Dhaka Day by Day

When Stool Stays Guard

by Neil Ray

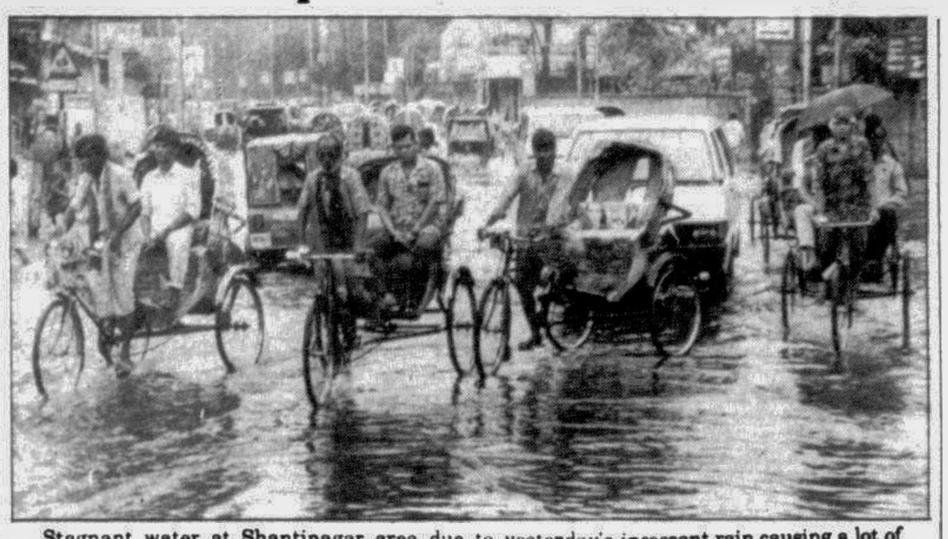
In a system of labyrinthine bureaucracy, a stool — yes a four-legged wooden furniture — gives no scope for undermining its value, if not its status. Indeed, that innocuous-looking stool proves to be a formidable hurdle to cross over. No matter how big or small the office is, the man at the door sitting on the stool invariably gives the impression that it is he who runs the office, not the boss inside. Whether in uniform or not, this man in a way runs the office, for he himself does the running on errands. But there are others who do not require to go out of office and yet have to do a lot of moving out and into the boss's room.

The carefully cultivated ostentation to show the self-importance however is a cover for inferiority complex, a sense of deprivation and the lack of recognition of his service and the disrespect he himself encounters in his daily life from his superiors. There are certainly exceptions to this rule, but normally the stool-man gives the impression, particularly when people from villages and mufassils come to seek an appointment with the boss, that they are mere Lilliputians. In most cases, the stool is likely to welcome such visitors with indignation made all the more intolerable by a mixture of outrageous indifference. The brute is a product of the system.

So the stool holds sway over such people who, as citizens of a sovereign country, should have free access to the public servants. But the low uncomfortable furniture stays guard against such free entrance. However, government offices are not the only ones to have provision for this symbol of authority debarring people's easy access. There are a new generation of hi-fi offices equally notorious in their dealings with the public. Of course, in certain cases the stool has been elevated to a reception counter and an unmistakable touch of sophistication in dealings is immediately discernible.

In the meantime, however, the old stool reigns supreme and is known to develop an otherwise dubious skill in earning a few bucks through shady deals depending on the importance of the office its occupant serves. If it is a hospital, the stool-man at the gate will come running after anyone trying to visit a patient before or after the specific time. But a one-taka or two-taka note will be enough to cool down the man's pretentious rage and he will be only too willing to do a favour to such generous people. And in fact, the generosity does not cost much — at least in this case. But there are places where such small tips will not earn the entry.

Of course, one cannot always blame the stool-man for being rude. In some offices he has to ensure limited access to the boss or to the office itself for security and other reasons. But there are desperate unreasonable visitors who would not mind giving the gateman a torrid time in their encounter. A man of this position is not expected to be a great lover of visitors and when intimidated he may go bust or explode like a volcano. But most of the time confrontation cows him down, because he is used to taking orders from anyone aggressive — rather than gentle — in behaviour, rather quickly.



Stagnant water at Shantinagar area due to yesterday's incessant rain causing a lot of problems to the people. — Star photo

DMCH founding anniversary July 24, 25

By DMCH Correspondent

Dhaka Medical College and Hospital will celebrate its 47th foundation day on July 24 and 25.

On this occasion Dhaka Medical College Students Union (DMCSU) has arranged a two-day programme.

The principal of the college Professor Zahurul Maola Chowdhury will presided over the opening ceremony. Deputy Leader of the House Professor Badruddoza Chowdhury, who is a former student of the college, will attend the programme as chief guest

The two-day programme includes a rally, cultural programme and sports.

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Badruddoza at Eid-reunion function

Dhaka city deserves separate administrative status

The Deputy Leader of Jatiya Sangsad Prof A Q M Badruddoza Chowdhury yesterday pleaded for making the capital city Dhaka separate administrative unit to protect the rights and privileges of the people belonging to greater Dhaka district, reports BSS.

Speaking as the chief guest at an Eid reunion organised by Greater Dhaka District Welfare Association of Bangladesh Bank at the auditorium of BCCI, Prof Chowdhury said the capital city Dhaka which had been growing as a cosmopolitan city should be given a separate administrative status.

For preserving due rights of the people of greater Dhaka district as well as ensuring the privileges of the city dwellers.

Information Minister Barrister Nazmul Huda, who is also the President of Greater Dhaka District Association spoke on the occasion as the special guest.

Presided over by the President of Greater Dhaka District Welfare Association of Bangladesh Bank, the function was also addressed by the Association's General Secretary Mohammad Shafiqul Islam and Chowdhury Mayeedul Huq.

Prof Badruddoza Chowdhury said the people of Dhaka had the greater responsibility both in protecting their rights as well as those of the people residing here since Dhaka became the capital of the country due to historic reasons.

Referring to grievances of the people of Dhaka as mentioned by the association leaders, Prof Chowdhury said: "We shall have to preserve our rights. But at the same time, we shall have to see that others are not deprived."

Lauding the endeavours of the Association in projecting the problems confronting the people of greater Dhaka district, the Deputy Leader of the House advised them to set up a planing cell for taking up welfare oriented programmes in different sectors like communications, roads and bridges, power supply and industrial estates.

He assured of all possible cooperation to the Association in realising the service oriented programmes for the welfare of the people of the district.

Barrister Nazmul Huda, in his speech, suggested that the capital city Dhaka should be kept outside the purview of greater Dhaka district, particularly in terms of recruitment, appointment and promotion in government services.

He said such a proposition should be looked into from the view point of building the country through united efforts.

He said the present government was trying to do justice to all through providing competent persons in importance places.

Qul Khwani of Atiya Zaman

Qul Khwani of Begum Atiya Zaman, wife of late C. I. Zaman, will be held today, Friday, 23 July, 1993 after Asr prayers at her residence: House No. 23-A, Road No. 1, Dhanmandi R.A., Dhaka.

All relations and well-wishers are requested to attend and pray for the salvation of the departed soul.

Professor Najma Chowdhury and Justice Mainur Reza Chowdhury

Chowdhury Fakhruz Zaman and Salma Zaman

Tuhfa Zaman Ali and Ambassador Syed Muazzem Ali

Major Ishraq Uz Zaman and Major Samina M. Zaman

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Friday

Morning Session

8.00	Opening announcement Al Quran Programme summary
8.10	News in Bangla
8.15	Alor Dishari
8.40	Natun Kuri
10.00	News in English
10.20	Moner Mukure Swapner Prithivi
11.30	Tarzan
11.55	Sikkha Dikkha
12.10	Film: Border Town
12.30	Closing

Afternoon session

3.00	Opening announcement Al Quran Programme summary
3.10	Recitation from the Tripitak
3.15	Cartoon: Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles
3.40	Movie of the Week: Nicholas and Alexandra

Russian revolution as its background the story of today's Movie of the Week 'Nicholas and Alexandra' is based on Robert Mossy's novel. The failure of Emperor Nicholas Tzar the Second, in one hand and his immense love for German-born Empress Alexandra is the theme of the story. Michael Jestone, Jennete Shoesman, Roderick Notel and Tom Baker play the leading roles. The film was awarded academy award in 1971 for costume design and art direction.

5.10	News in Bangla
5.25	Sports programme
7.00	Address of Egyptian Ambassador on the occasion of National Day of Egypt and Documentary
7.30	Malancha: programme of modern songs
8.00	News in Bangla
8.30	Comedy series: Perfect Strangers
9.00	Magazine: Dristikone
10.00	News in English
10.30	Drama serial: L A Law
11.30	Khabar/The News
11.45	Closing.

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Action against corrupt persons to continue: Rafiq

The Works Minister, Barrister Rafiqul Islam Mia yesterday urged the engineers to work for the overall development of the country as well as the welfare of the common people, reports BSS.

The minister was speaking as chief guest at the annual conferences and the installation ceremony of the newly elected office bearers of Public Works Engineers' Association held at the Engineers' Institution.

Lauding their role in the development works, the minister said that majority of the engineers were honest, sincere and patriotic.

The Works Minister said that to clean the administration, departmental action against the corrupt would continue.

Referring to the problems prevailing in the department the minister said that he himself took initiative to solve them. In this regard he mentioned the problems of mini-PWD, pending cases of promotions and scales of the officers and the employees.

The Works Minister expressed hope that the engineers of the country would utilise their experience and training to maintain tradition good image and reputation of the department.

The Works Minister said dedicated services from an organisation could not be expected unless the honest persons were rewarded and the dishonests punished.

Barrister Islam said when "one housewife is circumstanced to commit suicide by taking insecticide only for mere ten taka or a saree," the government could not allow anybody to misappropriate public exchequer.

Presided over by Association President Engineer Mohammad Siddiqullah, the inaugural function was also addressed, among others, by Chief Engineer of the Housing Directorate Nuruddin Ahmed

Smuggled goods worth Tk 6.5 lakh recovered

RAJSHAHI, July 22: A special petrol squad of BDR seized huge quantity of smuggled goods worth about taka six and a half lakh from a passenger train at Rajshahi court station yesterday, reports BSS.

The BDR personnel found the smuggled goods searching water tank, bathroom and different compartments of Khulna bound Mohananda mail train. The seized goods included wine, glass, tortoise, sulphur, blade, spices etc.

Later, the seized goods were handed over to Rajshahi customs office.

Chehlum

The chehlum of MH Khandaker, the first Attorney General of Bangladesh will be held today (Friday) after Asr prayers at House No. 64, Road No. 11 A, Dhanmondi Residential Area. Friends, relatives and colleagues of the deceased have been requested to attend.

Tazuddin's birth anniversary today

By Staff Correspondent

The 68th birth anniversary of Tazuddin Ahmed, Prime Minister of the government in exile during the Liberation War of Bangladesh, will be observed today (Friday).

Various political, socio-cultural and student organisations will mark the day through discussion and milad mahfil.

Qulkhwani

Qulkhwani of Atiya Zaman, a social worker and wife of late C I Zaman, will be held today (Friday) after Asr prayers at her residence at Road No. 7, Dhanmondi residential area, reports BSS.

DU teacher gets Fullbright Scholarship

Fayeza Sultana, Lecturer of Dhaka University English Department has been awarded the prestigious Fullbright Scholarship of the United States government to undertake a full-time post-graduate course at the University of Florida, reports BSS.

Italian envoy calls on Hannan

The Italian Ambassador to Bangladesh Claudio Pacifico called on Jute Minister ASM Hannan Shah at the latter's office here yesterday, reports UNB.

Obituary

Noted freedom fighter Md Mijanur Rahman Khan Shabuj died of cardiac arrest on Thursday at his Iqbal Road residence at Mohammadpur. He was 40, says a press release.

He left behind his father, two brothers, a minor son, wife and a host of friends and admirers.

The namaj-e-janaza of late Mijanur Rahman will be held today (Friday) after Jumma prayers at the Azimpur Chapra Mosque and he will be buried at the Mirpur Buddhijibi graveyard.

Weather

Moderate rain likely

By Staff Correspondent

Weather forecast for the next 24 hours commencing 6 am today (Friday) says, moderate rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty wind may occur at many places over Dhaka, Chittagong, Barisal and Rajshahi divisions and at a few places over Khulna division.

The Met Office forecasts that moderately heavy to heavy rainfalls may also occur at some other places over the country.

The day temperature is likely to remain nearly unchanged over the country.

The country's highest temperature yesterday of 29.8 degree Celsius was recorded in Dinajpur and the lowest 22.3 degree was recorded in Srimangal.

The chief amounts of rainfall recorded in 24 hours ending 9am Thursday were: Lama 223mm, Sunamganj 196mm, Habiganj 188mm, Panchagarh 180mm, Barisal 168.3mm, 157mm at Bandarban, Jamalpur 154.3mm, Panchpukuria 141.5mm, Naogaon 140mm, Durgapur 135.5mm, Moulvibzar 130mm, Kanaighat 125mm, Bogra 124.6mm, 121.7mm at Patuakhali, 117mm at Mymensingh, 115mm at Parshuram, 111mm at Sylhet, 106.3mm at Comilla and 105mm at Bhairab Bazar.

The sun sets today (Friday) at 6.46 pm and rises tomorrow (Saturday) at 5.24 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	
	Max	Min	9 am	6 pm
Dhaka	27.6	23.0	95	90
Chittagong	25.0	23.0	98	98
Rajshahi	28.0	25.5	93	92
Khulna	26.4	24.0	100	88
Barisal	26.0	24.0	100	98
Sylhet	27.1	23.4	97	97
Cox's Bazar	25.0	23.0	98	97
Dinajpur	29.8	24.8	95	76

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যান্ত্রিক বিভাগ–১

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এতদ্বারা ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের যান্ত্রিক সার্কেলের তালিকাভুক্ত ঠিকাদারগণ সহ সরবরাহকারী ও প্রকৃত ওয়ার্কশপ মালিকদের নিকট হইতে নিম্নেবর্ণিত কাজের জন্য বাংলাদেশ ফরম নং-২৯১১তে সীলমোহরকৃত খামে দরপত্র আহবান করা যাইতেছে। দরপত্র আগামী ২৬-৭-৯৩ইং/১১-৪-১৪০০বাং তারিখ বেলা ১২-০০ ঘটিকার সময় নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী (যান্ত্রিক-১), সকল আঞ্চলিক নির্বাহী কর্মকর্তার অফিস এবং মহা-ব্যবস্থাপক (পরিবহণ) এর দপ্তরের সম্মুখে রক্ষিত টেন্ডার বাক্সে দরপত্র গ্রহণ করা হইবে এবং একই দিন বেলা ১২-৩০ ঘটিকার সময় উপস্থিত দরপত্রদাতা অথবা তাদের প্রতিনিধিদের সম্মুখে (যদি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকেন) খোলা হইবে। প্রাক্কলিত দরের ৫% (শতকরা পাঁচ) ভাগ বায়নার টাকা (ফেরতযোগ্য) হিসাবে মেয়র, ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের অনুকূলে যে কোন শিডিউল ব্যাংকের ব্যাংক ড্রাফট/পে-অর্ডার আকারে দরপত্রের সাথে সংযুক্ত করিতে হইবে। শতকরা হিসাবে দর অংকে এবং কথায় উভয়ই পরিষ্কারভাবে উল্লেখ করিতে হইবে। অন্যথায় দরপত্র বাতিল বলিয়া গণ্য হইবে। শতকরা ৫% (পাঁচ) ভাগ উর্ধ্ব অথবা নিম্ন গ্রহণ দরের জন্য দর বিশ্লেষণ (এনালাইসিস) দাখিল করিতে হইবে। প্রকৌশল বিভাগ (যান্ত্রিক-১) সহ ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের সকল আঞ্চলিক নির্বাহী কর্মকর্তার অফিস এবং হিসাব বিভাগের হিসাবরক্ষক-এর নিকট হইতে কাজের পার্শ্বে বর্ণিত মূল্যের বিনিময়ে (অফেরতযোগ্য) দরপত্র শিডিউল ক্রয় করা যাইবে। এতদসংক্রান্ত বিস্তারিত বিবরণ অফিস চলাকালীন সময়ে নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী (যান্ত্রিক বিভাগ-১)-এর দপ্তর হইতে জানা যাইবে। দরপত্র খোলার তারিখ কোন শিডিউল বিক্রয় করা হইবে না।

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পানির বিল নিয়মিত পরিশোধ করুন

Time Extension for International Tender Notification for Procurement of Water Meters under Contract CWR-8 for Chittagong WASA

Last date of submission and opening of sealed tenders for the above-mentioned work is hereby rescheduled as follows:

Contract No.	Nature of tender	Description of items	Date of availability of tender documents	Last date of submission of tenders
CWR-8	International	5000 Nos. water meters and spares (20mm, 25mm, 50mm and 100mm)	Up to 9-8-93 during office hours	12-00 Noon of 12-8-93 (Tenders will be opened at 1 pm on the same day)

Newly approved Addendum nos. 1 & 2 are the part of the tender documents. Bidders are requested to collect those Addendum from CWASA. All other conditions of the International Tender Notice shall remain unchanged.

Chief Engineer
Chittagong WASA
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