

Metropolitan

BTMC asked to sell out stockpiled clothes

The Parliamentary Standing Committee on the Ministry of Textile reviewing the overall activities of Bangladesh Textile Mills Corporation (BTMC) yesterday stressed the need for finding out ways and means to make BTMC economically viable, reports UNB.

The 25th meeting of the standing committee was held at the Jatiya Sangsad Bhaban with State Minister for Textiles Major (ret'd) Abdul Mannan in the chair.

The state minister instructed the BTMC authorities to take immediate steps to sell out the stockpiled clothes and yarn produced by the mills under the corporation.

The meeting discussed procurement of raw cotton from abroad and establishment of Nilkomal Textile Unit in Khulna as part of the Sundarban Textile Mills.

Expediting the process of voluntary retirement of officers, employees and workers under the BTMC mills by giving them full financial benefit was also discussed at the meeting.

The meeting was attended, among others, by members of parliament Abdur Rauf and Tabibur Rahman Sardar of Awami League, Shahidullah Khan and Begum Rabiya Chowdhury of BNP, and A M Riasat Ali of Jamaat-e-Islami.

Textiles Secretary A H Mufazzal Karim and the chairman of BTMC, Bangladesh Sericulture Board and Bangladesh Handloom Board were also present.

Seminar on family planning held in Khulna

Khulna, Dec 18: Jatiya Sangsad Speaker Shaikh Razak Ali stressed the need to check population boom through eradicating illiteracy to build a happy and prosperous Bangladesh, reports UNB.

The Speaker was inaugurating a day-long seminar on "Participation of the Masses in Family Planning and Mother and Child Healthcare Programme" here today.

Family Planning Directorate and Family Planning Management Development organised the seminar to mark the family planning fortnight being observed throughout the country.

Programme Director of Family Planning Management Abu Syeed presented a key-note paper at the seminar.

Khulna City Mayor Shaik Tayebur Rahman presided over the inaugural session which was also addressed by Deputy Minister for Health and Family Welfare Serajul Haq, Jatiya Sangsad Whip Ashraf Hossain, MPs of Khulna division, Director General of Family Planning Rafiquzzaman and Khulna Divisional Commissioner Abdul Mukhtar Chowdhury.

80 arrested in city

Police rounded up 80 people from different parts of the city yesterday on various charges, reports UNB.

Of the arrested, five were wanted criminals, one on charge of murder, five for stealing and one for repression on woman.



The solo exhibition of batik paintings by Kamrun Nahar was inaugurated at the Gallery Tone yesterday. Malaysian High Commissioner in Bangladesh Ahmad Fuzi Haji Abdul Razak (3rd L) Madam Khadijah and the artist (C) are seen in the picture. — Star photo

Kamrun's batik show opens

By Staff Correspondent

A ten-day solo exhibition of batik paintings by Kamrun Nahar began in the city yesterday.

The High Commissioner of Malaysia in Bangladesh, Ahmad Fuzi Haji Abdul Razak inaugurated the exhibition at the 'Gallery Tone' at 29/B Dhanmondi R/A, Road No 1.

In all, 40 pieces of Kamrun's recent Oriental works in batik are on display.

Sponsored by Gold Leaf of the Bangladesh Tobacco Company Limited, the exhibition will remain open from 10 am to 8 pm everyday till December 27.

Wife of a senior journalist, Kamrun's first solo exhibition of watercolour and batik works held at La Galerie in Dhaka was widely acclaimed by art lovers.

In his remarks at the inauguration the Malaysian High Commissioner congratulated Kamrun Nahar for putting up her second solo exhibition and particularly for choosing colour batik as a painting technique.

Ahmed Fuzi Abdul Razak described Kamrun Nahar as "an innovative and productive painter whose continuous search for perfection has brought her to increasingly new heights of achievement."

The High Commissioner said the batik cloth has its roots in millennia of creative ventures, adding that in Malaysia it is a product of the twentieth century.

Continuing he said, Kamrun Nahar appears to be a pioneer in using batik as a medium but with a distinctive Bangladeshi flavour.

Saluting the artist "in providing the cultural bridge to help bring the people of Malaysia and Bangladesh closer, the High Commissioner said, "Any Malaysian familiar with batik art could feel the cultural affinity whilst appreciating her paintings."

What's on today . . .

Carl Duisberg Samity

The Carl Duisberg Samity will hold a seminar on "The impact of privatisation and free-economy in Bangladesh" at the Goethe-Institut today (Sunday). The four-hour-long seminar will begin at 4 pm.

Discussion on Mir Mosharrif Hossain

The Bangla Academy will hold a discussion on Mir Mosharrif Hossain, a pioneer of the modern Bengali literature, today (Sunday) at 4.00 pm at the auditorium of the academy.

The discussion will be presided over by Professor Wakil Ahmed, Pro-Vice-Chancellor of Dhaka University. It will be addressed by Prof Sawkat Ali, Dr Selim Zahangir and Muhammad Nurul Huda.

Shamsuzzaman Khan will present the key-note paper.

Rotary Club of Dhaka West

The regular weekly meeting of Rotary Club of Dhaka West will be held at the Gulshan Club today (Sunday) at 5:30 pm.

Ex-cadets Association

The executive committee meeting of Bangladesh Ex-Cadets Association will be held today (Sunday) at 5.00 pm at its president's office.

Bangladesh Short Film Forum

Bangladesh Short Film Forum will accord a reception to the film maker, artists and technicians of the short film Chaka (the wheel) today (Sunday) at 4.30 pm in the Shishu auditorium of the National Museum.

Chaka, made by young Bangladeshi film maker Morshedul Islam, got two awards — International Critic Award (Fipresci) and the Inter-Film Award — held at Mannheim in Germany this year.

Lions Club of Dhaka Oriental

The regular meeting of the Lions Club of Dhaka Oriental will be held today (Sunday) at 6:00 pm at the Officer's Club, Bally Road.

Ln. Sultana Shahida Islam, President of the Club will preside over the meeting.

DU English Department

A day-long quarter-centenary seminar on Christopher Marlowe, organised by the Department of English, Dhaka University, will be held today (Sunday) at the British Council, beginning from 9.00 am.

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Zahir Raihan Film Society

A three-day long Federico Fellini Retrospective organised by the Zahir Raihan Film Society will begin from tomorrow (Monday).

A selection of Fellini's best films and a documentary on the Fellini followed by a discussion meeting will be held on the opening day at 3.30 pm at the German Cultural Centre.

Italian Ambassador Dr Claudio Pacifico will be present on the occasion as the chief guest while Director of the German Cultural Centre will attend as special guest.

Documentary "Fellini's Fiddles, Rome Burns!" will be screened at 4.00 pm, film "La Doce Vita" at 4.30 pm, and "La Strada" at 7.40 pm at the same venue.

IUS conference

A three-day conference on "Peace against Fundamentalism and Communalism" will begin tomorrow (Monday).

International Union of Students (IUS) has organised the conference. Student representatives from India, Pakistan, Nepal, Bhutan and host Bangladesh will participate in it.

During the three-day conference, the IUS will hold discussion on "Fundamentalism and Communalism" on the first day of the three-day conference, another discussion on "Education, Fundamentalism and Academic Communities" will take place on December 21.

On the concluding day, an open session will be held at TSC of Dhaka University.

HERE and THERE

BDR

The Inter-Sector Cultural Competition of Bangladesh Rifles (BDR) concluded at Peelkhana in the capital yesterday evening.

The Director General of Bangladesh Rifles, Major General Mohammad Anwar Hossain BP, PSC was present as chief guest and distributed prizes among the winners.

Ten sectors of the BDR including Dhaka Sector took part in the week-long competition. The Dhaka Sector became the champion with eight gold and four silver while Rajshahi Sector became runner-up with two gold and three silver medals.

DU Bangla Department

The teachers of the Bangla Department of Dhaka University expressed profound grief at the sudden death of Abul Hena Saduddin, a former student of the department, who died on December 14 late night.

In this connection a condolence meeting was held in the office room of the Chairman of Bangla Department today.

The teachers prayed for the salvation of the departed soul.

DUJ BSS Unit

Kazi Maksudul Hasan and Shafiqul Karim were elected

80,000 die of TB every year: B Chowdhury

Dr Badruddoza Chowdhury said yesterday dreadful Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome and tuberculosis are closely related to each other — TB is supplementary to AIDS, reports UNB.

Dr B Chowdhury informed the function that about 80,000 people died in this country of tuberculosis every year while it affected one lakh more.

Though tuberculosis is a curable disease, it is also becoming dreadful through the spread of AIDS, said the Deputy Leader of the House while addressing the inaugural session of a day-long council of National Anti-Tuberculosis Association of Bangladesh (NATAB) at the Planning and Development Academy auditorium.

"Tuberculosis accelerated the death rate among the HIV-affected patients," he cautioned and said there are 46 lakh TB patients in our country. "If, unfortunately, AIDS spreads in this region, then it would be simply a disaster."

"There is curable medicine of TB, and the developed world is almost immune from this disease. But in our country, it is

Office-bearers of greater Dhaka Samity

Information Minister Barrister Nazmul Huda was unanimously elected President of greater Dhaka Samity at its biennial conference held here Friday, reports BSS.

State Minister for Civil Aviation and Tourism Abdul Mannan and Harun-or-Rashid Khan Monnu, MP were elected senior vice-presidents and advocate ABM Waliur Rahman Khan was elected secretary general unopposed.

A 121-member new central executive committee was also formed at the conference for the 1994-95 terms.

The reports on previous year's activities and accounts were placed and newly-formed central executive committee was declared at the conference which was presided over, by Barrister Nazmul Huda.

still a dangerous disease only for ignorance," said Dr Chowdhury. "TB is a fully curable disease now... within 6 to 9 months, a TB patient can be cured with proper treatment and information can help a lot in fight against the disease," he said.

But AIDS is not curable, only its spread can be prevented by sex education and use of condoms, said the Doctor.

He said the workers of NATAB could play a vital role in making people aware about TB and also about AIDS. But there had been lapses.

He suggested NATAB officials to replace 50 per cent of their existing workers with freshers for that job and to open a women cell to motivate rural women.

Dr Chowdhury stressed the need for making video film, posters, stickers and arranging motivational meetings for mass awareness about the two killer diseases — TB and AIDS.

He said electronic media also could play a vital role in the dissemination of information about AIDS and TB as they reach the grass-root level of society and the illiterate can understand the media.

Anniversary of Patwari's death today

The 9th death anniversary of noted journalist Nurul Islam Patwari will be observed today, says a press release.

In this connection a milad mahfil will be held at the deceased's residence at 1133/A, Baitul Aman Housing Society, Ring Road, Shyamoli after Asr prayers.

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DHAKA UNIVERSITY: Applications in

prescribed form obtainable from the office of the Registrar are invited for a permanent post of "Secretary" in the office of the Director, Institute of Nutrition and Food Science in the pay scale of Tk 2850-125-3725-EB-130-5155/- with other usual allowances as admissible under the rules. Candidates must have 2nd class Master's degree with at least 5 (five) years experience in administration, report writing and conversant with financial rules. Higher initial salary may be considered for highly experienced candidate.

Eight copies of application along with the attested copies of certificates and testimonials together with a Bank Draft/Pay Order of Tk 30/- (thirty) only payable to the Registrar and Food Science on or before 30-12-93.

Candidates already in service must apply through proper channel. D-908

বাংলাদেশ ট্যারিফ কমিশন

১ম ১২ তলা সরকারী অফিস ভবন ১২ তলা, সেগুন বাগিচা ঢাকা।

দরপত্র আহ্বান

বিশ্ব ব্যাংকের আর্থিক সহযোগিতায় বাংলাদেশ ট্যারিফ কমিশনের প্রতিষ্ঠানিক কাঠামো শক্তিশালী করার লক্ষ্যে আইটিসি-২ প্রকল্পের প্রাথমিক নিম্নোক্ত দরপত্র আহ্বান করা যাচ্ছে:

Table with 3 columns: ক্রমিক নং, পণ্যের নাম, পরিমাণ. It lists items like 'এয়ার কন্ডিশনার (স্পিষ্ট টাইপ)', 'ফটোকপিয়ার মেশিন (হেভি ডিউটি)', etc.

শর্তাবলী:

- (১) দরপত্রসমূহ ০১-১৪ ইং তারিখ বেলা ১২-০০ টায় উপরোক্ত ঠিকানায় রক্ষিত টেন্ডার বাক্সে ফেলিতে হবে এবং ঐ দিনই বেলা ১২-০০ মিনিট উপস্থিত দরপত্রদাতার বা তাহাদের প্রতিনিধি (যদি থাকেন) সম্মুখে দরপত্র খোলা হবে। (২) সচিব, বাংলাদেশ ট্যারিফ কমিশন, ঢাকা-এর অনুমুখে যে কোন তফসিলি ব্যাংক হইতে ব্যাংক ড্রাফট/পে-অর্ডার আকারে ২% বায়নার টাকা দরপত্রের সাথে দাখিল করিতে হইবে। (৩) বাহার দরপত্র গ্রহণ করা হইবে তাহাকে অবশ্যই কার্যকর জারীর ২০ দিনের মধ্যে উপরোক্ত মালমালগুলি কমিশনের অফিসে নিজ ব্যয়ে পৌঁছাইতে হইবে, অন্যথায় বায়নার টাকা বাজেয়াবত করা হইবে। (৪) কমিশন কার্য সম্পাদনা ছাড়া যে কোন দরপত্র গ্রহণ বা বাতিল অথবা সকল দরপত্র বাতিল করার ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।

দুসুল ইসলাম সচিব। S-510

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prescribed form obtainable from the office of the Registrar are invited for filling up two Physical Instructor (one permanent and another one temporary) in the office of the Physical Director in the pay scale of Tk 2850-125-3725-EB-130-5155/-

Candidates for the said two posts should have Bachelor with BP Ed degree and should have proficiency in any two major games. They should have ability in conducting and organising competitive games in the University. Preference may be given to trained, experienced Referees/Umpires/Coach along with other degrees.

In addition to the above mentioned qualifications, the candidates for one of the posts should have special proficiency in Hockey and for the other post the candidates should have proficiency in Cricket.

Candidates must be within 35 years of age on 15-11-1993. Eight copies of application along with the attested copies of certificates and testimonials together with a Bank Draft/Pay Order of Tk 30/- (Thirty) only payable to the Registrar should reach him on or before the 30-12-1993.

Candidates already in service must apply through proper channel. D-909

Sonali Bank Computer Division

Head Office Dhaka

Tender Notice

Sealed tenders are hereby invited from the internationally reputed computer manufacturer/their agents/authorized dealers and distributors in Bangladesh for supply and installation of (A) one Micro Computer System, along with required cables and connectors, at International Division-3, Sonali Bank, Head Office (2nd Floor), Dhaka and (B) one Micro Computer System, along with required cables, connectors and Aircooler at Sonali Bank, Wage Earners' Branch, 62, Dilkusha Commercial Area, Dhaka (both IBM compatible) as per following specification:

A. MICRO COMPUTER SYSTEM FOR INTERNATIONAL DIVISION-3

Table with 2 columns: SRL DESCRIPTION, QUANTITY. It lists hardware items like Processor, RAM, Monitor, Printer, UPS, Voltage Stabilizer, Power Extension Board, Software, etc.

B. MICRO COMPUTER SYSTEM FOR WAGE EARNERS' BRANCH, DHAKA

Table with 2 columns: SRL DESCRIPTION, QUANTITY. It lists hardware items like Processor, RAM, Monitor, Printer, UPS, Voltage Stabilizer, Power Extension Board, Data Switch, Air Cooler, Software, etc.

C. Bidders must enclose Payment Order/Bank Draft equivalent to 5% of the quoted price as earnest money (Refundable) from any Scheduled Bank in Bangladesh with the offer favouring "Sonali Bank, Head Office." Offer without earnest money will be rejected and will disqualify the entire bid.

D. There must be warranty for hardware and software for a period of at least one year from the date of commission of the computer system at respective Division or Branch.

E. The bidders should be in a position to supply and install all hardware and softwares within 30 (thirty) days from issuing date of work order by Sonali Bank.

F. Tenders must be submitted in two separate sealed envelopes, mentioning names of Division/Branch on the envelope, in the tender box to be kept at Computer Division, Sonali Bank, Head Office (6th Floor), Dhaka on December 29, 1993 within 3 PM after which no tender will be accepted.

G. All tenders received will be opened on the same day at 3.15 PM in presence of Vendors (if any).

H. Bank authority will not be bound to accept the lowest tender and will reserve the right to reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason therefor.

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STAR-TV NETWORK Sunday 19th December (All programmes in local time)

BBC programme schedule: 6 am BBC World Service News, 6.25 World News Week, 7.00 BBC World Service News, 7.25 Open Space, 7.50 BBC World Service News, 8.00 The Clothes Show, 8.25 BBC World Service News, 8.50 Killy, 9.25 BBC World Service News, 9.50 Film 93, 10.00 BBC World Service News, 10.25 BBC World Service News, 10.50 India Business Report, 11.25 BBC World Service News, 12.00 BBC World Service News, 12.25 BBC World Service News, 1.00 The Late Show, 1.25 BBC World Service News, 1.50 BBC World Service News, 2.00 Germany Means Business, 2.25 BBC World Service News, 2.50 BBC World Service News, 3.25 BBC World Service News, 4.00 Bercham, 4.25 BBC World Service News, 4.50 Food and Drink, 5.25 BBC World Service News, 5.50 BBC World Service News, 6.00 BBC World Service News, 6.25 BBC World Service News, 6.50 BBC World Service News, 7.00 BBC World Service News, 7.25 BBC World Service News, 7.50 BBC World Service News, 8.00 BBC World Service News, 8.25 BBC World Service News, 8.50 BBC World Service News, 9.00 BBC World Service News, 9.25 BBC World Service News, 9.50 BBC World Service News, 10.00 BBC World Service News, 10.25 BBC World Service News, 10.50 BBC World Service News, 11.00 BBC World Service News, 11.25 BBC World Service News, 11.50 BBC World Service News, 12.00 BBC World Service News, 12.25 BBC World Service News, 1.00 BBC World Service News, 1.25 BBC World Service News, 1.50 BBC World Service News, 2.00 BBC World Service News, 2.25 BBC World Service News, 2.50 BBC World Service News, 3.00 BBC World Service News, 3.25 BBC World Service News, 3.50 BBC World Service News, 4.00 BBC World Service News, 4.25 BBC World Service News, 4.50 BBC World Service News, 5.00 BBC World Service News, 5.25 BBC World Service News.

PLUS programme schedule: 6 am The Little Flying Bears, 6.30 Eric's World, 7.00 Size Small, 7.30 Gift of Winter, 8.00 Papa Bear's Story Time, 8.30 Animated Classics: Westward Ho, 9.30 The Oprah Winfrey Show: "Where Am I Going To Live?", 10.30 The India Show, 11.00 The Best of Donahue: Program With Easting Disorders: Starving Yourself And Your Unborn, 12 Noon Movie: "A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court", 3.00 Revers, 4.00 El Features, 4.30 The Nightmares Before Xmas, 5.00 El News Week In Review, 5.30 In The Picture, 6.00 Hooperman, 6.30 Christmas Special: "Supermodel Of The World 1993", 8.30 London's Burning In The Picture, 9.30 Movie: "The Man In The Santa Claus Suit", 12.30 VideoFashion News: Paris Postcard, 1.00 Neighbours, 1.30 Movie: "The Man In The Santa Claus Suit", 3.30 Young Doctors, 4.00 VideoFashion News: Here Comes The Grump, 5.00 The Magic Box.

MTV programme schedule: 7am MTV Documentary: Meta-Ica, 7.30 MTV in Rock, 8.00 Tokyo Music Update, 8.30 VJ Angela Chow, 11.00 Big Picture, 11.30 Liquid TV, 12 Noon MTV Top 20 Video Countdown Europe, 2.00 MTV Top 20 Video Countdown Asia, 4.00 MTV Unplugged: Joe Cocker, 6.30 MTV Unplugged: Joe Cocker, 7.00 Classic MTV, 8.00 MTV Chinese Top 20, 9.00 MTV Heart and Soul, 9.30 Angela, 10.00 MTV Top 20 Video Countdown USA, 12.30 Liquid TV, 1.00 Week in Rock, 1.30 VJ Angela Chow, 3.00 H/L Alicante, Spain, 4.00 Awake On The Wild Side, 4.30 Angela Chow.

PRIME sports programme schedule: 6 am Baseball's Greatest Games 1987, 8.00 World Rhythmic Gymnastics Championships, 9.00 H/L Alicante, Spain, 9.30 FINA Short Course Swimming Champs, 10.00 From Palma de Mallorca, 10.30 IAAF World Marathon Cup San Sebastian, Spain, 11.00 Johnnie Walker 1993 World Championships, 11.30 Tyrrell Golf & Beach Club, Jamaica Day 3, 1.00 Qatar International Doha, Qatar, 2.00 Trans World Sport, 3.00 European Soccer, 4.00 World Rhythmic Gymnastics Championships, 5.00 H/L Alicante, Spain, 5.30 FINA Short Course Swimming Champs, 6.00 From Palma de Mallorca, 6.30 IAAF World Marathon Cup San Sebastian, Spain, 7.00 Baseball's Greatest Games, 7.30 Wintersports World, 8.00 World Open Karachi, Pakistan.

Zee TV programme schedule: 8 am Jaagran, 8.30 Baatein Sath Ki, 9.00 Cartoon, 9.30 Cartoon, 10.00 Daak Ghar, 10.30 Aap Ki Adalat, 11.00 Saajan Sajni, 11.30 Khana Khazana, 12.00 Ganga Anjanee, 12.30 Koi Jeeta Koi Haara, 1.00 Manasi, 1.30 Galazee, 2.00 Tol Mol Ke Bol, 2.30 Chumka Anant, 3.00 The Dream Merchants, 3.30 Saanp Seedi, 4.00 Philips Top 10, 4.30 Mubashara, 5.00 Sports World, 5.30 Ter Kamaan, 6.00 Jung-E-Quavali, 6.30 Hollywood Ki Baatein, 7.00 Sa Re Ga Ma Pa, 7.30 Sa Re Ga Ma Pa, 10.30 Fiscal Fitness, 11.00 Khabusoorat, 11.30 Gaata Rahe Mera Dil, 12.00 Zee Horror Show, 12.30 Shakti, 1.00 Sa Re Ga Ma Pa, 1.30 Close Down.