Dhaka Day by Day

Beauty of Simple Things in Life

by Fayza Haq

Anwar Hussain's exhibition recently held at the National Museum offered an example of excellent photography. He had focused on the simple everyday events in Bangladesh.

"Education" showed an ordinary round oil lamp with a youth's hand scribbling and drawing in a well-worn diary. The combination of light and shade was admirable.

In "Economy" one saw the head of the family going through a much-used, torn and scribbled

daily newspaper. In "Maternity" there is a glimpse of the hatch-

ing of eggs by a hen, as seen through a wicker basket. The focus of 1 the subject and the surrounding has a wonderful contrast. A well known theme has been given a modern approach.

The feet of a dancer, with overhanging decorative clothes and bells around the ankles formed the subject of "Mudra". The hem of the long dress added colour to the theme. So did the decorative mat on which the dance was being performed.

"Explosion" is an interesting shot that captured the spilling of "phen" (boiled starch of rice) over a pot of rice dripping down right to the ground. The smoke from the cooking, the glow of the fire, and the dark blue, brown and black of the surrounding scene made an interesting composition. "Astro-Mail" depicted a torn mail packet with

seals, ropes, and addresses. Once again, a simple theme, which is, at the same time important in the lives of people, was depicted in details and with an impact.

"Flag vs River" showed the fluttering of the danger signal, while a boat was seen somewhere in the misty grey background. The vastness and the prowess of the river was well captured, keeping the flag as the focus.

In "Atlas" the photographer has shown the torn back of a labourer with his singlet so torn

and his skin showing through. Despite the depiction of hands, neck, chin and the lungi of the labourer one felt one was facing a map, with dark patches of land and the white expanses of the ocean.

Reflection showed the sun shining on a road that was covered with rain water, slush and mud. The effect was more like an abstract piece of painting.

"Rickshawpuller" depicted a series of seven photographs in which the sweat, toil and poverty of the poor labourer class in Bangladesh were

outlined effectively. "Rain-City" show-

ed the drops of rain along a wire with the background of the milling traffic of the city. The picture appcared to be taken from a room.

In "River and Woman," the photographer had a woman taken from the back facing the river. The picture was a combination of blue, black, white, red and a strip of green.

Anwar's aim was to get some close shots which would carry deep meanings. This was not easy task but with perseverance this has been achieved. The photographer wanted each picture to have an impact on the mind of the viewer. Anwar had poured his whole being in each of the photographs. The black and white photographs were so expressive that they needed no colours for any improvement. They reflected the pulse of ordinary everyday life, although they dealt with mundane subjects. The pictures had a poetic quality.

Anwar began his career in '65 and has got 52 awards so far, which include nine Commonwealth awards, nine UNESCO awards and six awards from Vancouver, Brussels, Geneva, Vienna, and New York. He also has three prizes from Great Britain. He has had various solo exhibits at Dhaka, Delhi, Poona, the Netherlands, Boston and a number of cities in



Bangladesh Textile Industries Federation procession intercepted by police near Bangla — Star photo Motor in the city yesterday.

This is Tk 190 crore more

than the amount realised dur-

ing the corresponding period

last fiscal year, said Energy

Minister Dr Khandaker

Mosharraf Hossain while re-

plying to Kazi Abdur Rashid of

Replying to another ques-

tion from Prof Rafiqui Islam

(AL), the minister said that the

total power supply throughout

the country during 1991-92

fiscal was 6021,394 million

units worth Tk 1222.0562

that during the period, the

amount of outstanding bills

with PDB was Tk 79.98 crore,

DESA Tk 40.07 crore and the

Rural Electrification Board Tk

Nazem Ahmed

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to Poland

to accredit Nazem Ahmed Cho-

wdhury, at present Secretary,

Ministry of Commerce, as

Ambassador of Bangladesh to

Poland, according to official

announcement here yesterday,

1938. Nazem obtained MA de-

gree in public administration

from Karachi University in

and had served in the field as

SDO. ADC and then was

posted as Deputy Secretary,

Home (Political) in the erstwhile

East Pakistan government from

1968 to 1970. While in the UK

in 1970-71, joined liberation

movement and did not return

home till January 1972. He was

posted again as deputy secre-

tary, home (political). He was

joint secretary in the Economic

Division of the Ministry of

Finance from 1973-78.

He joined the CSP in 1963

Born in Sylhet on January 9,

The government has decided

The Energy Minister said

Awami League.

10.33 crore.

reports BSS.

Seven more power stations planned

Energy and Mineral Resources Minister Dr Khondoker Mosharraf Hossain yesterday informed the Jatiya Sangsad that the government had undertaken a plan to set up seven new power stations in the country with a total capacity of 1139 megawatts, re-

ports BSS.

In a written reply to a question from M Strajul Islam (BNP-Pabna), the minister said that there was a plan to set up 210 megawatt Rawzan power station at Rawzan, 210 megawatt Gorashal thermal power station expansion (5th unit) at Gorashal, 90 megawatt Sylhet combined cycle power station at Fenchugoni, 210 megawatt, Gorashal thermal power station expansion (6th unit) at Gorashal, 210 megawatt Chittagong thermal power station (2nd unit) at Rawzan, 109 megawatt combined cycle transformation at Haripur and 100 megawatt at Mymensingh.

Tk 1090cr power bills realised

UNB adds: Electricity bills totalling Tk 1,090 crore were realised by the l'ower Development Board (PDB) in 11 months till May this year (July '92-May '93), parliament was told yesterday.

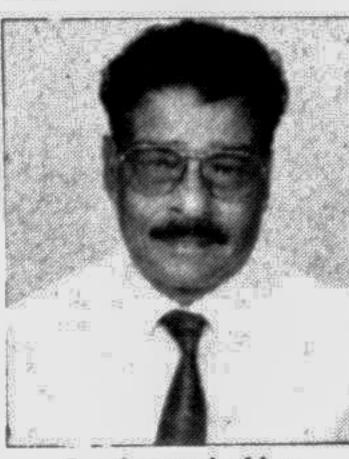
CU confers M Phil on Shaheen

Master of Philosophy in the Faculty of Science, has recently been conferred on Shaheen Mohammad Islam by the Chittagong University for his thesis titled "The Logic of Time', says a press release.

His Supervisor was Professor Jamal Nazrul Islam. Director of Research Centre for Mathematical and Physical Science.

Plea to appoint fisheries officers Project Directors Officers Association of the

Directorate of Fisheries has demanded of the government to appoint Project Director from among the 158 officers serving at different tiers of the directorate, an Association press release said, reports



Industrialist dead

By Staff Correspondent

Noted industrialist and philanthropist Momtazuddin Ahmed died of a massive cardiac arrest at the Suhrawardy Hospital at 6.30 pm yesterday. He was 62.

He was the owner of Jahan Textile Ltd, Narayanganj, Chairman of Scala Bangladesh Ltd and a Director of Elite Printers and Packagers. He was associated with a number of social welfare organisations.

He leaves behind widow, 4 sons, 3 daughters and a host of friends and admirers to mourn his death. One of his sons, Faruq Ahmed, is a former Captain of Abahani K.C. Cricket team and a national cricketer. His namaz-e-janaza will be held today (Thursday) at the Mohammadpur Jame Masjid after Zohr prayers. He will be laid to rest at Banani graveyard.

Tk 6 cr N'ganj Municipality budget announced

From Our Correspondent The Narayanganj Paurasava Wednesday announced a sixerore-Taka annual budget for

the fiscal 1993-94.

The Paurasava Administrator AKM Zafrul Hussain at a press conference at the local municipality office said that the new budget showed an increase in the revenue receipt by 11.33 per cent over the last year.

The last year's allocation for the municipality was Taka 5,81,77,501.

He said that the main revenue sources of the municipality were paura tax + taka 2,69,23,233, and other taxes taka 1,89,70,000.

The rest of the amount would be realised by the government and the World Bank

The main heads of revenue expenditure are: Taka 1,41,30,555 for the salary and allowances for the staff, the Administrator said.

Hussain said that Taka 3,31,28,000 has been sanctioned for the development, Taka 9,70,000 for maintenance, Taka 13,48,100 for educational development and Taka 3,50,000 for rehabilitation of the slum

WHO herbal medicine advisor meets Biswas

Advisor of the World Health Organisation (WHO) on herbal medicine and founder of Hamdard Foundation Hakim Mohammad Sayeed, called on President Abdur Rahman Biswas at Bangabhaban yesterday, reports BSS.

During the discussion, President Biswas appreciated the contribution of Hakim Mohammad Sayeed for the advancement of herbal medicine and creation of Hamdard Foundation. He said that simultaneously with the modern medicine, herbal medicine should also be widely used in view of socio-economic condition of our country.

Referring to laudable progress made by China in herbal medicine, he said that by applying scientific knowledge and techniques, we can also achieve substantial progress in production and popularisation of herbal medicine in the country

GCO submits memo to DU VC

By DU Correspondent On the eve of the Senate

meeting the Ganatantrik Chhatra Oikya (GCO) yesterday morning held a rally and submitted a memorandum to the Vice Chancellor demanding increase of allocation in the development sector in the fiscal 1993-94.

The GCO also demanded solution relating to residential accommodation, medical and library problems.

The GCO in the rally held at the Aparajeo Bangla in the university was addressed among others by Obayedur Rahman Chunnu, Aslam Khan and Mustak Alam Tulu.



Thursday Opening announcement Al-Quran Programme summary News in Bangla

Recitation from the Geeta School debate Esho Para Shikhi: Mass **Education programme** Jiboner Alo Nazrul Songs News in Bangla Drama of the week

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He said the proposed project in Bangladesh will cost about Taka 500 crore and will be completed in 50 years.

The Waqif of Hamdard Foundation, Bangladesh said the international agencies may

Weather

No change in temperature

By Staff Correspondent

Weather forecast for the next 24 hours commencing 6 am today says, moderate rain or showers accompanied by temporary gusty wind may occur at many places over Dhaka, Chittagong, Barisal divisions and at a few places over Rajshahi, Khulna divisions and with moderately heavy falls at places over the divisions of Chittagong and Barisal. The Met office forecasts, day temperature is likely to remain

nearly unchanged over the country. The country's highest temperature 34.6 degree Celsius was recorded in Srimangal yesterday and the lowest 23.2 degree was

recorded in Chittagong. Rainfalls recorded in the country yesterday during the day were: Madaripur 81mm, Rangpur and Chuadanga 3mm each and Chittagong 4mm.

The sun sets today (Thursday) at 6.50 pm and rises tomorrow (Friday) at 5.12 am. The maximum and the minimum temperature and humidity recorded in some of the major cities and towns of the country

yesterday were: Cities/Towns Temperature in degree Celsius Humidity in percentage 6 pm 9 am 25.8 315 Dhaka 77 23.2 31.2 Chittagong 25.8 Rajshahi 32.0 314 24.1 Khulna 77 24.4 32.5 Barisa 90 Cox's Bazar 25.0 30.0 73 66 77 24.5 33.0 Sylhet 80 26.0 33.4 Dinajpur



Project near Syedabad bus terminal yesterday. The project is jointly organised by Bangladesh Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (BCSIR) and Dhaka City - Star photo Corporation. DCC Mayor Mirza Abbas is also seen.

Science, technological dev can help build healthy society: Sircar

Education Minister Barrister Jamiruddin Sircar yesterday said a happy, healthy and prosperous society could be built only through development of science and technology, reports BSS.

He stressed the need for expansion of science and technological development upto village level so that the people are disillusioned to rush to the towns and cities in search of a comfortable life.

The Minister was speaking as the chief guest at the inauguration of the city garbage based pilot bio-gas project here at Maniknagar near Syedabad Bus Terminal.

Bangladesh Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (BCSIR) and Dhaka City Corporation (DCC) have jointly sponsored this pilot project to develop bio-gas as an alternative source of en-City Corporation Mayor

Mirza Abbas MP Attended the

Renowned scholar on tradi-

tional medicine and president of

Hamdard Foundation, Pakistan,

Hakim Mohammed Said today

proposed the establishment of a

"Science city" in Bangladesh for

research and development on

Chancellor of the Hamdard

University in Karachi, said the

proposed city will have a num-

ber of educational institutions

beginning from the primary

upto university levels where

studies and research will be

conducted on different disci-

ence at Hotel Sonargaon here

the Hakim said similar city had

already been established in

India and Pakistan with the

support of Hamdard Foun-

"Waqif" of the Hamdard Foun-

dation in Bangladesh, urged the

government to allot atleast 100

acres of land in some suitably

ment of the proposed city

Hamdard Foundation, Pakistan

Science City in Pakistan is lo-

cated on 750 acres of land,

consisting of educational insti-

tutions, research establish-

ments, and plantation on

medicinal plants and herbs.

He said the Hamdard

will give full support to it.

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Hakim Said, who is also a

Addressing a press confer-

plines of the medical science.

Hakim Said, who is also the

systems of

traditional

medicine, reports BSS.

Hamdard Foundation

proposes 'Science

city' in Bangladesh

Science and Technology Secretary Abdullah Harun Pasha presided.

Among others, the inaugural function was also addressed by BCSIR Chairman Dr Md Waliuzzaman, BCSIR member (B and P) Dr Mohammad Eusuf, DCC Secretary Abdus Sukur and DCC Chief Executive Officer M Abdul Jabbar.

Barrister Jamiruddin Sircer said that with the implementation of this bio-gas project the people would be benefited in getting fuel and bio-fertil-The Education Minister un-

derscored the need for setting up such pilot projects upto divisional and district headquarters phase by phase and later expanding it upto village level. Referring to the political

will of the government for expansion of science and technology, the Minister said the government in the proposed budget had allocated a significant amount for the expansion

be approached to donate for the

He said the Hamdard Labo-

ratories (Waqf) in Bangladesh

also should expand its business

so that the profit could be

invested for establishment of

both in Pakistan and

Bangladesh political will was

lacking for development of tra-

ditional systems of medicine

"futuristic medicine", he said

after five years the people will

reject antibiotics for its harmful

effects which will be replaced by

countries were the mothers of

herbal plants and herbs it

would not be a surprise if the

developed West manufacture

herbal medicines with our raw

materials and reexport to us as

sure of medicinal plants and

herbs in Bangladesh, he said

every tree and shrub here is

medicine development of which

could earn foreign exchange by

One held with

pistol in city

By Staff Correspondent

recovered fire arms with am-

munitions from two persons in

with four rounds of bullets were

seized by Detective Police from

red handed Shahidul Islam with

hauled five live explosives, one

round of SLR bullet, two chop-

pers and one toy pipe-gun from the possession of Abdul Latif.

were lodged in these connec-

Two separate arms cases

Hazibagh, Demra in the city.

Police carried out raids and

An automatic 7.65 pistol

Acting on a tip, police caught

Meanwhile, Sutrapur police

Referring to the rich trea-

their modern versions.

meeting home need.

the city Wednesday.

the weapon.

He said though the tropical

Terming herbs as the

while it existed in India.

herbal medicines.

In reply to a question he said

proposed science city here.

the science city.

function as chief guest while of scientific and technological research. "If our scientists can evolve people's welfare oriented devices, there will be no shortage of financial assistance, he added.

Sircar said, large scale introduction of bio-gas plants would also help stop indiscriminate felling of trees and denuding forest resources. This will ultimately help protect environment, he said.

Mirza Abbas said the setting up of bio-gas project would help keep the city clean and make the air free of bad-smell. The habit of the people to throw garbage here and there would also be changed if the proper utilisation of garbage could be ensured through this

This pilot project was completed at a cost of Taka 1,48,680 in 117 days. The 3,000 CFT plant has a capacity to contain 60 tons of garbage. The plant is expected to yield 2.000 CFT gas per day.

Implementation of Sylhet div demanded

By Staff Correspondent

The general practitioners hailing from Sylhet working in the capital Wednesday brought out a procession demanding immediate implementation of Sylhet division.

Earlier, the doctors held a meeting at the PG Hospital premises in which general secretary of Bangladesh Private Medical Practitioners' Association Dr CM Delwar Rana presided.

Budget termed as 'Bureaucratic'

By Staff Correspondent

Leaders of the 'Society for Professionals' Tuesday criticised the proposed budget for 1993-94 terming it as "bureaucratic and not compatible".

Chairman of the Society Mia Md Abdul Kuddus and Secretary General Dr Shakhawat Hasan in a joint statement to press said that budget should be prepared in a participatory

They called for reorganising the National Economic Council with participation of the Members of the Parliament, investors, businessmen, professionals and workers and employees.

Call to increase awareness about

drug abuse By Staff Correspondent

Leaders of Life, an anti-drug organisation, Wednesday called for increasing awareness among the people about the problems of drug abuse. Speaking at a press confer-

ence at the National Scout building in the capital, it placed 12-point proposals for the country on the occasion of the International Anti-Drug Day on Saturday.

The proposals include: increased publicity on the ill-affects of drug abuse, treatment and rehabilitation of the addicts, ban on sale of all kinds of narcotic drugs without doctor's prescription, reduce supply of drugs inside the country, identification of the addicts across the country, formation of antidrugs brigade with the members of political and socio-cultural organisations, and stern surveillance along the border and at all the entry points.

Life secretary general Dr Abul Hasnat Milton read out the statement at the press conference while chairman of the organisation Kamrul Islam Sony and sponsor Mazur-ul-Karim spoke, among others, at the press conference.

BTIF team calls on Panni A delegation on behalf of

the Bangladesh Textile Industries Federation (BTIF) lcd by Lt Col (Rtd) Kazi Selim Uddin Ahmed met the Deputy Speaker Humayun Khan Panni yesterday at his office chamber and submitted a memorandum to him, says a press release. reports BSS.

The memorandum ad dressed to the Speaker was handed over to the Deputy Speaker in the absence of Speaker Shaikh Razzaque Ali.

The memorandum referred to various problems facing the textile sector and demanded their early solution.

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 30th June, '93.

1. Construction of 1 x 10 'D' type qtrs at Jessore Cantt.

Construction of 1 x 10 'E' type qtrs (modified') at Jessore Cantt. Construction of 1 x 10 Mrd JCO's qtrs at

Jessore Cantt. Construction of 2 x 10 Mrd OR's qtrs at Jessore Cantt.

Construction of 1 x 10 Followers type qtrs for 4th class employee's of Sta HQ at Jessore Cantt.

Construction of 1 x Ammo store for 55 Inf Div at Jessore Cantt.

Construction of 4 x Class room for Academy bldg at ASC Centre & school, Jahanabad Cantt.

Construction of 1 x Ammo store for 36 L A A Regt Arty at Chittagong 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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After our home was suddenly darkened on June 1 by the departure of the warm and loving Mrs. Shenaz Mubarak All from this world, our only solace was in the expressions of comfort offered by the host of relatives, friends and wellwishers who stood by us in our darkest hour.

Thank you all for being there when we needed you the most



-Mubarak All

family