

BEA post-budget discussion

## Proposed budget favours upper-income groups'

The pros and cons of the proposed budget for 1994-95 was discussed in the city yesterday at a post-budget discussion organised by the Bangladesh Economic Association (BEA), reports BSS.

Dr Nasreen Khandaker described the budget a continuation of a process of import liberalisation through reducing tariffs, eliminating non-tariff barriers and making the export sector more competitive through special measures.

But, she said, the budget was not sufficient enough in favour of the poor class. "In fact, it disproportionately favours the upper-income groups," she added.

Dr Nasreen said the proposed budget was also limited in its scope for promoting domestic industries, especially the small industries and those producing for the home market.

Leading economists, includ-

ing Planning Secretary Dr Harunur Rashid, Dr Quazi Shahabuddin of the BIDS, Dr Anisur Rahman (Anu Muhammad) of Jahangirnagar University, Dr Nasreen Khandaker of Dhaka University, Dr Omar Haider Choudhury and Dr Devapriya Bhattacharya of the BIDS took part in the discussion.

The association president, Prof Anisur Rahman, was in the chair.

Dr Harunur Rashid described the macro economic stability as the number one factor for human resources development and said the present government was giving its due attention to this vital side.

Speaking on the poverty alleviation, he said a taskforce, among other measures undertaken by the present government, was now working to formulate a pro-poor plan which would be beneficial to the overall future development in the country.

The Planning Secretary also called for increased cooperation from the people towards the government for strengthening the institutional structures.

Dr Quazi Shahabuddin, in his speech, said that the best strategy of sequencing in the phasing of liberalisation in agriculture was the privatisation of retail market first and then a gradual move towards the apex level.

Dr Anisur Rahman (Anu Muhammad) said that there was a lack of initiative for human resources development due to inefficiency of the quarters concerned as well as instability in the flourishment of the productive sector.

He also alleged that some quarters in the name of religion were out to impede various measures for social development through education and employment generation.



Dr Kamal Hossain addressing a rally of the Gano Forum in front of the National Press Club in the city yesterday.

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### JU senate meet begins

By JU Correspondent

The 13th annual senate meeting of the Jahangirnagar University (JU) began yesterday in the afternoon at the se-nate building.

Vice Chancellor of the university delivered his inaugural speech in the meeting while several members took part in the discussion on his speech.

The discussants include Prof Imamuddin, Anwarul Huq Sharif, Motahar Hossain and Enamul Huq Shamim.

The meeting was adjourned till July 1.

The annual budget of the university is likely to be placed in the meeting on the day.

### C'wealth Writers Prize judges meet

The judges for this year's Commonwealth Writers Prize for Eurasia began their meeting in the city yesterday to decide the winners in the two categories — "Best Book" and "Best First Published Book."

The chairman of the panel of judges is Dr Alastair Niven, Literature Director of the Arts Council of England, and his co-judges are Dr Shyama Narayan of India and Dr Kaiser Haq, Professor of English at Dhaka University.

Sponsored by the Commonwealth Foundation, the Commonwealth Writers Prize has been awarded annually since 1987 for outstanding works of Commonwealth fiction in English.

Regional winners are first chosen for Eurasia (UK, Cyprus, Malta, Gibraltar, India, Bangladesh, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Maldives); Africa; the Caribbean and Canada; and South-East Asia and the South Pacific.

The minister expressed his sympathy to the family members of the *Shaheed Janan*.

Meanwhile, various socio-cultural organisations yesterday condoled the sad demise of Jahanara Imam who died in her sleep at a US hospital Sunday night.

## Death of Jahanara Imam condoled

By Staff Correspondent

President Abdur Rahman Biswas Sunday condoled the death of Begum Jahanara Imam.

President Biswas conveyed his sympathy to the members of the bereaved family and prayed for the peace of the departed soul.

### Prime Minister

Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia Sunday also condoled the death of Jahanara Imam.

The Prime Minister, in a condolence message, prayed for the peace of the departed soul. Begum Zia conveyed her sympathy to the bereaved.

### Institute of Architects

The Institute of Architects, Bangladesh, condoled the death of Jahanara Imam and said the *Shaheed Janan* had performed the historic job of organising the people against the anti-liberation forces.

### Narigantha Prabartana

Narigantha Prabartana in a meeting yesterday condoled the death of Jahanara Imam and urged the government to withdraw the case filed against her.

In a message, Hasina said as the mother of a great freedom fighter she earned respect and dignity. The nation will remember her courageous struggle against the anti-liberation forces.

### Dhaka Little Theatre

The Dhaka Little Theatre in its condolence message said that the nation would always be grateful for her role in initiating the movement against the collaborators and killers of 1971.

### Projanna '71

Projanna '71 in a condolence message urged the nation to translate the dreams of Jahanara Imam into reality by strengthening the spirit of the Liberation War.

### Voyagers of '71

The Voyagers of '71 has condoled the sad demise of the *Shaheed Janan* Jahanara Imam and urged all to push forward her unfinished task to try Jamaat leader Golam Azam as a 'war criminal'.

### BIRM

The Bangladesh Islamic Revolutionary Movement (BIRM) in a meeting yesterday condoled the death of Jahanara Imam and called upon the government to withdraw the charges of treason filed against her in 1992 well before her body arrives in the country for burial.

Among other organisations which condoled her death are: Central Khelaghar Asar, Comilla Division Implementation Parishad, Federation of Bangladesh Shopowners Association, Jatiya Rabindrasangeet Sammilan Parishad, and Health For All.

### Photo journalists condemn attack

By Staff Correspondent

The Bangladesh Photo Journalists' Association yesterday expressed its resentment at the attack on the photo journalists by the activists of Olamae Keram O Pir Mashayek at the Topkhana crossing yesterday evening.

The fundamentalists, armed with sticks, attacked the photo journalists while they were on duty at a meeting called by the Pir Mashayek, a press release of the association said.

The association decided to boycott the coverage of the fundamentalists' rally in protest of the attack and demanded punishment for those responsible for the incident.

The applicants should apply in their respective letter head pads along with their attested passport size photographs. The applications should contain required information & be accompanied by attested photostate copies of the following:

i) Valid Trade Licence/Joint Stock Company Certificate etc.

ii) Bank Solvency Certificate.

iii) Last income tax clearance certificate.

v) A brief history of the organisation and whether the firm is under partnership/Proprietorship/ Limited Company. In case of Limited Company all the addresses of partners should be specified.

vi) All the addresses of Show Rooms/Workshops/ Registered offices & Telephone Nos. (if any).

vii) Other enlistment with any Govt./Semi-Govt. or statutory bodies (if any).

viii) Experiences of different works with relevant certified copies (if any).

ix) Present residence and office addresses.

x) 3 (three) copies recent passport size photographs.

Applications alongwith the information and documents as mentioned above will be received at the office of the Deputy General Manager, Building & Works Deptt., Bangladesh Biman, Biman Bhaban, Motijheel, Dhaka up to 10.07.94.

Biman Management reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications without assigning any reason whatsoever.

The minister planted a moghni sapling at the DMP headquarters premises.

Home Secretary Azimuddin Ahmed, IGP A S M Shahjahan and other high officials of the police department were present.

More than three lakh saplings will be planted throughout the country under this programme.

## JS team visits Jericho

A parliamentary delegation recently visited the Palestinian self-rule in Jericho and Gaza Strip at the invitation of Washington-based National Democratic Institute for International Affairs, reports BSS.

The members of the delegation, Deputy Leader of the Opposition Abdus Samad Azad MP of Awami League and Ziaur Rahman Khan MP of BNP, stayed there for 10 days as part of a four person International team, said a PID handout yesterday.

During their stay they spoke on democratic transitions in Bangladesh and provided Palestinians with practical information about the roles of civic organisations, political parties, election officials and the media in democratic societies.

It was the first high-level contact between Bangladesh and the PLO self-rule authority of the Palestinian State.

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