

## Metropolitan

Photo contest  
of UNEP  
By Staff Correspondent

The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) has organised an international photographic competition on environment scheduled for the next year to mark the 50th anniversary of the United Nations.

The submission of the photographs for the competition, which started in September this year, will continue until April next year, according to a press release issued by the UN in Dhaka.

The theme of the contest, sponsored by the Canon Inc. is "Focus on your world" — which is intended to draw world attention to global environmental problems.

The UN has invited entries from professional and amateur photographers of all ages from any part of the world.

Interested photographers have been requested to contact: United Nations Information Centre (UNIC), House-25, Road-11, Dhanmondi during office hours.



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All applicants are required to take NSU's English Placement Test to determine the candidates proficiency in English.

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Financial aid: About 7% of students are awarded full or partial waivers of fees based on merit and need. Application forms for such Financial Aid are available at NSU Registrar's Office.

Application procedure: Application forms are available for Tk 350 at NSU Accounts/office, 12 Banani C A, Kemal Ataturk Avenue, Dhaka 1213. Forms are also available at the main branches of the Eastern Bank in Chittagong, Khulna and Sylhet. To receive application form by mail, write to the Office of the Registrar along with a bank draft or money order for Tk 350 in favour of North South University. Please print the name and address of the applicant.

Completed application forms must be submitted to the Office of the Registrar by November 30. A complete application includes: 1) application form, 2) two passport size photos, 3) certified copies of certificates and marksheets, and 4) two letters of recommendation from the students' previous teachers.

A forty minute English Placement Test and a Two hour Admission Test will be held on Friday, December 2 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at NSU Main Campus. The test consists of multiple choice and essay questions in English and Mathematics.

Admission test results will be posted at NSU campus on December 7. Admission starts on December 8, and successful candidates must complete admissions procedure by December 22.

Orientation has been scheduled on 2nd and 3rd January and classes start on Wednesday, January 4, 1995.

FEJB invites  
reports, photos

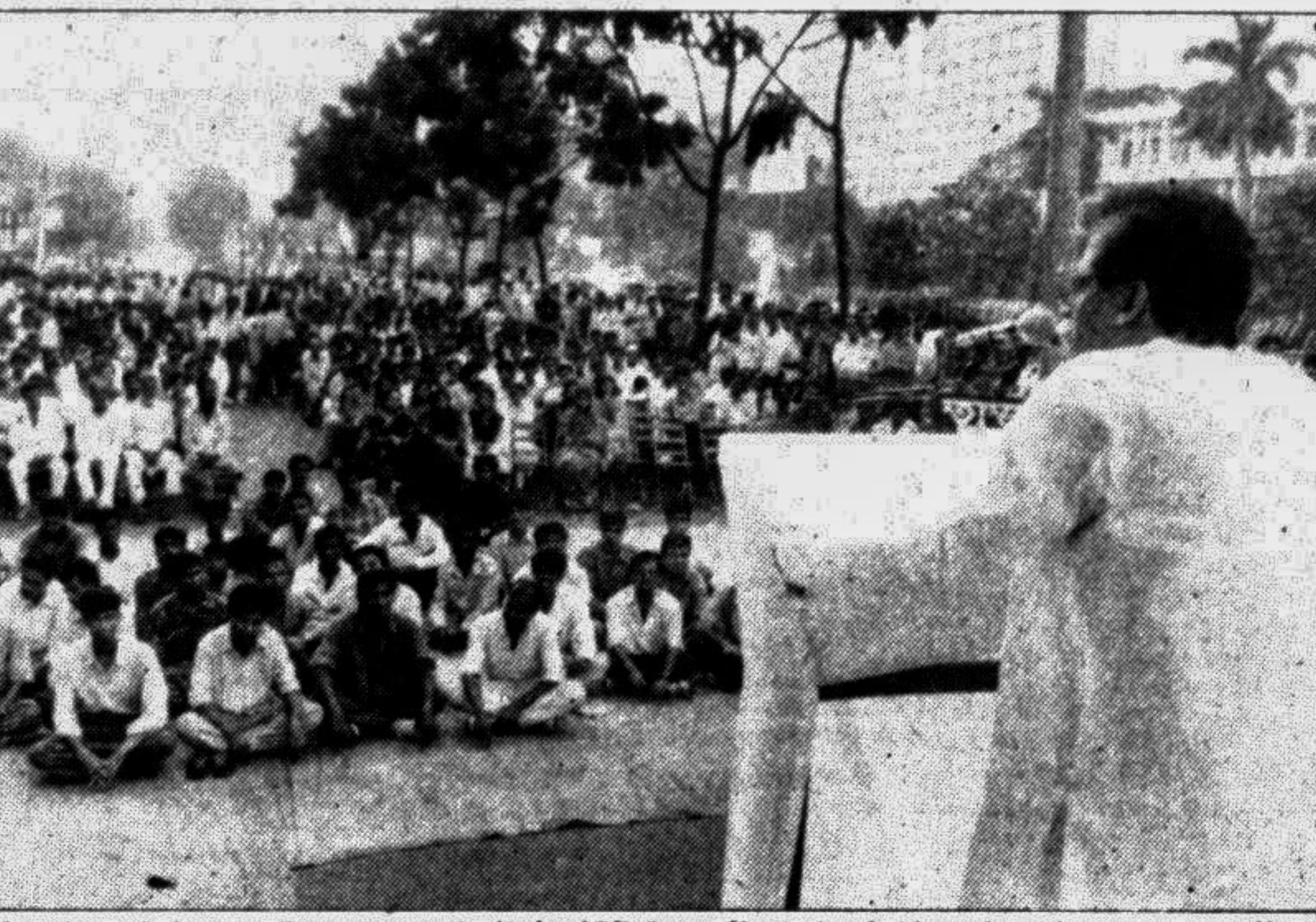
The Forum of Environmental Journalists of Bangladesh (FEJB) yesterday invited environmental reports and photographs, published in the newspapers between January 1 to December 31, 1993 for the prestigious ESCAP-FEJB Awards 1993, reports UNB.

The reports and photographs of the journalists should be submitted to FEJB general secretary Quamrul Islam Chowdhury by November 10, 1994 at the National Press Club.

Australian envoy  
at Shilpakala  
Academy

By Staff Correspondent

Australian High Commissioner Kenneth W Aspinall yesterday called on the director general of the Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy, Mobarak Hossain Khan, and discussed holding of the aboriginal art exhibition at the academy's gallery.

Books for Supreme  
Court Bar Assoc.

The British High Commissioner, Peter James Fowler, handed over a set of books of 'Lloyd's Law Report (1919 to 1993)' to the president of the Supreme Court Bar Association, M Hafizullah, as gift at a simple ceremony in the Supreme Court Bar premises yesterday evening, reports UNB.

The members of the Supreme Court Bar Association and the second secretary of the British High Commission, Dr David Mcmoha, were present on the occasion.

After the handing over ceremony, the High Commissioner attended a fellowship tea party hosted by the president of the bar association.

Earlier, the High Commissioner was received by the bar president, M Hafizullah and the secretary, Ozaer Farooq on his arrival.

## • What's on today . . . .

**Documentary Week '94:** Today's films — Dhaka Rickshaw, Godhuli (Twilight), Starring Rosy, Stop Genocide, Grahankal (Eclipse) and Protikuler Jatree (Counter Image). Venue: Goethe Institut, Dhanmondi. Time: 4 pm to 6 pm.

**Photo exhibition:** A five-day photo exhibition titled 'Switzerland seen by a Bangladeshi' by Hasan Sufiuddin Chandan will be inaugurated. The exhibition will remain open everyday from 9 am to 8 pm till November 5. Organisers: The Embassy of Switzerland and Swiss Development Corporation. Venue: La Galerie, 54-Kemal Ataturk Avenue. Time: 5:30 pm.

**Gano Forum discussion:** On the 'National Youth Day', Dr Kamal Hossain will preside. Venue: Ramna Green. Time: 3 pm. It will be followed by an open air concert.

**Chhatra Moitree council:** The two-day national council of the left-leaning student organisation begins. Amal Sen will inaugurate. Venue: DU TSC auditorium, DU. Time: 11 am.

**Freshers' reception:** Of the Dhaka Commerce College. Venue: Premises of the college at Mirpur. Time: 10:55 am.

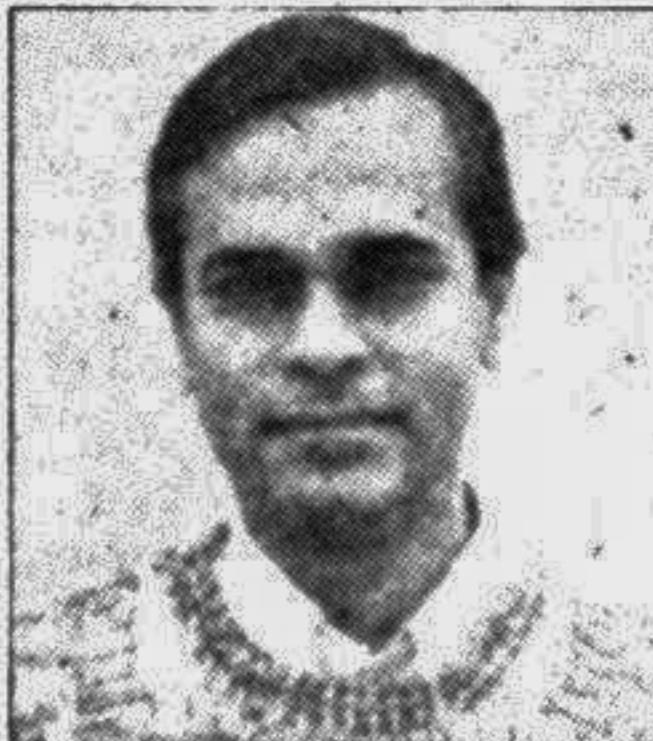
**Seminar on Monsoon Dynamics:** The inauguration ceremony of the seminar will be held. Organisers: Bangladesh Academy of Sciences, International Geosphere-Biosphere Programme Bangladesh, and Humboldt Club Bangladesh in cooperation with the German Cultural Centre, Goethe-Institut. Chief guest: Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany in Bangladesh Dr J Gehl. Venue: Goethe Institut auditorium, Road 2, Dhanmondi. Time: 10 am.

**DU Film Society:** The Dhaka University Film Society and the embassy of the Russian Federation have jointly arranged a discussion on Russian film director, Sergei Bondarchuk. A three-day film session will also commence. Today's film — Fate of a Man. Venue: Russian Cultural Centre, House 510, Road 7, Dhanmondi. Time: 5:30 pm.

**Bijaya sammelon:** The Mahanagar Sarbojanan Pura Committee has organised the programme. Chief guest: Mayor Md Hanif. Venue: Dhakeswari Temple premises. Time: 4 pm.

## . . . . and tomorrow . . . .

**Painting show:** Cultural wing of the French Embassy has organised a painting exhibition of seven contemporary artists. Foreign Minister A S M Mostafizur Rahman will inaugurate. Venue: Residence of the French envoy. Time: 5 pm. The show will run till 8 pm.

Project to  
renovate PACC  
underway

A project to renovate the Public Administration Computer Centre (PACC) is underway to meet the growing demand for using computer in the government offices, reports UNB.

The PACC has also planned to connect the offices of divisional commissioners with its network.

This was disclosed at the 24th meeting of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Establishment Ministry held yesterday at Jatiya Sangsad with State Minister for Establishment Md Aminul Hoque in the chair.

The future plan of the PACC also includes improvement of personnel MIS (Management Information System) and imparting training to all officials in word processing, spread sheet and data-base.

The centre was established in 1985 with a super mini computer to improve the information system in office files and data-base.

Finance Minister Md Saifur Rahman and Secretary, Internal Resources Division and Chairman NBR, Dr Akbar Ali Khan visited his residence.

Nasiruddin served as economic counsellor, Bangladesh embassy at Washington, Collector, Chittagong Customs House, and Joint Secretary ERD of the Finance Ministry.

He is survived by his wife, one son, two daughters and a host of friends and relatives of the ministry were also present.

Works Minister Rafiqul Islam Miah and Education Minister Jamiruddin Sircar attended the meeting.

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Senior NBR  
official dead

By Staff Correspondent

Md Nasiruddin Ahmed, Member (Customs) of the National Board of Revenue (NBR) was buried at the Shaheed Buddhiji Graveyard yesterday afternoon. He was 48. Nasiruddin died of cardiac arrest at 6 am during his regular morning walk after offering Fazr prayers.

His name: Janaza was held first at the premises of the NBR and later at the Paribagh Shah Shaheb mosque.

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## Weather

## Light rain likely

Light to moderate rain is likely to occur at one or two places over Rajshahi division and the regions of Dhaka, Mymensingh, Tangail and Khulna during the next 12 hours till 6 pm today. reports UNB.

The Met Office said weather may remain nearly dry with partly cloudy sky elsewhere over the country.

Night temperature may rise by 1-2 degree Celsius over Rajshahi division and the regions of Dhaka, Mymensingh, Tangail and Khulna and slight rise in day temperature is expected over the country during the period.

Percentage of humidity was 70 in the morning and 71 in the evening.

The sun sets today at 5:19 pm and rises tomorrow at 6:5 am.

JSD (Inu) for 3  
polls under  
interim govt

The Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal (JSD-Inu) yesterday reiterated the party demand for a caretaker government to hold impartial vote and for a ban of communal politics, reports UNB.

"At least three elections should be held under caretaker government to establish a system of fair vote," JSD general secretary Hasanul Huq Inu told a rally at Bangabandhu Avenue in observance of the party's 22nd founding anniversary.

The JSD leader called upon all to build up resistance against what he called politics of compromise. Since independence, he said, "We have been compromising with anti-liberation forces, killers, plunderers and with black money."

Referring to the Commonwealth-brokered dialogue, Inu said, "It's a shame for us all" that an outsider had to be invited to find a negotiated settlement of our political problem.

The JSD general secretary also demanded a ban on communal politics, scrapping of all black laws and enactment of a law restricting the participation of defaulters in elections.

Mostafiz condoles  
demise of  
Swaran Singh

Foreign Minister A S M Mostafizur Rahman yesterday condoled the death of Sardar Swaran Singh, former foreign minister of India, reports BSS.

In a message of condolence sent to Dinesh Singh, the foreign minister of India, Mostafiz said, "In his death, India has lost a great political personality and Bangladesh a good friend." He recalled the significant contribution made by Singh as the foreign minister of India during Bangladesh's war of independence.

Mostafiz also extended his heartfelt sympathy to the members of the bereaved family.

CHITTAGONG, Oct 31: A week-long *bijoy mela* (victory fair) will begin at the outer stadium here from December 10, reports BSS.

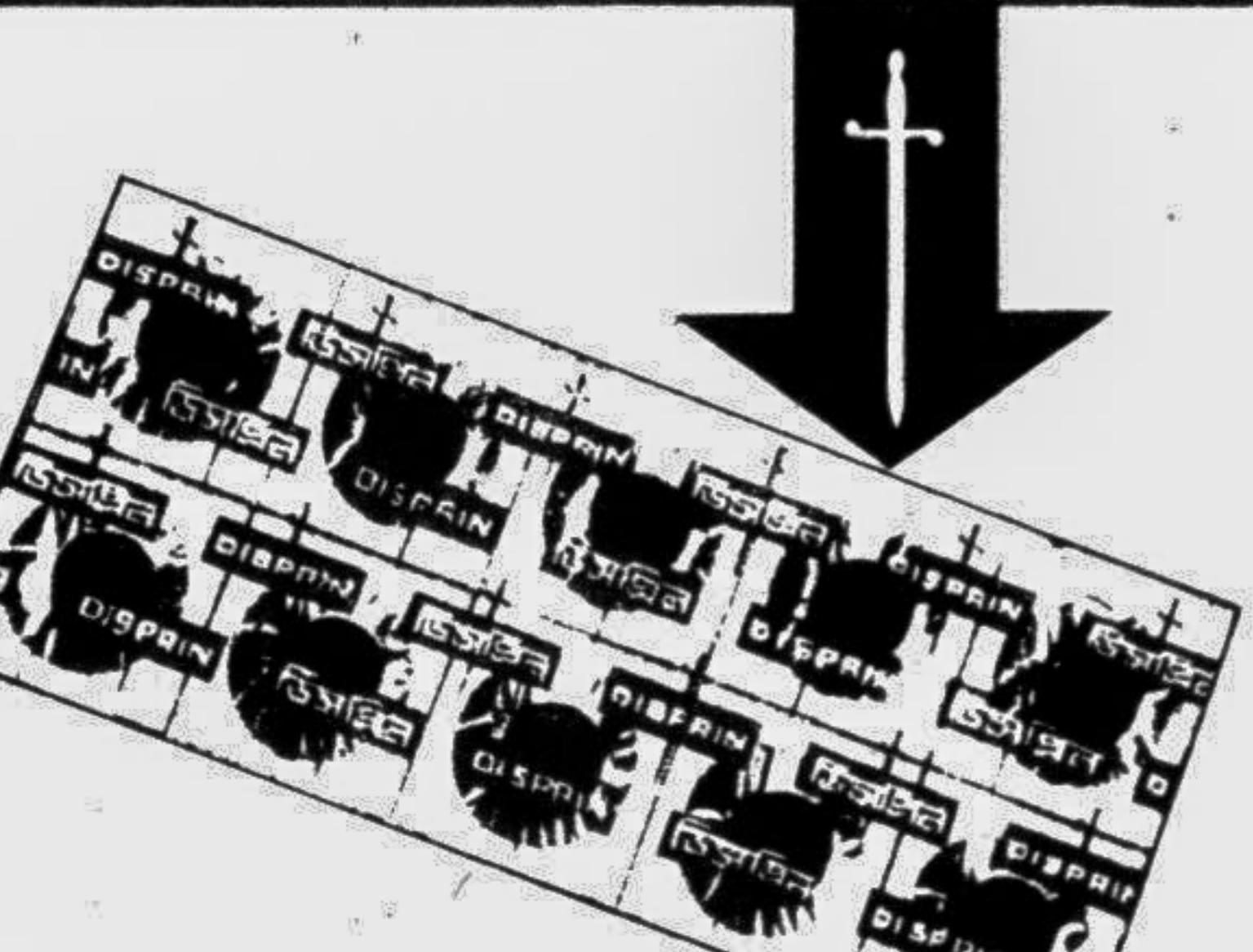
A broad-based *bijoy mela* committee has been formed with Chittagong City Mayor Alhaj A B M Mahiuddin Chowdhury as chairman and prof Abdul Mannan as secretary.

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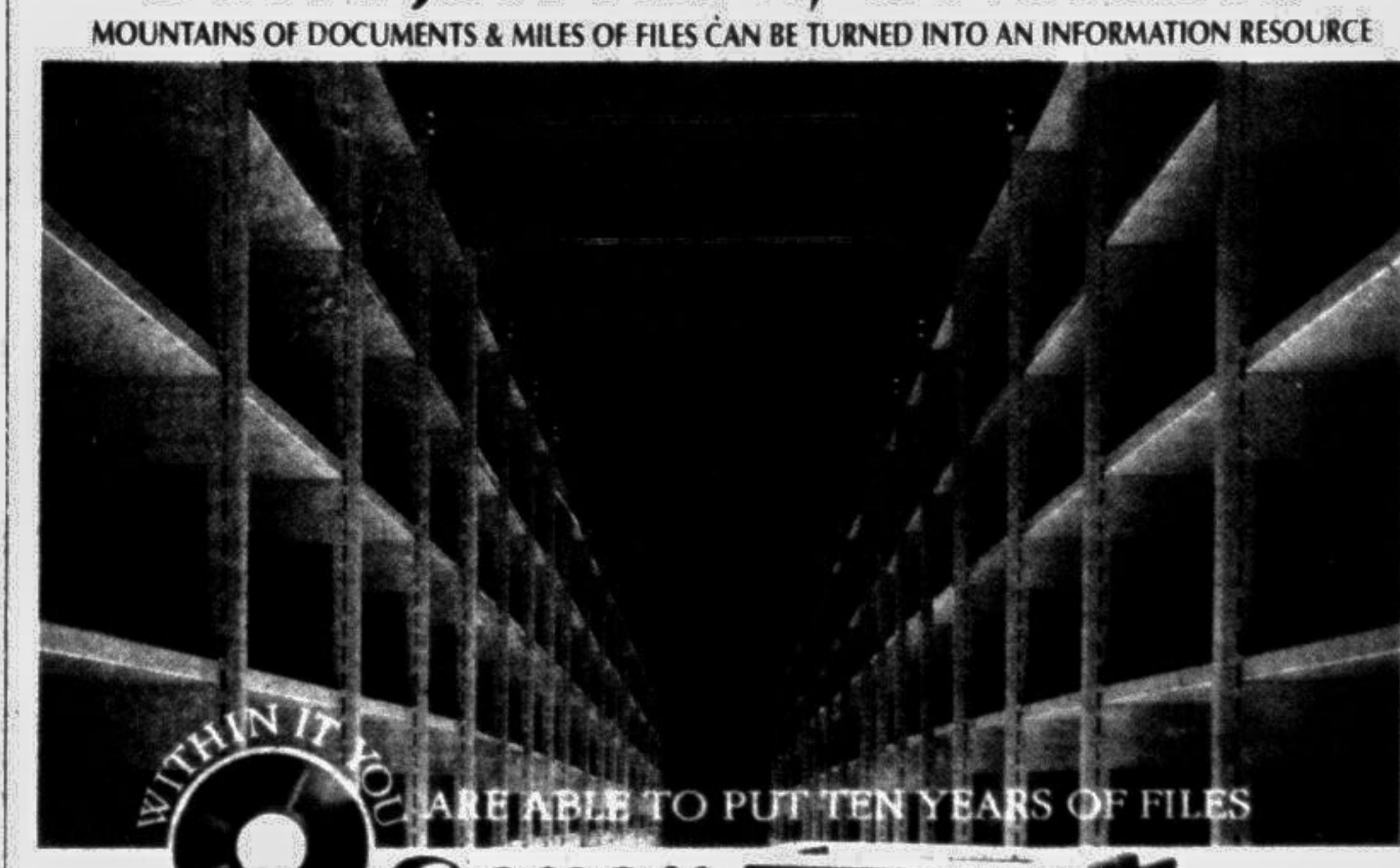


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