

## Dhaka Day by Day

### A Feel for Fashion

by Raffat Binte Rashid

People are more fashion and even health conscious now than ever before. They eat less, exercise routinely to keep in shape. They apply almost everything that comes their way natural (except perhaps cow dung) for a smooth, glowing complexion.

Even men are seen to be worried about their pimples or falling hair and as a remedy massage onions to egg to any other yucky things, to look more beautiful or handsome.

To enhance their already deadly looks, they constantly look up for what's new, what's in or what's out in the world of fashion and this enthusiasm is at its height during festivals. This eternal urge to look something more than what you already are make all aware of the constant fashion revolution.

"But fashion for you is basically something that you wear and which flatters your look. It is not something that everyone does and you tag along too," says Shanaz Shahab, a designer and owner of Bhab's boutique in Dhanmondi.

"You should always wear the dress which suits your shape and figure and I think it depends directly on individual choice," Shanaz points out.

Good looking and extremely polite Shanaz feels that a woman in her mid thirties or early forties cannot wear what younger girls go for. "Colors for example are exclusively for tall, slim young girls, but it is seen that short women or even older women wear them without proper knowledge," she explains. This not only makes them look like ugly duckling (except that she won't grow any more beautiful now) but also spoils the show of the dress too.

A student of Home Economics in the late 60's Shanaz gives everything a minute look. Her small boutique at the back of her house is as spick and span as her home. "Just out of boredom I started this boutique," she explains. As a child she was always interested in clothes and designs, her first fashion album was a book of her own childhood designs.

Her sons encouraged her more in this endeavour, she has a small tailoring and embroidery shop at the top of her boutique but she usually gives workers in Mirpur a sub-contract when things are done in bulk. She uses materials available in the markets from handloom to silk.

"My dresses are all from here, and designs are my own which I mix and match from various magazines," she says. There are few dresses brought from Pakistan, on display too.

"Actually shalwar-kameez is our working clothes and sarees which make you look more elegant is for formal call on or occasions, but nowadays the younger generation is keen on wearing western clothes," Shanaz explains.

"Trousers and dresses are for my children or daughter-in-law and they definitely look good in them too. They are more fashionable now and this change is all on a sudden," she thinks, agreeing that shalwar-kameez is what's more usual and acceptable as our high street fashion.

"What these fashion shows display, people do wear them and prefers too. Like if someone wears an off shoulder dress in a party and looks in a party and looks good or feels comfortable in it, then I think it's nobody's business to pass comments," she explains, stressing the point.

"What's important is that you have have the figure to wear such a dress, the rest is their personal choice," she feels.

Always into fashion, she used to write on make-up and fashion in "Endeavour," a magazine of current interest. "I have a desire to start a beauty parlour with aerobic facilities and also a baking class," she says with a smile.

"But as I prefer doing everything at home, because for me my family duties and home comes first, so it all depends on my husband," Shanaz says.

"I want to give the things in me to people. It's not that my husband discourages me but he does not encourage me either," she says casually. For Shanaz feels that she is first a house-wife then a business woman.



Ambassador of the United States of America in Bangladesh David N Merrill called on Shipping Minister M K Anwar at latter's office yesterday. —PID photo

### Drama festival

By Staff Correspondent

The Artanad Theatre has arranged a 12-day long drama festival, beginning from 23 June, on the occasion of its 12th founding anniversary.

The inaugural function will be held at Mahila Samity auditorium. Eight drama groups will participate in the festival. Besides, a drama group from Calcutta is expected to join the festival.

Concluding function of the festival will be held at the Shilpakala Academy auditorium on July 4.

### Children's painting workshop

A three-month long painting workshop for the children will begin at the Alliance Francaise in the city from June 24, says a press release.

Artist Masuma Khan will conduct the course. An admission test in this regard will be held on June 17.

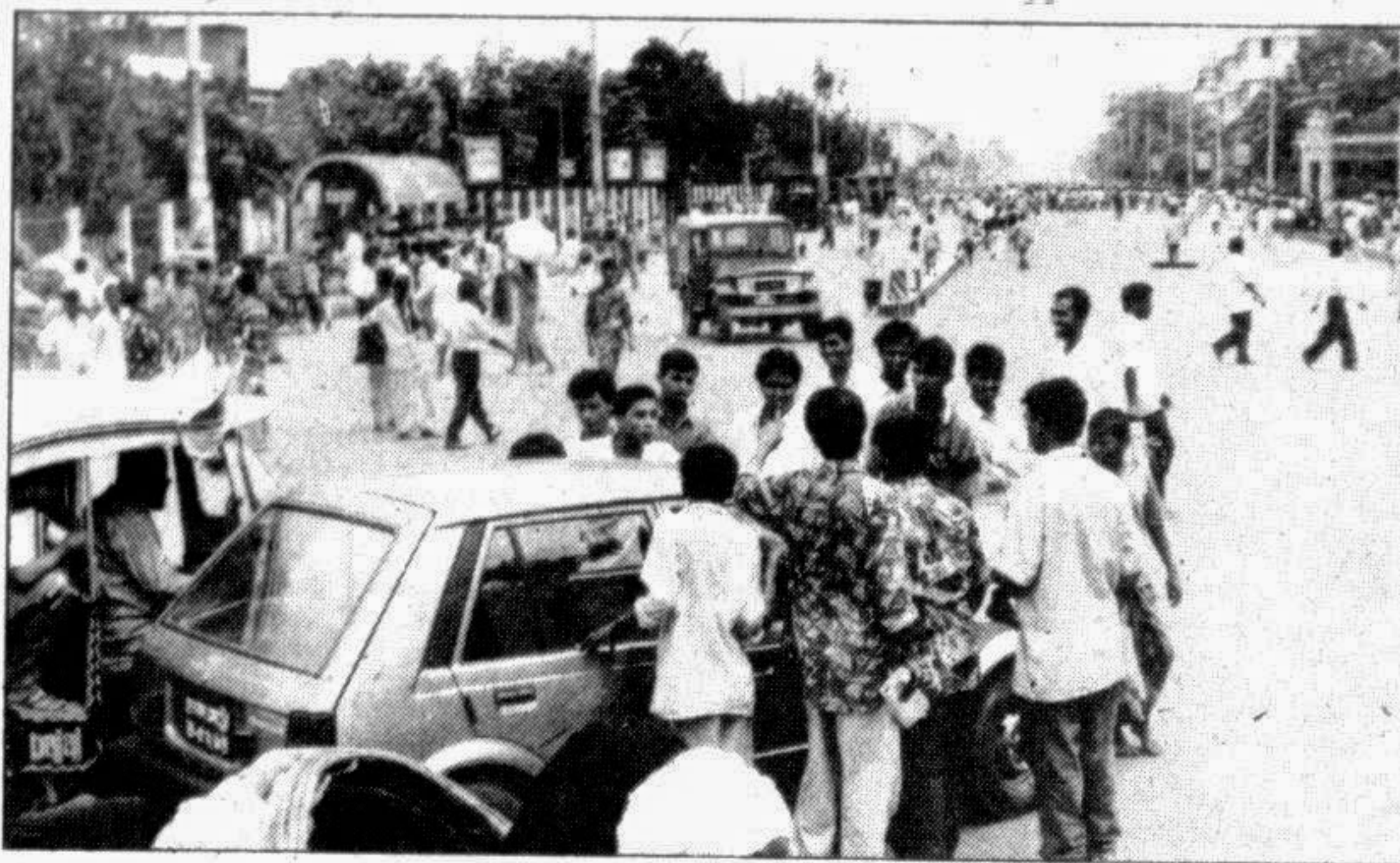
Interested children aged between 7 to 16 have been requested to contact the Alliance Francaise or Masuma Khan phone-234638 for details.

### 102458 listed freedom fighters

There are 102,458 listed freedom fighters, including the martyred freedom fighters, in the country, Parliament was told yesterday, reports UNB.

Agriculture Minister M Madjid-ul-Haq, who is in-charge of Defence Ministry in Parliament, said that out of the listed freedom fighters, 28,696 were serving in the defence, BDR, police and ansar forces.

The minister was replying to a written question from Begum Rashida Khatun (Jamaat).



Students of the Tejgaon Polytechnic Institute enforcing a road blockade in the city yesterday demanding shifting of their exam schedules. —Star photo

## Additional expenditures in budget questioned

Treasury Bench members participating in the general discussion on the supplementary budget for 1993-94 on the second day yesterday, called for more stringent measures to curb tendency of seeking additional budgetary allocations, reports BSS.

Initiating the discussion, BNP member Farida Rahman questioned the logic behind additional expenditures shown against investment in various sectors under 270 heads of account and said the Finance Ministry should clarify what necessitated the expenditure of the huge amount of Taka 278 crore on the said heads of accounts when additional spending was shown separately on 25 other heads of accounts in the development sector.

She was critical about the absence of the Opposition from the budget session of Parliament and observed such absence of the Opposition could be described as their irresponsibility towards parliamentary democracy.

Treasury Bench member Mohammad Abdul Gani suggested release of budgetary allocations to the ministries immediately after passing of the budget to infuse dynamism in development activities. Instead of controlling only, the Finance Ministry should also monitor the uplift projects with closer attention.

He appreciated the fiscal measures of the government which had started yielding positive results for the national economy and said contribution of 35.8 per cent domestic resources to annual development programmes manifest the inner strength of the economy.

BNP member Abdul Latif Bhuiyan described the bud-

getary measures as most practical considering the socio-economic aspects of the country. But, he said, the size of supplementary budget should be narrowed down to ensure accountability of public spending.

Participating in the discussion, Treasury Bench member Ataur Rahman Khan observed that the on-going political crisis had been telling upon negatively on the growth of national economy.

He criticised the illogical and obstinate attitude of the Opposition parties in the Sangsad to press home their narrow politics at the cost of national welfare.

Khan was also critical of the huge size of supplementary budget which he said was almost one third of the original budget and said that if the fiscal planners were more careful in tailoring budgetary provisions, huge expenditures as shown in the revised budget could be avoided.

Environment and Forest Minister Col (ret'd) Akbar Hossain pleaded for the passage of the supplementary budget as additional allocations were required by most of the ministries including Ministry of Education, Communications, LGRD and Cooperatives, Housing and Public Works for their development programmes.

He said the price of bricks has suddenly gone up following wide spread development work throughout the country.

Referring to the efficiency of the government in the utilisation of funds, the minister said as 70 per cent of the development budget was dependent of external resources, the government alone could not be blamed for it.

## Bail prayer of Janakantha editor placed

The anticipatory bail prayer of the editor of the Daily Janakantha Md. Atiqullah Khan Masud was placed yesterday before a Division Bench of the High Court division, reports BSS.

The bench comprised Justice D M Ansaruddin Ahmed and Justice Nurul Islam.

The arguments by the counsel on behalf of Khan and the State concluded yesterday.

The judges began reading out the judgement but could not complete. The judgement is expected to be delivered today.

Khandker Mahbub Hossain, Amirul Islam, Golam Kibria, Md. Afzal Hussain and Md. Haroon-Ur Rashid appeared for the petitioner. Deputy Attorney General A F M Shahid and Assistant Attorney General Syed Abu Kawsar appeared for the State.

## DU postpones exams

By DU Correspondent

All the course final examinations of the Dhaka University scheduled for today have been postponed due to some unavoidable circumstances.

Fresh schedule for the postponed examinations will be announced soon.

## Indian sarees recovered

CHITTAGONG, June 13: Pabartali police recovered 20 sacks of Indian sarees worth Taka 20 lakh from a truck on Dhaka Trunk Road here today, police said, reports BSS.

Police on a tip off detected a truck and found Indian sarees inside several sacks aboard the truck.

## JU admission test date shifted

By JU Correspondent

The date of the written test for admission into first year honours classes of the Jahangirnagar University has been shifted due to unavoidable circumstances.

The examination of 'Kha' unit (Social Science) will now be held on June 16 with the first shift (Roll 12,001-15,200) beginning from 10 am while the second shift (Roll 15,201-18,800) from 2 pm. The schedule for June 15 test will, however, remain unchanged, says a press release.

## Parjatan earns Tk 32 cr

Bangladesh Parjatan Corporation earned Tk 32.09 crore in the first nine months of this fiscal year against an expenditure of Tk 27.45 crore, reports UNB.

State Minister for Civil Aviation and Tourism Abdul Mannan told the House yesterday in reply to a question from Abu Baker (BNP). The question was placed by Fazlul Haq (BNP).

Highest revenue income, amounting Tk 25.60 crore, came from the corporation's duty free shop.

## CAREER OPPORTUNITY

We are 100% export oriented Jute Yarn & Twine manufacturer and member of a leading industrial conglomerate in Bangladesh. We require some Diplomaed in Mechanical Engineering and qualified Jute Technologists. Personnel having requisite degrees and interested in working in demanding environment are encouraged to apply within 23rd June, 1994 to G.P.O. Box No. 658, Dhaka 1000. Envelope should be marked "Diplomaed Engineer"/"Jute Technologist".

Persons having third class/division in any examination need not apply.

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## Dhaka elected chairman of 11th ICC session

Bangladesh has been elected the Chairman of the 11th session of the Inter-Governmental Consultative Executive Committee (ICC) on the ESCAP model sensing centres programmes in the ESCAP region scheduled to be held in Dhaka next year, reports BSS.

Chairman of the Bangladesh Space Research and Remote Sensing Organisation (SPARSO) Dr. Abu Abdullah Ziauddin Ahmad was elected the chairman of the ICC at its tenth session held in Tehran last month, a press release yesterday said.



4:30	Opening announcement
4:45	Al-Quran
5:10	Programme summary
5:25	Mass education programme: Esho Para Shikhi
5:40	News in Bangla
6:00	Cartoon: Captain Planet
6:50	National TV debate competition
7:15	Open University
8:00	Musical programme: Sangreeta
8:30	News in Bangla
10:00	Fortnight drama serial: Etikatha
10:30	News in English
11:30	Film show: Northern Exposure
11:40	Khabar/The News
	Tomorrow's programme

## What's on today . . . .

**Zahir Raihan Film Society:** Organises a Bangladesh film session in collaboration with the Russian Cultural Centre. Film: Lathial. Director: Narayan Ghosh Mitra. Venue: Russian Cultural Centre. Time: 6:00 pm.

**Bangladesh Australia Students' Assoc:** General meeting will be held. Venue: TSC auditorium. Time: 5:00 pm.

## Weather

### No change in temperature

Occasional light to moderate rain or thundershowers is likely at most places over Chittagong, Rajshahi and Barisal divisions and many places over Dhaka and Khulna divisions with moderately heavy fall at places over the country till 6 pm today, reports UNB.

Met office says day temperature may remain nearly unchanged during the period across the country. Country's highest temperature 33.8 degree Celsius was at Chuadanga and the lowest 24.2 degree at Khepupara yesterday.

The sun sets today (Tuesday) at 6:47 pm and rise tomorrow (Wednesday) at 5:11 am.

The maximum and minimum temperatures of some major cities/towns recorded yesterday were:

City/Town	Temperature in Celsius	Humidity in Percentage
	Max	Min
Dhaka	31.5	26.0
Chittagong	31.5	26.4
Rajshahi	33.2	26.6
Khulna	31.0	25.4
Cox's Bazar	32.0	25.0
Barisal	30.4	25.4
Dinajpur	30.4	25.0
Sylhet	31.5	25.5

## Military Lands and Cantonments Directorate

Ministry of Defence

Dhaka Cantonment

Dhaka.

## WANTED

Applications are hereby invited for the posts of Lecturer in Bengali and English for Jessore Cantonment Degree College under the management of Cantonment Board, Jessore Cantonment. Bonafide Male and Female citizens of Bangladesh fulfilling the following requirements may apply to the Director, Military Lands and Cantonments, Ministry of Defence, Dhaka Cantonment:

Sl No	Name of Post	Educational Qualification	Pay Scale	Age
1.	Lecturer in Bengali	2nd Class Hons with 2nd Class Master's Degree	2850-5155/-	Less than 35 years
		or		
		1st Class Master's Degree		
2.	Lecturer in English	2nd Class Hons with 2nd Class Master's degree	2850-5155/-	Less than 35 years
		or		
		1st Class Master's Degree		

Facilities of 40% House rent allowance, Medical allowance @ Tk 150/-, rest & recreation allowance, Festival Bonus, Time-Scale and Provident Fund/Pension after confirmation as per rules.

Application complete with Bio-Data and details of Educational Qualifications and experiences along with attested copies of Certificates, Testimonials with 2 Character Certificates from Class-I Gazetted Officer and three copies of recent passport size photograph along with Tk 50/- Crossed Postal Order or Bank Draft in favour of Cantonment Executive Officer, Jessore Cantonment, Jessore should reach the undersigned on or before 25th June, 1994.

Interview cards will only be issued only to those who are found suitable while preliminary scrutiny.

Director  
Military Lands and Cantonments  
Ministry of Defence  
Cantonment Board, Building No 7  
Dhaka Cantonment.

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We are a well-established garment buying house with branch offices in various countries. To cater for expanding business we are planning to open a branch office in Dhaka and are looking for suitable applicants to fill the following positions:

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#### Job Duties

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- Selection of suitable garments suppliers, order, price and claim negotiation.
- Supervision of production and delivery schedules, assurance that targets and deadlines are reached.
- Monthly reporting to head office in Mauritius.
- Requirements
- Graduate of College/Institute in business administration/management.
- Sound knowledge of garment technology and the Bangladesh garment industry.
- Fully conversant with all import/export procedures and documentation.
- Fluent spoken and written English and computer literate.
- Energetic and articulate with first class interpersonal skills and a methodical approach with highly developed problem solving and organisational skills. Excellent judgement and diplomatic qualities, ability to make positive decisions under pressure.

### 2) QUALITY AUDITOR (two)

#### Job Duties

- Evaluate pre-production samples, perform inline/final audits and prepare audit reports for the production programs placed in Bangladesh.
- Assist in monitoring merchandising functions for the production programs placed in Bangladesh.
- Requirements
- Graduate of College/Technical Institute in textiles.
- Sound technical knowledge of garment making technology.
- 2 years experience in garment quality inspection and sample evaluation.
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- Candidates should address their full C.V. including details on present employment as well as present and expected salary to:
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