Teasing or Torture

by Farah Ghuznavi

Most of us are familiar with the term "eveteasing", which is used to describe the harassment that many women, especially vounger ones, face on the streets and in various walks of life. Yet the term "eveteasing", with its rather old-fashioned sound, has a degree of charm and a quaint ring to it. which is quite out of place considering the behaviour that it actually stands for. Generally this is taken to mean comments to women as they go through the streets, but the forms of harassment which women have to face that often fall into this category are wide-ranging, and on occasion, can be downright traumatic.

Consider an incident mentioned by one of my colleagues, which concerned the darwan (guard) of a school she attended for many years. This man used to stay in a room, off a corridor which the schoolgirls had to go through in order to reach their classrooms. He was in the habit of standing around inside the room, near the open doorway, and occasionally exposing himself to the girls as they passed. Most of the time, the girls concerned were too horrified and ashamed to mention anything about this to the school authorities, or even to each other. However, one day, when my colleague was going past with two of her friends and this happened. their involuntary shrieks brought one of the class teachers out to find out what had happened. The darwan, failing to realise that this was a teacher and not one of the students, continued his obscene behaviour. Thankfully, the shocked teacher went to see the headmistress, and the next day, he was fired. However, it is worth mentioning that the girls had to put up with him for several years before this happened.

A less drastic incident concerned a friend of mine, who was studying at Chittagong University. Everyday, the bus that she took to college passed a a shopping area, where there was a pharmacy on the second floor. There was a man who used to stand there everyday, who chewed paan, (betel leaf) and when the busfull of students went past, would leer at the women and stick his tongue out at them lasciviously. His paan habit meant that this tongue was always bright red, and this made it hard to miss what he was doing. Understandably, the women found his behaviour offensive (which was no doubt

exactly the reaction that he wanted), and most of them dreaded that part of the ride. Finally, one day one of the more daring students waited until they were riding past that store, and made a gesture to the man indicating that his tongue should be sliced off. Surprisingly enough, this actually worked, and they did not see the man standing at that

Usually, it takes more drastic action to stop men like this, and a good example was provided by the experience of another colleague, who was approached by a man holding a stick, who appeared to be mad, and made a number of lewd suggestions to her when she was at Kamalapur Railway Station. She was so enraged by his behaviour that she lost all sense of fear, grabbed the stick from him, and shouted at him. He was so taken aback at her reaction (no doubt anticipating that her shame and humiliation at his behaviour would render her helpless), that he actually ran away from her. She hurled the stick at his departing back, and stood there shaking, as reaction began to set in.

That there is no event where you can rely on such incidents not occurring was brought home to me when I went to view the events on Victory Day a few years ago, which a group of friends. We had no sooner entered the crowd then the men there began - for want of a better word — to "handle" us. We objected vigorously, but there were so many of them, that it was hard to figure out who was doing what. Finally, we left the celebrations, with a bad taste lingering in our mouths. If people behave like that on an occasion like Victory Day, what can you expect from them the rest of the time?

How much of this behaviour women have to face everyday on the streets of Dhaka is not known to me, but given the experiences mentioned by friends and colleagues, and some of the behaviour I have come across myself (including the Victory Day Incident), it seems to be fairly widespread. Most of the time, the humiliation and embarrassment prevent women from objecting, and so they are forced to put up with such incidents occurring on a daily basis. Thus, as far as I'm concerned, "Eve" is not being teased on the streets of Dhaka, she is being tortured.



Library after Father Novak in city

pher of religion, author, and winner of the 1994 Templeton Prize for progress in religion - will dedicate the new library at Notre Dame College and participate in three lecture and discussion programmes, during his visit to Bangladesh August 20-25.

says a press release. Novak, former US ambassador to the Human Rights Commission in Geneva, will College in memory of his August 22 at 5 pm. brother. Holy Cross Father Richard Novak, on August 21.

Father Novak - who was teaching at Notre Dame College and studying Arabic and Islam at Dhaka University - was killed in Bangladesh during communal disturbances in 1964.

Novak will speak at a lecture session titled "Are

Michael Novak - philoso- dedicate the new library Human Rights Universal?" at building at Notre Dame the Sunderban Hotel on

> The Institute of Democratic Rights and USIS will jointly host the session.

Novak will participate in a policy dialogue on "Capitalism for the Poor, Capitalism for Democracy," at the Sheraton Hotel, organised by the Centre for Policy Dialogue on August 23.



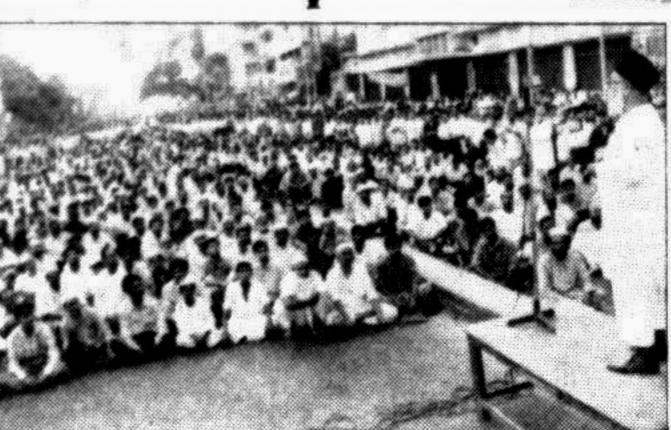
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ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশন

আপনার পরিবেশ সুন্দর ও পরিচ্ছন রাখুন আপনার শিশুকে টিকা দিন

এতছারা ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের যান্ত্রিক সার্কেলের তালিকান্ত্রু ঠিকাদারণণের নিকট হইতে নিম্নে বর্ণিত কাজের জন্য বাংলাদেশ ফরম নং ২৯১১ তে সীলমোহরকত খামে দরপত্র আহবান করা যাইতেছে। দরপত্র আগামী ২৪-০৮-৯৫ইং (৯-৫-১৪০২বাং) তারিখ বেলা ১২-০০ ঘটিকা নাগাদ নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী (যান্ত্রিক-১), সকল আঞ্চলিক নির্বাহী কর্মকর্তার অফিস এবং মহাব্যবস্থাপক (পরিঃ)-এর দপ্তরের সম্মুখে রক্ষিত টেভার বাক্সে গ্রহণ করা হইবে এবং একই দিন বেলা ১২-৩০ ঘটিকার সময় উপস্থিত দরপত্রদাতা অথবা তাহাদের প্রতিনিধিদের সম্মুখে (যদি কেই উপস্থিত থাকেন) খোলা ইইবে। প্রাক্তলিত দরের ৫% (শতকরা পাঁচ) ভাগ বায়নার টাকা (ফেরতযোগ্য) হিসাবে মেয়র, ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের অনুকূলে যে কোন সিডিউল ব্যাৎকের ব্যাংক ডাফট/পে–অর্ডার আকারে দরপত্রের সহিত সংযুক্ত করিতে হইবে। শতকরা হিসাবে দর অংক এবং কথায় উভয়ই পরিষ্কারভাবে উল্লেখ করিতে হইবে। অন্যথায় দরপত্র বাতিল বলিয়া গণ্য করা হইবে। শতকরা ৫% (পীচ) ভাগ উর্ধ্ব অথবা নিম্ন প্রদন্ত দরের জন্য দর বিশ্রেষণ (এনালাইসিস) দাখিল করিতে হইবে। প্রকৌশল বিভাগ (যান্ত্রিক-১)সহ সকল আঞ্চলিক নির্বাহী কর্মকর্তার অফিস এবং হিসাব বিভাগের, হিসাবরক্ষকের নিকট হইতে কাজের পার্শ্বে বর্ণিত মুল্যের রিনিময়ে (অফেরতযোগ্য) দরপত্র সিডিউল ক্রয় করা যাইরে। এতদসংক্রান্ত বিস্তারিত বিবরণ অফিস চলাকালীন সময়ে নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী (যান্ত্রিক-১)-এর দপ্তর হইতে জানা যাইবে। দরপত্র খোলার তারিখে কোন সিডিউল বিক্রয় করা হইবে না। কোন প্রকার কারণ দর্শানো ব্যতিরেকেই যে কোন অথবা সমুদয় দর্পত গ্রহণ বা বাতিল-এর অধিকার

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Jamaat leader Motiur Rahman Nizami addressing a public meeting in the city yesterday. - Star photo

What's on today

Children's Painting Competition: On the occasion of the Universal Children day, Addhayan, an organisation for the new generation has organised the 3rd open children painting competition. Venue: Bangladesh Shishu Academy. Time: 9:30 am.

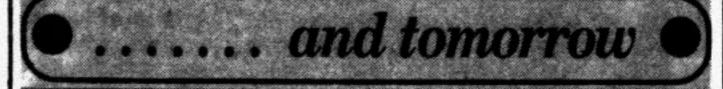
Superior VOA Fan Club: The regular monthly meeting will be held. Venue: 6. Kabi Jashimuddin Road. Time: 1:30 pm.

DU Islamic History Deptt: Reunion of former students of the department will be held. The half-yearly general meeting of Former Students' Association will also be held. Venue: Officers' club. Time: 5 pm.

Video on Marketing Management: Rapport Bangladesh Limited will hold a video presentation on marketing management. Venue: Sonargaon Hotel. Time: 3

Theatre School: The concluding ceremony of the course of the 5th batch students of the school will be held. Venue: Auditorium of the Kendrya Kanchi Kanchar Mela, 37/A Segunbagicha. Time: 7 pm. A 5th batch production Bish Birikher Bij will be staged.

Children's Painting Show: An exhibition of selected paintings of the Bangladeshi Children for the Mitsubishi Impression Gallery of the Asian children painting festival will be on display. Chief guest: Works Minister Rafiqul Islam Mian. Venue: Shilpakala Academy auditorium. Time: 4 pm.



Pioneer VOA Fan Club: The regular monthly meeting will be held. Venue: 144, Santinagar. Time: 7 pm.

Metropolitan VOA Fan Club: The regular monthly meeting will be held. Venue: 16/1, Nayapaltan. Time: 5:30 pm.

Red Crescent lottery results

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The draw of 11th lottery	Ga046940	Ga530202
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cent Society (BDRCS) was	Ga290218	Ga094341
held at the Nursing School	Ga148595	Ga301233
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rk 10 lakh to ticket no Kha 058976, the third prize of Tk 5 lakh to ticket no Cha 538411 while ticket no Ka 457606 won the fourth prize of Tk one lakh.

Following is the detail of other prizes:

Fifth prizes of Tk 10,000 Ka358147 Kha265255

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Japan Bangabandhu Parishad programme

The Bangabandhu Parishad, Japan Chapter, has made special arrangements to mark the 20th death anniversary of Bangbandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman in

By Staff Correspondent Programmes include milad mahfil on August 19 and a discussion on August

An emergency meeting of the branch was held in Tokyo

the chair.

Kafiluddin Ahmed Khan, Mizanur Rahman Shelly, Prabir Bikash Sarkar, Mazharul Islam Masum, Capt. Chishti and Emdadul Huq with DAKM Mahbub Reza in spoke on the occasion.

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Tender documents will be available during office hours up to 27-08-1995 with the Accounts Department of PUFFL, Polash, Narsingdi and Controller of Accounts, BCIC, 30-31, Dilkusha C/A., Dhaka. Sealed tenders will be received separately in the Offices of the Dy. Chief Engineer (Civit) PUFFL, Polash, Narsingdi and Sr. General Manager (Const.), BCIC, Dhaka on 28-08-1995 at 11-00 AM and will be opened at 11-15 AM. Each tender must be supported by Pay Order/Bank Draft on any Scheduled Bank in Bangladesh 2% over quoted amount in favour of the Managing Director, PUFFL, Polash, Narsingdi as Earnest Money, otherwise the tender will be cancelled. Management reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders.

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Notice for International Tender

BAPEX invite quotation from the reputed Manufacturers/Suppliers for supply the following International Tender for Saldha Nadi Drilling Project of the

Company under Cash Foreign Exchange. Closing date Tender No. Description Price of tender Opening date & time | document (Nonrefundable) BAPEX/PD/INT/TEN-BARYTE Tk. 750.00 04-10-95 04-10-95 62/95 11.15 AM US\$ 20.00 11.00 AM BAPEX/PD/INT/TEN-05-10-95 05-10-95 TK. 500.00 OVERHAULING OF SACM DIESEL 11.00 AM 11.15 AM US\$ 15.00 66/95

Tender documents containing detailed specification and terms & conditions will be available with BAPEX, Accounts & Finance Division, Ibrahim Mansion (4th floor) 11, Purana Paltan, Dhaka from 26-8-95 on all working days between 9.00 hrs. to 12.30 hrs. on payment. The quotation will be received and opened as per date & time mentioned above in presence of the bidders/representatives, if any. No tender documents will be sold on the tender opening day. BAPEX reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reasons whatsoever.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES/SHIPPERS

FEEDER VESSEL M. V. FONG SHIN VOY 9523 IMP. ROT NO. 732/95 IS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE CHITTAGONG OUTER ANCHORAGE ON OR ABOUT 18.08.1995 WITH EVERGREEN CONTAINERS RELAYED AT SINGAPORE EX FOLLOWING VESSELS:-

VESSEL PORT PORT VESSEL CHARLESTON E. GOING HONG KONG .E. REWARD 0064-065W KEELUNG 0633RW-014 HONG KONG KAOHSIUNG KAOHSIUNG UNI SUPERB PASIR GUDANG MOJI NORFOLK 0454BS-102 PUSAN E. GOVERN HONG KONG TOKYO 0063-061W KEELUNG KAOHSIUNG YOKKAICHI

CONSIGNEES ARE REQUESTED TO CLEAR THEIR CARGOES IMMEDIATELY ON DISCHARGE. CARGOES UNCLEARED WITHIN 45 DAYS FROM THE ARRIVAL DATE OF THE VESSEL WILL BE DISPOSED WITHOUT ANY REFERENCE TO THE CONSIGNEES, AS PER CUSTOM RULES.

M. V. FONG SHIN VOY 9524 WILL ALSO LOAD CONTAINERS UNDER EXP. ROT NO.704/95 FOR SINGAPORE ONWARD TRANSHIPMENT TO U.S.A. EAST & WEST COASTS, EUROPEAN, U.K. & MEDITERRANEAN PORTS.

FOR DETAILS AND CARGO BOOKINGS PLEASE CONTACT OUR BANGLADESH AGENTS:



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