76.13 per cent. It stood at 2,532 against Wednesday's 10,611. Turnover, in value, similarly declined by 55.29 per cent, closing at Taka 562,890.50 against Wednesday's Taka 1,231,561.50.

Only 22 stocks were traded on the floor against Wednesday's 38. 11 lost, only three gained while eight were traded at their previous rates.

The index shed further 0.067 point and stood at 369.5505.

THURSDAY'S TRADING AT A GLANCE

DSE Share Price Index Market Capitalisation (Tk) Turnover in Volume Turnover in Value (Tk)			369.5505 10,563,593,888.00 2532 562890.50		
Company	Previous price Tk	Closing price Tk	Change (absolute) Tk	Change (% over Price)	Number of shares sold
Gains (03)					100
Stocks:					
Singer Bangladesh	862.00	870.00	8.00	0.928	20
National Bank	100.33	101.00	0.67	0.668	18
National Tubes	75.05	75.42	0.37	0.493	130
Losses (11)					
Stocks:		7			
Aman Sea Food	20.00	18.00	2.00	10.000	05
Tallu Spinning /	114.14	104.00	10.14	8.884	888
National Oxygen	98.00	95.00	3.00	3.061	20
Metalex Corp	45.00	44.00	1.00	2.222	120
6th ICB M Fund	62.91	61.92	0.99	1.574	60
Rahman Chemicals	37.50	37.00	0.50	1.333	80
Dulamia Cotton	80.00	79.00	1.00	1.250	250
Dhaka Vegetable	82.00	81.31	0.69	0.841	145
Al Baraka Bank	930.00	925.00	5.00	0.538	01
Modern Dying	32.14	32.00	0.14	0.436	10
United ins	180.57	180.38	0.19	0.105	20

Traded at unchanged rates (08)

100/5 260.00

100/5 150.00

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100/5 650.00

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Bangladesh Lamps 100/5 150.00

B. Thai Aluminium 100/10

Renwick Jagneswar 100/5

Singer Bangladesh 100/5 80.00

Stocks: The Ibnsina (40), Apex Tannery (10), Usmania Glass (150), Peoples Insurance (20), Renwick Jayneswar (20), Rahim Textile (1'0), Saiham Textile (160).

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Bengal Carbide

Eastern Cables

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Metalex Corp.

Monno Jutex

Panther Steel

A.B Biscuit

Apex Food

Aroma Tea

Alpha Tobacco

Aman Sea Food

B.D. Plantation

Ctg. Vegetable

E.L. Camellia

Frogleg Export

Hill Plantation

Rabeya Flour

Rupan Oil

Tulip Datry

Yousul Flour

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Gemini Sea Food

Modern Industries

Dhaka Vegetables

Bengal Food

BLTC

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National Tubes

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Karim Pipe

Bengal Steel

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Arrival

R/A (17/2)

Paragon 17/2

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DSE SHARES AND DEBENTURES

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BANKS (10)			TEXTILE (20)		
Al Baraka Bank	1000/1	925.00		10/50	N.
A.B. Bank	100/5	186.00	Alhaj Textile	10/50	CONTRACTOR OF
City Bank	100/5		Arbee Textile	100/10	112.00
LF.I.C		172.00	Ashraf Textile	10/50	31.00
Islami Bank		1663.64	Chand Textile	10/50	N.
National Bank	WWW. C.	100.33	Chand Spining	10/50	N7
Pubuli Bank	100/5	101.00	Desh Garments	100/10	50.00
Rupali Bank	100/10	73.14	Dulamia Cotton	100/10	79.00
U.C.B.L.	100/5	120.00	Eagle Star Textile	10/50	16.66
Uttara Bank	100/5	100.00	GMG Ind. Corp.	10/50	10.00
INVESTMENT (08	0		Modern Dying	100/5	32.00
I.C.B	100/5	85.00	Padma Textile	100/20	175.00
1st ICB M.Fund	100/5	350.00	Quasem Silk	10/100	3.00
2nd ICB Fund	100/5	164.00	Quasem Textile	10/50	4.00
3rd ICB M. Fund	100/5	145.00	Rahim Textile	100/5	
4th ICB M. Fund	100/10	145.00	Saiham Textiles	100/10	72.00
5th ICB M. Fund	100/10		S.T.M. (ORD)	100/5	40.00
6th ICB M. Fund	100/10	61.92	Stylecraft	100/5	130.00
ICB Unit Cert.		CATCA CAMPACAMAN	Swan Textile	HARRING	
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Re-purchase		112.00	Tallu Spinning	100/10	104.14
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BGIC	100/10	156.03	PHARMACEUTICA	ARI	
Green Delta	100/10	166.00		NEW YORK	
Peoples	100/10	205.00	CHEMICALS (18)	10100	200
United	100/10	180.38	Ambee Pharma	10/50	13.9
		ch0-20-565-X	Bangla Process	100/5	63.00
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Atlas Bangladesh	10/50		Beximeo Pharma		425 00
Aziz Pipes	100/5		Glaxo	10/50	125.00
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Note: FV = Face Value ML= Market Lot NT* Not Traded AL = Allotment Letter

The envoy made a call on EC calls for urgent steps to reduce Japan's trade surplus

Wide job opportunity

exists in Russia for

Bangladeshi workers

TOKYO, Feb 18: European business leaders called for emergency measures to reduce Japan's burgeoning trade surfplus with the EC, and accused Tokyo of dragging its feet on

the issue, according to Reutel "It is absolutely necessary to have an emergency programme of government imports," Henri Martre, President of the French Aerospace Industries Association told a news conference.

There is a wide scope of

employment of Bangladeshi

workers in various fields like

construction, motor work-

shops, restaurants and saloons

This was stated by Russian

Ambassador in Bangladesh

Edward Shevchenko in a

meeting with Minister for

Labour and Manpower Abdul

Mannan Bhuiyan at the latter's

Secretariat office Wednesday.

in Russia, reports UNB.

He was speaking after a meeting of Japan's Import Board, a group of US, European and Asian business leaders and Japanese government officials that was set up.

in 1990 to try to boost Japan's

The board is trying to improve access to Japan's market for specific business sectors, from aerospace to cut flowers, but Europeans are worried this will take too long.

"We are conscious that we are a long way from having re-

rial examination," said Martre. - sures having short-term re-

sults coming from this secto-

per cent in 1992, as Japan's domestic demand fell victim to its weakened economy.

"What is necessary is mea-EC exports to Japan fell 1.6

Authorised dealers will apply T T clean buying rate for purchase of remittances of Bangladeshis working abroad.

Note: AMU—Asian Monetary Union.