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# Dhaka Day by Day

## Sampling the Campus Cuisine

by Tanya Mahnaz Huq

Everyday, the campus of the Dhaka University teems with thousands of students going about their studies, extra-curricular activities or even just idly gossiping the hours away. So, some form of refreshment is greatly needed to keep up the stamina of these energetic young people. In keeping with this need, the campus of DU offers many different eating spots to fill the hungry stomachs at affordable prices.

Officially the main canteens like Madhu's canteen, the TSC canteen, the DUCSU canteen and the ones attached to the halls are supposed to cater to the needs of both residential

and non-residential students. But different teastalls and snack shops can also be spotted all over the campus for those who are not interested only in 'bhat' and 'dal'. The canteens serve light snacks and cold drinks besides lunch. For instance, the TSC canteen serves light snacks like shingaras, patties, samosas, tea and cold drinks, and for lunch *potau* rice with chicken. 'Tehari' which is very popular is served once a week. For Tk 12 the amount of rice is more than enough to fill the hungriest stomach. This is the common fare in all the canteens with the prices varying, may be, a few takas here or there.

Now, coming to the snack shops 'DUS' and 'Campus Shadow' definitely head the list as most popular ones. Indeed, 'DUS' can be found



seen parked at strategic points. These carts are filled with delicious fast food and cold drinks and their prices are almost the same. Then, of course, there are the eternal 'phuchka' and 'chatpoti' stalls. Half plates of the item cost Tk 4/5 and full plates double that amount. There are also the teastalls on the footpaths where one can get tea and biscuits for a couple of taka, and the stalls that offer sliced fruits and cucumbers. These snacks cost hardly anything at all and are very filling.

Though doctors may certainly not agree that there are the most healthy and nutritious of foods, and parents may scold for eating 'junk' day after day, what would the students of Dhaka University do without their delicious 'campus cuisine'?

## Six die, 13 injured in separate incidents

By DMCH Correspondent

Five people including an Ansar personnel were killed, one reportedly committed suicide while 13 others received stab and bomb injuries in separate incidents in the city during the last 48 hours.

Bakul Ahmed, 32, an Ansar, was stabbed while chasing a gang of thieves at the Kamalapur railway station in the early hours of yesterday. He succumbed to his injuries at the Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH).

Railway police sources said Moslemuddin and Abul Quasem, two rail security guards, also received stab wounds in the same incident when the gang failed in their attempt to steal spare parts from a train bogie stationed at platform No 8 at around 4:30 am yesterday.

Quasem was released after first aid while Moslemuddin, whose condition was stated to be critical, was shifted to the Chest Disease Hospital from the DMCH.

Badal, 36, a resident of the Tejaon railway colony, was fatally stabbed by miscreants near his house late Saturday night. He later died at the DMCH.

Family sources said Hazrat Ali, a tenant of Badal's house, who had earlier been driven out, accompanied with hired mastans took revenge by stabbing Badal.

In another incident, Mokeddes, 30, a grocery shop employee, was stabbed to death by muggers while he was accompanying his cousin and employer Fazlu on a rickshaw at the Lohar Pool area under

Sutrapur police station at around 2 pm yesterday.

The muggers also stabbed Fazlu, 40, proprietor of Sheuli Store at Dalkanagar, and snatched Taka 80,000 in cash from him.

Police recovered the body of an unidentified boy, aged 14, from a pond at the Paikpara area under Mirpur police station yesterday noon. The boy drowned while bathing in the pond, police suspected.

An unidentified 65-year-old man was run over by a speeding truck near the Kanchpur bridge on the Dhaka-Chittagong highway Saturday morning.

Meherunnesa, 21, a housewife, who had earlier allegedly set herself on fire, succumbed to her burns at DMCH yesterday morning.

Meherunnesa, wife of Bazulur Rahman of Netrosebag under Keraniganj police station, reportedly took her life following her father's failure to comply with demand of Taka one lakh as dowry.

Meanwhile, six persons sustained injuries in various parts of the city as crackers were blasted sporadically in celebration of Ashura. At least four more were stabbed in separate incidents.

The injured were identified as Swapan Das, 35, Salma, 4, Shamsur Rahman, 25, Aziz, 45, Manik, 18, Zakir Hussain, 25, Saleh Noor, 18, Masum, 17, Md Hussain, 16, and Adam Ali, 25.

All the injured were admitted to the DMCH.

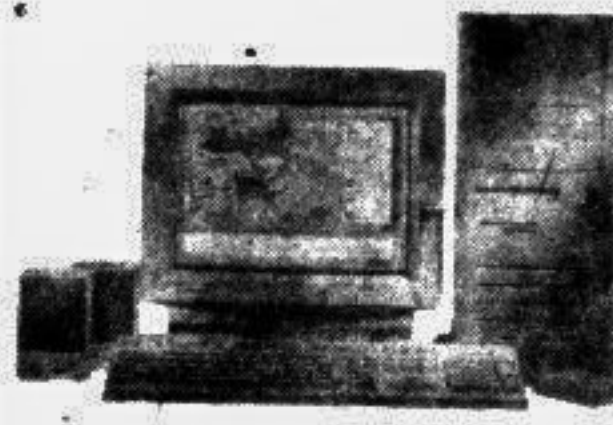
## Ramos greeted

President Abdur Rahman and Prime Minister Begum Khaleida Zia have felicitated President Fidel V Ramos of the Philippines on the occasion of his country's national day today, reports BSS.

The Bangladeshi leaders expressed their confidence that the existing cordial relations between the two nations would be further consolidated in the years to come.

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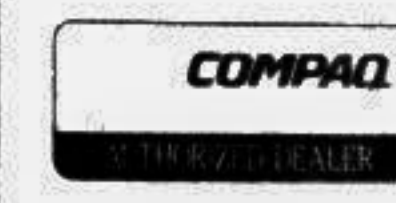
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## Biswas appraised of Impact Programme activities

Dr Hikmat Nabulsi, Coordinator of the Geneva-based Global Impact Programme, called on President Abdur Rahman Biswas at Bangabhaban yesterday, reports UNB.

Dr Nabulsi apprised the President of the activities of the Impact Programme and the initiatives of the organisation against avoidable physical disability.

He also informed the President about the Jiban Tary, a river boat hospital project, which will be a floating mobile hospital working in 19 coastal districts and off-shore islands of southern Bangladesh.

The President urged the people concerned to complete the work of the floating boat hospital at an early date and start serving the ailing people as early as possible.

The hospital will provide general medical services and special curative services to people suffering from eye,

ENT and orthopaedic diseases. President Biswas appreciated their welfare-oriented programmes and stated the need for mass awareness to guard against avoidable disability.

People with disability can also contribute towards national welfare, Biswas added.

## Special train service in Ctg

CHITTAGONG, June 11: A special train will run between Chittagong and Bhatiary on June 15 for the convenience of the guests invited at the passing-out parade of the Bangladesh Military Academy, reports BSS.

The train will leave Chittagong railway station for Bhatiary at 6:30 am and depart Bhatiary at 12 noon on the day, an ISPR press release said.

## Russian leaders greeted

President Abdur Rahman Biswas and Prime Minister Begum Khaleida Zia yesterday greeted their Russian counterparts President Boris Yeltsin and Prime Minister Victor Chernomyrdin, on the occasion of the state day of the Russian federation today, reports BSS.

## Laser therapy Experts hope for new results

Noted medical professionals have expressed the hope that revolutionary results would come out from low energy laser therapy treatment, which has recently been introduced in Bangladesh by Radiation activated Magnetic Infrared Therapy (RAMIT) of Dhaka, reports BSS.

In a discussion by noted medical experts on Friday, Prof SIM Golam Mannan explained the background of the laser therapy.

## 'Commercial instts to be upgraded to degree level'

The commercial institutes of the country would be upgraded to the degree level in phases, Education Minister Jamiruddin Sircar said in the city yesterday, reports BSS.

The upgrading would help promote the standard of commercial education and the student would become more self-confident in their future careers, he said, while speaking as the chief guest at a prize distribution ceremony held at the Dhaka Commercial Institution in the city.

## Discussion on remote sensing programmes

State Minister for Planning Dr Abdul Moyeen Khan has emphasised the need for undertaking realistic and integrated programmes on space research and remote sensing activities in the Asia-Pacific (ESCAP) region, giving top priority to the welfare of the people, reports BSS.

Moyeen was speaking as the chief guest at the inaugural session of a four-day discussion on "national remote sensing centres/programmes in the ESCAP region" organised by the ESCAP countries at a hotel in the city on Saturday.

Presided over by the chairman of the Bangladesh Space Research and Remote Sensing Organisation (SPARRSO) A A Z Ahmed, the inaugural session was also addressed by ESCAP representative Guan Chang Shi and acting resident representative of the UNDP in Dhaka Subinoy Nandi.

## BMC hostels open to examinees

BARISAL, June 11: The authorities have decided to open the hostels of the Barisal Medical College (BMC) from tomorrow for a temporary period for holding professional examinations of different sessions of the collage, reports UNB.

According to a decision of the Academic Council, the hostels will open only for the examinees who have been asked to show their admit cards to reside at the hostels.

The examinations will begin on June 14. The authorities said the hostels will remain open till June 22.

## Radio phone-in June 14

The next "phone-in" programme of Radio Bangladesh will be broadcast at 7:30 am on June 14 (Wednesday), reports UNB.

The programme will be on family planning, said a Radio Bangladesh press release.

Khairuzaman Chowdhury, Director General of Family Planning, will answer the questions and queries of the listeners from the studios of the National Broadcasting House.

Interested persons have been requested to record their questions in advance on telephone number 817870 between 10 and 11 am on June 13 and 14.

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