

Seminar on domestic engineering consultant opens

Transfer of technology from North to suit condition of road network

Five-day seminar on 'domestic engineering consultant' was inaugurated here yesterday with a call for transfer of technology from the developed countries to suit the condition of local road network, reports BSS.

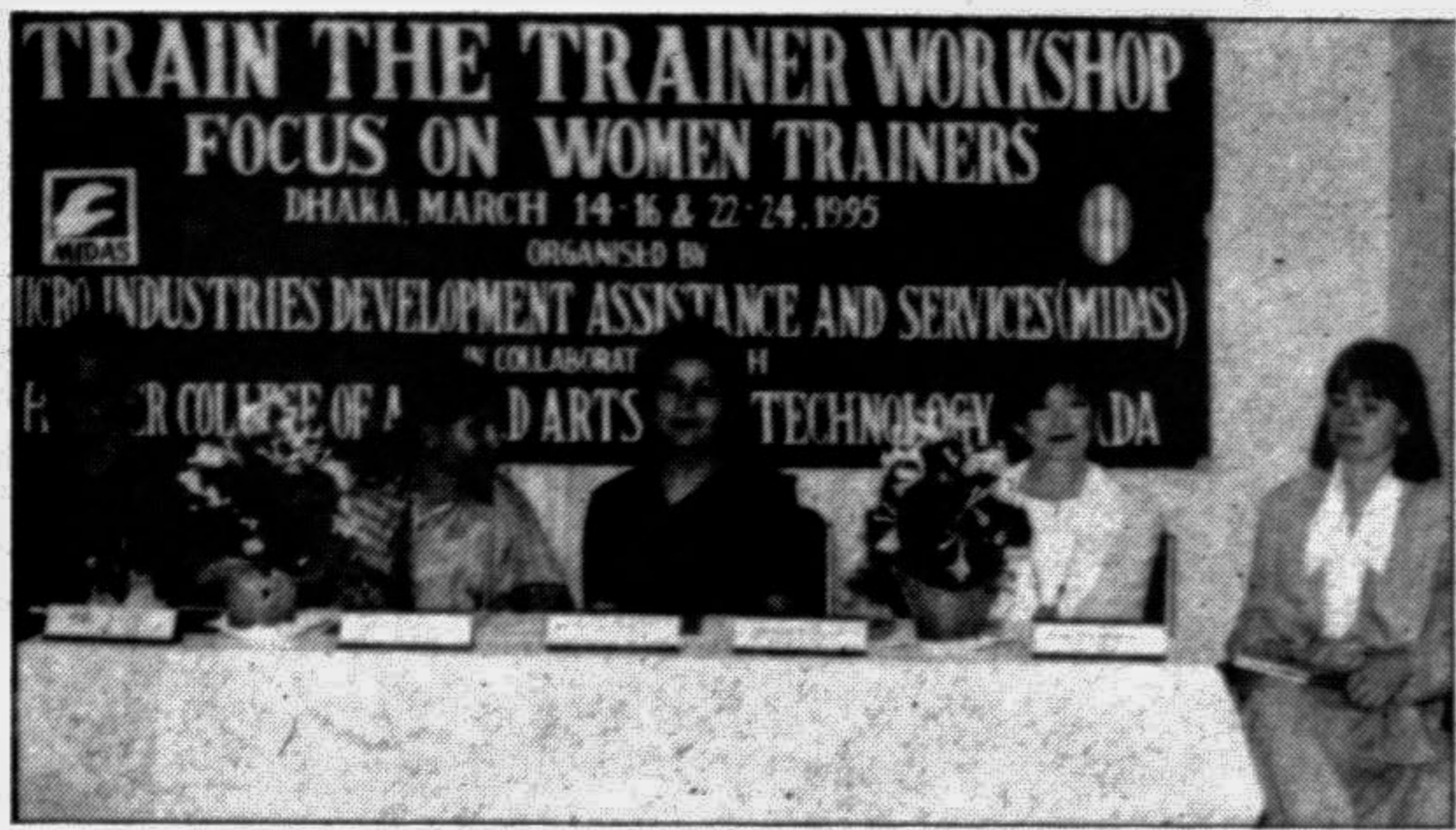
The road network of the country has to be planned and built using state-of-the-art techniques as, especially in the future, it will be a part of the global network. Communications Minister Oli Ahmad said in his inaugural speech at Hotel Sonargaon.

The Federation of International Engineering Council dubbed as the 'FIDIC' is sponsoring the seminar under the joint collaboration of the Roads and Road Transport Division of the Communication Ministry, Economic Relations Division, World Bank, ODA and Bangladesh Association of Consulting Engineers (BACE).

On Ahmad also referred to government's determination to bring the country out of the legacy of under-development with an aim to develop infrastructure to meet the development needs.

Rupali Bank okays Tk 288.23m for 12 industrial projects

Rupali Bank has okayed 12 industrial projects costing more than Taka 288.23 million during January and February this year, says a press release.



Rokia A Rahman, (M), member of Micro Industries Development Assistance and Services (MIDAS) presiding over a 3-day workshop on Train the trainer-focus on women organised by MIDAS in collaboration with Humber College of Applied Arts and Technology of Canada in the city yesterday.

Shares plunge on Bombay bourse after Congress poll defeat

BOMBAY, Mar 14: Share prices plunged on the Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) after the ruling Congress (I) Party suffered a stunning defeat in state polls in two key western states, Maharashtra and Gujarat, reports AFP.

EU breaks off contacts with Canada in fishing row

BRUSSELS, Mar 14: The European Union decided on Monday to break off all formal contacts with Canada until the Spanish trawler Estai, seized by Canadian coastguards in international waters last week, is released, reports AFP.

charged with illegal fishing and released on 8,000 dollars bond — a development which enraged EU diplomats.

problems given the EU's commitment to the disputes procedure of the World Trade Organisation.

Essential Drugs posts Tk 4.27 cr pre-tax profit

Essential Drugs Co Ltd, the country's only state-owned pharmaceutical company, has posted a pre-tax profit of Tk 4.27 crore in the last fiscal year (1993-94), says UNB.

Japan's corporate bankruptcies rise 10.7 pc

TOKYO, Mar 14: Japan's major corporate bankruptcies, each with at least 10 million yen (11,000 dollars) in liabilities, rose 10.7 per cent in February from a year earlier to 1,140 cases, Teikoku Databank said yesterday, reports AFP.

Japan offers no relief to debtors hit by high yen

TOKYO, Mar 14: Japanese officials said here they had no remedy for the growing debt burden that the yen's sharp appreciation has inflicted on China and other recipients of Japanese government loans, says Reuter.

Bakhrabad Gas Systems Limited (A Subsidiary Company of Petrobangla) Third Natural Gas Development Project. Tender Notice. Construction of 4 bar Gas pipe line within the scope of Comilla balancing net work at Rajendrapur, Anandasar & Gunanandi village at Banglabazar Area, Comilla.

Spain may sever diplomatic ties with Canada

Reuters report adds: Spain said diplomatic relations with Canada may be severed in a deepening row over fishing rights and the European Union rejected peace talks with Ottawa until it released a seized Spanish trawler.

Iran raising minimum wage by 20 pc

TEHRAN, Mar 14: Iran, where prices are rising steeply, is increasing its minimum wage by 20 per cent, a newspaper said yesterday, reports Reuter.



Emirates, the international airline of the UAE, organised a party for the staff members at Dhaka Sheraton Hotel recently. Mohd Shareef Abdul Raheem, Manager Bangladesh, seen with the staff members after handing over training certificates.

Egypt to open giant industrial project before end of 1995

CAIRO, Mar 14: Egypt will open before the end of 1995 its largest industrial project since the building of the Aswan high dam, a phosphate extraction facility in the western desert, the Industry Minister said today, reports AFP.

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Spain and the EU accuse Canada of piracy while Ottawa says it is legally trying to preserve fish stocks

The Estai remained in St John's, Newfoundland, where it was taken after the Canadian gunboats seized it.

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Ukrainian experts in line with an agreement struck between the three countries 1989, he added.

The phosphate will be mined on the Abu Tartur plateau in the western desert, approximately 600 kms (372 miles) west of Cairo, then transported by train to the port of Safage on the Red Sea, 600 km Southeast of the capital. From there it will be exported abroad.

Finance Minister M Saifur Rahman addressing a meeting of the Chairmen and Managing Directors of the private banks at the Conference Room of the Bangladesh Bank yesterday. State Minister for Finance Mojibur Rahman, Secretary, banking division and the deputy governors of Bangladesh Bank also seen in the picture.