

Dhaka Day by Day

Language that Endures
Test of Time

by Nazme Sabina

What is the international language? The ready answer obviously is expected to be English. But to most people's great surprise, the answer is incorrect. Only after carrying out some homework do we know that the correct answer to the question's "sign language". When someone faces the inmates of 62, Bijoyanagar, Dhaka, communicating among themselves, the theory turns to be an empirical evidence.

Dhaka Association of the Deaf (DAD), the first of its kind under private management, was established in 1976 at Bijoyanagar. The Association aims at providing education, imparting training and supplying all necessary assistance to make the deaf competent for the competitive world of ours through in-coming generation activities and self-employment.

Among the existing nine associations of the Bangladesh National Federation for the Deaf (BNFD), the DAD has been working for 17 years as a registered voluntary organisation. Now the organisation has 285 volunteers, of whom 40 are female members.

The DAD is conducting vocational training in various crafts including tailoring, electrical works, art and printing, besides the association has taken the initiative to sell various products produced by its deaf artisans at its display centre in Dhaka.

In addition to the vocational and recreational training, the deaf are receiving traditional education from the Association's school. Creditably they appear at the S.S.C examination and even study in colleges.

"As the deaf don't hear anything around them, so they can concentrate on their own needs, like art and painting, etc," said Mr M A Bari, Executive President of the Association.

"But the problem of fund often squeezes many activities of the Association," said Azharul Huq, Vice President. "Previously we received a little amount of donation from the government and the Federation, but for the last three years we have got nothing," added Huq. He also informed that the principal sources of their funds



vision (BTV) like our neighbouring countries. If BTV telecasts news with sign language side by side, we can get in touch with what is happening at home and abroad, otherwise we will not be integrated to national development".

Not only have the deaf members of the Association shown their talent in sports and cultural fields, they have also proved their potentialities in different fields as draftsmen, signboard writers, photographers, and electricians. They also work in painting and publishing, holding better position with good impression.

The deaf members of the organisation themselves gather in the regular daily evening meetings, no matter if other members join them or not. They discuss their problems, how they can improve their condition, etc. They share their views with other members, even they themselves arrange their annual picnic, publish souvenir and last March they performed a drama which received wide appreciation.

"We do not like to live on charity, we have our own hands. We want to serve the nation, being active members," said Osman Khaled.



A procession by the Jatiyatabdhi Chhatra Dal (JCD) on the Dhaka University campus yesterday demanding a ban on Jamaat-Shibir politics. — Star photo

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
National Board of Revenue

Wanted

Applications are invited for appointments to the following posts in an IDA-assisted Project under the National Board of Revenue:

POST

1. Assistant Programmer

DURATION

1 Year (May be extended up to the end of project period)

QUALIFICATION

a) Master's degree in Physics/Applied Physics/Mathematics/Statistics/Commerce/Economics/Business Administration or B.Sc. (Engineering) B. Sc. (Engineering) in Computer Science/Engineering of a recognised University who appeared in the final examination may also apply with proper documents.

b) Must qualify in standard aptitude test for Programming.

c) Associate Member of a recognized Professional Computer Society.

Pay Tk 9000/- (Taka nine thousand) Consolidated per month.

2. Computer Operator 1 Year (may be extended up to the end of project period)

Pay Tk 6000/- (Taka six thousand) Consolidated per month.

A full, CV with handwritten application describing the candidates' qualifications for the position, a passport size photograph and copies of all relevant certificates should be sent by 20th October 1993. Candidates must be willing to work anywhere in Bangladesh.

3. Applications must be addressed to the Director (Research and Statistics), National Board of Revenue, Dhaka.

Second Secretary (Admn-7)

National Board of Revenue

Dhaka

Weather

No change in temperature

By Staff Correspondent

The sky will remain cloudy over Chittagong and Barisal divisions and partly cloudy elsewhere over the country.

Temporary light to moderate rain or thundershowers accompanied by gusty wind is likely to occur at many places over Chittagong division and at few places over Barisal division and at one or two places over Dhaka, Rajshahi and Khulna divisions.

Met Office forecasts day temperature may remain nearly unchanged over the country.

The country's highest temperature of 34 degrees Celsius was recorded in Dinajpur while lowest of 22.4 degrees Celsius was recorded in Pardipur yesterday.

The sun sets today (Thursday) at 5.44 pm and rises tomorrow (Friday) at 5.48 am.

The maximum and the minimum temperatures and maximum and minimum relative humidity of some major cities and towns of the country recorded yesterday were:

Cities/Towns	Temperature in degrees Celsius	Humidity in percentage		
	Max	Min	9 am	6 pm
Dhaka	31.3	25.5	90	82
Chittagong	32.4	24.8	82	76
Rajshahi	31.8	26.7	—	88
Khulna	31.2	25.0	88	—
Barisal	30.8	25.6	92	80
Dinajpur	34.0	25.3	79	97
Sylhet	30.8	26.8	90	89
Cox's Bazar	31.5	25.0	74	85

One killed in
N'ganj road
accident

From Our Correspondent

NARAYANGANJ, Sep 22: At least one person was killed and seven others were injured when two trucks collided head-on at Langalbandhi area under Bandar police station in the early hours of Tuesday.

The victim Monu Miah, 45, died on the spot.

Happy Birthday
To


Abba
from :
Walida



The third national seminar on "US Society and Culture," cosponsored by the Bangladesh Association for American Studies (BAAS) and the US Information Service (USIS), was formally opened on Tuesday at the American Cultural Centre auditorium. Professor Nazrul Islam, president of BAAS, seen giving his inaugural speech. Also seen are (from left) Ms Barbara McCarthy, Executive Officer, USIS, and Professor Fakrul Alam, general secretary, BAAS.

—USIS photo

Saifur tells Jatiya Sangsad
HBFC sanctions loans
for buying flats

The House Building Finance Corporation (HBFC) has taken up a programme to sanction loans for buying flats recently, Finance Minister Saifur Rahman said in the Jatiya Sangsad yesterday, reports BSS.

In a written reply to a question from Abdul Awal Miah of the Awami League, the Finance Minister said that the corporation would give a loan of Taka 7.8 lakh for a flat measuring a maximum of 1300 square feet.

He also said that the highest rate of interest for the loan was 13 per cent.

Stamps fetch

Tk 343 cr

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