

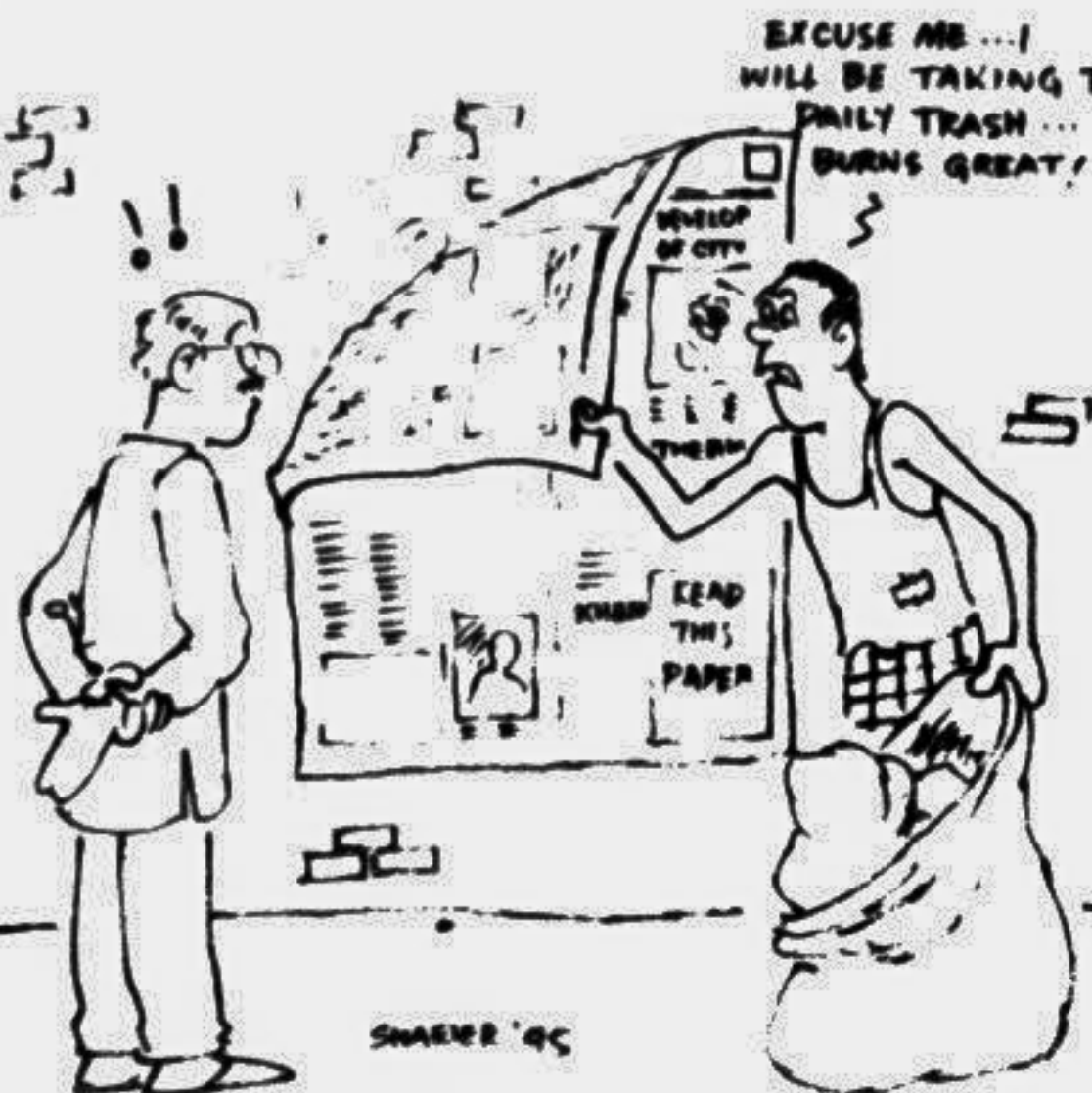
Dhaka Day by Day

Newspaper on the Wall

by Tanya Mahnaz Huq

One of the interesting sights we come across walking in the city roads is the sheets of newspapers pasted on the street walls in different parts of the metropolis for people to read. Newspapers are one of the essential means of media communication, but in a poverty-stricken country like ours, it is not always possible for the average man to buy or subscribe a newspaper every single day or for a whole month. For this reason, many are deprived of reading a paper even if they wish to. So these newspapers (the Bengali ones, mostly) help the ordinary man on the street to keep some track of what is going on in the world around him; of course, if he is able to read, that is. These are found in different areas of Dhaka, for instance in Mohakhali, in Farmgate, Mottijheel, Sobhanbag, at Science Laboratory corner in front of some newspaper offices, (Ittefaq, Jono Kantho etc) and at countless other spots. Some of these are pasted on walls by courtesy of Lions or other organisations, and

some by the newspaper offices themselves. The pages are pasted side by side, enabling the readers to go through them easily. They are quite often found near bus-stands, perhaps so that the people sitting around waiting for buses can kill time by reading them. Actually, it is not only these people, but also the old, retired, gentlemen and the countless unemployed youths, who having nothing better to do than roam about the streets, spend time everyday in reading these. In fact one old gentleman informed that he went by a particular spot for his evening walks, just to get a free look at the newspapers. Of course, these newspapers serve their purpose to whoever reads them. They provide the common man with the opportunity to keep track of what is happening all around us. So hats off to the people who came up with this unique and wonderful idea!



Art contest at Shishu Academy

A day-long art competition to mark the 20th anniversary of Sino-Bangla diplomatic relations was held in the city yesterday, reports ESS.

Energy and Mineral Resources Minister Dr Khandaker Mosharraf Hossain inaugurated the competition at Bangladesh Shishu Academy organised by the Bangladesh-China Friendship Association.

Some 400 children participated in the competition in three groups. Inaugurating the competition, the minister, who is also the vice-president of the Bangladesh-China Friendship Association said, China is a trusted friend and development partner of Bangladesh.

The inaugural function was also addressed by the Chinese ambassador to Bangladesh, Jang Shujayng, secretary general of the association Najmul Haq Nannu and joint secretary general Azizul Islam.

Jehad's death anniversary today

The 5th anniversary of death of Shaheed Jehad will be observed today, reports UNB.

Jehad, a college student from Sirajganj district, was shot dead in the city on this day during the anti-autocracy mass movement in 1990.

Shaheed Jehad Smriti Parisaad has taken up elaborate programmes to observe the day.

The programmes include discussion, staging of drama and peoples chorus, said a press release.

The parisaad will hold a discussion at Shilpakala Academy auditorium, in the afternoon.

Deputy Leader of the House, Prof AQM Badruddoza Chowdhury will attend the function as chief guest while Energy and Mineral Resources Minister Dr Khandaker Mosharraf Hossain and Jute Minister ASM Hannan Shah will be present as special guests.

A number of former and present student leaders will participate in the discussion.

JCD calls for dialogue

Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) the student wing of the ruling BNP has urged the opposition to solve the prevailing political crisis through dialogue within the framework of the constitution.

JCD leaders at a rally in front of the DUCSU building yesterday criticised the opposition threat to gherao the residence of the Prime Minister.

Recalling the memory of Jehad who was killed on October 10, 1990 during the anti-autocratic movement, JCD president Fazlul Haq Milan, said All Party Students Unity (APSU), formed following the death of Jehad, ousted the autocratic Ershad from power. The JCD leader said, collaboration with the killers of Jehad is against the spirit of 90s mass upsurge.

The JCD leaders also said, it would not be possible for the opposition to oust the BNP government through hartal, strike, gherao and false case.



Labour and Manpower Minister Mir Shawkat Ali speaking at an emergency meeting of the city unit of BNP yesterday. — Star photo

What's on today....

World Mental Health Day: National Institute of Mental Health and Bangladesh Association of Psychiatrists will jointly observe the day. Venue: Shaheed Dr Milan Hall PG Hospital. Time: 11 am. Chief guest: Chowdhury Kamal Ibne Yusuf, Minister for Health and Family Welfare.

Iranian Cultural Week: Dr Ali Akbar Velayati, Foreign Minister, Islamic Republic of Iran and M Morshed Khan Especial Envoy of Prime Minister will jointly inaugurate the week. Venue: National Museum. Time: 4:30 pm.

Lecture on US foreign policy: Stephen F Dachtl, a senior officer of the US Information Agency will deliver the talk. Venue: Bangladesh Institute of International and Strategic Studies (BISS) auditorium. Time: 4 pm.

Memorial meet on Farhad: A discussion will be held to mark the eighth death anniversary of comrade M Farhad, former general secretary of Communist Party of Bangladesh (CPB). Venue: CPB office, Purana Paltan. Time: 4 pm.

Documentary film show: Pramanyokar has organised the screening of the film 'Triumph of the Will'. Venue: Goethe Institut. Time: 6 pm.

Rotary Club of Ramna: The regular weekly meeting of the club will be held. Venue: Sonargaon Hotel. Time: 5:30 pm.

Shiksha O Sanskriti Charcha Kendra: The award ceremony of a children's painting competition organised by the Kendra to mark the first death anniversary of S M Sultan will be held. Venue: Biswa Shahitya Kendra. Time: 10 am. Hashem Khan will give away prizes.

PIB workshop: A week-long workshop on nonformal education organised by the Press Institute of Bangladesh (PIB) will begin. Venue: PIB seminar room. Dr M Tauhidul Anwar, Director General of PIB will inaugurate.

Rotary Club of Dhaka New City: The regular weekly meeting of the club will be held. Venue: Sonargaon Hotel. Time: 5:30 pm.

Drama show: The annual drama of Biman Bangladesh Airlines, Ashanto Akash will be staged. Venue: Shishu Academy. Time: 6:30 pm. Chief guest: State Minister for Civil Aviation and Tourism, Abdul Mannan.

Rotary Club of Motijheel: The regular weekly meeting of the club will be held. Venue: Purbani Hotel. Time: 5:30 pm.

Talk on S M Sultan: A discussion titled 'Artist S M Sultan: His Life and Struggle' will be held to mark the first death anniversary of the artist. Venue: Seminar room, Shilpakala Academy. Time: 4:30 pm. Chief guest: Sayeed Ahmad.

Book launching: The book Photography Vidya by Masud ur Rahman will be launched. Venue: Children's auditorium, National Museum. Artist Mostafa Monowar will preside.

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Science lecture: A talk on Modern Research on Material will be held. Venue: National Museum of Science and Technology auditorium. Time: 4 pm. Prof Ali Asgar will deliver the talk.

Safety week at Sheraton opens

State Minister for Civil Aviation and Tourism Abdul Mannan yesterday called upon all concerned to take all-out efforts to make Dhaka Sheraton more profitable, reports BSS.

He said hotel business was always profitable and there was no reason why it would incur any loss whatsoever.

He was addressing the inaugural ceremony of the 'Environmental, Health and Safety Week' organised by the hotel.

He said, Dhaka Sheraton should earn minimum of ten per cent profit per year.

He stressed the development of a management system for smooth running of the hotel.

Termining environmental health and safety as a matter of paramount importance in the hotel business, he urged all to render their best in this regard.

The function was also addressed by the secretary of the hotel Fazlur Rahman and acting general manager Khandker Shaful Alam.

Weather

Thundershower likely

Light to moderate rain or thundershower with temporary gusty wind is likely to occur at one or two places over Dhaka, Chittagong, Barisal and Khulna divisions in the next 12 hours till 6 pm today, reports UNB.

Met Office said weather may remain mainly dry over Sylhet and Rajshahi divisions during the period.

World Mental Health Day today

The World Mental Health Day will be observed today in the country as elsewhere in the world.

The Institute of Mental Health and Research (IMHR) in cooperation with the Bangladesh Association of Psychiatrists (BAP) has planned a series of programmes.

The programmes include a rally from PG Hospital to the Jatiya Press Club at 6:30 am and a discussion at 11 am at Shaheed Dr Milan Hall in the PG Hospital, which will be inaugurated by the Health and Family Welfare Minister Chowdhury Kamal Ibne Yusuf.

Various programmes will also be observed at Pabna Mental Hospital and other medical college hospitals and health institutes.

The World Health Organisation (WHO) is co-sponsoring the day with the US-based World Federation for Mental Health (WFMH).

Indian mission opens 8 new visa counters

The Indian High Commission in the city opened eight new visa counters yesterday to facilitate and ease the issuance of visas to Bangladeshi nationals, reports UNB.

This is part of the ongoing process in the high commission to provide better facilities to the visa applicants who wish to visit India, a press release from the Indian mission said.

It asked all visa applicants to approach the high commission directly and not through "middlemen."

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Name of work: Remaining works, for construction of Auditorium Cum Community Centre (In/u.some Repairs and Renovation) at Rajshahi during 1995-96.

Estimated cost: Tk 7,02,768/- only. Earnest money: Tk 14,056/- only.

Contract documents consisting of Bangladesh Form No. 2911, schedule of items of work additional terms and conditions etc. can be seen and obtained from the office of the Executive Engineer, PWD - Division-I/II, Rajshahi/Pabna/Natore/Naogaon on payment of usual charges (Non-refundable). The tender form may be purchased by the contractor himself or his representative on production of authorised letter bearing the signature of the representative duly attested by the contractor along with the registration book. The tender papers will be sold up to 5-00 on the 21-10-95 Eng.

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- ২) দরপত্র গ্রহণের তারিখ: ১৬-১০-৯৫ইং এর স্থলে ২২-১০-৯৫ইং হইবে।
- ৩) দরপত্র খোলার তারিখ: ১৮-১০-৯৫ইং এর স্থলে ২৪-১০-৯৫ইং হইবে।
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Tender Notice

No-08/95-96 (RDP-3)

1. Sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No. 2911 are hereby invited from the prequalified and valid contractors of Rural Development Project-3: Infrastructure, Greater Sylhet District. The name of the scheme and scheme No are to be stated on the envelope of the tender. The tender schedules will be sold to the enlisted contractors (who have successfully completed previous schemes allotted to them) from the office of the undersigned, Project Director, RDP-3 LGED, Baghbari, Sylhet; Deputy Commissioner, Moulvibazar, Sylhet/Sunamganj/Habiganj and Executive Engineer, LGED, Sylhet, Sunamganj and Habiganj office on or before 22nd October/95. The tender documents have to be dropped on 23rd October/1995 up to 1:00 PM and the tenders will be opened on the same day at 1:15 PM in presence of the contractors or their representatives (who make like to present)
2. In the tender, item wise unit rate is to be quoted both on figure and in words against each item with analysis. If the analysis submitted by the contractor is not justified his tender will not be acceptable by the authority.
3. Earnest money at 2.5% of the total quoted tender value are to be deposited with the tender in the form of BD/CD from the scheduled commercial bank in favour of the Executive Engineer, LGED, Moulvibazar
4. Before issuing work order the successful contractors has to deposit performance bond amounting 7.5% of contract value within 3 days from the day it has been asked for
5. This notice in precise other information regarding the tender bid in question can be collected from the office of the undersigned during the office hours
6. The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders without showing any reason.
7. Vat Registration Certificate shall be furnished with tender, otherwise tender will be declared informal

| Sl No | Name of the Schemes and length | Price of tender schedule per set (Tk) | Work completion (Days) |
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| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Moul 01 (I) | Const of Rajnagar-Fatehpur Road (Ch-9 80km-11 80km) | 1000/00 | 120 |
| Moul 01 (J) | Const of Rajnagar-Fatehpur Road (Ch 11.80km-13.80km) | 1000/00 | 120 |
| Moul 01 (K) | Const. of Rajnagar-Fatehpur Road (Ch 13 80km-15 30km) | 500/00 | 120 |
| Moul 20 (B) | Const of Lalpur-Hingojia Rd (Ch.2.40km-3.20km) (2nd call) | 500/00 | 120 |

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Executive Engineer