Omar Barry

Watanabe

meet Hasina

Omar Barry yesterday made a

courtesy call on Leader of the

Opposition Sheikh Hasina at

her parliament chamber, re-

They discussed matters of

mutual interest and reviewed

bilateral issues, party sources

Earlier, UNDP Resident

ports UNB.

said.

Saudi Ambassador, Abdullah

Viva Seminar!

by Nil Ratan Hawldar

MY MISTAKE

BUT NOBODY SEEMED

If high-level meetings, seminars, symposia, workshops etc are an indication of development - intellectual and the overall one of the country - then Bangladesh surely should be ranked among the advanced nations. Have you ever tried to seek an appointment with a person holding an important position or simply to have a telephonic conversation? Unless you vourself are not a big shot, chances are that out of 100 tries. 99 times you are rebuffed with the customary answer "Sahib or sir is in a meeting, attending a seminar or in a work shop."

The new-found popularity of such august

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ON GRAGGROOTS PARTICIPATION

gatherings has been in conformity with the jealous defence of development by a more enlightened class enjoying the benefits of powers and privileges of positions. Each one of these sessions is branded as a brianstorming and intellectually stimulating exercise. Of course, all the time accompanied with sumptuous dishes and detailed elaborate programmes.

Under eve-catching headlines, these gatherings try, with an effort, to project about them an aura of special erudition.

This is of course the outward look but sometimes those meets betray an air of pomposity without substance. Or, even the excuses are just resorted to to avoid undesirable calls and unwanted visitors. Then, of course, the number of desirable visitors is few and far between. The number of meetings, seminars, symposia, workshops and gatherings of such interactions is bound to be staggering. The recommendations put forth can flood the entire country. By the time the country should have become either an El Dorado or sunk under the weight of the lofty ideas put on it. Surprisingly, neither has happened.

Secretaries

take over

charges

A H Mofazzal Karim has

Before joining the Commerce

taken over the charge of the

Ministry of Commerce as secre-

Ministry he was the Secretary of

the Ministry of Textiles. The

outgoing Commerce Secretary.

Sved Ahmed has been ap-

pointed a member of the

Mohammad Abu Hena took

over as 'Secretary of the Jute

Ministry on Monday. Former

Jute Secretary M Akhtar Ali was

transferred as the Agriculture

accorded vesterday to the new

Jute Secretary Mohammad Abu

Hena by the officers and staff of

the Jute Ministry in Bangladesh

Meanwhile, a reception was

Secretary earlier this month.

Planning Commission.

Secretariat

tary yesterday, reports UNB.

The common man is where he was i.e nowhere. But every fertile brain is concerned with the welfare of this small and unassuming. non-entity of a human being. The seminars on development and social programmes go on exploring new horizons and areas of poverty alleviation. The closed-door sessions come up with more and more innovative ideas - all meant to improve the lot of the poor. The marathon meetings give the participants the satisfaction that at least they are doing something important for the nation.

Some sahibs have their seminars and symposia galore round the year. Office works have

simply become secondary to their preoccupation with such functions. It is perhaps time Bangladesh thought of a few new posts for each office that matters. These posts will exclusively be occupied by experts in meetings and seminars - not necessarily in this or that subject. Better, each one of them will be a Jack (Jill?) of all trades. The only quality

they will have to possess demonstrably is the show of expert knowledge without being deeply conversant with any subject. The other quality they will require is a good physique, a capability to sit for hours on end without betraying any sign of irritation or disgust and of course a voracious appetite for rich food to please the organisers.

Let us call them seminar or symposium men or women. They will go on attending the endless numbers of such meets and, gracefully, the offices will not have to spend much on them. After each session of their performance, their coffer will grow fatter. If the duty's call is from abroad, the seminar men or women will return enormously richer. Vive seminar!

He gave an assurance that

Rahman urged the insurance

the Finance Ministry would

make available additional funds

to form the proposed re-insur-

companies to act as "develop-

ment agents" and make use of

their idle money through

channeling the same for setting

up industries and productive

Shamsul Islam, Chairman of

the Green Delta Insurance Co-

mpany Shafat Ahmed Chow-

dhury and the Managing

Director of the company Nasir

Ahmed Chowdhury also ad-

dressed the function held at a

scribed the country's economic

situation as "stable" and said

the economic fundamentals

were now in complete harmony. He said the policies and reform

programmes undertaken by the

present government had created

lead the nation to attaining better economic growth rate.

higher investments and genera-

Bhutanese envoy

meets Huda

rrister Nazmul Huda said

yesterday that Bangladesh's re-

lations with Bhutan would be

further strengthened in the

days ahead in the spirit of

was talking to Bhutanese

Ambassador to Bangladesh

The information minister

SAARC, reports BSS.

Information Minister Ba-

tion of employments.

This, he said, is expected to

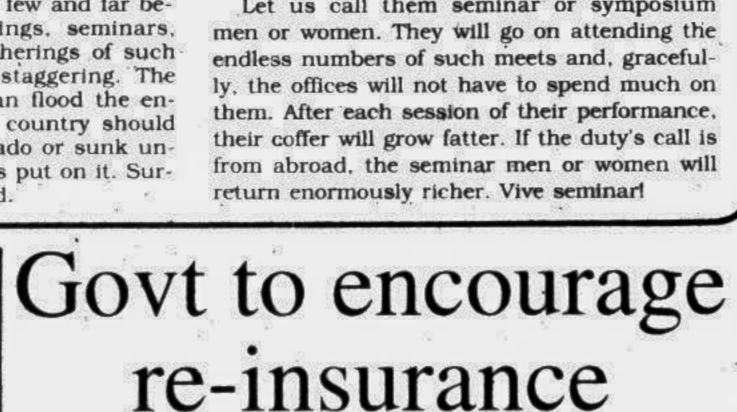
an "enabling environment."

The Finance Minister de-

Commerce Minister M

ance company.

city hotel.



company: Saifur

Finance Minister M Saifur

Rahman Monday said that the

setting up of a re-insurance

company having sound finan-

cial basis would be encouraged

by the government, reports

can be formed combining both

the public and private sector

concerns in the sector, the

Finance Minister said while ad-

dressing a reception accorded to

him on his becoming the

Chairman of the Board of

Governor of the World bank and

the International Monetary

Fund (IMF) by the Green Delta

Insurance Company.

The re-insurance company



The visiting SAARC Secretary General Yadav Kant Silwal called on Prime Minister Begum -PID photo Khaleda Zia at her office yesterday.

BSC earns Tk 71cr during last fiscal

The Bangladesh Shipping Rahman (BNP), Nazir Hussain Corporation (BSC) earned Tk 71 crore in the last fiscal year by carrying 69 lakh tons of Shambhu (AL) and Khalilur cargoes in its own liner services, reports BSS.

BSC also earned Tk 6 crore 66 lakh by carrying 5483 containers in its Bangladesh-Singapore feeder service from January to December of 1993. The corporation also earned Tk 105 crore and 52 lakh from its chartering services during the same period.

This was revealed at the 26th meeting of the Standing Committee on the Ministry of Shipping at the Jatiya Sangsad Bhaban yesterday with Shipping Minister M K Anwar in the chair.

Deputy Minister for Shipping A Q M Zahirul Haq and other members of the committee Alamgir Haider Khan (BNP), Begum Selina

Tk 100cr road

construction

project for

Chittagong

ds and Highways Department

with the help of Asian De-

velopment Bank has started

constructing new roads and

developing the existing ones of

201 kilometres at the cost of

Taka one hundred crore in the

islands and coastal areas under

the Cyclone Rehabilitation

last December, is expected to

be completed by August, 1995:

vesterday at a review meeting

of the ongoing development

activities of the Roads and

Highways Department. Presi-

ded over by the Communi

cations Minister Oli Ahmad,

the meeting was attended by

Weather

(Wednesday).

Celsius at Srimangal

(Thursday) at 6:43 am.

yesterday were:

Towns/Cities

No change in temperature

By Staff Correspondent

over Bangladesh in the next 12 hours commencing 6 am today

occur over the country, the Met Office forecasts.

Dry weather with a partly cloudy sky is likely to continue

No appreciable change in the night temperature is likely to

The country's highest temperature of 26.7 degrees Celsius

The sun sets today at 5.35 pm and rises tomorrow

The maximum and the minimum temperature and relative

Temperature in

humidity of some of the major towns and the cities as recorded

was recorded yesterday at Teknaf while the lowest of 7.6 degrees

The work, which started in

This was disclosed here

Protect, reports BSS.

an official handout said.

the senior officials.

CHITTAGONG, Jan 18: Roa-

(BNP), Mesbah Uddin (AL). Advocate Dhirendra Debnath Rahman Chowdhury (JP) attended the meeting.

Shipping Secretary M Waliul Islam, Managing Director, BSC, and senior officials of the Ministry of Shipping and BSC were present on the occasion.

The meeting which discussed at length different activities of BSC, was informed that at present BSC has 18 vessels including two lighterage oil tankers. The government is trying to collect 13 additional vessels for BSC in the current Fourth Five-Year Plan period.

The Shipping Minister and members of the committee advised the officials to intensify their activities for making BSC commercially viable.

JS body on Works Ministry meet held The 23rd meeting of the

parliamentary standing committee on the Ministry of Works was held at Sangsad Bhaban yesterday, reports UNB.

The meeting, which reviewed the progress of the decisions taken at the earlier meeting, was presided over by Works Minister Barrister Rafigul Islam Mia.

Reports made by the subcommittees on the abandoned property and the Nilkunja residential projects of the Rajuk were also discussed in the meeting.

The meeting was attended. among others, by ATM Alamgir MP, Keramat Ali Talukder MP. Dr Serajul Haq MP. Ahsanul Haq Mollah MP (BNP) Kazi Abdur Rashid MP, Prof Abdul Quddus MP (AL), Shahjahan Chowdhury MP (Jamaat). Abdur Rashid Sarker (JP).

Madrassah team meets Biswas

President Abdur Rahman Biswas said here yesterday that the present government had been trying its best to remove illiteracy and alleviate poverty from the country, reports BSS.

President Biswas was talking to a 19-member delegation of Patuakhali Waizia Alia (Dakhil) Madrassah and Waiziabad Mostafabia Alia (Fazil) Madrassah under Patuakhali district when it called on him at Bangabhaban. The delegation was led by Maulana Shah Mohammad Nizamul Haq, secretary of the institutions.

President Biswas said, our economic backwardness is due to the prevailing illfteracy in the country. He said that without mass literacy no sustainable economic development was possible. Therefore, all of us should lend total support to the government programmes for mass education.

Edn week prize-giving ceremony

RAJSHAHI, Jan 18: State Minister for Land Kabir Hossain today said the nation was marching ahead under the leadership of Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia and added that the BNP government was working hard for making the country prosperous, reports BSS.

The minister said this while addressing divisional education week prize giving ceremony held in the local Teachers Training College auditorium.

Enamul Haq, Principal of the college, presided over the function. Advocate kamrul Munir and Salahuddin Baby among others, spoke on the occasion.

Earlier, Kabir Hossain formally opened the union parishad bhaban at Haragram and Tetulia Non-government Primary School at Hujuripara

various important posts at home and abroad. He is married and has four Representative Eimi Watanabe called on the Leader of the children. Opposition at her office. Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim

Alhadar made

new Indonesian

envoy

been appointed the new Indo-

nesian Ambassador to Bangla-

sent his credentials to Presi-

dent Abdur Rahman Biswas.

desh, reports UNB.

Hadi A Wayarabi Alhadar has

Alhadar is expected to pre-

A career diplomat, Alhadar

joined the foreign service of

Indonesia in 1968. He held

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প্রভাষক/প্রভাষিকা আবশ্যক

ঢাকার উত্তরায় অবস্থিত একটি সুপ্রতিষ্ঠিত "সুল ও কলেজঃ এর পঞ্চম থেকে দ্বাদশ শ্রেণীর জন্য জকরী চিভিতে নিম্নলিখিত বিষয়সমূহে প্রভাষক/প্রভাষিকা নিয়োগ করা হবে विষয়সমূহ - वाःला, इःरत्ने, श्रार्थ, त्रशायन, श्राणीविष्णा, উद्धिपविष्णा, वावश्वाशना

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শ্রেণীপ্রাপ্ত হতে হবে। বিশেষ ক্ষেত্রে এস. এস. সি থেকে স্নাতকোত্তর পর্যন্ত যে কোন এক পর্যায়ে দিতীয় বিভাগ/শ্রেণী না থাকলেও চলবে।অভিজ্ঞতা অগ্রগণ্য।।

প্রাথীবৃদ্দকে লিখিত পরীক্ষা, সাক্ষাৎকার ও পর্যবেক্ষণক্লাশের সম্বুখীন হতে হবে

যোগ্যপ্রাথীদের জন্য বেতন ও ভাতা আকর্ষণীয়

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যোগ্যতা ও অভিজ্ঞতার মূল সনদপত্রের সত্যায়িত অনুলিপি এবং প্রথম শ্রেণীর পেজেটেড অফিসার কর্তৃক প্রদত্ত চারিত্রিক সনদপত্র সংযুক্ত করতে হবে (অসম্পূর্ণ দরখান্ত বাতিল বলে গণ্য হবে)। চাক্রীরত প্রাথীদের ক্ষেত্রে বিভাগীয় কর্তপক্ষের মাধ্যমে আবেদন করতে হবে। ক**লেজ কর্ত্তপক্ষ** কোন কারণ দর্শানো ছাড়াই যে কোন দরখান্ত বাতিল করতে পারেন এবং নিয়োগের ব্যাপারে অধ্যক্তের

বিবেচনাই চড়ান্ত বলে বিবৈচিত হবে। প্রাথীদের ভাকঠিকানা লিখিত ও ছয় টাকার অব্যবহৃত ডাক টিকিট সম্বলিত খাম (১ "x8") এবং যাবতায় প্রমাণপত্রসহ আবেদনপত্র আগামী ২৮/১/৯৪ তারিখের মধ্যে নিমঠিকানায় পৌছাতে হবে লিখিত পরীক্ষা হবে আগামী ০৩/০২/১৪

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To commemorate Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day, an American holiday in honour of the slain civil rights leader and Nobel laureate, a multi-media programme was held on Monday at the American Cultural Centre in Dhaka. Ms Olivia P L Hilton, Director of the ACC, is seen USIS photo inaugurating the programme

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51 arrested on various charges

Police rounded up 51 people from different parts of the city on various charges in last 24 hours, a DMP press release said vesterday, reports UNB



Wednesday 4 30 Opening announcement Al-Quran Programme summary News in Bangla Bichitranushthan

4.45 Educational programme. 5.25 Let s Watch Programme by tribal artistes: Banoful Open University 7.25 Tagore Songs

News in Bangla 8.00 8.30 Anirban Shikha Film show The A-Team 9.05 News in English 10.30 Nrettaver Talee Talee 10.55 Prottasha

Closing

11.30

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Tomorrow's programme

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ACC programmes on Luther King's anniversary of birth

The American Cultural Centre (ACC) here Monday organised a programme to commemorate the birth anniver sary of American civil rights movement leader Dr Martin Luther King Jr. reports BSS.

tled "the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr" was put on display in the centre auditorium which will continue throughout the month.

The programme included

showing of two short video shows on the life of Dr King and his contributions to the civil rights movement.

Besides, a poster show enti-

The American Cultural Centre Library has arranged a display of book exhibition entitled "books on Dr Martin Luther King Jr and Human Rights." The exhibition began on January 9 will conclude on January 20.

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