Dhaka Day by Day

Phony Telephone

by Parveen Anam

The inventor of the telephone has every reason to be proud. We often sit back and silently wonder at the achievement of mankind over the years. And at times we could almost bet on and win on the telephone being one of the most wonderful inventions man ever made possible for htmself. Mr A G Bell did us proud. We have no inhibitions in admitting it.

But then again, like all wonderful inventions, the inventor faded from the scene and modern

technology took over. Man and his brilliance took charge and there was no looking back. In leaps and bounds we progressed till we stand today where we are. In terms of the telephone technology, it is the easiest thing in the world to talk to anyone. anywhere, anytime. If we leave our own telephone blokes out of the scene - of course.

Somehow, our own gentlemen in charge of the telephones, seem to think very differently. from what the creator of the telephone would actually have us think. He is quite a bossy-boots, I personally feel. That little telephone man. It takes half a day, or very nearly half a day to try and make one coherent telephone call for the Dhakaite, within the limits of his beloved city. At

the end of his ordeal, he is a shaking, cursing, trembling wreck. And he can only try making the call if that blasted telephone gives a semblance of 'working.' More often than not, it just sits there on the glass-top table, looking perfectly innocent, attractive and useless. And yet inviting the most horrendous bills at the end of the month. Must be in league with the drug companies, these brilliant 'telephone-walls.' They must be making tremendous profit, selling blood pressure medicine.

But again, a welfare dependency culture of

telephones seems to be flourishing, inspite of the constraints the ordinary Dhakaite faces in making that call. Or trying to make both ends meet in paying his bills, for calls which he would not be able to make in a month of Sundays. The telephone wallas of course think differently

But what takes the cake now, or adds insult to injury, is the fact that the 'telephone ministry' or whatever important sounding name the telephone people like to be called by, also take the

> average Dhakaite for a definitely poor level of IQ, which would make the IQ tests look quite ludicrous. And what an audacity they have in installing phone booths or coin boxes or whatever, at "strategic points" in the city. where of course you cannot use a coin but a phone card, which you have to buy at a bank or heaven knows where? The fact that a

> coin box is mostly used by people in an emergency, where they are far from a phone, has simply not crossed the mind of the concerned people. Not only does the Dhakaite have to go to a Post Office alone, where he can find a phone but wait for the bank to open in the morning, before he can make his call. But of course THEY think of everything

and have also made available to the hapless Dhakaite the benefits of that wonderful gadget, the Cellular Phone. The only problem being again, that you only have to have a car, to be able to use one. Somehow, the rickshaws and the minibuses have not yet been equipped with those wonderful little things, to be used in an 'emergency.' But again, perhaps they are to be included in the next budget and will be a pleasant surprise to the beleaguered Dhakaite. Who knows the workings of great minds? Surely not the Dhakaite. He is only at the receiving end.



A procession of Agriculture Extension Department in the city yesterday with a call to participate in the rat extermination drive.



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ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশন, ঢাকা

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আপনার পরিবেশ সুন্দর ও পরিচ্ছন রাখুন আপনার শিশুকে টিকা দিন

পুনঃ দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি

নিম্নে বর্ণিত কাজসমূহের জন্য ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের তালিকাভুক্ত সকল শ্রেণীর ঠিকাদারসহ পিডব্লিউডি. রোড এভ হাই ওয়েজ এমইএস সংস্থাসমূহ এবং সকল সরকারী ও আধাসরকারী সংস্থায় তালিকাভুক্ত প্রথম শ্রেণীর সংশ্লিষ্ট কাজের পূর্ব অভিজ্ঞতাসম্পন্ন আর্থিকভাবে সঙ্গল ঠিকাদারগণের নিকট হইতে বাংলাদেশ ফরম নং ২৯১১ – তে সীলমোহরকৃত খামে টেন্ডার আহবান করা যাইতেছে। উল্লেখ্য ৫ (পাঁচ) লক্ষ টাকা পর্যন্ত কাজসমূহের জন্য সরকারী, আধা-সরকারী সংস্থার তালিকান্তক্ত ঠিকাদারগণ অংশগ্রহণ করিতে পারিবেদ না। আগামী ২১-১০-১৩ইং তারিখে বেলা ১২-০০ ঘটিকার সময় বিভাগীয় কমিশনার, ঢাকা জেলা প্রশাসক, ঢাকা এবং ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের সকল আঞ্চলিক কার্যালয়, প্রকৌশল বিভাগ কর্তৃক টেভার গ্রহণ করা হইবে এবং ঐ দিনই বেলা ১২-৩০ ঘটিকার সময় উপস্থিত দরপত্রদাতা অথবা তাহাদের প্রতনিধিগণের সমূখে (যদি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকেন) খোলা হইবে শতকরা হারে দর অংকে এবং কথায় উভয়ভাবে লিখিতে হইবে অন্যথায় দরপত্র বাতিল বলিয়া গণ্য হইবে। ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের মেয়র মহোদয়ের অনুকূলে বাংলাদেশের যে কোন শিডিউল ব্যাৎকের ডাফট/পে-অর্ডার-এর মাধ্যমে বায়নার টাকা হিসাবে দরপত্রের সহিত জমা দিতে হইবে। ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের সকল আঞ্চলিক নির্বাহী কর্মকর্তা ও নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলীর কার্যালয়ে এবং হিসাব বিভাগের পোন্দারের নিকট ঠিকাদারী প্রতিষ্ঠানের তালিকাভুক্ত বৈধ দলিলপত্রাদির এবং অনুরূপ কাজের পূর্ব অভিজ্ঞতার সনদপত্রের সত্যায়িত ফটোকণি জমাদানপূর্বক (প্রতিসেট) নির্ধারিত মূল্যে নগদ অর্থের বিনিময়ে (অফেরতযোগ্য) টেন্ডার-এর শর্তাবলী, শিঙিউল ইত্যাদি ক্রয় করা যাইবে। এতদসংক্রান্ত বিস্তারিত বিবরণ অফিস চলাকালীন সময়ে ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশন–এর অঞ্চল–৮ (মিরপুর)-এর নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলীর দফতরে জানা যাইবে।

কোন দরপত্রদাতা প্রাক্তলিত মূল্যে ৫% (শতকরা পাঁচ ভাগ)-এর অধিক উর্ম্ব বা নিম্ন দর প্রদান করিলে উক্ত দরের স্বপক্ষে দর বিশ্লেষণ সংযুক্ত করিতে হইবে। ৫% (শতকরা পাঁচ ভাগ)–এর অধিক নিম্ন দর প্রদানকারী নিম্নব্রদাতাকে কার্যাদেশ প্রদানের সিদ্ধান্ত গ্রহণ করা হইলে সেক্ষেত্রে নির্ধারিত বায়নার টাকার বিশুণ পরিমাণ টাকা জমা দিতে হইবে।

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S M Ali's death condoled

The death of S M Ali, a titan in the world of journalism, was mourned by all walks of people including innumerable readers of The Daily Star. Leading national organisations and key personalities sent messages of condolence on his death yester-

Salam Talukder

BNP Secretary General and LGRD and Cooperative Minister Barrister Abdus Salam Talukder paid deep respect to the memory of S M Alt. for his significant contribution in the field of journalism and said his death had caused an irrepara-

Barrister Talukder prayed for the peace of the departed soul and conveyed his heartfelt sympathy to the members of the bereaved family.

Abdul Mannan

State Minister for Civil Aviation and Tourism Abdul Mannan expressed his profound shock at the sad demise of eminent journalist and Editor of The Daily Star S M Ali.

In a message he said that with his death the country has lost an illustrious son of the soil who contributed a lot to regional journalism as well as the

"His lucid writing and professional stand impressed me personally," he added

Jatiya Party

The acting chairman of Jativa Party, Mizanur Rahman Chowdhury expressed his deep shock at the death of S M All and said the nation had lost a journalist of international re-

In another message, former prime minister Kazi Zafar Ahmed also expressed his grief at Ali's death.

In his message. Zafar said the late editor was a bright star in the arena of journalism in

South and Southeast Asias Jamaat-e-Islami

Secretary General of Jamaate-Islami and leader of its parliamentary team Maolana Matiur Rahman Nizami expressed his deep shock at the death of S M Ali.

"In his death, we have lost a veteran and eminent journalist," Nizami said in a message of condolence.

He also prayed for the salvation of the departed soul and conveyed heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.

Chief Editor and Managing Director of the Bangladesh Sangbad Sangstha (BSS) D P Barua, termed S M Ali 'a towering figure in the profession of journalism' while expressing his profound shock in a condolence message last night.

He said that Ali is known and respected in most countries in Asia, including the South and Southeast Asia. 'I pay my rich tributes to the memory of Ali Bhai whose void will be difficult to fill in". Barua said.

UNB

Management and the staff of the United News of Bangladesh (UNB) in a meeting yesterday condoled the death of S M Alt.

Presided over by the UNB Chairman Amanullah Khan, the meeting observed a one-minute silence to pay homage to the great journalist.

All had served as advisor to UNB and the Dhaka Courier during 1989-90.

Dr M Tawhidul Anwar, Director General of the Press Institute of Bangladesh (PIB) in a message said, "bidding us all parting good wishes in the last instalment of his Star's My World, S M Ali has left us at the cross-road of crisis at a time when we vow to see them resolved. For us, involved in the profession of journalism, the loss is irreparable. We have lost in him an environmentalist, a media specialist, a commentator, a teacher and his friends would bear out, an ever confident voice of an Asian. We can condole his death by a pledge to take an extra care to this profession in his absence.

BSP

Bangladesh Sangbad Patra Parishad in a message said the death of S M Ali is an irreparable loss for the country.

The parishad felt that each journalist and newspaper of the country should carry out the ideals and commitment of the late editor.

The parishad said S M Ali would remain as a bright star in the history of the sub-continent's journalism.

The parishad expressed its sympathy to the members of

late Ali's family. BFUJ, DUJ

Acting President of Bangladesh Federal Union of Journalists (BFUJ) Alhaj Zahirul Haq and Acting Secretary General Zakaria Kajal and President of Dhaka Union of Journalists (DUJ) M Shahjahan Mia and General Secretary Altaf Mahmood expressed deep shock and grief at the sad demise of doyen of Bangladesh journalism and founder Editor of The Daily Star, S M Ali.

Recalling the contributions of Ali in the field of journalism. the journalist leaders said the death of an illustrious son of

social thinker

Southeast Asia.

good behaviour."

Ajker Kagoj

The Daily Ajker Kagoj termed S M Ali as a bright star in the

journalism arena in Asia and

Abul Hasan

and International Affairs

Secretary of the Awami League

said Ali's loss will be felt by

people from all walks of life. "He

will be sadly missed by those

who were seeking to establish a

society based on values and

Mainul Hosein

Chairman, Editorial Board of

Ittefag and New Nation ex-

pressed deep sorrow at the

sudden demise of S M Ali, "an

eminent journalist with inter-

national reputation' and added

that "he will be remembered for

the devotion and dedication to

The Morning Sun

Sun, Anwarul Islam (Bobby) in

a condolence message said, in

the untimely death of S M Als.

the country has lost an eminent

citizen and the media world a

The Daily Star

at The Daily Star office Sunday

evening, professional colleagues

of late 5 M Ali recalled his con-

tribution in the field of journal-

ism in the country as well as to

journalist," Executive Editor

Mahfuz Anam told the meeting.

The only way to pay tribute to

him is to follow the journalistic

trail left behind by him and

keep up the good work, he

the staff attended the condo-

DU Statistics

Deptt team

meets Biswas

teachers of Statistics Depart-

ment of the Dhaka University

Dr Kaltpada Sen, Chairman

Talking to them, President

He said that success of any

He exhorted the students to

earn proficiency in the subject

and contribute to the national

President Biswas asked the

students to maintain peace on

the campus, so that there is no

session jam causing loss to

who would shortly go on a

study tour to the SAARC coun-

tries, to cultivate closer rela-

tionship with the students of

Among others, Professor

Shahadat Ali Mallick and

Professor M A Jalil, teachers of

the department and Mohammad

Sharif Hossain, Chowdhury Ati-

gur Rahman, Golam Hasna-

hena Khan, Shamsur Rahman,

Arup Kumar Shaha and

Abdullah Al Mamun, students

of the statistics department,

were present on the occasion.

other countries of the region.

He advised the students,

economic prosperity.

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A delegation of students and

Members of all sections of

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At a condolence meeting held

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The Editor of The Morning

the profession of journalism."

Barrister Mainul Hosein.

Abul Hasan Chowdhury, MP.

the soil was not only an irreparable loss to the profession of journalism but also to the whole nation.

Describing Ali as a transcendent genius, they said his factle and powerful pen earned him honour beyond the national boundaries and made him'a popular journalist in the whole of South and South Est Asia

They also recounted the contributions of late Ali as the President of the then East Pakistan Union of Journalists in safeguarding the interests of the journalist community.

They expressed sympathy with the members of the bereaved family and prayed for the peace of the departed soul.

Journalism Deptt, DU

The chairman and the teachers of the Department of Mass Communication and Journalism. Dhaka University. in a condolence message said, S M Ali was a presiding gentus of Bangladesh journalism

Expressing deep sorrow at the sudden demise of the founder-editor of The Daily Star, they said, he was one of the shining starts in the field of communication and journalism not only in the South Asia but also in South Bast Asia and the world as well.

in his death Bangladesh has lost an international personal ity. And with his death a void has been created in the realm of communication and journalism will be very difficult to fill in the near future, the teachers ob-

They said, S M Ali brought name and fame for the country and prayed for the salvation of the departed soul.

Banglabazar

The Banglabazar, a vernacular daily, unit of DUJ at a condolence meeting yesterday shed light on the eventful life of S M All with the unit chief Mustafa Hossain in the chair.

The death of S M Ali has created an irreplaceable vacuum, in the press media" discussants at the condolence meeting felt

A one minute silence was observed by the unit members.

Reaz Uddin Ahmed

called on President Abdur Rah-The advisor of the South man Biswas at Bangabhaban Asia Journalists Coordination yesterday, reports UNB. Council and former president of Bangladesh Federal Union of of the department led the dele-Journalists (BFUJ) Reaz Uddin Ahmed condoled the death of S M Ali and paid rich tributes to Biswas stressed the need for Ali for his glowing contribution correct statistics for proper to the promotion and developplanning to achieve the counment of journalism in try's development objectives.

Bangladesh. ADAB

In a condolence message, the Association of Development Agencies in Bangladesh (ADAB) yesterday said, with the demise of S M Ali, the people of Bangladesh have lost a valiant

The ADAB said, Ali was a leading member of the contemporary society, a renowned journalist of the sub-continent and a great development thinker of the region.

East Asiatic

The staff and the managing director of the East Asiatic Advertising Limited in a condolence message said, the loss of a journalist of the stature of S M Ali would create an irreparable void in the intellectual domain of Bangladesh.

Khulna

Mayor of Khulna City Corporation, Khulna Press Club and Khulna Union of Journalists (KUJ) in separate messages expressed deep shock at the death of S M Alt.

SK Tybur Rahman. Mayor of the city corporation said with the death of Ali the country has lost a dedicated journalist who used to value the ethics of jour-

Khulna Press Club and Khulna Union of Journalists (KUJ) will organise a condolence meting today at the Press Club in memory of the late journalist.

Cox's Bazar

President and General Secretary of Cox's Bazar Press Club Md Nurul Islam and Badiul Alam. Editor of a Cox's Bazar-based daily the Dainik Safkat Mahbubur Rahman and Secretary of Bangladesh Journalists' Association Cox's Bazar unit in separate statements last night expressed deep shock at the death of The Daily Star

They said that not only The Daily Star, the nation had lost a meritorious editor and the subcontinent has a lost a bright star of the journalism profes-

Prof Nurul Islam

National Professor Nurul Islam in a message said that the nation had lost an illustrious journalist who set examples of ethics in journalism in the country.

NAP National Awami Party (NAP).

chief Prof Muzaffar Ahmed

termed S M Ali as a luminary in the field of journalism and prayed for the departed soul. **Kamal Ibne Yusuf**

Health and Family Welfare

Minister Kamal Ibne Yusuf in

Restructuring of ceramic industry his message said S M Alt was a journalist of repute and also a

> Speakers at a seminar here yesterday emphasised the need for restructuring the ceramic industries in the country for producing high quality products at internationally competitive price and to boost export.

> reports BSS. They observed that due to increase of production costs in the Far East and South East Asian countries except China, Bangladesh had an opportunity to capture a big share of the export markets by improving quality and offering reasonable and competitive prices.

The seminar on 'scope and development of ceramic industifes in Bangladesh in the context of free market economy was organised by the Bangladesh Ceramic Society.

inaugurating the seminar as the chief guest Industries Minister A M Zahiruddin Khan assured the entrepreneurs that the government would provide all sorts of facilities to improve quality of ceramic products and boost export of this non-traditional item

He said an advisory committee on ceramics would be formed at the Industries Ministry in which the scientists and the industrialists would be

emphasised

tions in policy formulation. He suggested the Bangladesh Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (DCSIR) to maintain close liaison with the industries and fix their research priorities based on the needs of the industries.

included to pool their contribu-

Held at the BANSDOC auditorium at BCSIR campus the inaugural session was also addressed by BCSIR Chairman Dr M Waliuzzaman, President of the Ceramic Society Dr Safura Nurunnabi, General Secretary Dr Aftabuddin Ahmed and Deputy Managing Director of Bengal Fine Ceramics Ltd R M

Dr. Waltuzzaman said the glass and ceramic division in BCSIR was being modernised to provide research backing to the industries to improve the quality of their products as well as Increase technical efficiency

Happy Birthday

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The candidate is required to be LLM or LLB with Masters Degree in any discipline having minimum 5 (five) years' experience in specialised financial institution, investment bank, commercial bank or in a public international organisation with analytical thinking and accurate conceptual expression ability. Practical experience in the field of preparation and negotiation of financing agreements including contract and leases, documentation of various investments, company legal matters and knowledge of letter of credit operation will be preferred.

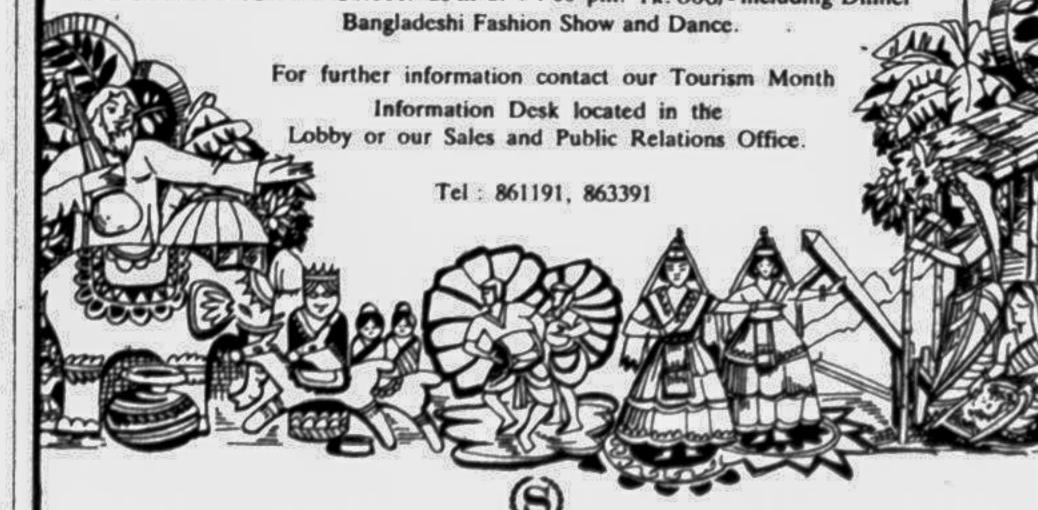
Minimum salary package will be around Tk 8400/- tax paid.

Applications with detailed CV mentioning two referees with full particulars alongwith certificate of qualifications, experience and two passport size photographs should be sent to GPO Box No. 4175 latest by 31st October 1993 inscribing post name on the envelope and contact telephone number. D-754

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