

156 held for blasting, selling crackers

A total of 156 people were arrested from different parts of the city on charges of selling and blasting crackers on the occasion of holy Shab-e-Barat Thursday night, reports UNB.

Ten people were arrested for selling crackers while 146 others for engaging themselves in fireworks and blasting crackers. All the arrested people were produced before the court.

Earlier, in a notice, DMP warned the city dwellers not to carry, sell or blast any crackers which might mar the sanctity of the holy Shab-e-Barat.

Police rounded up 32 people from different parts of the city in last 24 hours on various charges.

The arrested, including four charged with robbery, one under the Arms Act and eight for stealing, were produced before the court.

Annual azan qirat competition of Navy held

The annual azan and qirat competitions of the Bangladesh Navy concluded at the BNS Haji Mohsin Mosque at Dhaka Cantonment after the Jumma prayers yesterday says a press release.

MAB Siddique L/REN (S/Moazzam), M A Bari ME-1 (Flotilla) and M J Uddin L/MA (Mohsin) secured the first three positions in the azan competition while M Abdulla Top-1(NHQ) M H Rashid CK-1 (Issa Khan) and MO Farooq AB (Issa Khan) became first, second and third in the qirat competition respectively.

Chief of the Naval Staff Rear Admiral Muhammad Mohsinul Islam witnessed the final day's events as the chief guest and later gave away the prizes.



Professor Badruddoza Chowdhury, Deputy Leader of the House, speaking at a seminar titled 'Women in Politics' at Sonargaon Hotel yesterday. Seen seated (R to L) are Nilufer Sultan, Dr Nazma Chowdhury, Sarwari Rahman, State Minister for Women Affairs, Nargis Khan, Selima Ahmed and Ferdousi Haque.

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Obituary

Former Joint Secretary M A Karim died here in the early hours of Thursday following a heart attack. He was 60, reports BSS.

Karim, a valiant freedom fighter, had taken active part in the War of Liberation in 1971.

He was buried at the martyred intellectuals graveyard at Mirpur Thursday.

He left behind his wife and two sons.

The quikhwani of the deceased will be held at his Uttara residence at house-38, road-3, sector-4 after Asr prayers today.

Chairman of National Awami Party (Bhasan) and senior Advocate of Bangladesh Supreme Court Mujibur Rahman died of heart diseases at the Suhrawardy Hospital early yesterday. He was 65, reports BSS.

Rahman, a close associate of Maulana Abdul Hamid Khan Bhashani, played an active role during the country's Liberation War in the year 1971.

His quikhwani will be held after Asr prayers on Monday at his Elephant Road residence.

He was involved in a number of social welfare organisations, including Bangladesh Mukul Fouj, Bangladesh Andha Kalyan Samity, Shishu Kishore Federation, Bangladesh Shishu Kalyan Parishad and Dhanmondi Hawkers Market.

B Chy for grooming women leadership

Deputy Leader in Parliament Prof A Q M Badruddoza Chowdhury yesterday called upon the country's women to take part in politics to build up women leadership for solving their problems through political decisions, reports UNB.

"Without political decisions, you can never solve social, economical, educational or any other problems of your community," he said while addressing the inaugural session of a two-day seminar on "Women in Politics" at a local hotel in the morning.

Prof B Chowdhury emphasised on grooming women leadership from the grassroots level, saying "otherwise there will be leadership gap in the long run."

He asked the progressive section of the women community to build up the leadership from all walks of life to ensure mass participation of women in politics.

State Minister for Women's Affairs Begum Sarwari Rahman was the special guest at the inaugural function of the seminar organised by Dhaka Business and Professional Women's Club. The function was also addressed, among

others, by Nargis Khan, Ferdousi Ali, Dr Najma Chowdhury and Nilufer Sultan.

Prof B Chowdhury urged women to take active part in politics to change the overall political environment of the country.

"Don't hate politics," he said. "Only politics can initiate the overall development of women at every level. Every child has to go to school, every woman should be educated and have their individual rights — these are all political decisions."

He said it is unique that the country's Prime Minister and Leader of the Opposition in Parliament are both women. But it does not prove that participation of women in politics is very high. "Women's participation in politics is about one per cent or less than that."

Prof B Chowdhury told the women participants at the seminar to be more vocal in establishing their political rights.

Mentioning the role of women community, he said: "They are 50 per cent of the population ... they voted in every elections and reflected their will in decision-making."



Col (Retd) A Malek, DCC's mayoral candidate of Jatiya Party, addressing a public meeting at Bangabandhu Avenue yesterday.

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What's on today . . .

Norplant Day

The Norplant Day will be observed today (Saturday) throughout the country.

In this connection a discussion meeting will be held at 10 am at the Family Planning Directorate, Azimpur.

Ananya Sangskriti Andolon

Ananya Sangskriti Andolon will hold a seminar on "honest, skilled and brave administration is the pre-condition for national uplift" today (Saturday) at the National Book Centre Auditorium at 4 pm.

National Professor Dewan Mohammad Azraf will be present as chief guest.

Poetry recital evening

The Performing Arts Centre has arranged a poetry recital evening at the Biswa Sahitya Kendra auditorium today (Saturday) at 4 pm.

Poems by Rejauldin Stalim will be read at the programme.

Novelist Rahat Khan will chair the programme while Commerce Secretary Mofazzal Karim will be present as chief guest. Poet Farooq Alamgir, poet Abdul Mannan Syed, poet Rafiq Azad will attend it as special guests.

Mominul Reza's painting exhibition

Fifth solo painting exhibition of renowned artist Mominul Reza will begin today (Saturday) at Gallery Tone in Dhanmondi.

Noted playwright and critic Sayeed Ahmed will inaugurate the exposition at 5 pm at Gallery Tone in House No 29/B, Road No 1, Dhanmondi.

The exposition will remain open to the spectators till February 7 from 10 am to 8 pm, said a press release.

Rotary Club of Sonargaon Dhaka

The eighth regular weekly meeting of the provisional Rotary Club of Sonargaon Dhaka will be held today (Saturday) at 5:30 pm at Hotel Purbani International, Dhaka.

PGD Rtn Mustafa Zamir Abbasi, PHF, a noted musician, will speak on "Folk Heritage of Bangladesh" as guest speaker.

Bangladesh Sangbadpatra Parishad

An emergency meeting of the enlisted advertising agencies of Bangladesh Sangbadpatra Parishad will be held here today (Saturday) at 3:30 pm at office of UNB Chief Editor and Managing Director Enayetullah Khan.

Documentary film on Alamgir Kabir

The first screening of a video documentary on the life and works of late Alamgir Kabir, a noted personality of the country's cine culture and journalism, will be held on February 2 at the German Cultural Centre at 5 pm, reports UNB.

The documentary film entitled "Counter Image: Portrait of an Author" was made by Kawtar Chowdhury recently.

Prof Nurjahan awarded gold medal

Bangladesh Association of Women Scientists has awarded gold medal to Prof Nurjahan Sarker of the Department of Zoology, Dhaka University for her outstanding research work in environment and wildlife management, reports UNB.

Prof Sarker did her MSc in Zoology from Dhaka University and PhD in wildlife from Bordeaux University, France.

Notice Inviting Tenders

Tender No. 22/1993-94

1. Name of work

Repair of TB Clinic and Repair and Re-constrn. of compound road attached to TB Clinic at Bholia.

2. Estimated cost Tk. 4,33,275/-

3. Earnest money Tk. 8,666/-

4. Last date of selling of tender form 5-2-94 up to office hours

Up to 12:00 Noon of 6-2-94.

5. Date of receiving of the tender

Up to 12:00 Noon of 6-2-94.

6. Place of selling and receiving tender documents

Office of the executive Engineer, PWD Division, Bholia.

7. Eligibility of contractor Special Class-I and Class-II/III approved Bldg. contractors/Firms under Public Works Department.

8. All other information may be seen from the office of the undersigned and above mentioned offices during office hours.

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Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Bholia.

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Notice of RHD Inviting Tenders

1. Tender Notice No. 65 of 1993-94 of Jessor Road Division.

2. Name of work Reconstruction of pavement at different KMs of Jessor-Narail Road under Jessor Road Division during 1993-94.

Tk 32,00,000/-

Tk 64,000/-

30 (thirty) days.

4. Estimated cost A to C class under general category of RHD.

5. Earnest money Office of the Executive Engineer, (RHD) Road Division, Jessor/Jenidah/Kushia/Kulna/Planning & Design (RHD) Division, Boyra, Khulna/Planning & Programming, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka & all Sub-Divisional Engineers' office under Road Division, Jessor.

6. Time allowed for completion of work

7. Eligibility of contractor A to C class under general category of RHD.

8. Name of officers of availability of tender documents

9. Name of officers by whom tender will be received.

10. Last date & time for receiving tender Up to 12:30 PM on 6-2-94 Eng/24.10.1400 Bangla

11. Date and time for opening tender At 12:45 PM on 6-2-94 Eng/24.10.1400 Bangla

12. Executive Engineer (RHD)

Road Division, Jessor

Government of Bangladesh Office of the Executive Engineer, RHD CHT Workshop Division, Rangamati

Notice of RHD Inviting Tender

1. Tender Notice No. 63 (Sixty three)/RHD, 1993-94 dt 17-01-94 Eng/04-10-1400 Bangla.

2. Name of work Supplying & replace of Engine, Gearbox, and necessary repairing of Oskosh Traillor Project No. 22-K-1 under CHT Workshop Division, during the year 1993-94.

Tk 7,15,000/-

Tk 14,300/-

30 (Thirty) days from the date of issue of work order.

3. Estimated cost From 'A' to 'D' general category

4. Earnest money Contractor of RHD. According to their financial limits & rule/ Authorised agent of Manufacturer.

5. Time allowed Executive Engineer, RHD CHT

Workshop Division, Rangamati/Chittagong/Road Division/ Rangamati/Planning & Programme Division,

Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka & Sub-Divisional Engineer, RHD, CHT Workshop Sub-Division, Rangamati

up to 06-02-94 Eng/24-10-1400 Bangla.

6. Eligibility of Contractor

7. Name of offices of availability of document

8. Name of officer to receive tender bids

9. Last date of receipt of tender bids

10. Date & time of opening bids

The tender will be opened in presence of interested tenderers (if any present) by the concerned authority.

Md Taufiqul Islam Khan

Executive Engineer, RHD

CHT Workshop Division, Rangamati