

### Thorold Masfield meets Razzak Ali

The visiting British Assistant Under Secretary of State for Pacific and South Asia, Thorold Masfield, called on Speaker Shaikh Razzak Ali at his office at Sangsad Bhaban yesterday afternoon, reports BSS.

### Poetry recitation at Bangla Academy

A poetry recitation programme was held in the capital yesterday at the seminar room of Bangla Academy with Poet Shamsur Rahman in the chair, reports BSS.

The programme was organised in honour of eminent Indian poet Sitakanta Mahapatra, who received Gyanpith Award of India.

Poet Shamsur Rahman, Prof. Zillur Rahman Siddiqui, Prof. Shawkat Osman, Poet Rafiq Azad, Poet Asad Chowdhury, Poet Muhammad Nurul Huda, Poet Dilara Hafiz, Poet Sarkar Amin and Poet Sitakanta Mahapatra recited poems.

### Illicit drug trading: 17 arrested

Police yesterday arrested 17 persons from different parts of the capital on charges of involvement in illicit drug trading, reports BSS.

The police arrested the persons during raids in Demra, Kakrail, Motijheel, Malibagh, Agargaon, Badda, Nayabazar and recovered 400 grams of opium, 60 bottles of phensydid, 10 grams of hashish, 9 grams of heroin, 700 grams of ganja and nine litres of rectified spirit.

### Scientific equipment handed over

By Staff Correspondent

The French government aided Bangladesh police with modern scientific equipment for police investigation yesterday.

French Ambassador in Dhaka Jean Michel Lacombe handed over the equipment specially for finger-mark examination to Inspector General of Police (IGP) ASM Shahjahan at the police headquarters in the city.

A French government official JM Capet and the country's top police officers were present on the occasion.

The French Ambassador in his brief speech also assured of helping the police department with developing its telecommunication system.



Prof Lawrence Ziring of Western Michigan University's Department of Political Science delivering a paper on "The Roots of International Conflict in the Last Decades of the 20th Century" at the American Cultural Centre recently. Dr S I Khan (middle), Asstt Prof, Department of International Relations DU and a BAAS member, moderated the session. The Director of the American Cultural Centre, Olivia P L Hilton (right), also participated. — USIS photo

### Seminar on Sheikh Mujibur Rahman

A seminar on "Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and the War of Liberation" will be held at Sher-e-Bangla Mazar tomorrow (Friday) at 3-30 pm, reports UNB.

Former Chief Justice Kamal Uddin Hossain will be the chief guest at the function, jointly arranged by the 'Sahitya Sangsad Khulna' and 'Mujib Dawsan O Tothya Kendra'.

The award giving ceremony of "Bangabandhu National Award '93" will also be held on the same date at the same venue.

Deputy Leader of Opposition in Parliament Abdus Samad Azad, Justice KM Sobhan, Advisory Council Member of Awami League Salah Uddin Yousuf MP and Presidium Members Amir Hossain Anu, Abdur Razzaque MP, Whip of Opposition in Parliament Mohammad Nasim will attend as special guests.

The key-note paper in the seminar will be presented by Sheikh Wajidur Rahman.

Among others, Mozaffar Hossain Paltu, former MNA Asmat Ali Sikder, Prof Monjot Mondal, Prof Sardar Abdur Razzaque and Prof Ashrafuzzaman Bulbul will take part in the discussion, says a press release.

### Drama staged

By Staff Correspondent

The Raju Natyam, a cultural organisation, staged a drama titled *Avimani Chandara* yesterday at the Russian Cultural Centre in the city.

It was based on the story *Shastie* (Punishment) by Rabindranath Tagore. The drama is directed by Nasim Ahmed.

### Isale-sawab

A three-day Isale-sawab mahfil on Sheikh Syed Muniruddin Mohammad Kamal Shah Quaderi will begin on February 25 (Ramadan 15 and Falgun 14) at Bandarampur in Daudkandi under Comilla district, reports BSS.

All muridan and askan have been requested to attend the mahfil.

### Saifur at Ceramic Society confce Help for development of ceramic industry assured

Finance Minister M Saifur Rahman yesterday asked scientists, technologists and industrialists to put in their greater efforts for further development of ceramics in interest of national prosperity, reports BSS.

He said while inaugurating the first annual conference of the Bangladesh Ceramic Society at the BCSIR premises.

He said for a country like Bangladesh, ceramic is the ideal means as it is a labour intensive industry and involves less capital like similar enterprises. This type of industry would help us provide much needed employment and attain self-sufficiency in our day to day needs, he said.

The Finance Minister said since we had little resources, we should concentrate on the best use of sand, soil and inorganic metal (ceramic) and through continuous research develop newer and finer products. The government would extend all out support for further development of this sector, he said.

In his welcome address, Dr Safura Nurunnabi gave a brief account of the development of the glass and ceramic industry in Bangladesh. She said the eight ceramic industries that were in operation produced quality porcelain and stone wares which were in high demand abroad.

She said although first ceramic industry was set up in the country in mid-fifties, it took nearly four decades to have a society here, while a similar society was founded in India in 1928. Because of uneven competition caused by VAT and Tariff Value on imported raw materials, local ceramic industries are losing the ground, she mentioned.

Industry sources said, Bangladesh annually earns between Tk 30 and 35 crore by exporting ceramic products.

The two-day conference has been split into four business sessions and will conclude today with the annual general meeting of the Society.

An exhibition of ceramic products was arranged on the occasion.

The inaugural function of the conference, chaired by Dr Safura Nurunnabi, President of the Society, was also addressed by Dr Aftabuddin Ahmed and RM Khan, General secretary and vice-president of the society respectively.

While assuring the society in general and ceramic industry in particular to work for harmonising tax and tariff structure so that local products could face competition from the imported stuff, the Finance Minister said, "Unless you improve your quality and become competitive in price you cannot survive." He said, "Our ceramic industry had great potential, some of which were already evident through export in developed countries."

### HERE and THERE

#### BSS Karmachari Kalyan Samity

A nine-member executive committee of BSS Karmachari Kalyan Samity (employees welfare association) with Md Badruzzaman as its Chairman, Md Abdul Latif Khan, Secretary and Delwar Hossain, Treasurer were elected unopposed for a two-year term (1994-95) Tuesday.

The other executive committee members of the samity are Abul Basar, Amir Hossain, Jainal Abedin, Miazuddin, Abdur Rahman and Siddiqur Rahman.

#### BSAF

Bangladesh Shisu Adhikar Forum (BSAF), a network of NGOs working with disadvantaged children to achieve the United Nations Convention of the Rights of the child endorsed by Bangladesh elected on Monday a new eleven member Executive Board. Dr Ahmadullah Miah (UCEP) was elected chairperson.

The election conducted by A K Arzoo (Jagorani Chakra) was held on the concluding day of a two-day planning workshop and annual general meeting on February 6-7.

The members elected ten other office-bearers from Information & Communication, Training, Research and Monitoring, Advocacy and Social Mobilisation and Public Policy core groups.

They are Feroz M Hassan (MSS), Saleem Samad (Development Features), Sheikh A Halim (VERC), Syed Ashik Mahmood (IVDC), Ruby Quader (Radda Baran), Helen Rahman (Shaisob), Elgil Rasmussen (Red Baran), Rokshana Khondoker (Ain O Salish Kendra), Faruk Faisal (CAIA), Afroza Akhtar (CTRDW).

A meeting of Green Peace Bangladesh, Friday stressed the need for promoting developing environmental awareness at the school level.

The meeting presided over by its president Md Elias Kabir also decided to undertake plan-

### What's on today....

Loreto School

The annual prize giving ceremony and cultural function of Loreto School will be held today (Thursday) at 3 pm at House No 8, Road No 9, Dhanmondi.

### Ramakrishna Mission

Two sessions of discussion in centenary celebration of Swami Vivekananda's address in the Chicago Parliament of Religions, in 1893 will be held today (Thursday) beginning at 3:00 pm at the Ramakrishna Mission premises.

On the first session Dr Ashraf Siddiqui will be present as the chief guest while Swami Paradevananda will preside. The speakers will talk on Swami Vivekananda and Universal Brotherhood.

On the second session, scheduled to begin at 5:00 pm, Emeritus Prof Serajul Haque will be present as the chief guest and Professor Parash Chandra Mondal will preside.

A Giti Naksha — Manush Vivekananda — will be staged following the session.

### Centre for Policy Dialogue

The inaugural policy dialogue organised by the centre for policy dialogue on policy reforms and the acceleration of investment activity in Bangladesh will be held today (Thursday) from 2 to 6 pm at the Nirala Room, Sonargaon Hotel.

Saifur Rahman Minister for Finance will be the chief guest while Abdus Samad Azad, Deputy leader of the opposition in Parliament will attend as special guest.

### Lions Club of Dhaka Progoti Greater

The Lions Club of Dhaka Progoti Greater will hold a discussion on 'role of family in social development' today (Thursday) at 6:30 pm at the Kurmitola Golf Club.

Minister for Environment and Forest Akbar Hossain, Bir Pratik, will be the chief guest.

Mushfiqur Rahman, member of the Bangladesh Planning Commission, Alazur Rahman, Secretary Ministry of Civil Aviation and Tourism, Mohiuddin Ahmed, Additional Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, will be special guests.

### Bangladesh Girl Guides

A ranger council will be held at the national headquarters of Bangladesh Girl Guides Association Dhaka today (Thursday) and Friday.

### Get-together

A get-together of old students of the Political Science Department of 1981 batch of the Dhaka University will be held at the Teacher-Student Centre today (Thursday) at 3 pm.

### Discussion on Shamsul Alam

A discussion on the memory of late Shamsul Alam, a pioneer of Language Movement, writer and former president of Tangail Zila Samity will be held at its office at Siddheswari at 4 pm today (Thursday).

A grand Munajat will also be held in memory of the late leaders and officials of the samity.

### Mimodrama 'Cauchemer' by Partha

The mimodrama *Cauchemer* (Nightmare), acted and directed by renowned mime artiste Partha Pratim Majumder, the expatriate now living in Paris, will be staged today (Thursday) at 6:30 am at the auditorium of Shilpakala Academy.

The show due to be staged is as part of the Academy's ongoing year-long programme to bid goodbye to 14th century and to welcome the 15th century.

Dr Khandker Mosharraf Hossain, Minister for Energy and Mineral Resources will attend as the chief guest.

### Panel discussion on Bangladesh Theatre

Goethe-Institut Dhaka and Bangladesh Centre of the International Theatre Institute have organised a panel discussion on the Current Trends in Bangladesh Theatre today (Thursday) at 5:30 pm at the Goethe-Institut auditorium.

Theatre activists — both established and young ones — will participate in the discussions which is the beginning of a series of such panel discussions in the coming months. The panelists will view the trends in Bangladesh theatre from different angles.

### Paramanu Sakti Biggani Sangha

The installation ceremony of the newly-elected office-bearers of the Bangladesh Paramanu Sakti Biggani Sangha will be held at the IPGMR at 9:00 am today (Thursday).

### Agrani Bank Officers' Association

The installation ceremony of the newly-elected office-bearers of Agrani Bank officers' Association, Bangladesh will be held today (Thursday) at 4:00 pm at the auditorium of Institution of Engineers' Bangladesh (IEB).

### Muslim Welfare Mission

The Bangladesh Muslim Welfare Mission will hold a seminar titled 'Holy Quran is the foundation of all sciences' today (Thursday) at 4:30 pm at the auditorium of Jatuya Press Club.

President Abdur Rahman Biswas will attend the seminar as the chief guest.

Keramat Ali, Minister for Religious Affairs, Hadi A Warabi Alhader, Ambassador of Indonesia and Omar Berichid, Charge d'Affaires of Morocco, will be present as the special guests.

Dr Shamsher Ali, Vice-Chancellor of Open University, will present the keynote paper while Justice Ruhul Islam, President of the Mission, will chair the seminar.

### ... and tomorrow

#### Seminar on crisis in urban family life

A seminar on 'Crisis in Urban Family Life, Its Nature and Consequences in the Society' will be held tomorrow (Friday) at 3:30 pm at the auditorium of the Diabetic Hospital. The seminar has been organised by the Association for Correction and Social Reclamation.

Dr Enamul Haq, Ex Inspector General of Bangladesh Police, Dr A Hakim Sarker of Dhaka University and Professor A A Munib of IPGMR will present papers at the seminar.

Justice K M Sobhan, Professor Emajuddin Ahmed, Vice Chancellor, Dhaka University, A S M Shahjahan, Inspector General of Bangladesh Police, Dr Hamida Hossain of Iain-shalish Kendra and D P Barua, Chief Editor of BSS will take part in the discussion.

#### Autograph exhibition.

A week-long autograph exhibition titled 'Ekush in the eye of cultural-activists and intellectuals' will begin tomorrow (Friday) at 4:30 pm at Gallery Tone, Dhanmondi.

The show has been arranged in observance of the 42nd anniversary of the great Language Movement.

Renowned poet Shamsur Rahman will inaugurate the programme as chief guest.

#### Exhibition to mark Language Movement

A fortnight-long exhibition on 'Bengali Language and Use of Articles: Past and Future' to mark the great Language Movement will be inaugurated tomorrow (Friday) at 4:00 pm at National Museum.

Education Minister Barrister Jamiruddin Sirar will open the exhibition as the chief guest while I U Malik, Secretary, Ministry of Cultural Affairs will attend as special guest.

Mohammad Nasiruddin, Editor of Sawgat, to chair the function.

Wakil Ahmed, Pro-Vice-Chancellor of Dhaka University and Prof Mustafizur Rahman will take part in the discussion.

#### AGM of Habiganj Assoc

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Habiganj Association will be held tomorrow (Friday) at 3 pm at BMDC auditorium, Sobhanbagh.

Results of the elections for the office-bearers will also be announced at the meeting.

#### Meena Bazar

A Meena Bazar, organised by the Soroptimist International Club of Dhaka, will be held tomorrow (Friday) at the premises of Business and Professional Women's Club at Bally Road.

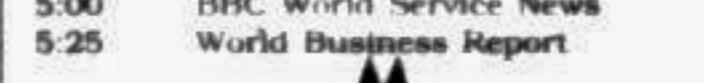
The Meena Bazar will be held from 6 am to 10 pm.



Thursday 10th February  
(All programmes in local time)



6 am	BBC World Service News
6:25	Newsnight
7:00	BBC World Service News
7:25	World Business Report
8:00	BBC World Service News
8:25	Newsnight
9:00	BBC World Service News
9:25	UN World
10:00	BBC World Service News
10:25	A Question of Sport
11:00	BBC World Service News
11:15	Reportage
12 Noon	BBC World Service News
12:30	BBC Business Breakfast
1:00	BBC World Service News
1:25	Public Eye
2:00	BBC World Service News
2:25	In Search Of The Trojan War
3:00	BBC World Service News
3:15	Reportage
4:00	BBC World Service News
4:25	Food and Drink
4:30	BBC World Service News
4:55	Further Abroad with Johnathan Meades
5:00	BBC World Service News Hour
5:25	BBC World Service News
6:00	Horizon
7:00	BBC World Service News Hour
8:00	BBC World Service News Hour
9:00	BBC World Service News
9:25	World Business Report
9:50	A Question of Sport
10:00	BBC World Service News
10:25	Around the World: The Ultimate Package
11:00	BBC World Service News
11:15	Reportage
12 Noon	BBC World Service News Hour
1:00	BBC World Service News
1:25	Holiday
2:00	BBC World Service News
2:25	Business Matters
3:00	BBC World Service News
3:25	In Search Of The Trojan War
4:00	BBC World Service News
4:25	World Business Report
4:50	BBC World Service News
5:25	World Business Report



Eric's World

6 am	Eric's World
6:30	Size Small
7:00	Choppy & The Princess
7:30	The Magic Box
8:00	Eric's World
8:30	Size Small
9:00	El Features Schindler's List
9:30	Forever Green
10:00	Neighbours
10:30	Santa Barbara
11:00	Remington Steele
11:30	The Fall Guy
12 Noon	Maah
12:30	For Your Entertainment Boy
1:00	George
1:30	Neighbours
2:00	Remington Steele
2:30	The Fall Guy
3:00	Young Doctors
3:30	For Your Entertainment Boy
4:00	George
5:00	The Elephant Show
5:30	The Magic Box



MTV's Most Wanted

6 am	MTV's Most Wanted
6:30	Dial MTV
7:00	Classic MTV
7:30	VJ Danny
8:00	VJ Prime
8:30	VJ David Wu
9:00	MTV Stopped Hits
9:30	VJ Danny
10:00	MTV Mastermix
10:30	VJ Sophia
11:00	MTV Prime
11:30	VJ David Wu
12:00	House Of Style: Best
12:30	House Of Style: Swimsuit
1:00	House Of Style: Paris
1:30	Day In Rock
2:00	3 From One
2:30	Al Nation
3:00	MTV's Most Wanted
3:30	Dial MTV
4:00	MTV Heart And Soul
4:30	Angela
5:00	Classic MTV
5:30	MTV Mastermix
6:00	VJ Danny
6:30	MTV Stopped Hits
7:00	VJ Danny
7:30	Day In Rock
8:00	3 From One
8:30	MTV Sports
9:00	Awake On The Wild Side
9:30	Angela Chow

### PRIME sports

6 am	New South Wales Open Ladies
6:30	Final
7:00	Super Reebok
7:30	High 5, Match 2
8:00	Super Soccer (India)
8:30	Dubai Open Tennis Semi-Finals
9:00	Challenge Of Champions 1993
9:30	Ice Skating
10:00	Toronto, Canada
10:30	Prime Bodies
11:00	Great Sports Vacations
11:30	Highlights Of The 1992 Winter Olympics
12:00	NBA Game of the Week
12:30	7th Asian Squash Champs Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
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### Zee TV

2:30	(HFF) Aaj Ki Taaza Khabar (Kiran Kumar, Radha, Pran)
3:00	Rhubarb
3:30	Jungle Toofan Tye Tye
4:00	Tamil Film Mag
4:30	Tamil Songs
5:00	Positive Health Show
5:30	Body 2 Body Soul 2 Soul
6:00	Avishkar
6:30	Rhane Khazana
7:00	Gaane Arangan
7:30	Saunp: Seedh
8:00	TBA
8:30	Dwidhata
9:00	Dream Merchants
9:30	Rusar Bhut
10:00	Yeh Hai Bombay Meri Jan
10:30	Saajan Sajani
11:00	Tan
11:30	Paranparam
12:00	Insigni
12:30	(Close Down)

### গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার

অতিরিক্ত পরিচালকের কার্যালয়

গবেষণা, প্রশিক্ষণ ও মূল্যায়ন

পশু সম্পদ গবেষণা প্রতিষ্ঠান, মহাখালী, ঢাকা-১২১২।

স্মারক নং-শাখা দরপত্র/বিবিধ-১/৯৪/৬৭৮ তারিখঃ ৫-২-৯৪ইং

### পুনঃদরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি

১৯৯৩-৯৪ অর্থ বৎসরের জন্য অতিরিক্ত পরিচালক, পশু সম্পদ গবেষণা প্রতিষ্ঠান, মহাখালী, ঢাকার আওতাধীন বিভিন্ন শাখার জন্য বিবিধ প্রকল্পে সরবরাহ করার জন্য পরিচালক, পশু সম্পদ অধিদপ্তরে তালিকাভুক্ত ঠিকাদারের নিকট হইতে শিডিউল দরপত্র আহবান করা যাইতেছে। উক্ত দরপত্র আগামী ১৬-২-৯৪ইং তারিখে সকাল ১০ ঘটিকা হইতে বেলা ১টা পর্যন্ত অত্র দপ্তরে রক্ষিত দরপত্র ব্যাঙ্ক এবং পরিচালক, পশু সম্পদ অধিদপ্তরে রক্ষিত দরপত্র ব্যাঙ্ক ফেলিতে হইবে এবং এ দিনই বেলা ২ ঘটিকার সময় ঠিকাদারের উপস্থিতিতে যদি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকেন। অত্র দপ্তরে খোলা হইবে। বিস্তারিত নিয়মাবলী শিডিউলে পাওয়া যাইবে। শিডিউল আগামী ১২-২-৯৪ইং তারিখ হইতে ১৫-২-৯৪ইং তারিখ পর্যন্ত অত্র দপ্তরে কাশা শাখা ও পরিচালক, পশু সম্পদ অধিদপ্তরে ২/এ শাখা হইতে টার ৪০০/- (চারশত) টাকার বিনিময়ে ক্রয় করিতে হইবে যাহা অফেরতযোগ্য। দরপত্র খোলার দিন কোন শিডিউল বিক্রি করা হইবে না।

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প্রকল্প পরিচালকের দপ্তর

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স্থাপন প্রকল্প, শেরেবাংলা নগর, ঢাকা।

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