

### Afforestation programme in coastal region taken up

**PATUAKHALI, Apr 13:** Forest department has taken up a programme to bring 2000 acres of land under afforestation programme in the coastal region of the district, says UNB.

Official sources said about 1200 acres of coastal belt will be brought under 'keora' planting and 800 acres of land under various fruit-bearing and timber trees to make the programme a success.

The forest department will distribute at least two lakh saplings of various trees among the public, it is learnt.

According to another report, an orphanage building will be constructed at Patuakhali in the current fiscal year at an expenditure of Taka 21 lakh.

Public Works Department will supervise the construction work.

## New housing policy soon

Works Minister Barrister Rafiqul Islam Mia Tuesday said the government was preparing a national housing policy which keeping in view the acute housing problem of the country with special emphasis on the urban and rural poor, says BSS.

He said the government was also considering for adoption of a national building code, floating of a housing bank and making provision of hire purchase of government buildings to ease the housing problem in the country.

The Minister was speaking as the chief guest at a seminar on 'Problems of urban settlements in Bangladesh', organised by commonwealth Human Ecology Council (CHEC), Bangladesh.

Held at Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council (BARC) auditorium the inaugural session of the seminar was also addressed by executive vice-chairman of CHEC, Ms Zena Daysh, Executive Vice-Chairman BARC and Vice-

Chairman CHEC-Bangladesh Dr M. Sujaytullah Chowdhury, RAJUK town planner Zakir Hossain and seminar organising committee secretary ABM Saiful Islam.

Chairman of CHEC-Bangladesh Dr Anwar Hossain Presided.

The Works Minister said 25 per cent people in Bangladesh live in the urban areas and irrespective of size, all urban areas had shortage of basic infrastructures and utilities.

Weak urban management system and insufficient local resource mobilisation often stand in the way of progressive development of urban areas, he added.

He said town planning except in the four metropolitan cities was not getting due importance as yet.

He said 35 per cent population of Dhaka city were living in slums and if the process was allowed to continue, he cautioned, would affect the entire city life and the whole country.

Ms Zena Daysh said CHEC-Bangladesh should work at the rural level to make people consciousness for self-reliance and economically sound development programmes. In this context she mentioned about township development of Shahjapur in Dhaka on self-help basis by CHEC-Bangladesh.

Dr Anwar Hossain suggested introduction of circular electric train service around Dhaka metropolitan city as well as trolley bus service connecting different urban areas with the capital to ease pressure on it.

He also suggested development of self-reliant townships in different places to reverse the rural-urban migration and reduce pressure on Dhaka city.

Dr Sujaytullah Chowdhury said ecological considerations should get priority in implementing development schemes and there should be green belts around big cities to provide support for food and at the same time maintain ecological balance.



Professor Terry Collingsworth, Consultant to Asian American Free Labour Association met Mohammad Mosharraf Hossain, President, BGMEA recently. Mosharraf Hossain discussed with Prof. Collingsworth the future programme of labour welfare in Bangladesh.

## Shipping Intelligence

### Chittagong Port

Berth position and performance of vessels as on 13.04.93

Berth No	Name Of Vessels	Cargo	L Port	Local Call	Date Of Leaving
J/1	Fei Teng	GI	Dale	Prog	06/04 23/04
J/2	Banglar Urm	GI/GL	Male	ESC	01/04 13/04
J/3	Armas	GL	Mong	OWSL	06/04 16/04
J/4	Trade Fair	Cement	Sing	Khansona	02/04 13/04
J/5	Banglar Kakoli	GI	Mal	BSC	09/04 15/04
J/6	Al Swamur	GI	Yang	ASLL	05/04 17/04
J/7	Shaplaveretti	GI	Sing	EBPL	10/04 17/04
J/8	Banglar Sampad	GI (SPL)	Kara	ESC	07/04 18/04
J/9	Banglar Sourab	Cement	L Way	ESC	02/04 13/04
J/10	Endurance Sea	Repair	Araba	CLA	25/01 25/04
J/11	Arti	GTSP(p)	Ind	H&S.L	16/01 24/04
J/12	Al Rahman	Urea	Mong	KSL	07/04 17/04
J/13	Knud Jespersen	Cont	Sing	CT	10/04 14/04
MPB/1	NGS Express	Cont	Sing	EDShip	10/04 13/04
MPB/2	Kota Buana	Cont	Sing	CTS	10/04 13/04
OCJ	Sea Rhapsody	Repair	Viah	UMAL	20/03 18/04
TSP	Hang Cheong	Cement	Sing	H&H	28/03 17/04
RM/3	Vinta	Wheat (G)	-	Aqua	R/A 20/04
RM/4	Ronjay Choomic	Cement	Viah	PSAL	15/03 19/04
RM/5	Western Guardian	F Oil	Viah	ESCL	08/04 13/04
RM/6	Eso Guatemala	HSD	Sing	MSPL	11/04 14/04
DOJ	Banglar Shourabh	C Oil	-	ESC	R/A 13/04
DOJ/2	Barge: Labroy-90	GI	Sing	ILA	31/01 31/07
CUFJ	Banglar Moni	Repair	Mong	ESC	12/04 17/04
CUFJ	Banglar Aaha	Repair	Sing	ESC	R/A 20/04
CUFLJ	Barge: Smit LombokP	Mat	Sing	Anchor	31/03 31/08

### VESSELS DUE AT OUTER ANCHORAGE:

Name of Vessels	Date of Arrival	Last Port	Local Call	Cargo	Loading Port
Hand Bhargavi	13/04	Kagla	OTL	GI	-
Norbukl Namir	14/04	Viza	BOAL	Cement	-
Banglar Baari	14/04	Mong	RRSA	Bunkering	-
Andrian	-	-	-	-	-
Goncharov 4/4	14/04	Sing	CT	Cont	Sing
Chipsan	14/04	-	PSAL	Cement	-
Sea Destiny	15/04	-	AML	Cement	-
Tiger Force 27/3	15/04	Col	RSL	GI	Cal
Orang Berant	15/04	Sing	BFA	GI	-
Bervalla 7/4	15/04	Sing	ULA	Cont	USA FE
Banglar Robi 5/4	15/04	Sing	BSC	Cont	Sing
Xin Ji	15/04	Sing	Khansona	Cement	-

### TANKER DUE

Guryev	14/04	-	TSL	C PL
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### VESSELS AT KUTUBDIA

Name of Vessels	Cargo	Last Port	Local Call	Local Agent	Date of Arrival
Aspiros	M C Oil	Jebc	-	DSLL	08/04
Banglar Jyoti	C Oil	-	-	BSC	R/A

### VESSELS AT OUTER ANCHORAGE

READY ON:

Lily	GI	Reng	Dynamic	07/04
Fong Yung	Cont	Hald	BDSHIP	12/04
Meng Kiat	Cont	Cal	AML	12/04
Golden Lake	GI	Hong	Prog	12/04

### VESSELS NOT READY

Altair Ice	Cement	Sing	Bright	22/03
Mars	Cement	Sing	Bright	31/03
Swift Wings	Wheat (G)	Sing	Prog	08/04
Banglar Shobha	Wheat (G)	-	BSC	R/A (9/4)
Berry	Cement	Sing	Bright	29/03
Al Reza	Cement	Tanj	PSAL	12/04

### VESSELS AWAITING INSTRUCTION

Stern	Mong	-	-	09/04
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### VESSELS NOT ENTERING

Trans Asia	Repair	Sing	BOAL	01/02
Fleistiella	Cement	Sing	Bright	23/03
Erosias	Scraping	Sing	Unimarine	07/04
Hvong Song	Cement	Sing	USTC	19/03

### MOVEMENT OF VESSELS FOR 14/04 & 15.04.93

OUTGOING	INCOMING	SHIFTING			
J/4	Trade Fair	DOJ	B Shourabh	Ronjoy	Choomic
J/9	Meng Kiat	J/2	Hand Bhargavi	-	to RM/6
J/13	N Jespersen	RM/3	Guryev	-	Lily to J/9
MPB/1	NGS Express	J/4	Golden Lake	-	-
MPB/2	Fong Yun	RM/5	Banglar Baari	-	-
15/04	-	-	-	-	-
J/5	Banglar Kakoli	DOJ	Banglar Jyoti	Vinta	to RM/5
DOJ	Banglar Shourabh	GSJ	Banglar Shobha	Fei Teng	to J/5
RM/5	Banglar Baari	MPB/1	Banglar Robi	-	-
RM/3	Guryev	MPB/2	A Goncharov	-	-
-	-	-	NB	Bervalla	-
-	-	-	J/13	Swift Wings	-

The above were the Tuesday's shipping position 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' DC selling and TT (C). OD transfer buying rates for some selected foreign currencies effective on April 14 and 15.

(Figures in Taka)

Currency	Selling B.C.	T.T. (C)	Buying OD Transfers
US Dollar	39.1326	38.9087	38.6339
Pound Sterling	60.4929	60.1754	59.7731
DM	24.5885	24.4325	24.2599
FF	7.2602	7.2147	7.1637
S Riyal	10.4602	10.4003	10.3269
D Guilders	21.8801	21.7367	21.5832
S Kroner	5.1487	5.1159	5.0797
Singapore Dollar	24.1113	23.9733	23.8040
UAU Dirham	10.6911	10.6299	10.5548
Kuwait Dinar	130.0533	129.3092	128.3959
Indian Rupee (AMU)	1.2521	1.2465	1.2402
Pak Rupee (AMU)	1.4636	1.4571	1.4498

The components of the three-year long Mrochet programme include pre-primary and primary schooling, health care, sanitation, pisciculture, cane and bamboo development projects, handicrafts and tool making.

With the assistances from a foreign donor agency, and the resources of the Murongs themselves Mrochet will conduct the programme.

## BKB to give Tk 3.20 cr among distressed women

**PATUAKHALI, Apr 13:** Bangladesh Krishi Bank (BKB) in its third phase programme will disburse Taka 3.20 crore as credit among the rural distressed women in 45 thanas of 36 districts in Dhaka, Khulna, Comilla and Barisal divisions, reports UNB.

According to bank sources here, the loan will be disbursed under joint initiative by BKB and Bangladesh Small and Cottage Industries Corporation (BSCIC) upto September 1996.

In Barisal division, the loan will be distributed through Nalchiti, Babuganj, Daulatkhan, Bauphal, Barguna, Kaukhali, Palong, Madaripur, Pangsha, Gopalganj and Madhukhali branches of the bank.

The first phase programme was introduced in 46 thanas of 43 districts of the country in 1986. In the second phase the programme was implemented

## Banks shut down money-changing machine to halt bogus bills

**TOKYO, Apr 13:** Ten Japanese banks shut down money-changing machines nationwide Tuesday after police discovered that several machines in western Japan had accepted over two hundred counterfeit bills, reports AP.

Police in Osaka, Western Japan, said a total of 280 fake 10,000-yen (89 dollar) notes have been discovered in money-changing machines at banks, post offices and train stations in the Osaka region.

It was the first large-scale counterfeit scheme to come to light since 79 fake 10,000-yen notes were found around June 1990.

An official of the National Police Agency said it was the first time in Japan that bogus 10,000-yen notes had been discovered in money-changing machines. In past cases, shop owners alerted police after customers handed them suspicious bills.

Police said they are searching for a man wearing a white mask and a baseball cap who was sighted in front a changing machine Monday afternoon at a Sanwa Bank branch in Osaka.

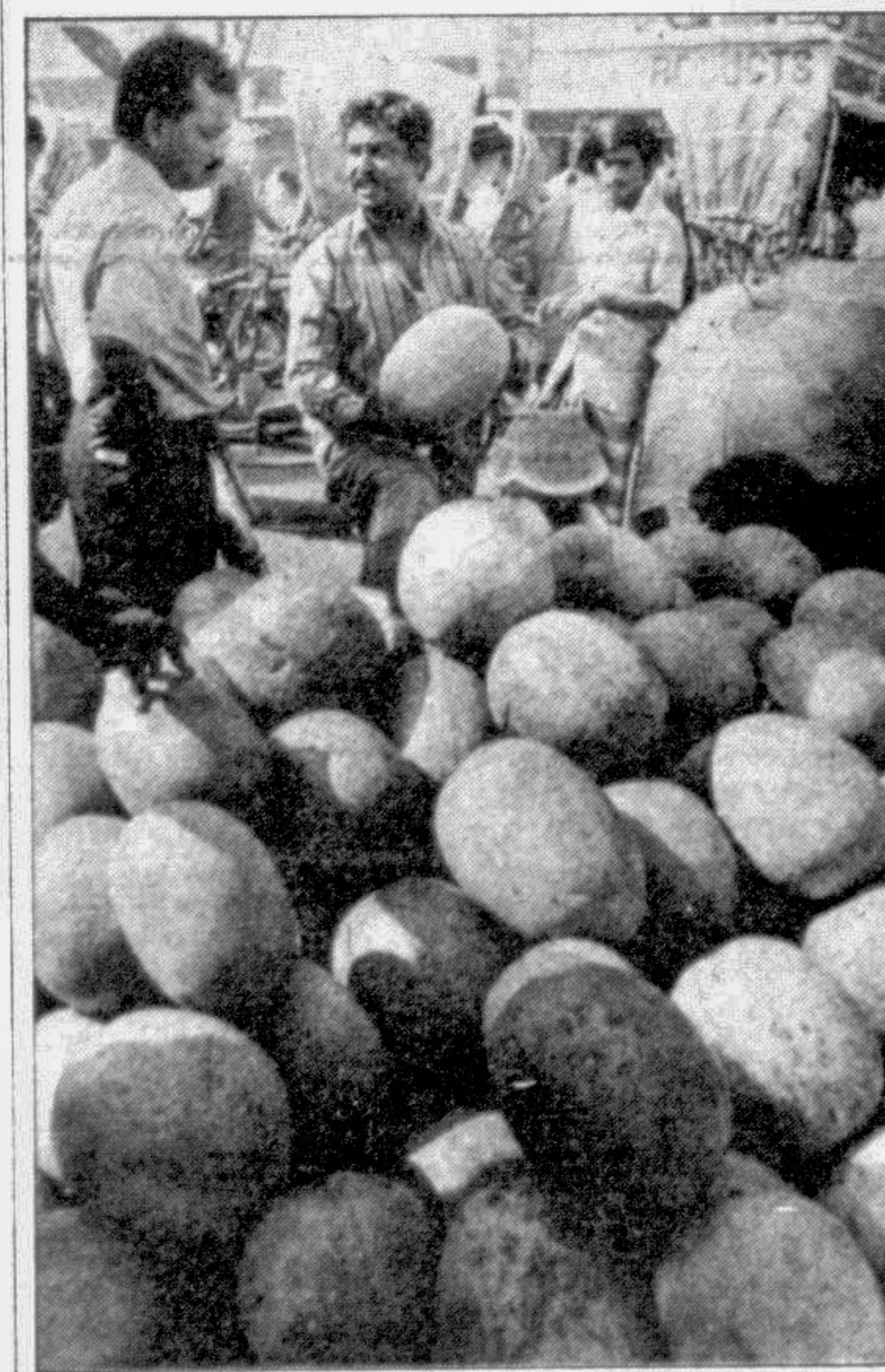
The man inserted 25 of the 10,000-yen fakes into the machine, receiving change in smaller bills. However, an alarm then buzzed, apparently because the machine was stuck, and the man disappeared, leaving eight counterfeit bills unchanged in the vicinity of the machine, said a police official who asked not to be named.

In addition, 215 counterfeit bills were discovered at three Sakura Bank branches in Osaka. Sakura Bank spokesman Tamotsu Osawa said the bank stopped all of its money-changing machines at 597 branches nationwide.

In all, at least ten banks, in-

## Indonesia gives aid to Somalia

**JAKARTA, Apr 13:** Indonesia contributed 75,000 dollar in humanitarian aid to Somalia Tuesday through the UNICEF Relief and Rehabilitation Programme for Somalia. The aid was handed over by Wiryo Sastrohandoyo, Director General for Political Affairs at the Foreign Ministry to Anthony A Kennedy, UNICEF's representative in Jakarta. Sastrohandoyo said the aid reflected the deep concern of the Indonesian people to the tragedy afflicting Somalia.



Watermelon is a much demanded fruit during summer as its juicy flesh brings some relief to the thirst of the people. Picture shows a seller and buyer in the city engaged in bargaining over the price of watermelons, which are already abundant in supply.

## Participation of all pre-requisite of development: DU VC

Dhaka University Vice-Chancellor Prof Emajuddin Ahmed Monday said that the participation of all communities and ethnic groups of the country was the pre-requisite of national development, reports BSS.

Concerted efforts of all only can ensure the process of the integration of the nation, he said this while inaugurating in Dhaka a three-year long development programme for the Murongs and Khums, the third largest ethnic group of the country's hill tracts region at the TSC auditorium.

Held under the auspices of Mrochenschap Euongra Tia (Mrochet), a Muring organisation, the function was chaired by Prof Mofazzalul Haq of Dhaka University who is also the president of the organisation.

Prof Ahmed, himself a political scientist said the process

of nation building activities in the country are still in the preliminary stage. Creating the sense of parity among the ethnic minorities and all communities is of utmost importance for national integration, he said.

The General Secretary of the Mrochet, Khamlati Muring, a student of degree level and one of the first six Muring students who passed the SSC examination, said the rate of literacy among them is yet to be one per cent while some of the tribes in the region have crossed the 60 per cent literacy rate.

Only five to seven Murongs and Khums (a similar tribe with almost same culture) employed in some local government offices at a very low level, while there are thousands from other tribes employed in public and private bodies throughout the country, he said.

He urged the government

## Dhaka Stock Prices

At the close of trading on April 13, 1993

### Substantial surge!

Business at Dhaka Stock share market substantially rose on Tuesday with a large number of participants.

The day's trading ended with a remarkable expansion in volume as well as value.

The massive surge in volume accounted for 324.59 per cent jump from Monday's close of 4,318 issues to 18,334 issues. Similarly, value recorded a surge of 116.63 per cent finishing at Taka 10,65114.00 from Monday's close of Taka 490286.00.

Trading on the floor appeared quite busy on the day. A large number (49) of shares took part in business. The day's most active trading probably was seen in previously quoted prices. As many as 25 company's prices traded at unchanged rates. Losers dominated the floor outnumbering gainers by 15 to nine.

Quasem Silk, among losers suffered most with a price loss of 8.18 per cent. Changes in gainer's prices were almost even. Despite such a surge, in turnover the All Share Composite Price Index continued to roll down hill. It further lost 0.195 closing at 387.6442.

### DAY'S TRADING AT A GLANCE

DSE Share Price Index	387.6442
Market Capitalisation (Tk)	11,080,800,195.00
Turnover in Volume	18334
Turnover in Value (Tk)	1065114.00

Company's name Previous price Tk Closing price Tk Change (absolute) Tk Change (% over price) Number of shares sold

**Gains (09)**

Shares:

Modern Dying	32.00	32.88	0.88	2.750	65
Dulama Cotton	78.14	78.50	0.36	0.461	10
Beximco Infusion	242.63	243.40	0.77	0.317	150
Padma Textile	175.00	175.10	0.10	0.057	100
5th ICB M Fund	92.50	93.00	0.50	0.541	130
Ctg Vegetables	85.00	81.00	0.50	0.621	30
Bengal Carbide	243.00	243.50	0.50	0.206	15
Debtentures	-	-	-	-	-
Beximco Infusion	1570.00	1580.00	10.00	0.637	18
Beximco Pharma	1215.00	1218.00	3.00	0.247	20

**Losses (15)**

Shares:

Quasem Silk	2.81	2.58	0.23	8.185	600
Bd Autocars	63.00	60.70	2.30	3.651	75
Singer Bangladesh	1435.28	1403.75	3.53	2.197	20
Green Delta	180.25	179.00	1.25	0.693	100
Atlas Bangladesh	40.63	40.50	0.13	0.320	500
Aziz Pipe	240.00	235.00	5.00	2.083	10
Quasem Drycells	9.40	9.28	0.12	1.170	3000
Dhaka Veg	86.00	83.62	2.38	2.767	130
Islami Bank	1710.19	1710.00	0.19	0.011	06
Zcal Bangla	6.96	6.90	0.06	0.602	450
Eagle Star	14.90	14.80	0.10	0.671	250
Saitham Textile	68.00	67.00	1.00	1.471	30
Kohinoor Chemical	64.50	64.00	0.50	0.775	05
Beximco	20.00	19.88	0.12	0.600	600
GQ Ball Pen	82.50	82.43	0.07	0.085	2300

### Shares traded at previous rates (25)

2nd ICB M Fund (96), 3rd ICB M Fund (45), 4th ICB M Fund (112), Eastern Classics (110), Howlader PVC (80), Rupon Oil (100), Islam Jute Mills (05), Desh Garments (170), Tallu Spinning (1810), Tamjuddin Textile (130), Ambee Pharma (150), Pharmaco International (15), The Ibsnina (70), Rahman Chemicals (100), Bangladesh Chemical Industries (60), Eagle Box (5250), Apex Tannery (25), Beta Shoe (360), Monno Ceramic (10), Usmania Glass (30), Modern Industries (05), Chittagong Cement (375), BGIC (600), United Insurance (10).

### DSE SHARES AND DEBENTURES

Company	FV/ML Tk	Shine Pakur Jute	Sonali Aarsh
100/5	113.00	100/5	100.82
<b>TEXTILE (20)</b>			
Alhaj Textile	10/80	NT	-
Arbee Textile	100/10	112.00	-
Ashraf Textile	10/50	30.00	-
Chand Textile	10/50	NT	-
Claro Spinning	10/50	NT	