

Special train for BMA guests

CHITTAGONG, June 13: A special train will run between Chittagong and Bhattiary on June 17 for the convenience of the guests invited at the passing out parade of Bangladesh Military Academy (BMA), an ISPR release said today, reports BSS.

The train will leave the Chittagong Railway Station at 6 am and Bhattiary Railway Station at 12 noon on the day.

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Steps underway to lease out khas lands among members of Ansar in Rajshahi

RAJSHAHI, June 13: A rally of the members of Anar, VDP and TDP of Muthar thana under Rajshahi City Corporation was held at BCSIR auditorium here today, reports BSS.

Addressing the rally as chief guest city Mayor Mizanur Rahman said, active role of the members of Ansar and VDP was very much important in implementing social uplift activities and maintain in law and order as they work up to the grassroot level of the society.

The mayor said late President Ziaur Rahman dreamt of constituting a well-organised force of Ansar and VDP. The present government was de-

termined to materialise the dream of the late leader he said adding the members of the organisation had to prove their worthy role in this regard.

The mayor said necessary measures would be taken to lease out khas land under city corporation among the members of Ansar.

Later the mayor distributed prizes among the members of the organisation for their outstanding performances in social activities.

About 150 members of Ansar, VDP and TDP participated in the rally. The rally was addressed, among others, by Director of BCSIR, Dr Enam-e-Rasul Chowdhury and District Adjutant of Ansar Abdul Mannan.



Poet Sufia Kamal addressing the Rabintra-Nazrul Jayanti programme organised by the Bangabandhu Poetry Recitation Association at the auditorium of the Institute of Engineers yesterday. Poet Shamsur Rahman and Panna Kaiser also seen in the picture. — Star photo

Queen honours 3 Britons in Bangladesh

Three British citizens have been awarded the rank of member of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire in Her Majesty The Queen's Birthday Honours list, reports UNB.

Dr Ian and Marion Cochrane have been both received "MBEs" for their work with the Leprosy Mission of South Asia, said a press release.

Ian and Mrs Cochrane joined the mission in West Bengal in 1958 and transferred to Bangladesh in 1979. They returned to the United Kingdom on retirement earlier this year.

Ralph Flaherty has also been awarded an "MBE" for his work as a Technical Cooperation Officer on the Under-Privileged Children's Education Project (UCEP).



Monday 14th June (All programmes in local time)

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Notice of Tender Military Engineer Services (Army)

Applications are invited by AHQ, QMG's Branch, DW & CE (Army) Dhaka Cantt for issue of tender documents for the following works by 22 June '93.

- 1. Construction of SM BK for 2 NCO's & 40 Men over existing SM BK (4th floor) at Rangamati Cantt.
2. Construction of 1x10 'D' type qtr (5 storied) at Bandarban Cantt.
3. Construction of 4x3BOQ over existing bldg at Khagrachhari Cantt.
4. Construction of Filtration Plant for water supply including 4 pumps with motors, 4 pump house & supply 200 KVA Generator Set at Ruma Garrison.
5. Construction of Ammo Store for IAP at Comilla Cantt.
6. Construction of Ammo Store for Med Regt Arty at Comilla Cantt.
7. Construction of 1x10 BOQ at Comilla Cantt.
8. Construction of 2x10 Mrd OR's qtr at Comilla Cantt.

MES approved contractors may apply quoting their Class & Index number. Contractors must have VAT Registration Certificate and VAT will be recovered from the amount received on service rendered.

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Willes Little Flower awarded PM's Gold Medal

By Staff Correspondent

Willes Little Flower School, a leading educational institution located at Kakrail which has been awarded the Prime Minister's Gold Medal as the best secondary school, convened a special assembly at the school premises on Sunday.

The gathering was attended by the school students, teachers, parents and guardians, says a press release.

The function was addressed, among others, by the Chairman of the School Managing Committee, Al Haj Syed Mohammad Hedayetul Islam and committee members Shawkat Anwar and Syedur Rahman. Principal of the school Mohammad Shah Alam also addressed the gathering and thanked everyone for contribution their best in achieving the coveted recognition for the institution.

Today (Monday) has been declared a holiday, the press release added.

Repatriation of tribal refugees seems almost uncertain

KHAGRACHHARI, June 13: Repatriation of tribal refugees from India appeared almost uncertain as a tribal organisation opposed their return home without having a 13-point charter of demands fulfilled, reports UNB.

The much-expected repatriation of Bangladesh tribals living in the Indian state of Tripura was scheduled to begin on June 8, but failed to get under way as a so-called Refugee Welfare Association (RWA) based in the camps of Tripura vowed to stall it until their demands were met. RWA headed by Upendra Lal Chakma.

The 13-point demands included guarantee of their full security after return, judicial inquiry into the killing of tribal people in different times, compensation for those killed, involvement of UN bodies, Red Crescent, ILO and Indian supervision in the repatriation process, fruitful discussion with Jana Sanghati Samity, cancellation of local government Act and proper rehabilitation with cash and material support on their return.

Official sources said RWA had informed the Indian authorities at the eleventh hour on June 8 that refugees were 'feeling insecure' to return to Bangladesh when both sides were ready to see off and welcome the refugees on June 8, 10 and 12 as per the decision of a meeting on June 1 between the district administrations of Khagrachhari and South Tripura.

Deputy Commissioner of Khagrachhari Yar Mohammad told UNB Saturday night over phone that they had eagerly waited to receive the refugees, but all arrangements became futile.

The halt of repatriation is

unexpected, I can't say what will be the future of repatriation as a so-called refugee group declined to return but we are always ready to greet them.

The DC said he had sent a letter to his South Tripura counterpart but was yet to get any reply. He, however, hoped that Indian authorities would help begin the repatriation.

The situation will be more complex and the Jana Sanghati Samity will hold responsible for any consequences, said a tribal leader on condition of anonymity. 'Shantibahini is keeping the refugees as hostage to bargain with the government.'

The tribal leader said, 'if 29,000 tribals who had returned home from Tripura in different times can live here without any fear, why the rest 3,000 should fear for the lack of security.'

Bangladesh and India decided to begin the repatriation after an understanding was reached during the visit to Tripura of Communications Minister Oli Ahmed on May 8-9. A joint statement was issued on May 10 simultaneously from the capitals of the two countries.

The Bangladesh government had opened repatriation centres for the smooth return of the tribal refugees — two reception centres at Ranggarh sadar thana and Tabalchhari under Matiranga thana in Khagrachhari district.

A number of temporary shelter camps had also been set up at Khagrachhari sadar, Ranggarh, Matiranga thana, Dighinala and Manikchhari for proper rehabilitation of refugees.

It was decided that the repatriation will continue for three days a week. As per the agreement reached at the dis-

trict-level meeting, 200 families comprising about 1000 refugees were to return in every batch on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday every week.

Sources said the repatriation was facing problems due to confusion about the figure of refugees. According to officials, Indian side gave a list of 53,400 tribals who crossed over to Tripura. Bangladesh side estimated about 15,000 tribals had already returned home. About 10,000 more still remained there.

While the tribal leaders in Bangladesh said there were now only 3,000 refugees in India because 29,000 had already returned home.

Officials said the Indian side, too, had made some arrangements including setting up tents on the other side.

Similar arrangements for repatriation were also made on January 14 in 1987 and reception centres opened, but the refugees and their leaders found some pretext not to return.

Bangladesh side made adequate arrangements for the refugees at the reception centres, including medical teams, truck-load of clothes, food and other essentials and transports to ferry them to their respective homes.

According to information trickling in from across the border, outlawed Shantibahini men deployed armed guards in all the seven camps at South Tripura to jeopardise the repatriation.

Tribal leaders in Bangladesh alleged that the refugees could not return home as Shantibahini members kept the refugees as hostage to fulfill their 'evil design' and bargain with government.

We are always ready to send back the Bangladesh people

today or tomorrow they must return, but there arose some problems,' said Krishna Arya, Relief Commissioner of Tripura, while talking to UNB on June 8 at Ranggarh.

Arya said postponement of repatriation was not a failure as both sides were sincere and optimistic about it.

A newsman from Tripura told UNB that a refugee group on June 8 laid a siege on the Kathalchhari refugee camp, obstructing its inmates from returning home.

The journalist, who wanted not to be named, said the refugees were eagerly waiting to return home from captivity, but Shantibahini and Refugee Welfare Association opposed their return.

The government announced that every repatriated family would be given Tk 4,800 for house building and agricultural grant and Tk 200 as travelling allowance.

Besides, 21 kgs of rice was to be given free of cost to each family every week for six months. Families which returned earlier had been given Tk 1,500 as house building and agricultural grant and Tk 100 as travelling allowance.

The assistance increased threefold under special arrangement in view of the inconveniences faced by the refugees.

Authorities assured that repatriated families would be taken to their houses with necessary security and their rehabilitation in their own land would be ensured.

Necessary steps were also taken for involving the tribal refugees in all uplift projects. Steps were also taken so that refugees on their return do not face any difficulty in getting back their houses and legal property.

গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার বাংলাদেশ টেলিগ্রাফ ও টেলিফোন বোর্ড

বিভাগীয় প্রকৌশলী, মাইক্রোওয়েভ নির্মাণ বিভাগ-১ এর কার্যালয়, মহাখালী, ঢাকা

বিষয় : দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি

নিম্নলিখিত কাজগুলি সম্পন্ন করার জন্য বাংলাদেশ তার ও টেলিফোন বোর্ডের তালিকাভুক্ত গ ও ঘ শ্রেণীর ঠিকাদারের নিকট হইতে সীলমোহরকৃত দরপত্র আহবান করা যাইতেছে। টেক্সট সিডিউল এবং চুক্তিপত্রের শর্তাবলী নিম্নস্বাক্ষরকারীর শাখা (২) বিভাগীয় প্রকৌশলী কো-এক্সিমিয়াল ক্যাম্প, শের-ই-বাংলা নগর, ঢাকা (৩) পরিচালক (সি এন্ড ডায়ালি) ১০৬, কাকরাইল, ঢাকা দপ্তরে আগামী ১৬-৬-৯৩ইং পর্যন্ত অফিস চলাকালীন সময়ে আবেদনক্রমে সংগ্রহ করা যাইবে। বাংলাদেশের যে সকল সিডিউল ব্যাংক হইতে শে-অর্ডার/ক্রয় ডি আর আকারে নির্ধারিত বায়নার জন্য ক্রমিক নং ১ ও ২ পর্যন্ত বিভাগীয় প্রকৌশলী মাইক্রোওয়েভ নির্মাণ বিভাগ-১, মহাখালী, ঢাকা এর অনুকূলে দরপত্রের সঙ্গে অবশ্যই দাখিল করিতে হইবে। সিডিউল ক্রয়ের সময় টেক্সট/ডায়ালি/ক্রয় ডি আর আকারে নির্ধারিত বায়নার সনদ পত্র (২) সনদ তালিকাভুক্তির প্রমাণ পত্র (৩) আয়কর পরিশোধের আর্গুভেন্ট প্রত্যায়ন পত্র (৪) ট্রেড লাইসেন্স এর মূল কপি দেয়াইতে হইবে এবং দরপত্রের সহিত সত্যায়িত ফটো দাখিল করিতে হইবে। দরপত্র ক্রয়ের সময় আবেদনক্রমে শেপার কাটিং সংযুক্ত করিতে হইবে। দরপত্র আগামী ১৭-৬-৯৩ ইং তারিখে ১২-০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত নিম্নস্বাক্ষরকারীর শাখা এবং উপলব্ধিগত বিভাগ-এ রক্ষিত টেক্সট বায়ে গ্রহণ করা হইবে এবং ঐ দিনই বেলা ১২-৩০ ঘটিকায় টেক্সট/ডায়ালি/ক্রয় ডি আর আকারে সম্মুখে (যদি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকেন) খোলা হইবে। ১৭-৬-৯৩ইং তারিখের পর কোন সিডিউল খোলা হইবে না। নিম্নস্বাক্ষরকারী কোন কারণ দর্শানো ব্যতিরেকেই যে কোন দরপত্র গ্রহণ বা বাতিল অথবা সকল দরপত্র বাতিল করার পূর্ণ ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।

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বিভাগীয় প্রকৌশলী মাইক্রোওয়েভ নির্মাণ বিভাগ-১ মহাখালী, ঢাকা DFP (BA) 5103-8/6 G-792

গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলীর কার্যালয় দিনাজপুর গৃহসংস্থান বিভাগ, দিনাজপুর

সংক্ষিপ্ত দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি

নিম্নবর্ণিত কাজের জন্য পশ্চিমবঙ্গীয় গৃহসংস্থান সার্কেল, রাজশাহীর তৃতীয় শ্রেণীর (সাধারণ) তালিকাভুক্ত এবং চলতি অর্থ বৎসরের জন্য নবায়নকৃত ঠিকাদারগণের নিকট হইতে বাংলাদেশ ফরম নং-২৯১১ এ সীলমোহরকৃত দরপত্র আহবান করা যাইতেছে। দরপত্র নিম্নস্বাক্ষরকারী এবং নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী, গৃহসংস্থান বিভাগ, খুলনা কর্তৃক ২০/৬/৯৩ ইং তারিখে দুপুর ১২-৩০ মিঃ পর্যন্ত গৃহীত হইবে এবং একই দিনের বেলা ১২-৩৫ মিঃ এর সময় উপস্থিত দরপত্রদাতাদের সম্মুখে (যদি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকেন) খোলা হইবে। বায়নার টাকা যে কোন তফসীলভুক্ত ব্যাংক হইতে ব্যাংক ডাফট আকারে নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী, গৃহসংস্থান বিভাগ, দিনাজপুরের অনুকূলে প্রত্যেক দরপত্রের সঙ্গে জমা দিতে হইবে, অন্যথায় কোন বিবেচনা ব্যতিরেকেই দরপত্র বাতিল বলিয়া গণ্য হইবে।

বাংলাদেশ ফরম নং-২৯১১, সিডিউল, অতিরিক্ত শর্তাবলী ইত্যাদি নিম্নস্বাক্ষরকারীর কার্যালয় এবং নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী, গৃহসংস্থান বিভাগ, খুলনা হইতে ১৯/৬/৯৩ইং তারিখ পর্যন্ত অফিস চলাকালীন সময়ে সকল কাজের দিনে জানিতে এবং নির্ধারিত-মূল্য ৪২৮/- টাকায় (অফেরতযোগ্য) ক্রয় করিতে পারা যাইবে।

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সুলতান আহমেদ নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী দিনাজপুর গৃহসংস্থান বিভাগ, দিনাজপুর DFP (G) 9609-9/6 G-791



The 16th meeting of the Board of Directors of Al Baraka Bank Bangladesh Limited was held Saturday at its Head Office. Mahmoud J. Hassoubah, Chairman of the Board of Directors, presided over the meeting.

APACT for increase of tax on tobacco

A four-day Asia Pacific Conference on Tobacco (APACT) and health, concluded on June 8 at Omiya, Japan, unanimously recommended increase of tax on tobacco for reducing its use among the poor and illiterate especially in the developing countries, according to Adhunik press release here yesterday, reports BSS.

National Professor Dr Nurul Islam, the founder President of 'Adhunik,' an anti-tobacco lobby, participated in the conference at the invitation of the APACT. Prof Islam, who returned home yesterday, presented a paper on anti-tobacco movement in Bangladesh reflecting the political will of the Bangladesh government particularly the initiatives taken by Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia to increase tax on tobacco in Bangladesh. There was also a poster competition on the occasion in which nine countries including Bangladesh participated. Ninety posters, ten from each country, were presented and Bangladesh was declared the best contestant and awarded gold medal.

HERE and THERE

IUB reception A reception for students and parents of the Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB) was held at its academic campus at Bardhara Saturday.

Progress of the university so far was discussed, and the IUB president, Dr Majeed Khan briefly outlined future projects of the university. With the opening of the IUB, its high academic standard had assured the parents that the quality of education and campus life will be secured. After classes commenced, parents were very heartened by the fact that their expectations were well founded. The students were very happy about the attention and care they received in classes.

Red Crescent relief Bangladesh Red Crescent Society has sent emergency relief goods to its district units for distribution among the flood affected people in various areas, especially in Sylhet, Hobiaganj and Moulvi Bazar.

The relief goods including saree, lungi, old clothes, emergency food, pulses and other necessary items were sent at the directive of BRCS's Chairman Syed Shahidul Huiq Jamal MP.

IUBAT Dr Danilo Orescanin, Professor of Indiana University and its Gary Campus Chancellor came to visit International University of Business Agriculture and Technology (IUBAT) recently. After completing his 4 day visit of IUBAT he has left Bangladesh along with his family.

While visiting IUBAT he gave lectures at the on-going training of trainers on Disaster Management. He was also guest of honour at the certificate awarding ceremony of the Training.

Dr Orescanin, the first technical advisor to IBA in 1960's was impressed by the progress made by IUBAT since its conception by Dr M Alimullah Miyan, President, IUBAT. Prof Orescanin has agreed to work as Advisor to President of IUBAT for its overall development and visit IUBAT in the coming three academic years.

Momtaz Ali Khan Sangeet Parishad A 15-member Executive Committee of Ustad Momtaz Ali Khan Sangeet Parishad has been formed with Amin Laskar as chief patron recently. Meher Nigar and Md Shajahan were made president and General Secretary respectively of the Parishad.